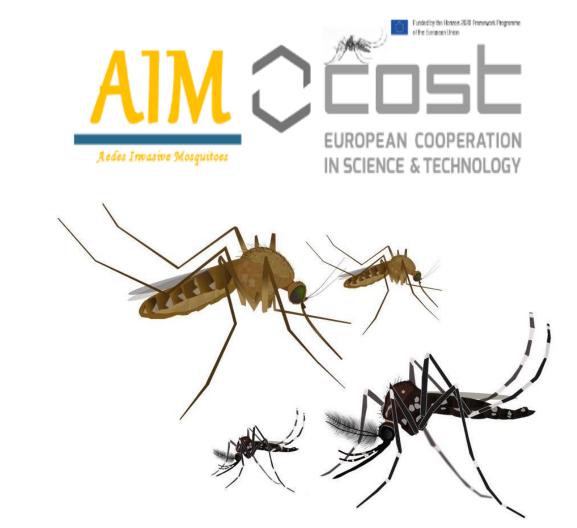
Μαθαίνω τον «εχθρό» μου: Όλα όσα με απασχολούν για τα κουνούπια

Everything you wanted to know about mosquitoes dare to ask









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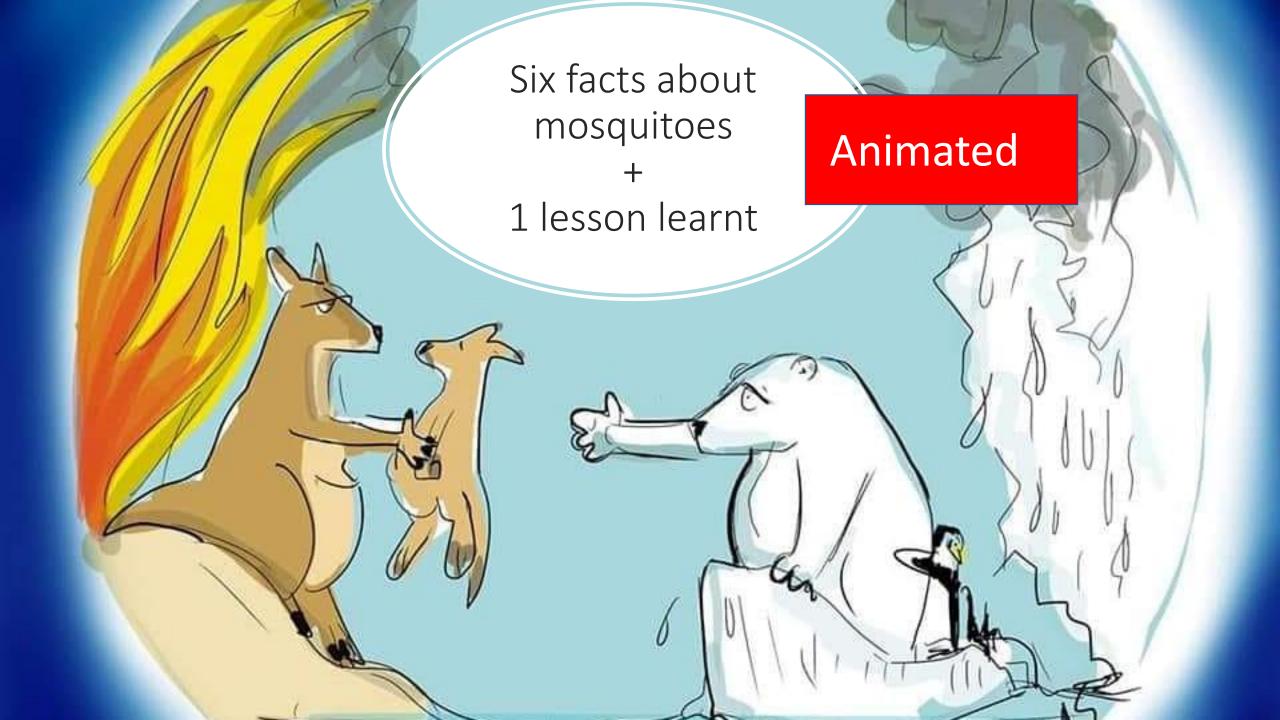
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### Fact 1: Mosquitoes have outlived the dinosaurs





