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*Kua tawhiti kē to haerenga mai, kia kore e haere tonu. He nui rawa o mahi, kia kore e mahi tonu.
You have come too far not to go further, you have done too much not to do more
– Tā Hēmi Henare*

We are pleased to provide this July report for the James Henare Research Centre (JHRC).

Preparing the report always provides time to reflect on the work the team has completed since we last met. Even though the team has been through many changes since we met in March, we continue to progress with our kaupapa and building our networks.

One of the impacts on the team has been the departure of Dr Robert Pouwhare. Robert has left his role as Pou Tikanga with the centre to take on a new role at Te Taura Whiri I Te Reo Māori. We wish Robert well in his new dream role. We are actively working on recruiting a new Pou Tikanga and hope they will be able to join us in August.

I am also very happy to announce that from 17 July, Dr Tia Dawes will be Acting Manutaki Te Tai Tokerau. Tia is of Ngāpuhi, Ngāti Kahungunu ki te Wairoa descent. Tia lives with his young family in Ruakaka which will enable him to develop and maintain our relationships with our people in Te Tai Tokerau.

We also have other new team members who have joined us recently who we introduce to you in the report. As always there has been a lot happening at the Centre. The following pages give you an overview of our research highlights and the significant work that has been undertaken at the JHRC since we last met.



Ahonuku | Associate Professor Marama Muru-Lanning
Manutaki Rangahau | Research Director



Manutaki Te Tai Tokerau (Acting) |
Dr Tia Dawes

Ngā Kairangahau/Kaimahi | Staffing Updates



Ahmed Aziz

(Pakistan)

Research Assistant / Doctoral Candidate

Ahmed was born and raised in Pakistan and has been in Aotearoa since 2010. He has a business management and marketing background and has recently shifted to Indigenous Studies. He is currently a PhD candidate in Māori Studies with research interest in the Constitutional Transformation of the Justice System in Aotearoa. Ahmed has recently started as a Research Assistant at JHMRC working on the website project.



Soriya Em

(Cambodia)

Research Associate

Soriya has joined the team recently and comes with a wealth of experience and knowledge of the research landscape from grant writing to applied research. Soriya also understands the mechanics of the University of Auckland as she has worked as a Research Manager in various areas of the University. Soriya holds a Masters of Science in Biological Sciences and a Post Graduate Diploma in Environment Science.



Nick Jones

(Ngāi Tūhoe, Ngāpuhi, Ngāti Awa, and Ngāti Porou)

Research Assistant / Doctoral Candidate

Nick returns to the centre after working as a GTA in Anthropology for Marama during Semester One. Nick is a master's graduate and doctoral candidate with an interest in the social and cultural history of LGBTIQ+/Takatāpui Māori. As a research assistant Nick will be working on Ko Ngā Kaumātua ō Tātou Taonga, MaaraTech and Tikanga in Technology Kaupapa.



Kaaka Te Pou Kohere

(Ngāti Porou, Ngai Tuhoe, Kai Tahu, Te Waiohū)

Undergraduate Research Assistant

Kaaka is one of our enthusiastic Research Assistants at the Centre. He is an undergraduate student at Waipapa Taumata Rau completing a Bachelor of Arts in History and Maori studies. As a fluent Maori speaker, he has been working on the *Ko Ngā Kaumātua ō Tātou Taonga* project on translation and transcription, as well as archiving for JHRC.

Whakawhiwhinga | Awards, Nominations and Distinctions:



Marama has been awarded the Gordon Russell Visiting Professorship in Dartmouth's Native American Studies Program. Marama will be based at Dartmouth for the Autumn 2024 semester where she will participate in Indigenous research and teaching during her stay.

Ngā Mahi Rangahau | Our Research Projects

- Funder:** Health Research Council (HRC).
Project Name: Ko ngā kaumātua ō tātou taonga: Supporting kaumātua health in a changing world.
Research Team: Assoc Prof Marama Muru-Lanning; Prof Margaret Mutu; Prof Ngaire Kerse; Dr Tia Dawes; Dr Hilary Lapsey; Prof Ngapare Hopa; Dr Mere Kēpa; Ms Charmaine Tukiri; Mr Nicholas Jones; Dr Ngahuia Dixon; Ms Cilla Moore.

