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Report of Foreign Issuer

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of September 2004

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SYNGENTA AG

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

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(Address of principal executive offices)

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Re: SYNGENTA AG

Press Release: Syngenta launches new generation of cotton seed treatment in the US

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

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Item 1

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Media Release

Syngenta launches new generation of cotton seed treatment in the US

Basel, Switzerland, 2 September 2004

Syngenta announced today the launch of an innovative seed treatment product for cotton, DYNASTY® CST, in the US. The new product will be available for 2005 planting. DYNASTY® CST provides exceptional control of a wide spectrum of fungal diseases protecting cotton seedlings during the early growth stages. According to estimates of the National Cotton Council of America, cotton seedling diseases caused yield losses of more than \$330 million in the USA in 2003.

"DYNASTY® CST provides outstanding broad-spectrum performance through the combination of three fungicide chemistries," says John Atkin, Chief Operating Officer of Syngenta Crop Protection. "With DYNASTY® CST, we are now offering cotton growers a product which is easy to use and, combined with our insecticide CRUISER®, provides complete protection of cotton seedlings."

Syngenta is also developing DYNASTY® CST for other important cotton growing regions. Registration in Australia is expected later this year.

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 2003 were approximately \$6.6 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: September 2 , 2004

By: /s/ Christoph Mäder

Name: Christoph Mäder
Title: Authorized Signatory

By: /s/ Niklaus Huber

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