

EU Approves 3 Biotech Corn

The European Union (EU) has approved three [biotech corn](#) varieties from Syngenta AG and another variety from Dow Chemical Co., for food and feed use, import, and processing.

The approved Syngenta corn are MIR604 x GA 21, Bt11 x MIR604 and Bt11 x MIR604 x GA21, which all have [insect resistance](#) and [herbicide tolerance traits](#). The Dow cotton approved is 281-24-236 x 3006-210-23 which exemplifies insect resistance.

According to the European Commission, they approved the crops after member states failed to give a qualified majority in favor or against the approvals. The authorizations are valid for 10 years and will be subject to the labelling and traceability rules of EU.

Link: - <http://www.isaaa.org/kc/cropbiotechupdate/article/default.asp?ID=8976>.