This kaupapa keeps us busy between wānanga, transcription, analysis and whakahoki kōrero. Tia and Hilary are working through the rich kōrero of our wānanga with the kaumātua of Hokianga and Ahipara. We hope to share our findings with both groups before November.

We are also preparing for our final two wānanga for this kaupapa. One of the wānanga will be with the kaumātua of Ngāti Whatua in August and another with a date yet to be set with the kaumātua of Puukaki and Te Puea marae in South Auckland. We are keen to learn about the experiences of our urban kaumātua and their future aspirations for their mokopuna.

We are excited to include these rōpu in our ever-expanding whanaunga.



- Funder:** Royal Society Te Apārangi Marsden Grant
Project Name: Listening to the voices of our harbours: Kāwhia, Manukau and Whangārei
Research Team: Assoc Prof Marama Muru-Lanning; Dr Keri Mills; Mr Shane Solomon; Mr Gerald Lanning; Ms Ngahuia Harrison; Ms Charmaine Tukiri.

The team has been very active on this project and continues to work with flaxroots communities, particularly Kaawhia and Manukau at this time. The mahi with these communities has given rise to a potential new kaupapa which is expanded on later in the report.



4. **Funder:** MBIE Endeavour Fund.
Project Name: Tikanga in Technology: Indigenous Approaches to Transforming Data Ecosystems.
Research Team: Assoc Prof Marama Muru-Lanning; Prof Tahu Kukutai; Mr Nicholas Jones.

In March, the team held a wānanga in Tuakau with the the kāhui kaumātua to discuss and progress the development of a Māori data privacy framework that centres tikanga Māori values and principles. This framework aims to ensure protection of Māori data and mātauranga Māori and to reduce data derived harms that impact Māori. This framework is being readied for delivery to the Office of the Privacy Commissioner for nationwide use. This rōpū has held a number of hui with the Office of the Privacy Commissioner about this framework and they keenly await its arrival.



Kaupapa anō | Other Kaupapa:

1. New Kaupapa

We have been successful in securing funding for a new project through the Institute of Environmental Science and Research (ESR) Te Niwha: Infectious Diseases Research Platform. The platform is hosted in partnership by ESR and the University of Otago and has been established to prepare for known and emerging disease threats. Members of the team will be involved in one streams of work;

- *Surveillance:*

Marama, Keri, Soriya, and kaumātua from Puukaki and Te Puea Marae are part of a project to test arriving overseas aircraft waste at Auckland airport to detect possible disease threats. The JHRC team will not be testing the waste, rather their role will be to develop and implement the engagement/tikanga framework and hui at the airport. This project will determine the validity of this detection method.

A third funding application for the MBIE He Tipu Ka Hua fund has also been submitted. This application is different in that it must be community led. Should this application be successful the team at JHRC will be working in partnership with the flaxroots harbour communities of Kaawhia, Aotea and Whaingaroa (Raglan) and the Waikato Endowed College. This Kaupapa has evolved from our Marsden Listening to the Voices of our Harbours project and aims to explore the whakapapa of onepū, the relationship between onepū and people and what the effects of extraction are to this relationship. This team is much larger than that of our Marsden Harbours project and would include investigators such as Marama, Keri, Soriya, Associate Professor Dan Hikuroa, Māori Studies, Earth Systems Scientist, Associate Professor Julie Rowland, Executive Director of Ngā ara Whetū and structural geologist, Dr Zac McIvor, archaeology.

2. Mahi Tahī

Dartmouth

Marama's global influence continues as she travelled to Norway earlier in the year to work with the Centre for Research on Pandemics & Society (PANSOC) infectious disease Advisory Board and delivered a public lecture about our Harirū, Hongi and Hau: In the time of Covid-19 kaupapa.

Additionally, Marama and Nick have both been invited to Dartmouth in October 2023. Marama has been invited to deliver presentations in relation to infectious disease with a focus on kaumātua. Marama will be discussing the findings of our Harirū, Hongi and Hau: In the time of Covid-19 kaupapa along with the findings of our Kaumātua research programs. Marama will also be discussing mātauranga with the rōpū of Native American Studies and decolonising methodologies with the Department of Anthropology.

Nick has been invited to Dartmouth as a visiting PhD scholar in the Department of Anthropology. He will be expected to speak about gender, takatāpui and data sovereignty during his visit.

