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SYNGENTA AG
(Translation of registrant's name into English)

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Re: SYNGENTA AG

Press Release: "Syngenta to invest in new research facility"

Herewith we furnish a press release related to Syngenta AG. The full text of the press release is the following:
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Basel, Switzerland, May 20, 2011

Syngenta to invest in new U.S. genetics research facility

- \$71 million expansion at Research Triangle Park
- Accelerates research & development of new agronomic traits

Syngenta announced today that it plans to construct a new state-of-the-art biotechnology research facility adjacent to its existing research campus in Research Triangle Park, North Carolina. The \$71 million investment, which is scheduled to begin in June 2011, will focus on discovering and developing new agronomic traits to bring innovative solutions to growers across the world.

“This investment demonstrates our commitment to R&D and to remain at the forefront of plant genetics research,” said Sandro Aruffo, Syngenta Head of Research and Development. “The advanced technologies that will be implemented at this new site will accelerate our R&D efforts to develop agronomic traits that will enable crops to better withstand complex environmental challenges.”

Building on the recent successful launches of Agrisure Viptera™, Agrisure Artesian™ and Enogen™, research at the site will focus on traits that can better tolerate climate variability, combat plant stresses such as drought, and enhance crop productivity and plant performance. In addition to the current focus on corn and soybean, research will be expanded to incorporate other crops such as sugar cane, cereals, rice and vegetables.

The facility will feature research laboratories and sophisticated growth environments including climate-controlled greenhouses and precision growth chambers. It is expected to be fully operational in the second half of 2012.

Syngenta is one of the world's leading companies with more than 26,000 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

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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: May 20, 2011

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