Ending Open Defecation

Issue: In many poor countries open defecation is still practised due to insufficient latrines and knowledge of the hazards that this presents to human health. In Kenya, human feces were observed in contact with water that was used for drinking water downstream. In some many cases in rural settings, people bath and wash clothes and dishes in the rivers creating quality degradation due to phosphates in the surface water.

Solutions: Graduates of the MSc program learn the health aspects related to containment of human waste and behaviour modification that can improve the health of ecosystems on which they rely on for their own personal health.

