

Ghana begins testing for GM cotton production

The western African country of Ghana has begun testing four genetically modified (GM) crops, including cotton, for commercial production.

The new GM crops would include *Bacillus Thuringiensis* (BT) cotton as well as rice, cowpea and potato. BT is a pesticide which is used to control the bollworms in cotton.

Field trials for the BT cotton are already planted and underway, in selected areas of the country. The trials are being conducted by Crops Research Institute (CRI) of the Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) and the Savanna Agricultural Research Institute (SARI).

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