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For the month of October 2006

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SYNGENTA AG

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

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Switzerland

(Address of principal executive offices)

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Re: SYNGENTA AG

Press Release: **Syngenta's corn rootworm biotech trait approved in the USA**

Filed herewith is a press release related to Syngenta AG. The full text of the press release follows:

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Syngenta's corn rootworm biotech trait approved in the USA

Basel, Switzerland, October 4, 2006

Syngenta announced today that its corn rootworm trait, Agrisure RW, has received registration approval from the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Syngenta will launch for sale corn seed containing Agrisure RW for the 2007 growing season in the USA, the world's largest corn market.

The approval of Agrisure RW in this fast-growing biotech market is a major step in our strategy to bring all three of the leading input traits to the corn market, says Jeff Cox, Head of Syngenta Global Corn and Soybeans. This new high-performing trait offers growers industry-leading control of rootworm while delivering full yield potential.

Agrisure RW will be available to US growers as a single trait and stacked with glyphosate tolerance through elite hybrids from Garst®, Golden Harvest® and NK®. Syngenta also plans to market the trait for use in other leading seed brands through its GreenLeaf Genetics joint venture. U.S. registration is pending for its Agrisure RW trait stacked with corn borer enabling the commercialization of the triple stack of glyphosate tolerance, corn borer and rootworm resistance.

Syngenta is a world-leading agribusiness committed to sustainable agriculture through innovative research and technology. The company is a leader in crop protection, and ranks third in the high-value commercial seeds market. Sales in 2005 were approximately \$8.1 billion. Syngenta employs some 19,000 people in over 90 countries. Syngenta is listed on the Swiss stock exchange (SYNN) and in New York (SYT). Further information is available at www.syngenta.com.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

SYNGENTA AG

Date: October 4, 2006

By: /s/ Damian Heller

Name: Damian Heller
Title: Company Secretary