

## Banana scab moth (017)

### Samari

- Disfala siki blo banana for kuki ya wea olketa kolem banana plantains or name oketa scientist givim hem *Helicania Pandanus* hem spred lo Asia en Oceania
- Olketa wom or katapila blo smol bataflae ya kakai lo skin blo frut and kakai lo everi banch taem olketa lif wea kavam frut open up. Olketa frut wea wom ya kakai lo hem bend nogud, luk black and luk olsem bakua taem hem old.
- **Lokol kontrol:** lu mas checkim tri everi dei en (i) aotim olketa lif wea kavarem flawa bifo olketa stok blo flawa poent stret aot lo midol, (ii) spreim frut wetem wata or spredim asisi blo faea antap lo frut
- **Kontrol wetem Meresin:** (i) spreim wetem olketa meresin wea olketa wakem from plants or animals nem blo olketa biopesticides and wanfala na spinosad or Bt (*Bacillus thuringiensis*), (ii) Usim samfala meresin olketa kolem synthetic pesticides, nem blo olketa na Chlophyrifos, bifenthrin and acephate. Nilam go eni lo olketa meresin ya lo banch blo banana taem hem stan up yet or aotim olketa lif wea kavarem banch den spredim go asisi blo faea or spreim go bifo flawa hem bend go daon.

**Lokol nem:** Banana Scab moth

**Name olketa Scientist givim:** *Nacoleia octasema*



Photo 1. Scabby areas on the skin of banana fruits due to the feeding of the scab moth, *Nacoleia octasema*.



Photo 2. Caterpillar of the banana scab moth, *Nacoleia octasema*, between banana fingers. In this case, the caterpillar is dark brown.



Photo 4. A grey-pink version of the banana scab moth, *Nacoleia octasema*.



Photo 5. An adult banana scab moth, *Nacoleia octasema*.



Photo 6. An adult banana scab moth, *Nacoleia octasema*.



Photo 3. Two caterpillars of the banana scab moth, *Nacoleia octasema*, and large amounts of frass.



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