

## Brazil approves import of 3 GMO corn varieties for animal feed

Brazil's biosafety commission CTNBio approved on [Oct. 6] imports of three genetically modified (GM) varieties of corn from the United States for animal feed production, said the government and the poultry and pork industry group ABPA.

The measure will facilitate U.S. corn exports to Brazil, said ABPA, adding it will help mitigate tight corn supplies after a harsh drought severely cut production this year, and forced the animal growers to import corn from Argentina.

The Brazilian biosafety commission approved two GM corn varieties produced by Monsanto Co and one developed by Syngenta AG .

Brazil already cultivates and processes genetically modified organisms, but varieties that are not planted in the country need a greenlight from CTNBio to be imported and processed.

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Turra said U.S. GM corn could help supply the local market through January, when Brazil's next corn crop starts being sold domestically.

"That does not mean we would import large quantities," Turra said, adding that the measure gives the sector flexibility at times of tight supplies.

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