

# Using Microbial Technology as a Complement to Traditional Crop Technology



Exceed the Seed  
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# Global Trends Drive New Demands on Agriculture

## Demands on Agriculture

Increase of Water and  
Nutrient Use Efficiency

Yield and Productivity  
Increase

Addressing Sustainability  
Demands



## Complex Farming Environment

Pests

Labor

Weeds

Weather

Commodity  
Prices

Water

Regulations

Environment



## Accepted Utilization of New Tools (Culture/Risk) to Meet Yield Challenges

Seed

Crop Protection

Crop Care

# Crop Input Market

- Crop protection averaged 6.9% annual value growth rate 2008-2014
  - Trait seed averaged annual value growth of 17.7%; genetic seed 4.8% prior to 2014
  - 2012 bio-pesticides 15% annual value growth and projected growth 12.5%\* by 2021
- Global traited seed, crop protection, and crop care leaders are engaged at some level with the use of biological crop products in support of traditional crop production.
  - ... but in 2015 crop protection value fell from 2014 by 9.0% and seed fell 8.2% ... trend continues.

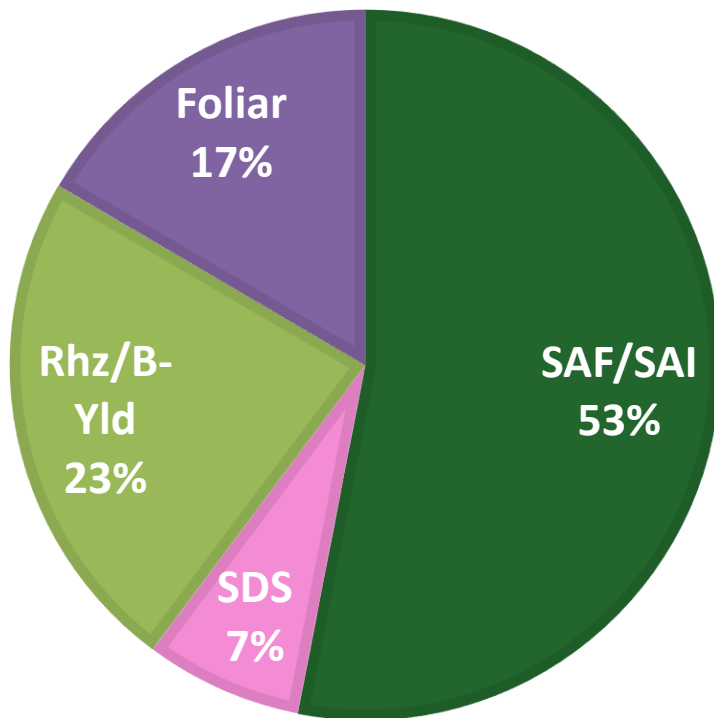
\* CAGR 2016 – 2021

# The Market Evolution Enhances the Role of Microbials

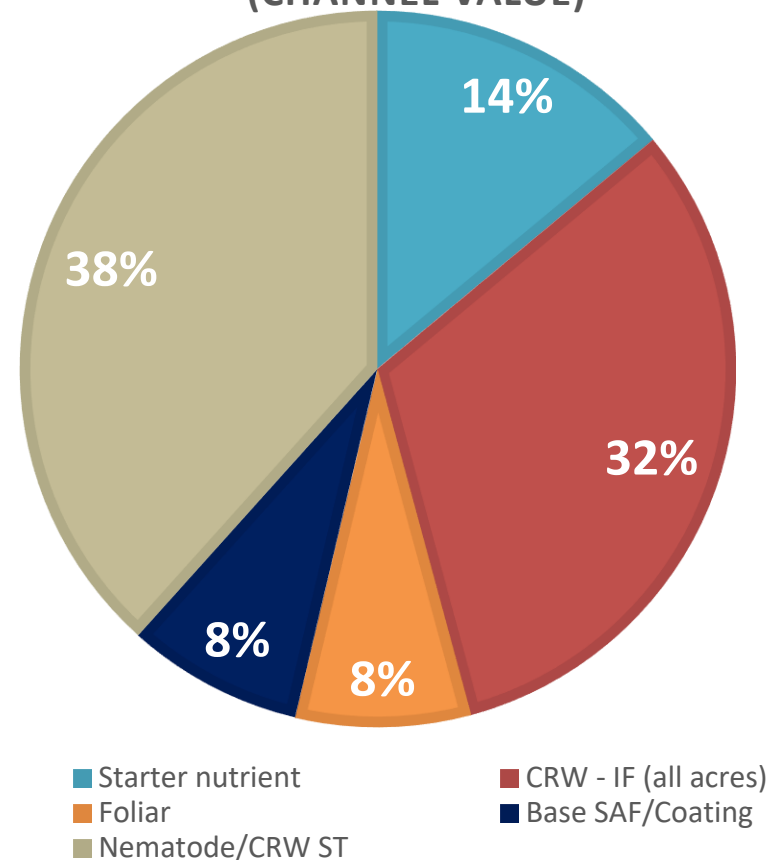
- *Bacillus thuringiensis* first discovered in 1901 by a Japanese biologist and then again in 1911 by a German biologist
- Strong commercialization in 1987 by Abbott (Valent Biosciences)
- The cost of new “traditional” pesticides: 10 years at \$250 MM (\$120 MM, discovery, \$112 development, \$18 registration)
- Seed and genetic suppliers broadening their reach to protect the plant (prevention versus curative) and solidify the business opportunity.
- Generic crop protection products drive the need for differentiation and biological crop input products (microbials) provide a differentiating opportunity (efficacy and value)

# Addressable US Markets

**SOYBEAN CROP INPUT MARKET**  
\$754 MM\* (CHANNEL VALUE)



**CORN CROP INPUT MARKET**  
\$2,008 MM\* (CHANNEL VALUE)



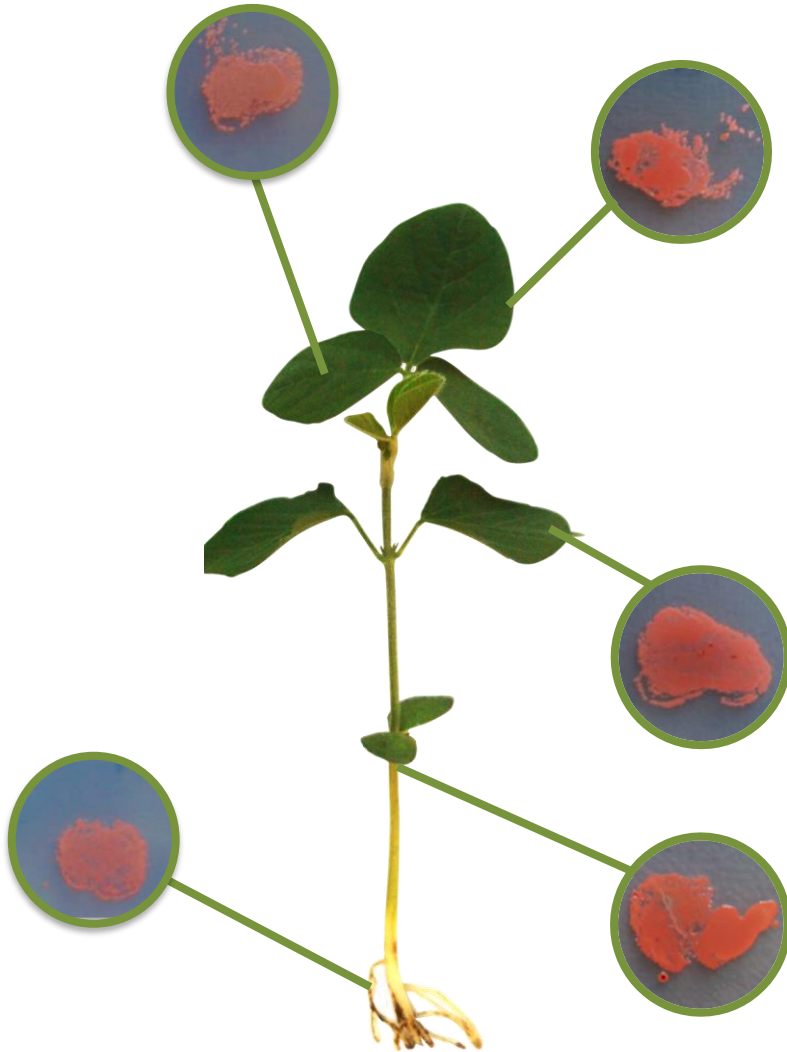
# Why Microbials?

