

### Kenya Water Project

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Kenya

#### The cradle of civilization

- Population = 31.5 M
- Area = 582,650 sq km

(roughly twice the size of Nevada)

# Child mortality126 deaths per



# The leading cause

# diarrhea a direct result of lack of <u>clean</u> drinking water





### Only 57% of the population has access to an improved water supply



### 30% of the population has to walk <u>over half an hour</u> to get access to water

# This is the kind of water they get





There <u>is</u> a solution to Kenya's water crisis...

...we want to be a part of that solution



# MAJI, Inc

- Formed at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 2004, in response to the world's water crisis
- A team of highly qualified Environmental Engineers, Scientists and Business Strategists
- Diverse backgrounds, world experience...all <u>committed to finding a</u> <u>solution</u>

bringing water to the masses

# MAJI, INC. Overall Goal

To aid in Kenya's development and progress towards safe water and sanitation for all.

# MAJI Focus Areas

- HH Drinking Water Treatment & Storage
  - Filtration: Ceramic filter performance
  - Disinfection: SODIS
  - Storage: Modified clay pots
  - SWS: Technical and Social Evaluation, Implementation
- Program Implementation

   Household water treatment and storage
- Sanitation
  - EcoSan

### Location



# Team Projects

- 1. AMBER Filtration Ceramic filter performance
- 2. BRIAN L. Disinfection SODIS
- **3. SUZANNE** <u>Storage</u> *Standardization, Tap Design, and Cost Recovery of modified clay pots*
- 4. MIKE <u>Storage</u> *Manufacturing of modified clay* pots
- 5. PRAGNYA <u>SWS</u> Technical and Social Evaluation
- 6. ROBERT Program Implementation Household water treatment and storage technologies
- 7. BRIAN R. Sanitation EcoSan

(Other Collaborators from Harvard and MIT Sloan)

# The team "in the field"



## Microbial Filter Study

#### Amber Franz



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### Objective

- Assess the performance of ceramic candle filters that are locally available in Kenya
  - Parameters examined
    - Cost
    - Turbidity Removal
    - Flow Rate
    - Bacterial removal
    - Viral removal

### Filters Studied

- AquaMaster (Brazil)
  - \$10

#### Doulton Super Sterasyl (UK)

- \$40
- Stefani São João (Brazil)
  - \$1.50-\$3.00
- Pelikan (India)
  - \$2
- Pozzani (Brazil)
  - \$20 (\$2.50 in Peru)





# Study Design

- Kenya
  - Test locally contaminated water (Nairobi)
    - Total coliform
    - E. coli
  - Test candle filters
    - Turbidity Removal
    - Flow rate
    - Bacterial indicator removal efficiencies
      - Total coliform
      - E. coli

# Study Design

#### • MIT

- Test Charles River water
- Test candle filters
- Test Pelikan filters
  - Viral indicator removal efficiency
    - MS2 coliphage



### **Turbidity Removal Results**



### Flow Rate Results



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### **Bacterial Removal Results**



Percent of Coliforms Removed by Filters at MIT Total **Charles River Source** 100 Coliforms E. coli 98 **Percent Removed** E. coli: 96  $1.4 \times 10^2 - 5.5 \times 10^2 \text{ CFU}/100 \text{ mL}$ 94 Total coliform: 92 1.4x10<sup>4</sup>-6.1x10<sup>4</sup> CFU/100 mL 90 uallesta? Dallan2 Doution Getain? stari Filter

### **Conclusions & Recommendations**

- Pelikan filters
  - Good Performance
  - Cheap Price
  - Not effective at removing viruses
- Pre-filtration for turbid waters
  - Sedimentation
  - Coagulation
- Post-filtration
  - Disinfection

Spirasol: Improvements to Continuous-Flow SODIS



Brian Loux

## Point Of Use Treatment



#### Piping Impracticalities

- Questionable Quality
- Hand Contamination

# SODIS



UV irradiation OH<sup>-</sup> +  $hv \rightarrow {}^{*}OH^{-} + e^{-}$ Heat Pasteurization

