

Biosafety Clearing-House (BCH)

COUNTRY'S DECISION OR ANY OTHER COMMUNICATION (DEC)

BCH-DEC-GH-260933-1

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Amendment

Is this an amendment to a decision or communication already published on the BCH?

No

General information

Country

Ghana

Competent National Authority(ies) responsible for the decision or communication

- **COMPETENT NATIONAL AUTHORITY:** BCH-CNA-GH-113743-1 | [BCH-CNA-GH-113743-1](#)

COMPETENT NATIONAL AUTHORITY

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Title / Reference number of the decision or communication

Decision on an Application from the Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR),
Savanna Agricultural Research Institute (CSIR-SARI) for Environmental Release and Placing on
the Market of Cowpea (*Vigna unguiculata* L. Walp.) Genetically Modified for Resistance to
Maruca pod borer (*Maruca vitrata*) Event AAT-7Ø9AA-4 in Ghana

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Date of the decision

30 Jun 2022

Is the decision taken prior to entry into force of the Protocol?

No

Subject of the decision, notification, communication or declaration

Decision on LMOs for intentional introduction into the environment (according to Article 10 or domestic regulatory framework)

LMOs for intentional introduction into the environment

Was the decision triggered by a request for a transboundary movement of LMOs into your country?

No

Does the decision apply to transboundary movements of LMO(s) into the country?

No

Applicant's contact details

- **ORGANIZATION:** COUNCIL FOR SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH-SAVANNA AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE | [BCH-CON-GH-260930-1](#)

ORGANIZATION

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Does the decision involve field trials?

No

Does the decision involve commercial release?

Yes

Will the decision apply to subsequent introductions of the same LMO(s) into the environment?

No

Result of the decision

Result of the decision

Approval of the import and/or use of the LMO(s) without conditions

LMO identification & risk assessment

LMO identification

[BCH-LMO-SCBD-114444-1](#) LIVING MODIFIED ORGANISM | AAT-7Ø9AA-4 - POD BORER-RESISTANT COWPEA

AATF and Institute of Agricultural Research | Resistance to antibiotics (Kanamycin), Resistance to diseases and pests (Insects, Lepidoptera (butterflies and moths))

Risk assessment

[BCH-RA-GH-260932-1](#) RISK ASSESSMENT GENERATED BY A REGULATORY PROCESS | REVIEW OF RISK ASSESSMENT OF THE APPLICATION FROM THE COUNCIL FOR SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH (CSIR), SAVANNA AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE (CSIR-SARI) FOR ENVIRONMENTAL RELEASE AND PLACING ON THE MARKET OF COWPEA (VIGNA UNGUICULATA L. WALP.) GENETICALLY MODIFIED FOR RESISTANCE TO MARUCA POD BORER (MARUCA VITRATA) EVENT AAT-709AA-4 IN GHANA |

AAT-709AA-4 - Pod Borer-resistant cowpea | Cowpea, Black eyed pea, Resistance to diseases and pests, Resistance to antibiotics

Document on the decision, communication, notification or declaration

? [DECISION DOCUMENT FOR ENVIRONMENTAL RELEASE AND PLACING ON THE MARKET OF GENETICALLY MODIFIED PLANT \(EVENT 709A COWPEA\).pdf](#) [*English*]

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Further Information

Questions about the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety or the operation of the Biosafety Clearing-House may be directed to the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity.

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