

## Supplementary Material

**Appendix S1.** Data from orange-spotted gecko (*Mokopirirakau* “Roys Peak”) surveys at Queenstown-Lakes A.

Month and year	No. days	No. geckos observed	Purpose of trip
November 2015	1	8	Initial brief survey of population to determine sites to install detection devices. Fifty double-layered single corrugation Onduline retreats and 50 tracking tunnels were installed.
January 2016	5.5	70 (2 recaptures)	Main survey to assess population numbers and distribution. Detection devices checked three times and then relocated to an area which appeared to have more geckos.
April 2016	1	3	Brief survey. Onduline retreats and tracking tunnels collected.
February 2017	2	17 (1 recapture)	Brief survey to assess reproductive status of females and assess the sites suitability for further research.