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“Community Health Assessment in Salak Island, Sarawak, Malaysian Borneo”

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Dr. Nor Aliza Abdul Rahim received her B.Sc. in Biology in 1989 from Iowa State University and M.Sc. and Ph.D. in Entomology from University of Nebraska-Lincoln in 1997 and 2001, respectively. She is a Faculty member at the Faculty (College) of Medicine and Health Sciences of Universiti Malaysia Sarawak (UNIMAS) since 1994. At present she is the Head of the Department of Paraclinical Sciences of the faculty. Dr. Nor Aliza's research interest is on the container breeding mosquitoes particularly focusing on *Aedes albopictus* and *Aedes aegypti* species. These are mosquito vectors that can transmit the dengue virus which causes tremendous public health problems in Malaysia and other endemic countries. Over the years she has also developed a keen interest in forensic entomology and started to conduct ecological surveys which enable her to develop databases for forensically important flies in Kuching, Sarawak. Recently she joined her faculty team to conduct health assessment on Villagers of Salak Island near Kuching, Sarawak, East Malaysia, where an entomological survey was also included.