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Resume: The plant biotech company Aresa has been granted patents in South Africa and in Singapore on the system behind the landmine detecting plant, RedDetect™.

Patent grant.

Aresa has today received notification that the patent authorities in South Africa and in Singapore has granted a patent in respect of "Reporter system for plants", patent No. 2004/9782 in South Africa and patent No. 108113 in Singapore.

The patent covers the system behind the landmine detecting plant, RedDetect™, as well as detection and remediation of pollutants in soil.

The patent abstract is as follows:

"A reporter system capable of giving rise to a directly monitorable phenotypic trait in a plant, in the presence of an outer stimulus such as for example a pollutant, is provided. The system optionally also has the ability to remediate soil. Genetically modified plants comprising said reporter system and optionally the remediation capability, a process for detection of soil pollution and optionally for bioremediating soil by employing said genetically modified plants, as well as the use of genetically modified plants for monitoring soil pollution and optionally for bioremediating soil are also provided."

"The granting of these patents is yet another verification of the strength of the technology behind the landmine detecting plant, RedDetect™", says Chief Scientific Officer and Founder of Aresa, Carsten Meier.

Best regards,

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About Aresa

Aresa is a plant biotech company established in 2001 by the company's current CSO, Carsten Meier and has origins from the Institute of Molecular Biology at Copenhagen University.

Aresa has developed two plant based technology platforms, BioSensor for the detection of substances in soil, hereunder evaporation of explosives from landmines; and BioPharma, a tool for the optimisation and production of antibodies and proteins in plants.

Aresa was listed on the Copenhagen OMX-First North market place in 2006. Aresa is based at Symbion Science Park in Copenhagen and has greenhouse facilities in the outskirts of Copenhagen and test areas in Denmark, Croatia and in Bosnia Herzegovina. Aresa has 17 employees, hereof 9 within research and development and 5 within landmine operations.

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