

# Assessing the potential for low cost formulated diets for mud crab aquaculture in Australia, Indonesia and Vietnam



## Key details

### Location

Indonesia

### Duration

Start Jul 2004

End Jun 2008

### Budget

AUD 390,521

### Commissioned organisation

Queensland University of Technology

### Partners

Gondol Research Institute for Mariculture;  
Queensland Department of Primary Industries  
and Fisheries; Research Institute for  
Aquaculture No. 3

### Project Leader

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### Program

Fisheries

### Project code

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fish, bivalve meats or animal by-products as feeds. This traditional feeding practice is unsustainable and the development of low-cost, formulated diets for grow-out is viewed as a priority research issue.

## Project outcomes

- Evaluated the potential of formulated feeds to replace traditional diets used in mud crab aquaculture.
- Determined critical nutritional requirements and evaluate key feed ingredients.
- Formulated and evaluate improved mud crab diets.



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## Overview

This project aimed to commence diet development research for mud crabs in Australia, Vietnam and Indonesia.

Mud crab farming is well established throughout South-East Asia with most mud crab farmers using trash