Small Amounts Quantized Drinking only

# **SC-SODIS** by Xanat Flores



- Continuous flow
- Straight into home

- Multiple pieces
- Potentially expensive
- Difficult to assemble

# Spirasol

- Compact area
- UV scatter in tube unlikely
- Easy to assemble
- Cheap



## Lab Work

- Compare Spiral Tube to Bottle
- Source: "Nairobi River"

#### • Membrane Filtration for E. Coli and Total Coliform



### Lab Work (continued)



## Future Work

- Efficacy of Plastic
  - Heat, transmissivity, byproducts, strength, etc.
- Oxygen levels
- Flow Control
- Scaled-up applications

### The Modified Clay Pot: Standardization, Taps and Cost Recovery

Suzanne E. Young





# **Field Sites**

Asembo: Kinda E Teko Pottery Group





Oriang: ORIANG Women's Pottery Group

Rangwe: AMILO CBO Pottery Group





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# **Modified Clay Pot**



# **Project Goals**

- Standardization of pot sizes
   20 L, 40 L
- New tap design
- Analysis of cost recovery

## **Field Methods**



- Observation
- Interview
- Trial and error problem solving
- Focus groups

Hard at work at Amilo CBO
## **Results: Standardization**

Measuring pots at Amilo CBO: Volume variability +/-10%



Making pots with metered ropes at Amilo CBO



New shape at Amilo CBO: Cylindrical "milk bottle"

## **Results: Taps**



#### Schematic of plastic tap



Attaching plastic tap to unfired pot with flat spot at Oriang



Close up of jam nut used to secure tap on inside of pot at Oriang



WINNER! 20 L pot with plastic tap at Oriang...

No leaks! ©

## **Results: Cost Recovery**



## Conclusions

- Standardization
  - Volume variability already within 10%
  - Encourage use of tools (e.g. measuring tape, metered ropes) – but account for shrinkage
  - Will cylindrical shape sell?
- Taps
  - Plastic design wins!
  - Next step: Field test
- Cost recovery
  - Need more information / validation

Production and Manufacture of the Modified Clay Pot

**Michael Pihulic** 



## Objectives

- Observe and Document Manufacturing and Production Process
- Compile Best Practices
- Suggest Improvements

## Methods

- Observed, Photographed, Taped Production Process at Each Site
- Interviewed Potters and Support Organization Staff
- Examine Finished Product

## **Production Process**

- 1. Gathering
- 2. Processing
- 3. Shaping
- 4. Decorating
- 5. Drying

- 6. Tapping
- 7. Firing
- 8. Sealing
- 9. Tap Preparation
- 10. Tap Attachment
- 11. Quality Assurance and Control

### Results

Production Methods are Variable

- Difficulty Identifying and Isolating Defects
- Little Growth or Experimentation

## Variability in Production

- Group level
  - Materials
  - Funding
  - Techniques





## Variability in Production

- Individual Level
   Materials
  - Dimensions



### **Defects Identification**

#### • Systemic vs. Local

- e.g. Leakiness of Tap Versus Porosity of Pottery
- Taking Action
  - Eliminating Problems They Have Solutions For

Quality Assurance and Control

## Experimentation

- No Written Records of Success or Failures
- Limited Sharing of Knowledge Between Groups



## Improvements

- Develop Material Resources

   Clay Sources
  - Taps
- Develop Tools

   Standardize Tapping
- Keep Records
- Share Methods
- Quality Assurance and Control

## Evaluation of Water Treatment Options in Nyanza

### Pragnya Alekal



## Situation - Water



- Very contaminated
  - morbidity for age 0-5 primarily due to waterborne diseases
- Poor distribution system, if at all
- High turbidity levels, up to 1500 NTU
- Sources include Lake Victoria, streams, springs, ponds, earthpans, boreholes, taps, rainwater, rivers, etc.

