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Hexima Makes Important Step Forward in Fungal Resistance Program

Hexima Limited today announced that it has produced transgenic canola plants containing its proprietary defensin genes. This is an important step forward in the Company's fungal resistance program and builds on the Company's success in developing its defensin based fungal resistant cotton. Hexima has produced cotton plants containing the defensin genes and has successfully progressed to second year field trials in sites in Queensland and NSW.

Hexima's Managing Director, Dan O'Brien said "Hexima has demonstrated that we can produce fungal resistant cotton and, by producing transgenic canola plants, we have now achieved a significant milestone in canola. We are continuing the development of our technology for corn, soy and cereals.

"Canola production worldwide is affected by fungal pathogens, including black leg and sclerotinia. We believe our defensin fungal resistance technology may be a valuable tool for farmers in fighting fungal pathogens."

Hexima Limited is an ASX-listed agribusiness company (ASX Code: HXL) actively engaged in the research and development of technology for the protection and enhancement of commercial crops, primarily to enhance their resistance to insects and fungal pests. Visit <http://www.hexima.com.au> for more information.

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