

Soil Health, N Fixation, Carbon Sequestration:

Adding Value to Agriculture

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Agenda

- Introduction
- The soil health opportunity as the next frontier: a market opportunity for American farmers
- > SIMPAS / Ultimus as one viable solution
- > Industry's role in the shifting landscape
- Key takeaways





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- Career in Agribusiness working for "large caps" such as Hoechst, Aventis and Bayer, and "midcaps" such as Schering and FMC
- Adjunct Professor at the Berlin School of Economics & Law
- Independent board director of Clean Seeds
 Capital Group and the Farm Journal Foundation
- Board member of the Agricultural Retailer Association





This Is AMVAC

- Celebrated 50 years in 2019
- Subsidiary of American Vanguard Corporation
- NYSE: AVD
- >\$550 Million Annual Net Sales
- 21 global subsidiaries and 9 operating companies representing all major ag markets
- Full portfolio of crop protection and biological products
- **Technologies Solution Provider:** Leader in proven chemistries, precision application systems, and bio-solutions











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Why Carbon Is Relevant to U.S. Agriculture

Investors Black Rock

Activism Global Carbon Day Macro Agribusiness Interests Government Regulators Paris & Kyoto Accords

Consumer Demand Fewer inputs / organic

Corporations Food chains and processors

Why Carbon Is Relevant to U.S. Agriculture

Farmer:

Incremental income Sustainable soil health

Equity value increase

Compliance: regulatory, food cos.

PR

Consultant / Retailer:

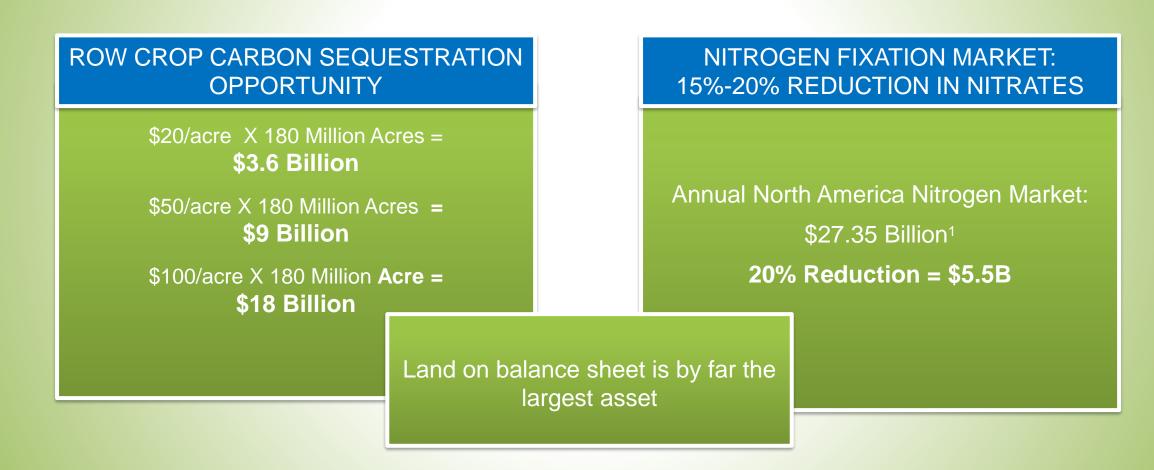
Incremental income Value-added agronomy: prescription

Added-value soil health solutions

ARA Sustainability Initiative & Carbon Working Group Channel Micro Interests Soil health is the next largest market opportunity for American farming since biofuels



The soil health opportunity expands from "pest control and nutritional supplement" to "long-term microbial wellbeing and replenishment"





How Big Is the Carbon Market?

Grew 23% last year to \$281 billion ¹

Could be worth \$22 trillion by 2050

Carbon makes up about 5% to 10% of BP's trading activities



How Big Will the Carbon Market Be?

