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media release

## Syngenta Honored for Innovations that Help Feed the World

- *Syngenta recognized by BIO International Convention attendees*
- *Award honors R&D commitment, product pipeline and industry relationships*

CHICAGO—May 6, 2010—[Syngenta](#) has been honored by BIO International Convention attendees with an award recognizing its achievements in crop productivity innovations that help feed the world.

The BIO International Convention is the largest global event for the biotechnology industry. The Biotechnology Industry Organization (BIO) has established a practice of honoring companies in the categories of “Healing, Feeding and Fueling the World” based on a pre-conference poll of attendees. Syngenta was named the “Buzz of BIO” award winner in the “Feeding the World” category by attendees at this year’s BIO International Convention.

“We are honored to be recognized by BIO members with this award,” said David Morgan, president, Syngenta Seeds, Inc. “Our entire organization is deeply committed to helping farmers worldwide improve crop productivity to help meet the growing global demand for food, feed, fuel and fiber. We are confident that innovations in genetics, traits, seed care and crop protection offer the best means to meet that demand while conserving land and water and reducing agriculture’s overall environmental impact.”

“The Buzz of BIO contest has been a popular part of our pre-convention activities. BIO International Convention attendees voted for their choices and Syngenta was the winner this year in the Feeding category. Congratulations,” said John Craighead, Managing Director of Investor Relations & Business Development, Biotechnology Industry Organization.

The main focus of Syngenta’s biotechnology research is the development of new field crop and vegetable seeds that offer higher yield per acre, higher crop quality and more nutritious crops. Syngenta researchers use a combination of methods, including conventional breeding, genetic modification and marker-assisted breeding, to help accelerate the rate of innovation in seeds.

“We fully recognize that feeding 9 billion people by 2050 is a challenge no company can handle alone,” added Morgan. “That is why we welcome the collaboration opportunities that often emerge at the BIO International Convention and BIO Business Forum.”

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Syngenta is one of the world's leading companies with more than 25,000 employees in over 90 countries dedicated to our purpose: Bringing plant potential to life. Through world-class science, global reach and commitment to our customers we help to increase crop productivity, protect the environment and improve health and quality of life. For more information about us please go to [www.syngenta.com](http://www.syngenta.com).

### **About BIO**

BIO represents more than 1,200 biotechnology companies, academic institutions, state biotechnology centers and related organizations across the United States and in more than 30 other nations. BIO members are involved in the research and development of innovative healthcare, agricultural, industrial and environmental biotechnology products. BIO also produces the BIO International Convention, the world's largest gathering of the biotechnology industry, along with industry-leading investor and partnering meetings held around the world.

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