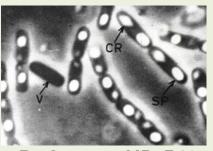
## **Biopesticide for Insect Pest Control in Agriculture**



Bt kenyae HD-549



Pod borer

## Bacillus thuringiensis subsp. kenyae HD-549

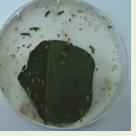
- Wettable powder (WP) biopesticide formulation
- **❖**Active against 14 different insect pests of crops
- **❖ Mass production optimised using industrial-scale** (2000 L) fermentor
- **❖** Recommended by 2 Agri. universities in 'Package of Practices for Farmers' for bollworm control.
- **❖**Technology transferred to 3 Agro industries



**Btk HD-549** 



Untreated



Btk treated





Mass production

## Development of biopesticides for agricultural insect pest and mosquito control

- Insecticidal proteins from *Bacillus* and *Photorhabdus* sp. have been purified and characterised
- Mass production of *Bacillus thuringiensis* subsp *kenyae* (Btk)/*B. thuringiensis* subsp. *israelensis* (Bti) has been optimized in 2000 L fermentor
- Multi-location field evaluation of *Bt kenyae* and *Bt israelensis* biopesticides for insect pests and mosquito control (In collaboration with State Agri. Universities and ICMR/NCDC)
- BARC Btk biopesticide is included in 'Package of Practices for Farmers' by UAS, Dharwad and UAS, Raichur for the control of pod borer (*Helicoverpa*) on Pigeon pea and Chickpea crops