

SHORT REPORT

DIGITAL MALARIA INFORMATION SHARING IN ASIA

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Abstract. In 2001 a project named Mekong Malaria Documentation Center (MMDC) was established in Vietnam to support the information needs of malaria professionals in the Mekong Region. In 2005, MMDC was renamed and reorganized into a new database called ACTMalaria Information Resource Center (AIRC). AIRC's goal is to gather all published and unpublished materials, including electronic files, regarding malaria from ACTMalaria member countries. Today, there are eleven member nations. More than 1,500 files have been uploaded and are available for access. Various areas of AIRC still need to be developed, including editing, approvals of files, coordination with publishers, copyright issues, and the architecture of the database. Funding also needs to be secured for the sustainability of AIRC.

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