- Twelve years and \$250 MM to register a pesticide
- GM crop 10 years \$150 MM to register
- Challenges globally with regional registration impediments
- Accelerated path to market
- Environmentally responsible
- Changing climate requires management of stress biotic and abiotic in a prompt and sustainable way.





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symbiotics



# Why M-troph Focus?

Robust and ubiquitous  
colonizers of plants

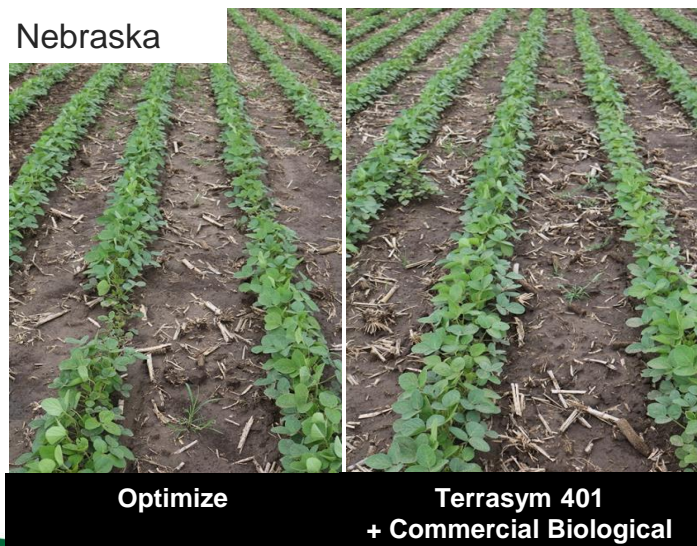
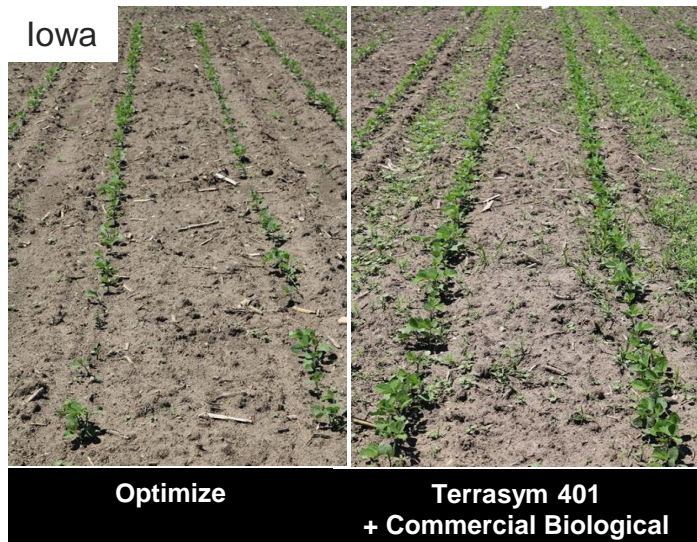
No energy cost to plants

Rich in plant enhancing  
“traits”