## **Typical Water Sources**







Photos courtesy of Jody Gibney

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## Situation – socio-economic

- AIDS/HIV infection rate = 25-40%
- High malaria rate
- Life expectancy ~37 years
- Average family income <\$0.40/day</li>
- Average family size = 6



## Water Treatment Options

#### WaterGuard

- Developed in conjunction with CDC
- Contains NaOCI
- Only disinfects
- Cost\* = \$0.56/mo

#### PuR

Developed by P&G

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- Contains Ca(OCI)<sub>2</sub> and Fe<sub>2</sub>(SO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>3</sub>
- Removes turbidity and disinfects
- Cost\* = \$3.00/mo

#### \* For family of 6

# Evaluate which one is most appropriate...



## Analysis: Moringa



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WaterGuard	PuR	Moringa
By CDC	By P&G	Occurring naturally
Contains NaOCI	Contains $Ca(OCI)_2 + Fe_2(SO_4)_3$	Contains bioproteins
Disinfects only	Removes turbidity + disinfects	Removes turbidity only
Cost* = \$.56/month	Cost* = \$3.00/month	Cost* = ???

\*for a family of 6



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## Field Work

- 14 communities
- 74 people surveyed



## Results: Source vs Turbidity levels

Source	Communities (n = 14)	Turbidity (NTU)
Тар	5	0.76 -1.31
Borehole	5	0.78 – 95.7
Pond/Earthpan	4	8.00 - 42.0
Rainwater	9	0.30 – 5.20
Lake	1	22.4
Spring	2	2.48 – 2.52
River	4	7.5 – 59.6
Tank	1	25.4

• Average measured turbidity = 39 NTU

## Results – Current Practices

#### Product usage



• 52% did not treat or boil rainwater

#### Results – WaterGuard Users



- 100% of WaterGuard users reported a stop to stomach-related illnesses
- Safe chlorine levels in Waterguard users:



## Results – observations



- VERY low level of health, product and financial knowledge
- Moringa, in general, is not widely harvested. Moringa Stenopetala has not been studied for water treatment.

### **Conclusions - Recommendations**

- Conduct education programs
  - on health and water treatment
- If Turbidity



- < 10 NTU or "looks clear", use filtration-disinfection</p>
- 10 < T < 30 NTU or "somewhat clear", use sedimentation-filtration-single dose disinfection
- 30 < T < 100 NTU or "not clear" use sedimentationfiltration-double dose disinfection
- > 100 NTU, or "muddy" use PuR
- Retreatment with WaterGuard every 36 hrs
- Moringa stenopatela needs more research

### Thank You



### Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering



Program Implementation of Household Water Treatment and Safe Storage Systems

**Robert Baffrey** 



## Goals - The Big Picture

1.

- 10. Reiteration
  - 9. Scale-up
- 8. Implementation
  - 7. Pilot Studies

Goals

 Refined Design (Field and lab testing, multiple sites and countries)

- Problem Awareness
  - 2. Problem Definition
    - 3. Idea Generation
    - 4. Concept Evaluation
  - 5. Field Experience, Fabrication, Experiment, Lab Work

Methods

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## Goals – Specific Objectives

- To develop an implementation/evaluation survey to be utilized primarily for evaluating the effectiveness of currently implemented HWTS technology programs.
- To develop a technology selection tool to aid in the selection of appropriate HWTS technologies in local communities of developing nations.

Goals



## Methods – The Survey

Household Water Treatment and Safe Storage (HWTS) Implementation Program/Product Survey Version 7 February 27, 2005

#### 1 General Information

The following section has the purpose of determining basic background information on the organization. Obtain simple answers to these questions as most will be tackled in more detail in later portions of the survey.

Date and Time: Location: Name of interviewer:

1.1 Interviewee Name/Position: Organization: Address: Telephone(s): Fax: Email: Website:

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 Type of organization: (e.g. Non-Governmental Organization (NGO), Business, Government, Agency, Academic Institution, Other?)

