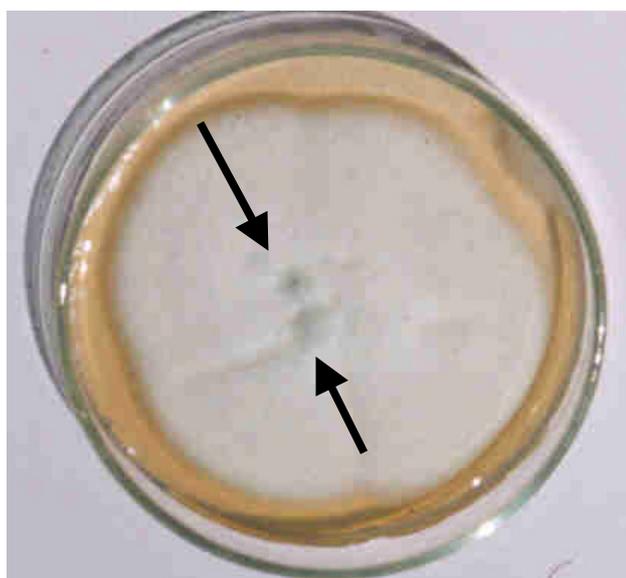


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Picture showing the growth of the *Verticillium* after reaction with AuCl_4^- ions for 72 h. The dark cores (indicated by arrows) are seed Au nano-*Verticillium* biofilms which grew to cover the surface of the agar plate (whitish mass) within one week.