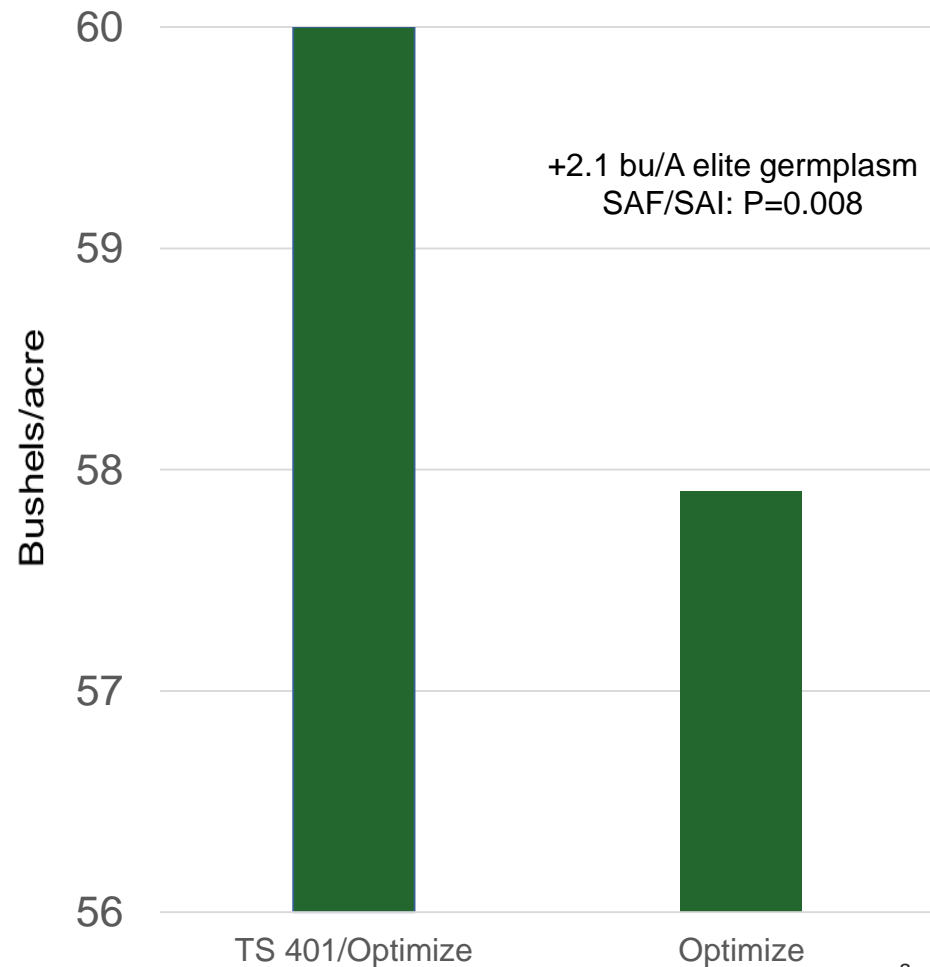
Highly productizable with our  
proprietary methods