1.3 Organization's general history and mission statement?

For the following questions (1.4 and 1.5) we need only ask briefly about these topics and explain that the topics will be addressed in more detail at a later section of the survey.

- 1.4 Organization's specific goals with regards to implementation of one or multiple HWTS systems?
- 1.5. How does your organization measure progress towards these specific goal(s)? What specific tools, programs, and methodologies do you employ?

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1.6 Number of staff members working on HWTS implementation?

Length: 18 pages

- Time Required: 1 to 2 Hours
- Target: Organizations Implementing HWTS Programs
- Current Version: 7

#### Methods

## Methods – The Survey

#### **Sections**

- 1 General Information
- 2 Implementation Program / Product Description
- 3 Target Population and Current Water Use Practices
- 4 Resource Availability
- 5 Education and Training
- 6 Funding
- 7 Operational Monitoring
- 8 Target: Health Outcomes
- 9 Target: Water Quality
- 10 Target: HWTS System Performance
- 11 Target: Behavior/Use (Social Acceptability)
- 12 Costs

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- 13 Other Types of Approaches and Questions
- 14 Final Thoughts
- 15 Publications

Methods

#### Pre-Implementation

#### **Implementation**

## Organizations Visited



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## **Organizations Visited**



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**PSI – Waterguard Chlorination (Mombasa)** 

Methods


MEDAIR / Bushproof- BioSand Filtration (Machakos)

Methods

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MEDAIR / Bushproof- BioSand Filtration (Machakos)

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Catholic Diocese of Nakuru – Bone Char Defluoridation (Nakuru)

Methods

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#### Anglican Church of Kenya – SODIS (Mathuru)

Methods



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Society for Women and Aids in Kenya – The Modified Clay Pot (Kenda E Teko Pottery Group, Asembo)

Methods

Organization	Technology	Location	
Population Services International (PSI)			
Nairobi	Waterguard	Nairobi (Headquarters)	
Mombasa	Waterguard	Mombasa (Headquarters) / Coast Province	
Kenya Water for Health Organization (KWAHO)			
Nairobi	SODIS	Kibira District, Nairobi, Nairobi Area	
Maseno, Western Province	EcoSan Toilets	Maseno, Western Province	
MEDAIR / Bushproof	Concrete BioSand Filters	Machakos, Eastern Province	
Network for Water and Sanitation (NETWAS)	Ceramic Candle Filter	Nairobi (Headquarters)	
World Vision International (WVI)	Safe Water System	Nairobi (Headquarters)	
Kenya Ministry of Health	-	Nairobi (Headquarters)	
Catholic Diocese of Nakuru (CDN)	Defluoridation Filters	Nakuru, Rift Valley Province	
Anglican Church of Kenya (ACK)	SODIS	Eldoret (Headquarters)	
Society for Women and Aids in Kenya (SWAK)	Waterguard / PuR / Modified Clay Pots	Kisumu (Headquarters) / Western Province	
CARE	Safe Water System / Modified Clay Pots	Kisumu (Headquarters) / Western Province	
Appropriate Technologies for Enterprise Creation	Money Maker Pumps	Nairobi (Headquarters)	

Goals

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Results

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# Results – The Survey

#### International Network to Promote Household Water Treatment and Safe Storage The Network

Implementation Working Group Survey

The purpose of this survey is to gain a better understanding of where household water treatment and safe storage (HWTS) initiatives are occurring, what types of technologies or systems are being implemented, and what organizations are active. All questions are optional, but we encourage you to fill out as much as this form as possible, save it under a name corresponding to your organization, and send it back to elibit/m@email.unc.edu copying the Network Secretariat at hiws ter@who.int

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Organization Address	
Telephone(s) Fax Email (# different then also ve) We brite (# availatile)	
a) Type of Organization (please check)	Atan Gavernmental Organization (NGO)  Nexter sector / Commercial  Natic sector / Commercial  Atan Sector / Commercial  Atan Sector / Commercial  Atan Sector / Commercial  Atan Sector / Sector
b) Focus of HWTS activities (che di all that apply)	Chr-the-ground implementation  Advacacy  Guadian  Guadia

