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DuPont Recognized for Best Agricultural R&D Pipeline and Products
Receives Industry Award for Bringing Leading-Edge Technology to Growers

DES MOINES, Iowa, Oct. 17, 2007 — DuPont has received three prestigious Agrow Awards in recognition of its innovative and industry-leading agricultural product pipeline and technologies. The awards were presented to DuPont's Crop Protection and Pioneer Hi-Bred businesses at the inaugural 2007 Agrow Awards ceremony in Glasgow, Scotland, on Oct. 16.

“We are thrilled with the recognition we've received from the Agrow Awards and our peers in the industry,” said Erik Fyrwald, group vice president – DuPont Agriculture & Nutrition. “New products and technologies such as the Optimum™ GAT™ trait, DuPont™ Rynaxypyr™, and a broad array of others in our crop protection and biotech pipelines will deliver powerful new tools and choices to farmers around the globe.”

DuPont Agriculture & Nutrition was recognized for the following products and technologies:

Best R&D Pipeline. DuPont received the 2007 Agrow Award for “Best R&D Pipeline” in recognition of the broad array of new active ingredients and biotech traits in development across the DuPont Agriculture & Nutrition platform. The depth and breath of the DuPont pipeline across new chemistries and genetic traits make it unique to the industry.

DuPont Agriculture & Nutrition is preparing to launch its new Optimum™ GAT™ trait in soybeans, which offers growers expanded choices for controlling a broad spectrum of weeds through both glyphosate and ALS herbicide tolerance. The trait also will be introduced in corn and other crops.

In addition, new Pioneer seed and trait developments on the horizon include drought tolerance, nitrogen use efficiency, a line of high-yielding soybeans and soybean varieties with higher levels of healthy oils.

On the crop protection front, a new anthranilic diamide insecticide, DuPont™ Rynaxypyr™, will be launched this year. Following this in the pipeline are a new fungicide for cereals, a second-generation anthranilic diamide insecticide and two promising candidates for herbicides and fungicides.

Some of the exciting products in discovery and development include new DuPont herbicides, fungicides and insecticides, as well as new Pioneer seed and trait advances in herbicide tolerance, disease resistance, insect control, yield and agronomic improvements, improved feed characteristics, increased ethanol production, healthier oil production and improved crop processing characteristics.

Best Novel Agricultural Biotechnology – Optimum™ GAT™ Trait. DuPont used proprietary gene shuffling technology to develop the Optimum™ GAT™ trait that provides tolerance to glyphosate and ALS herbicides, giving growers a new and better choice that maximizes yield potential, improves crop safety and

expands weed control options. This next-generation herbicide tolerant trait allows growers to incorporate complementary ALS herbicides offered by DuPont Crop Protection into a glyphosate program, giving them longer lasting, broader spectrum weed control under more conditions than ever before.

DuPont is on track for commercial introduction of the Optimum™ GAT™ trait in soybeans by 2009, pending regulatory approval. DuPont also plans to commercialize the trait in corn and other crops.

Most Innovative Chemistry – DuPont™ Rynaxypyr™. DuPont Crop Protection was recognized for its novel insecticide, DuPont™ Rynaxypyr™. This unique molecule is extremely effective at providing long-lasting control of a broad spectrum of chewing insects and several other important insect species at low application rates in a wide variety of crops. It also exhibits an excellent environmental profile. Rynaxypyr™ will be launched in selected markets later this year under the DuPont™ Altacor™, Coragen™ and Prevathon™ brand names.

The Agrow Awards were developed to recognize excellence in the crop protection and production industry. The inaugural awards were announced at a black-tie ceremony on Oct. 16. The ceremony was held in conjunction with XVI International Plant Protection Congress in Glasgow and was co-hosted by the BCPC (formerly known as the British Crop Production Council) and Agrow.

Pioneer Hi-Bred, a DuPont business, is the world's leading source of customized solutions for farmers, livestock producers and grain and oilseed processors. With headquarters in Des Moines, Iowa, Pioneer provides access to advanced plant genetics in nearly 70 countries.

DuPont Crop Protection serves the global production agriculture industry with leading products for grain and specialty crops, forestry, vegetation management, fruits and vegetables, and also has entered the professional pest control market.

DuPont is a science-based products and services company. Founded in 1802, DuPont puts science to work by creating sustainable solutions essential to a better, safer, healthier life for people everywhere. Operating in more than 70 countries, DuPont offers a wide range of innovative products and services for markets including agriculture and food; building and construction; communications; and transportation.

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