# Terrasym 401 Launched



Terrasym 401 with & without  
Commercial Biological

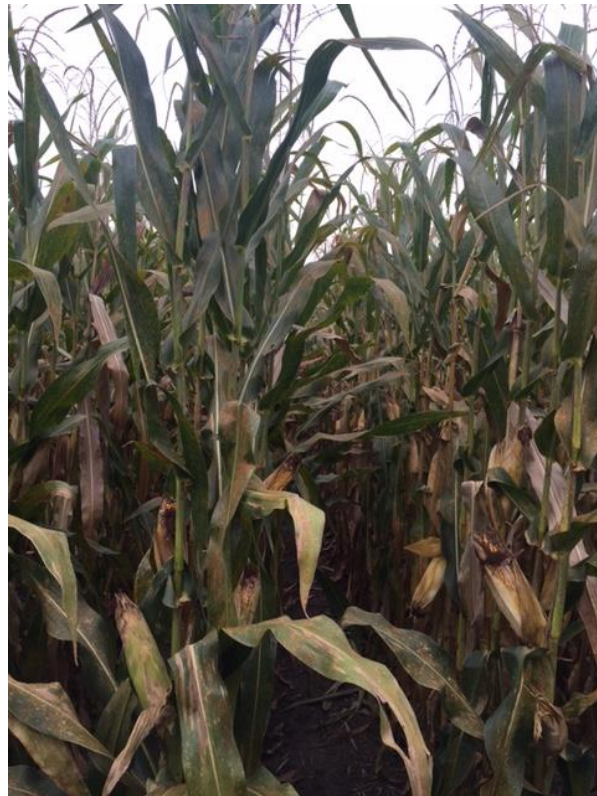




# Grey Leaf Spot Suppression in the Field



**Untreated  
check (UTC)**



**NLS D/R**



**NLS B/T**

Central Missouri  
(*Cercospora zeae-maydis*)



