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News Release

BASF unveils 19 new Xitavo soybean seed products for the 2025 season

RESEARCH TRIANGLE PARK, NC, July 9, 2024 – BASF is further expanding its Xitavo® soybean seed portfolio with the addition of 19 new products for the 2025 growing season. With these additions, the Xitavo soybean seed portfolio includes a total of 46 products covering relative maturities of 0.0 to 4.8.

For the 2025 growing season, growers will have more offerings with access to new genetics developed and sold exclusively by BASF in its Xitavo soybean seed portfolio. Previously, four companies comprised 98% of the soybean breeding effort for the US market. BASF is now bringing new and unique germplasm to the market, and with it, a new source of soybean varieties to meet farmer’s ever-changing needs. This new source of soybean seed germplasm delivers much-needed genetic diversity to help further enhance yields, reduce risk from increased climate challenges and help mitigate disease pressure growers have experienced in recent years. Products in the 2025 Xitavo soybean seed class will feature characteristics bred for yield performance and unique field conditions and pressures.

“BASF is committed to helping farmers doing the [Biggest Job on Earth](#), and we are thrilled to show that commitment through soybean germplasm breeding in the United States,” said Marc Hoobler, U.S. Soybean Agronomy Lead for BASF. “We are not just launching new products, but a whole new pool of elite genetics farmers have not had

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access to until now.”

A few of the high-yielding new products that Hoobler encourages growers to pursue include:

- **XO 2625E:** Solid agronomic package including good tolerance to white mold, iron deficiency chlorosis and good standability.
- **XO 2865E:** Excellent combination of offensive and defensive characteristics featuring Rps1c phytophthora source in a medium-bushy plant type with excellent standability.
- **XO 3105E:** Tawny/brown appearance that packs a yield punch, averaging yield performance at 102.7% of the test mean. Also features above-average tolerance to iron deficiency chlorosis, phytophthora and sudden death syndrome.
- **XO 3375E:** Strong yields from east to west at 102.5% of the test mean, coupled with excellent standability and good tolerance to phytophthora and sudden death syndrome.
- **XO 3855E:** Offers a great combination of characteristics including sulfonylurea-tolerant soybeans (STS), excluder, strong standability and a solid disease package, all combined with yield performance at 102.4% of the test mean.

Between investments in trait research and development and breeding, Xitavo seed, on average, features a genetic gain of 0.75 bushels per year for the last five years. This is considerably higher than the national average pace of yield gain of 0.4 bu/A per year.

For more information about the new Xitavo soybean products, contact your local retailer or visit XitavoSoybeanSeed.com.

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