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## **Kumiai successfully resolves patent infringement proceeding in Australia (4 Farmers Australia Pty Ltd)**

On 12 November 2024, Kumiai Chemical Industry Co., Ltd ('Kumiai') commenced patent infringement proceedings against 4 Farmers Australia Pty Ltd ('4 Farmers') in relation to the distribution and sale of the 4Farmers Pyroxasulfone 850 WG Herbicide products the subject of APVMA Product Number 91294 including:

- (i) 4Farmers Product 1, packaged in a 12kg drum and supplied up to and including January 2025; and
- (ii) 4Farmers Product 2, packaged in a 12kg bag and supplied between January 2025 and 9 July 2025.

On 12 September 2025, the Federal Court of Australia made orders finalizing this proceeding: [ORDER](#)

Kumiai has successfully obtained final orders that include an undertaking from 4 Farmers to the Federal Court that it will not, in Australia, during the term of Australian Innovation Patent No. 2023100061, sell, otherwise dispose of, offer to sell or otherwise dispose of, use or import, or keep for the purpose of doing any of those acts, 4Farmers Product 1 and 4Farmers Product 2, without the licence or authority of Kumiai.

The final orders note that 4 Farmers has paid an agreed amount of Kumiai's costs of this proceeding.

This settlement follows the earlier settlements of Federal Court proceedings with [ADAMA Australia Pty Limited on 19 July 2024](#) and [Crop Smart Pty Ltd on 18 April 2025](#).

Kumiai is one of the world's leading agrochemical companies with over 70 years' experience in manufacturing herbicide products.

Kumiai manufactures Sakura® 850 WG pyroxasulfone herbicide which has been trusted by Australian farmers for years. Kumiai has a global patent portfolio which includes Australian patents relating to pyroxasulfone herbicide.

Kumiai regards intellectual property rights to be of critical importance, and we are committed to enforcing our intellectual property rights, both in Australia and around the world.

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Kumiai Chemical Industry Co., Ltd.

Customer Inquiry Form (<https://www.kumiai-chem.co.jp/english/contact.html>)

## 组合化学成功解决了在澳大利亚针对 4 Farmers Australia Pty Ltd 提起的 专利侵权诉讼

2024 年 11 月 12 日，组合化学工业株式会社（“组合化学”）针对 4 Farmers Australia Pty Ltd（“4 Farmers”）分销和销售 APVMA 登记编号 91294 的“4Farmers Pyroxasulfone 850 WG 除草剂”产品，在澳大利亚提起专利侵权诉讼。该产品包括：

- (i) 4Farmers 产品 1，12 千克桶装，供应时间截至 2025 年 1 月；和
- (ii) 4Farmers 产品 2，12 千克袋装，供应时间为 2025 年 1 月至 2025 年 7 月 9 日之间。

2025 年 9 月 12 日，澳大利亚联邦法院作出裁定，终结了本次诉讼程序。相关链接为：  
[ORDER](#)。

组合化学已成功获得最终裁定，其中包括 4 Farmers 向联邦法院作出的承诺，即在澳大利亚革新专利号 2023100061 有效期内，未经组合化学许可或授权，不得在澳大利亚销售、许诺销售或以其他方式处理、使用或进口 4Farmers 产品 1 和 4Farmers 产品 2，或为实施任何上述行为而保留 4Farmers 产品 1 和 4Farmers 产品 2。

最终裁定指出，4 Farmers 已向组合化学支付了双方约定的本次诉讼费用。

此次和解是组合化学继 [2024 年 7 月 19 日与 ADAMA Australia Pty Limited](#) 以及 [2025 年 4 月 18 日与 Crop Smart Pty Ltd](#) 达成联邦法院诉讼和解后的又一进展。

组合化学是全球领先的农用化学品公司之一，拥有超过 70 年的除草剂产品制造经验。

组合化学制造的砒吡草唑 Sakura® 850 WG 除草剂产品长期以来一直深受澳大利亚农民信赖。公司拥有包括与砒吡草唑除草剂相关的澳大利亚专利在内的全球专利组合。

组合化学高度重视知识产权，并致力于在澳大利亚及全球范围内维护和行使我们的知识产权。

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