# Pythium Evaluations, Wheat 2018

## Metalaxyl in Wheat 2018



**UNTREATED  
CONTROL**



**METALAXYL  
LOW RATE**

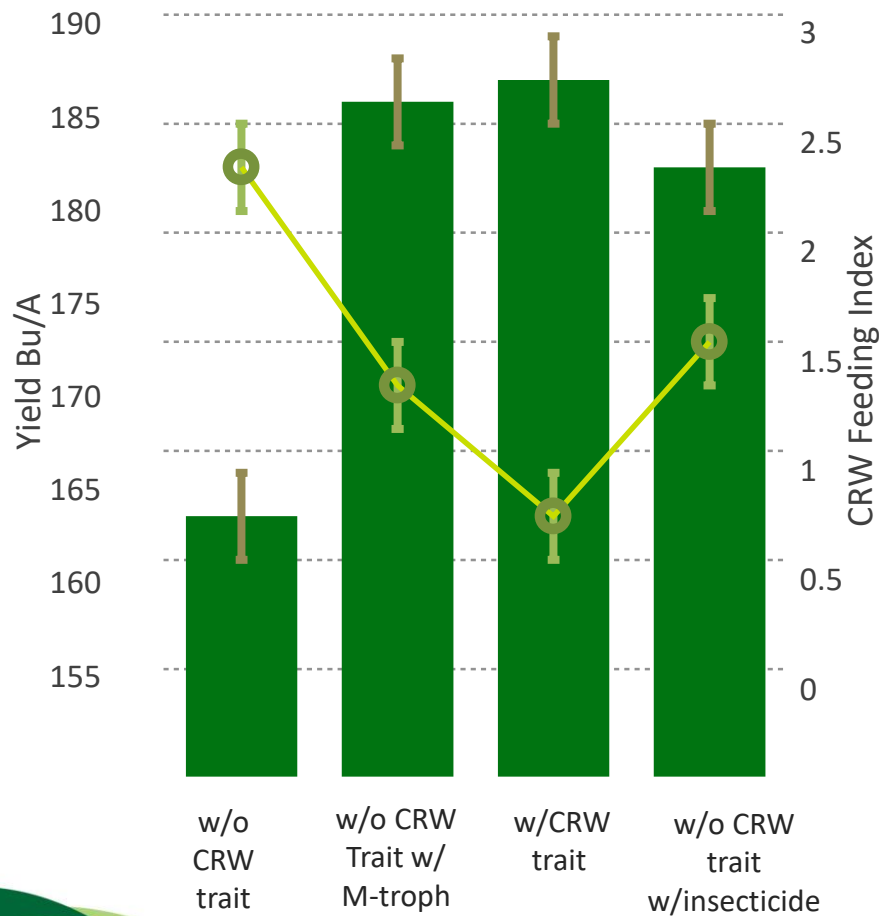


**METALAXYL  
HIGH RATE**



**TERRASYM 601**

# Corn Rootworm (CRW) Mitigation



Untreated

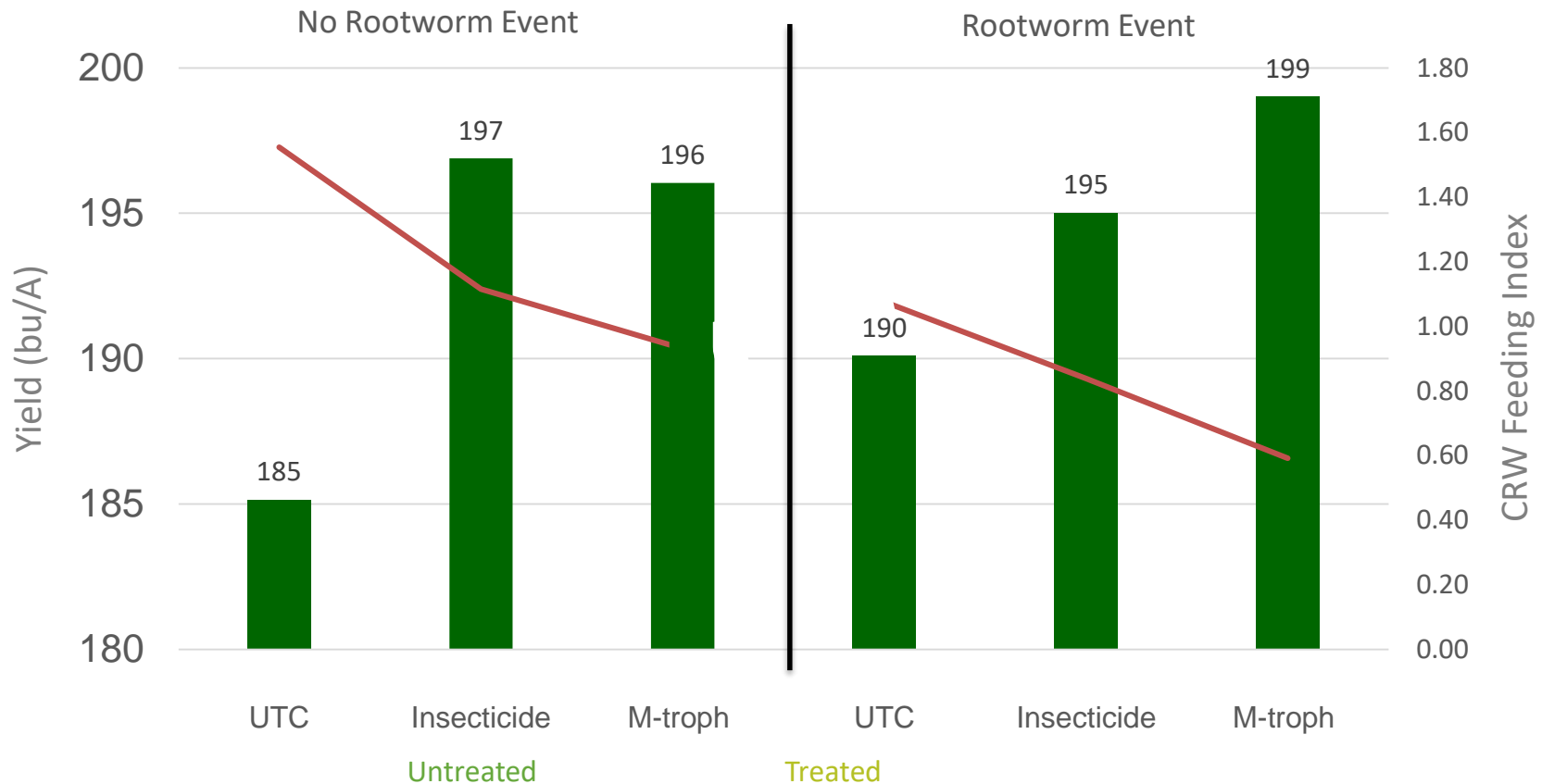


Treated



- M-troph yield contribution comparable to CRW trait or insecticide on elite corn hybrid
- Integrated Pest Management opportunity

# CRW 2015-17 In-furrow Field Trials







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