"By our estimates, a third of the carbon credits the world will need in the next several years could come from farming – creating a market that we expect to grow to \$100 billion within the next decade."¹

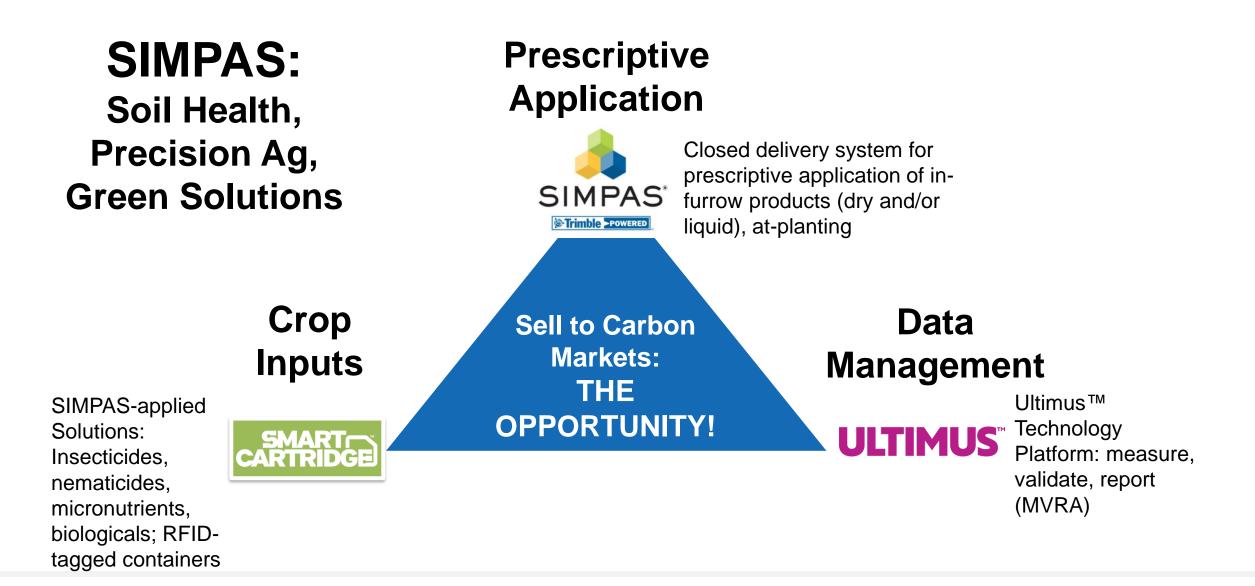
– Chuck Magro, then-President/CEO, Nutrien (now CEO, Corteva Agriscience)



The Opportunity

- Carbon and Soil Health are going to be a game-changer
- Partnerships will be critical
 - Public / private sector joint effort
- Macro trend isn't going away in ag: opportunity in carbon
- Practices that increase soil carbon sequestration can transform agriculture into a large carbon sink with a technical potential estimated offset of 1/4 to 1/3 of global emissions annually
- The growing demand for carbon dioxide removal solutions and the value of carbon credits in the years ahead will have a fundamental and lasting impact on the economics of the agricultural sector, with offset markets expected to reach \$200B by 2050¹.
- AMVAC and SIMPAS as a partner . . .







SIMPAS-supplied Solutions (SAS)



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MicroSync IronClad IDC micronutrient

More Products and Crops to Come . . .



Green Solutions (i.e., Biostimulants): Key Success Factors

- Financial stability to register and develop solutions
- Ability to manufacture consistently
- Ability to package and transport
- Fresh delivery and concentration of microbes
- Access to the farm agronomist
- Used as part of a total integrated pest management (IPM) program
- Consistent yield benefit and efficacy



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SIMPAS Partnerships

Application Equipment





SIMPAS-applied Solutions



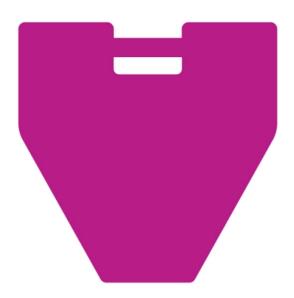


Many more partnerships to come!



