## Bayer nears end game in merger talks with Monsanto

German pharmaceutical and crops manufacturer Bayer AG (BAYGn.DE) said on [September 5, 2016] that its negotiations with Monsanto Co (MON.N) had advanced, and it was now willing to offer more than \$65 billion to acquire the world's largest seed company.

Bayer in a statement said that it was prepared to offer \$127.50 per share in connection with a negotiated deal, up from its previous offer of \$125 per share.

ChemChina agreed earlier this year to buy Switzerland's Syngenta (SYNN.S) for \$43 billion, after the latter rejected takeover approaches from Monsanto. Dow Chemical Co (DOW.N) and DuPont (DD.N) are forging a \$130 billion merger, which is to be followed by a break-up into three businesses.

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