To: Admin of Melioidosis Research Coordination Network (RCN)

We would like to report that the numbers of cases of culture-confirmed melioidosis diagnosed in the Microbiology Laboratory of Mahosot Hospital, Vientiane Capital, Lao PDR, over the past 18 years, along with their outcomes, were as follows:

Year	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Die	0	2	2	1	2	11	4
Discharge well	1	1	6	4	4	23	27
Discharge moribund	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Discharge against medical advice	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unknown	0	0	0	1	3	1	2
Total	1	3	8	6	9	35	33

2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	Total
10	8	7	18	30	20	31	27	27	43	36	164
33	62	47	32	81	40	50	83	91	76	113	413
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	3	6	11
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	3
1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	7	2	11
44	72	54	50	111	60	81	110	122	131	158	1088

It is important to stress that this laboratory receives samples not only from patients of Mahosot Hospital but also from other hospitals in and around Vientiane (Capital and Province), and also from some hospitals in other provinces (especially Salavan, Xieng Khouang and Luang Namtha). The hospital is a central referral hospital and also receives patients referred from other provinces for investigation and treatment. Although the majority of the cases reported above are from in and around Vientiane, we have seen cases from every province in Lao PDR except Luang Namtha.

We are happy to be the contact persons about melioidosis cases at the hospital.

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Note from Admin of Melioidosis Research Coordination Network (RCN):

Total number of deaths, illustrated in the bar graph for "Culture-confirmed human Melioidosis cases-Last 5 years with mortality data", included "Died", "Discharge moribund" and "Discharged against advice". To: Admin of Melioidosis Research Coordination Network (RCN) <melioidosis.info@tropmedres.ac>

On behalf of my institution, I want to note that my institution would like to be described on www.melioidosis.info with that we can support other people outside of my own institution as following.

List of possible supports.

- B. pseudomallei identification: [Yes]Isolate or specimen storage: [Yes]
- Research collaboration: [Yes]
- Biosafety guidance: [Yes]
- Reporting human cases (Yes for Mahosit hospitals & other hospital from different provinces in Laos mainly include Salavan, Xieng Khouang and Luang Namtha)

I am totally aware that cost of the support is up to the discussion from my own institution and those who seek the supports.

I want the following note to be displayed on the website under the list of possible supports (maximum 250 characters)

LOMWRU and Mahosot Microbiology Laboratory have many years of experience of working in this field and are open to discussion about collaborations of any kind. Other contributors: Dr Manivanh Vongsouvath <a href="mainvanh@tropmedres.ac">manivanh@tropmedres.ac</a>

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