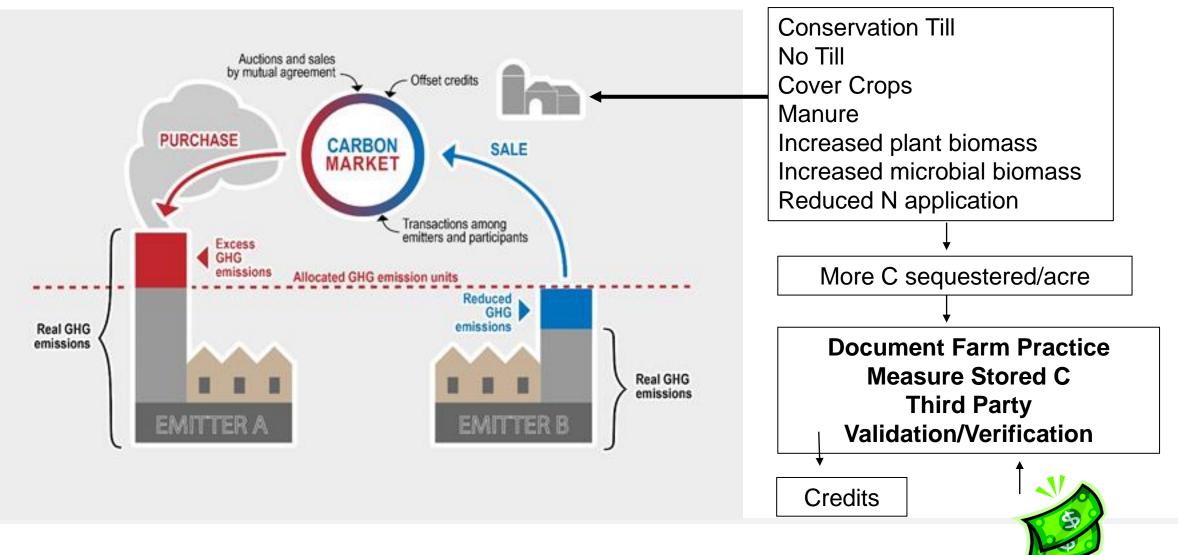
ULTIMUS – patented technology platform that integrates:

- RFID *-tagged ag product containers
- Traceability software
- Customer accounting software
- Application equipment
- Precision ag/geospatial equipment
- Blockchain-enabled for forensic accounting purposes





The Carbon Credit Market

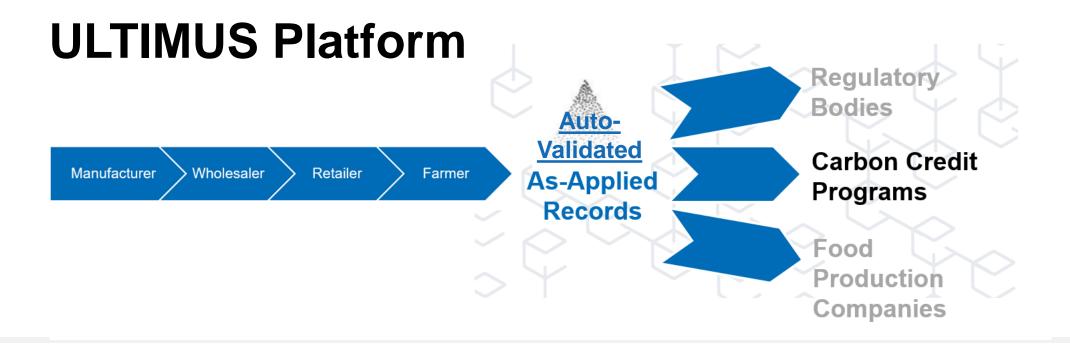




Biggest Challenges

1) MVRA: Measure, <u>Validate</u>, Record, Audit

2) Reducing administrative resource requirements





How Do Consultants / Farmers Play?

- Precision mapping and precision prescriptions?
 - Big opportunity to be paid for these services
- Data management and analytics: Who owns the data? Who uses the data?
- Government incentives tax incentives and direct payments
 - Public private partnerships
 - Research by grant universities
 - $\circ~$ Credibility: MVR and the ability to audit
- New microbial soil testing technology
- Increasing the long-term value of the farm / land / soil
- Capability to leverage ...
 - o Authorized filling stations
 - Custom application business
 - o Inventory management



Key Takeaways

- The opportunity is here and real
- Technology exists to make it happen
- Timing is good to invest in technology
- Who are your key partners?
- Be prepared for rapid and important change
- Not participating is risky!





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