

Bite on the mossies

A COMMON type of fungus could be the key to fighting malaria, according to a team of Scottish researchers.

They say that infecting mosquitoes with a simple fungus, similar to the mould that grows on cheese, could help wipe out the disease.

Scientists at the University of Edinburgh found that when the mosquitoes come into contact with the spores, the fungus grows inside the insects, eventually killing them.

Spraying the spores on walls could be an effective way of killing the creatures.