A global biotechnology agribusiness uses SAS® to increase efficiency, minimize cost and optimize its R&D efforts. It uses data-driven decisions for experiments to ensure quality control and process reliability. With SAS, the agribusiness built compelling models and discovered new technologies to support R&D.

The Issue
More efficient food production requires farmers and agribusiness leaders to undergo a digital transformation, embracing advanced analytics and AI to produce insights that enable sound, data-driven decisions.

You need the tools and capabilities that allow your researchers, breeders, technical specialists, agronomists, etc. to spend less time cleaning, preparing and transforming your data using outdated methods and tools. You need modern data integration, cloud-based architectures, AI and analytical capabilities to remove bottlenecks and deliver a new level of environmental stewardship, including trait development to provide the nutritious and higher value crops needed to create a healthier society.

Our Approach
SAS helps agribusiness leaders move from data-driven decisions to tangible results. With SAS’ breadth and depth of analytics and embedded AI, our innovative solutions improve the way you discover, develop, manufacture and commercialize new products and technologies.

SAS agriculture analytics solutions give customers the control to securely manage, scale and maintain their data. This is particularly beneficial in highly regulated industries such as agtech.

Implementing modern analytics doesn’t mean leaving behind valuable investments in people and technology. You can incorporate suites of programming languages, data sources and analytics techniques into an integrated solution with the ability to scale AI and ML.

Challenges

- **Large amounts of disparate data.** Agribusinesses are faced with combining numerous and varied streams of information, such as determining the best biological outcomes in crop optimization, crop protection treatments and soil health.

- **Integrating data for analytics insights.** Companies must harness complex data streams from research or production agriculture, microbiome studies and lab studies, then integrate genetic data to better understand the interaction of genetic lines with environmental conditions.

- **Ever-growing research requirements.** These organizations are faced with expanding research into complex traits, disease resistance, herbicide resistance and agronomic practices while incorporating support for more organic and sustainable production practices.
The SAS Difference

SAS can provide you with analytically based insights in:

**Crop science**
Use data-driven decisions to accelerate data collection, analyses and regulatory compliance across R&D organizations. Get the important insights from research trials that decision makers need.

**Animal science**
Monitor animal health and wellness in real time with data streaming capabilities. Optimize care and feed practices for healthy yields and sustainable livestock production. Predict health and production outcomes so that success is repeatable.

**Precision agriculture**
Monitor sensors in fields or indoor growing environments. Whether it’s drones, autonomous grow systems or harvesters, you can integrate analytics for yield optimization in real time at scale to realize maximum crop yield potential.

**Consumer packaged goods**
Manage inventory and demand planning of raw material inputs for finished food products. Integrate transparency throughout the food supply value chain to help ensure the highest quality and value to your customers and business.

**Sustainability**
Gain deeper insights into environmental impacts and production capacities for one of the most valuable resources for human, animal and plant health. Measure and improve sustainability performance standards.

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Case Study

**A major poultry producer**

**Situation**
Bacterial infections can be a deadly and costly outbreak in chicken grow houses.

**Solution**
Monitor the health of chickens in real time via sensors for acoustic, thermal, infrared and optical data sources. Hypotheses are being tested to identify elevated stress signals that can uncover disease outbreak or general environmental stress, early on and at an individual level.

**Results**
Quickly treat the infected chicken house at the first sign of problems to get the chickens back to optimal health and prevent further spread of infection.

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What If You Could...

Integrate massive amounts of data quickly
What if you could use data from a variety of sources and types to create analytically driven insights?

Conquer your analytics challenges
What if you could enable everyone in your organization to collaborate and achieve innovation faster?

Keep pace with expanding research needs
What if you could use AI to unlock new possibilities, boost production and amplify your impact?

With SAS, you can.

SAS Facts

SAS is ranked as a leader in advanced analytics and artificial intelligence.

SAS has redefined the future of analytics in the cloud to accelerate the power of AI for everyone.

The top 50 life sciences companies use SAS.

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