

Maximizing alfalfa utility and production



With increasing interest in alfalfa as a way to provide additional protein, manage dry conditions or potentially sequester carbon, it is important to consider the genetics of the alfalfa available. Providing alfalfa varieties with specific traits or higher yield potential can be a way to address grower's challenges and intentions. Alfalfa and forage varieties available from Corteva Agriscience through the Alforex® seeds brand are built to address these needs.

Alforex innovation in alfalfa draws on a legacy of alfalfa development that stretches back more than 100 years and access to the largest, most robust alfalfa germplasm pool in the world.

Alfalfa trends and abilities

To help meet seller and grower needs, alfalfa varieties have been developed with a range of characteristics, including salt tolerance, improved yield potential, higher digestibility and faster recovery.

Establishing alfalfa varieties with specific traits, like salinity tolerance, is a way to improve production even in challenging areas. For example, Alforex Hi-Salt salinity tolerant alfalfa reduces the impact of salinity by 2.0 to 3.0 soil electrical conductivity (EC) points and may have an advantage in dry or drought conditions. It can also allow crop growth in areas previously thought impossible to use. Similarly, Hi-Gest® alfalfa technology was developed to provide more leaves and a more highly digestible feed crop.

Options for licensee companies

Seed can be private labeled (cleaned, conditioned, bagged) or sold using the Alforex® seeds brand.

Along with the seed, Alforex can provide marketing support including help with tech sheets and sell sheets — even for those who private label. Sales rep training on alfalfa agronomics, cutting practices and positioning is also available.

For more information on Alforex alfalfa varieties, contact your Corteva Agriscience account manager.