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**Swiss-based companies Rohner AG in Pratteln and Syngenta Crop Protection AG in Basel have signed a multi year contract for the custom manufacture of an important intermediate, allowing Syngenta to synthesize larger amounts of a novel active ingredient for market launch. No financial details were disclosed. This agreement further attests to RohnerChem's positioning in selected market segments, where complex, multi-step and innovative synthesis is required.**

Founded in 1906, RohnerChem is a custom chemical manufacturer leveraging conventional chemistry with expertise in several state-of-the-art technologies (e.g. Transition Metal Catalysis, polymer modification, high pressure/low temperature reactions) to support customers with unique and challenging manufacturing requirements for complex small molecules. RohnerChem provides fast and efficient technology transfer matched with the highest level of customer responsiveness, operational flexibility and rapid scale-up expertise to serve our customers in the life science and specialty chemicals industries.

Syngenta is one of the world's leading agribusinesses committed to sustainable agriculture through innovative research and technology. Sales in 2009 were approximately \$ 11 billion. Syngenta employs around 25'000 people in over 90 countries.

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