



# **BASF evaluates Amoeba's biocontrol products**

Chassieu (France), March 31, 2020 - AMOEBA (FR0011051598 - AMEBA), producer of a biological biocide capable of eliminating the risk in water and human wounds, and of a biocontrol product for plant protection, still in the testing phase, announces the signature of a Material Transfer Agreement (MTA) with BASF, one of the leaders in biocontrol in France

The purpose of the research partnership is the provision by Amoéba of experimental products containing the amoeba lysate Willaertia magna C2c Maky. In return, the BASF group will carry out its own field and greenhouse trials to evaluate the performance of these products in preventing fungal diseases on a range of crops.

Amoéba and BASF are thus embarking on a targeted research phase which, if successful, could promote the commercial development of biocontrol solutions.

"The use of our biocontrol solutions for trials on new types of crops, aims at diversifying and enriching alternative solutions in crop protection. This new partnership between Amoeba and BASF, which is present alongside farmers worldwide through its "Agricultural Solutions" division, illustrates the growing interest in the research work carried out by Amoeba over the past 10 years. These large-scale tests, with a world leader in the chemical industry, offer significant value-added potential for the company and are an essential step towards a possible commercial partnership". explains Fabrice Plasson, Chairman and CEO of Amoéba.

Amoéba points out that the company is still in the testing phase for its biocide and biocontrol applications and does not currently market any products.

## About BASF's Agricultural Solutions Division

With a rapidly growing population, the world is increasingly dependent on our ability to develop sustainable agriculture that respects the environment. To make this possible, we work with farmers, agricultural professionals, crop protection specialists and others. That's why we invest in a strong research pipeline and a broad product portfolio, which includes seeds and genetics, chemical and biological crop protection, soil management, plant health, pest control and digital agriculture. Our teams of experts, whether in the field, laboratories or production sites, bridge the gap between innovation and practical action to develop real ideas that work around the world, for farmers, society and the planet. In 2019, our division generated more than  $\in$ 7.8 billion in sales. For more information, visit <u>www.agriculture.basf.com</u> or follow us on our social media.



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At BASF, we create chemistry for a sustainable future. We combine economic success with social responsibility and environmental protection. More than 117,000 employees in the BASF Group work on contributing to the success of our customers in nearly all sectors and in almost every country in the world. Our portfolio is organized into six segments: Chemicals, Materials, Industrial Solutions, Surface Technologies, Nutrition and Care, and Agricultural Solutions. In 2019, BASF generated sales of approximately €59 billion. BASF shares are traded on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange (BAS) and under the name American Depositary Receipts (BASFY) in the USA. For further information: www.basf.com or www.basf.fr.



#### About AMOEBA:

Amoéba's ambition is to become a major player in the treatment of bacterial risk in the fields of water, healthcare and plant protection. Our biological solution is an alternative to chemical products widely used today. Amoéba is currently focusing on the market of industrial cooling towers estimated at €1.7Bn (1) on a global chemical biocide market for water treatment, evaluated at €21Bn (2) and on the biocontrol market for plant protection estimated globally at €1.6Bn (4). In the future, the Company is looking at developing new applications such as chronic wound care, estimated at € 751 million (3) in the USA. Sales of associated products with healthcare, biocides and crop protection are subject to the Company being granted local regulatory market authorizations. The Company is currently in a trial phase for biocidal and plant protection applications and does not market any products.

Created in 2010, based in Chassieu (Lyon, France) with a subsidiary in Canada and in the United States, Amoéba is quoted on the compartment C of Euronext Paris. The Company is a member of the BPIfrance Excellence network and is eligible for the PEA-PME SME equity savings plan setup. More information on www.amoeba-biocide.com. (1): Amoéba data combined from sources: DRIRE 2013, Eurostat, ARHIA 2013

(2): Sources combined by Amoéba from water treaters, Freedonia, Eurostat et MarketsandMarkets

(3): BCC Research, "Markets for Advanced Wound Management Technologies," Wellesley, MA, 2017

(4): Biopesticides Worldwide Market 2013, CPL, Wallingford, UK

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