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## **SynTech Research implements major expansion of European trials facilities**

Since the beginning of 2016, SynTech Research has significantly increased its field, laboratory and glasshouse sites and facilities for seeds and agrochemical trials in **France, Spain, Germany, Poland** and the **Czech Republic**. “Rapid expansion of our EU capability is a key part of SynTech’s strategy to achieve a 10% share of the global market by 2020,” explains Dr. Khosro Khodayari, President and CEO, SynTech Research.

In January, the Company acquired Syngenta’s field and laboratory facility, equipment and experienced seeds testing team of 12 staff at Semčice, in the Czech Republic. This research station will conduct seeds and agrochemical trials on sugar beet, corn, cereals and oil seed rape, relevant to the whole Central European region, including sugar beet quality analysis and sample processing.



*Main building at SynTech’s new Research Station at Semčice*

In March, SynTech acquired Bayer CropScience’s Research Center for Seed Experimentation near Valencia, Spain. The 30k sq.m site includes laboratories, greenhouses, protected cropping area and offices. It will become SynTech Iberia’s headquarters and will be used for agrochemical and seeds trials, including ecotoxicology, crop processing and post-harvest work.



*SynTech’s new site at Valencia*

In April, SynTech France established a Technical Center for seeds and agrochemical experimentation in the intensive agricultural area around Toulouse. It has also expanded its main Research Station and EU HQ at La Chapelle de Guinchay, near Macon, trebling the trials area of the Station to 17 ha.

This month – following the appointment of Field Testing Manager, Iris Koenings – SynTech Germany has opened a new site, with two Field Scientists, near Untergruppenbach, north of Stuttgart. This is in addition to existing facilities at Löptin near Kiel and Langenbach near Munich.



*Treating a SynTech triticales trial, Germany*

Located in the fertile Neckar valley with its wide range of crops including cereals, vegetables, vines, maize and orchards, it will be used for both GEP and GLP studies.

Finally, in Poland, SynTech has established a new Research Station at Bramki, west of Warsaw with three Field Scientists. They will carry out GLP and GEP trials focussing on horticulture, orchards, wheat and oilseed rape. This will complement SynTech's existing sites near Bydgoszcz, Lublin, Wrocław, Gdańsk and Szczecin.



*SynTech Bramki Research Station, Poland*

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