

China's Agri-food tech received approval for Four New Corn Hybrids

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The MOA recently raised national standards for approval of corn and rice varieties and promoted further innovation in germplasm development. As one of the few companies in China to participate in the Green Pass program, Origin Agritech is in a unique position to streamline the approval process and submit more hybrids for approval per year. Thereby, strengthening the company's ability to bring multiple new hybrids to market annually, including many GMO enhanced hybrids.

Dr. Gengchen Han, Origin Agritech's Chairman, said, "We are very excited to further grow our extensive germplasm resources, which will play an instrumental role in our goal to bring GMO enhanced hybrid seed breeds to market."

About Origin Agritech Limited

Origin Agritech Limited, founded in 1997 and headquartered in Zhong-Guan-Cun (ZGC) Life Science Park in Beijing, is a leading Chinese agricultural technology company. In crop seed biotechnologies, Origin Agritech's phytase corn was the first transgenic corn to receive the Bio-Safety Certificate from China's Ministry of Agriculture.