

## CASE STUDY (CSFI04):

A research scientist looks for information about commercially available transgenic insect-resistant cotton varieties.

## **Objective:**

Use the Biosafety Clearing House (BCH) to access information that might be needed for scientific research.

## Scenario:

A research scientist in South Africa has developed a new and, as yet, unapproved transgenic insectresistant cotton event. To evaluate the efficacy of her new event, the scientist wants to undertake experimental field trials in South Africa that will include other commercially available, insectresistant, transgenic cotton varieties. As she is not sure what options are open to her, she seeks information to answer the following questions:

- **Q1.** What other insect-resistant cotton events could the scientist use in her field trials, preferably commercially available varieties?
- **Q2.** Are there any cotton events that the scientist can import without triggering the Advance Informed Agreement? What procedures should she follow to import these varieties if they exist?