### A Web-Based Collection Tool Being Implemented by the World Health Organization

International Network to Promote Household Water Treatment and Safe Storage The Network

Implementation Working Group Survey

http://www.who.int/household\_water /implementation/en/

Methods

- Aims aid in the selection of appropriate HWTS technologies in local communities
- Based on data collected in Kenya.
- Intended for use by implementing organizations and local communities.
- Two versions: electronic and hard-copy.
- Prompts user for information on parameters that are used to compute scores which in turn rank HWTS technologies in terms of applicability.
- Two types of parameters: site-specific and technology-specific.

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Methods

#### **Site-Specific Parameters**

Parameter	Suggested Weight (/1000)	
Target Population		
Size	40	
Density (Urban/Rural)	40	
Average Household Size	40	
Age Demographics	40	
Literacy Rate	40	
Water Source (Type, Turbidity, Microbial Contamination)	120	
Water Use Practices, Access, and Transport	100	
Occurrence of Disease (Prior Studies Conducted)	100	
Local Government (Structure and Involvement)	60	
Presence of Implementing Organizations (NGOs)	60	
Economic Considerations (Family Wealth Information, Willingness-to-Pay, Funding)	150	

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### **Technology-Specific Parameters**

Parameter	Suggested Weight (/100)
CERAMIC CANDLE FILTRATION	
Resource Availability	20
Mass Media Presence	40
Available Local Distributors	40
BIOSAND FILTRATION	
Resource Availability	30
Skilled Labor Availability	30
Technical Support Availability	40
SOLAR DISINFECTION (SODIS)	
Resource Availability	40
Technical Support Availability	20
Exposure to Sunlight	40
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### **Technology-Specific Parameters (Continued)**

Parameter	Suggested Weight (/100)
CHLORINATION (WATERGUARD)	
Resource Availability	20
Mass Media Presence	40
Available Local Distributors	40
COMBINED FLOCCULATION / DISINEFECTION (PUR)	
Resource Availability	20
Mass Media Presence	40
Available Local Distributors	40
BOILING	
Resource Availability	100

Goals

#### **Methods**



### Sample Scoring

Population Density (Urban/Rural)

Suggested Weight: 40/1000 (4%)

Information requested:

Suggested Scoring:

\_\_\_\_ Urban (>500 people/square mile\* or >1,300 people/square kilometer)

\_\_\_\_ Rural (<500 people/square mile\* or <1,300 people/square kilometer) \*Source: United States Census 2000

Technology	Urban	Rural
Ceramic Candle Filtration	40/40	30/40
BioSand Filtration	30/40	20/40
Solar Disinfection	30/40	25/40
Chlorination	40/40	30/40
Combined Floc/Dis	40/40	30/40
Boiling	30/40	40/40

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**Methods** 

#### Sample Scoring – Luna, La Union, Philippines

Technology	Site-Specific Score	Technology-Specific Score	Total Score
Ceramic Candle Filtration	665/1000	80/100	745/1100
BioSand Filtration	680/1000	90/100	770/1100
Solar Disinfection	580/1000	70/100	650/1100
Chlorination	720/1000	90/100	810/1100
Combined Flocculation/Disinfection	690/1000	90/100	780/1100
Boiling	520/1000	60/100	580/1100

Technology	Total Score	Rank
Chlorination	810/1100	1
Combined Flocculation/Disinfection	780/1100	2
BioSand Filtration	770/1100	3
Ceramic Candle Filtration	745/1100	4
Solar Disinfection	650/1100	5
Boiling	580/1100	6

Goals

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## The Agricultural Potential and Usability of Ecological Sanitation

Brian E. Robinson



# **Ecological Sanitation**



# Site Background



### Town: Kombewa

### All households:

- Rural
- Practice household
   agriculture
- Low income

Toilets: 33 urine-diverting Skyloos

# The Skyloo

## **Decomposition** by Dehydration



- Dry sanitation
- Add ash, soil, or lime to feces
- Storage: 6-12 months

Urine diversion makes drying feces easier!