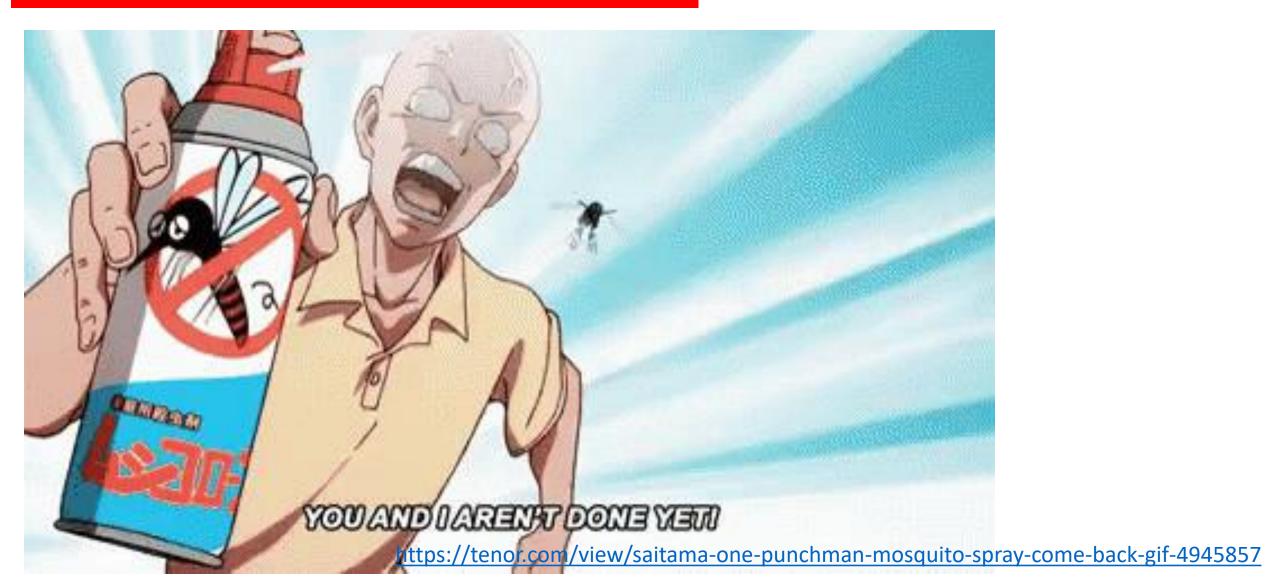
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Fact 2: There are more than 3.500 species of mosquitoes in the world. Scientists like to separate them e.g. native and non-native or exotic but to most people or mosquitoes are the same and deserve to die



https://shop.swamp.com.au/products/swamp-cartoon-prints/1621/

## Fact 3: Everybody hates mosquitoes



## Fact 4. Mosquitoes can be seriously annoying





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## Fact 5. Mosquitoes have no borders

#### Is Your Neighborhood Mosquito-Proof? Keep mosquitoes Sorry, dude - no more out of your cookouts until we clean out our yards! 12 Organize a neighborhood Keep doors, windows and screens in good clean-up **Treat with** a larvicide If you can't dump out Eliminate **Containers that hold** the water, treat it with a standing water for 7 or more mosquito-specific larvicide days are mosquito like Mosquito Dunks<sup>®</sup>. water breeding spots. - Basa



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# Fact 6 There is a limit to what it can achieve and conventional control measures can easily fail



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## Lesson learnt: But... we can definitely achieve more by working together









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Thank you! Just to show you that mosquitoes can be beautiful too

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