Research Methods Paper

As part of the commitment the centre has towards encouraging students, particularly Māori students into research, Marama is developing a Professional Research Methods paper with a focus on working with Māori communities and mātauranga with the school of Anthropology. This paper will be offered in the second semester of 2024.

3. Ngā Hono

The team has been busy building relationships both within Māori communities and the university.



Aorangi Stokes, Director of Partnerships and Collaboration of the Ngāti Hine Health Trust reached out seeking a working relationship with the centre. As this was our first engagement with Ngāti Hine we asked our Chair, Bernard Henare to attend this hui. We are excited to work with Aorangi and his team and are actively looking for opportunities to work together.



The team was also very excited to meet with Professor Sir Ashley Bloomfield in his capacity as Director of the newly formed UoA Public Policy & Impact Institute (PPII). We all found the hui productive and inspirational, and we hope to be able to work with his new team as we move forward.



We also met with Professor Frank Bloomfield, Deputy Vice Chancellor Research (they tell us they are not related). He was very interested in our team and the mahi we have been working on. He has highlighted the global interest in indigenous research and how significant our mahi is to UoA.

Pānuitanga | Publications for this Quarter

In-Press

1. Dawes, T., Muru-Lanning, M., Woodward, S., Pouwhare, R., Tukiri, C. 2023. Kāinga Noho – Kāinga Whenua: Housing and Whenua: Kaumātua Voices. Submitted to the 'New Zealand Population Review.'

2. Dawes, T., Turuwhenua, J., Edmonds, M. 2023. Health providers' experiences of health technologies within Te Tai Tokerau, Aotearoa New Zealand. Submitted to *Kōtuitui: New Zealand Journal of Social Sciences*.
3. Muru-Lanning, M., Lapsley, H., (eds). Growing Old in the Pacific. *Pacific Studies*. Special Issue.
4. Muru-Lanning, M., Lapsley, H. Introduction. *Pacific Studies*. Special Issue.
5. Muru-Lanning, M., Lapsley, H., Dawes, T., Mills, K. Kaumātuaanga: Kōrero of Māori Elders from Three Tai Tokerau Tribal Groups. *Pacific Studies*. Special Issue.

Journal articles

1. Lingman, M., Kerse, N., Muru-Lanning, M., & Teh, R. 2023. Dietary Protein Intake and Physical Function in Māori and Non-Māori Adults of Advanced Age in New Zealand: LiLACS NZ. *Nutrients*, 15(7), 1664.
2. Pouwhare, R., Leenen-Young, M., Uperesa, L., Muru-Lanning, M. 2022. The Call of the Waka Kuaka: New Directions for the Journal of the Polynesian Society. *Waka Kuaka | The Journal of the Polynesian Society*, Vol 131(4), 347-354.

Invited Keynotes

1. Muru-Lanning, M. 2023. Invited Keynote and Workshop Participant, Hongi (pressing of noses), Harirū (handshakes) and Hau (sharing breath): In the time of COVID-19. Māori Pandemic Responses. [Centre for Research on Pandemics and Society. Oslo Met, Norway, 2.2.23] <https://uni.oslomet.no/pansoc/2023/01/27/next-webinar-2-february;>
2. Muru-Lanning, M. 2022. Invited Keynote, Science Communication and Waterscapes. Now What? Reimagining hope, 'truth' and equality. Sociological Association of Aotearoa New Zealand (SAANZ). [Massey University, Albany 8.12.22]
3. Muru-Lanning, M. 2022. Invited Workshop Speaker, Waipuketanga and the Waikato River. Inclusive Water Governance: Flooding at the Water's Edge. [Columbia University, City of New York, USA, 14-16.10.22]

Conference Presentations

1. Lapsley, H., Gridley, H. & Turner, C. 2023. Unpacking Collective Trauma and Privilege: Three Journeys in Feminist and Community Psychologies. Australian and New Zealand Psychological Societies Members' Choice Symposium, Wellington.
2. Mills, K. 2023, "The Evolving Politics of Kaitiakitanga" History Seminar Series, School of Humanities, Waipapa Taumata Rau.
3. Muru-Lanning, M. 2022. Conference Participant and Session Chair, Waipuketanga: The Meeting of the Waters at Ngāruawāhia. Emergencies: ASAANZ Annual Conference [Rutherford House, Wellington, 14-16.11.22]