## Goals

1) Agricultural value of the urine

### 2) Reuse methods



3) ... Other drivers for demand

# Methods



• Laboratory analysis of urine samples

- Interviews with households
- Interviews with organizations



# Analytic Results: Agricultural Value

Family of 4 adults  $\rightarrow$ 

~ 3 Kg of N / year~ 0.4 Kg of P / year



Same nutrients in **a hectare** (10,000 m<sup>2</sup>) of fresh corn, spinach and watermelon

# Survey Results: Urine Reuse

n=26 people



<u>Urine</u>

- 67% of households claim to reuse the urine in farming
- 33% dump it out

## <u>Storage time</u> Recommended: 1 month Actual: 2 months (average)

# Survey Results: Feces Reuse

n=26 people



### <u>Feces</u>

- 65% reuse the feces
- 28% bury feces

<u>Storage time</u> Recommended: 6 months Actual: 4<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> months (average)

# **Results: Demand Drivers**

### Recycling Process

- + "I like my manure"; "This toilet doesn't smell!"
- "If you don't have a strong heart, you could vomit"

### External Factors

- + "My pit latrine floods"; "The soil here is too loose"
- "Granny can't squat or get up the stairs"

### Physical Characteristics

- + "It adds beauty to my home"
- "The chamber is too small"
- Financial Factors
  - + "The manure saves me money"
  - Dependent on NGO-subsidized materials?



# Conclusions

### Why would people want to use this?

- Urine and feces have direct agricultural value
- Other advantages to the toilet, could they be just "putting up with" the recycling aspects?

## Recommendations

- Marketing of the toilet can focus on aspects other than just recycling
- Target areas with poor soil conditions
- More training for users (re: storage time)

# **Overall Project Conclusions**

Individual project contributions Applications beyond Kenya Future research

# Individual Contributions

- Filtration
  - Identified most effective ceramic candle filters

### Disinfection

- Improved SODIS design
- Storage
  - Best Practices for each pottery site
- SWS
  - Turbidity-based selection of product; retreatment after 36 hours
- Program Implementation
  - Survey and decision making tools
- Sanitation
  - Agricultural potential and usability

# Applications beyond Kenya

- Filtration
  - Basis of comparison for related and future ceramic candle filter research
- Disinfection
  - Spirasol may be more valuable in areas with less solar intensity
- Storage
  - Improved modified clay pot may have applications to other African countries, esp. in refugee camps and hospitals
- SWS
  - Identified appropriate products for use in various conditions
- Program Implementation
  - Evaluation survey and selection tool adoptable by organizations such as WHO
- Sanitation
  - People want *nice* toilets in addition to practical/resourceful toilets

# Future Research

- Filtration
  - Further testing , esp. filter performance over time and viral removal, on more ceramic candle filter brands
- Disinfection
  - Further testing of SODIS variables; Scale up system; Determine first world applicability
- Storage
  - Field test of plastic tap performance
- SWS
  - Field-based research for sedimentation, cloth filtration, and chlorine disinfection
- Program Implementation
  - Supplement evaluation survey and selection tool with more accurate information; Apply to other programs
- Sanitation
  - Field-evaluation of nutrient content of feces; Further evaluation of application methods

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(Thank you in Luo dialect of Nyanza Province)

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- Eric Adams
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- Organizations
  - Centers for Disease Control (Daniele Lantagne, Rob Quick)
  - NGOs- Kenya Water and Health Organization (KWAHO), CARE-KENYA, Society of Women with Aids in Kenya (SWAK), Population Services International (PSI), Network of Water and Sanitation (NETWAS), Catholic Diocese of Nakuru (CDN), Bushproof, Samitarian's Purse.
  - Kenyan Government (Water Resources Authority, Pollution Control Division)

# Questions?



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Brian Robinson's (Area of Study)