

Yield10 Bioscience, Inc.

(NASDAQCM:YTEN)

First Quarter 2019 Financial Results and Business Highlights
Conference Call

Yield10 is developing new technologies to achieve step-changes in crop yield to enhance global food security



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The Yield10 Trait Factory

Yield10 combines advanced discovery with genome editing to develop valuable crop traits



North American Seed Sector Opportunities

Crop	N. America Acres (in millions)	Yield10 Activity	Seed Sector Structure	
Canola**	20	Yes	Consolidated value chain, dominated by stacked input traits, path to market through licensing	
Soybean	85	Yes		
Corn	90	Yes		
Cotton	13.5	No		
Camelina	potential	Yes	Commercial "white space"	
Wheat	72	Research	Opportunity to participate directly in the seed business or	
Rice	potential	Research	downstream in feed/food products	
Sorghum	5.8	License	Large specialty seed businesses usually dominated by 1 or 2	
Alfalfa*	16.6	No	players, path to market through licensing	

- Rice ~400 million acres (ex NA). Challenging China and India markets Focus on editing
- Wheat ~530 million acres (~72 million acres in N. America) Focus on editing
- ** Canola is underinvested in by the majors due to their focus on corn and soybeans
- * Alfalfa is the number 3 most valuable field crop produced in the US (~\$9.9 billion)



Yield10 Path and Timeline to Value Creation

2017-2018	2019-2020	2021-2023
"emerging"	"growing"	"harvesting"
Company launch	Build reputation as innovator	Product revenue
Establishing GRAIN 1.0 trait discovery platform	The "Trait Factory" GRAIN 2.0 platform and CRISPR	Expand range of trait targets (e.g. nitrogen use, pod shatter, etc.)
Focus on trait discovery	Traits in commercial development	Traits on clear path to market
Camelina Platform	Development in: Camelina, canola, soybean, corn, wheat and rice	Expand deployment of traits geographically and in additional crops
Portfolio of traits	Prioritize genome-edited traits	Gen 2 traits and trait stacks
First affiliations	Form revenue generating collaborations, partnerships	Highly sought after partner for trait discovery and development



Commercial Strategy

Yield10 technologies enable multiple paths to value creation





North American Commodity Crops

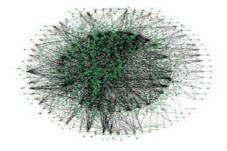
- Accelerate deployment with Ag majors
- License agreements with milestones and participation in downstream economics





Specialty and Niche Crops including Nutritional Oils

- Focus on development of high value products in food and animal feed
- Participation in the downstream business



Technology Platforms

- "GRAIN" unique approach to identifying gene combinations for editing
- Non-dilutive funding and relationships with leading plant scientists
- R&D support for partner funded programs



Recent Accomplishments

- ✓ Completed seed bulk up, permitting and contracting for 2019 Field Tests for evaluation of seed yield traits in oilseed crops; on track to initiate planting in Q2
 - ✓ Second generation C3003 in canola (Canada)
 - ✓ C3004 in Camelina (Canada)
- ✓ Consistent with C3003 canola being in the Commercial Development phase, we have been developing additional independent C3003 canola lines for field testing and crossing into elite canola lines
- ✓ Progressed characterization of C3007 CRISPR edits in canola lines
- Produced first canola lines containing C3004 trait (based on the Camelina gene)
- ✓ Began early development program in corn to evaluate 6 novel yield traits including C3003, C3004, C3011, C4001, C4002, C4003
- ✓ Progressing work with C4000 series to obtain seed yield data inrice and wheat
- ✓ Received a Notice of Allowance from US PTO covering the use of C3003 to increase seed yield in crops
- ✓ In-licensed additional technology to boost oil content in crops (C3012) from University of Missouri based on new IP developed by Dr. Jay Thelen and his team



Yield10: Rich Pipeline of Trait Genes in Development

Many opportunities exist for licensing and/or partnerships

Yield Traits	Target Crops	Potential N. A. Acreage			
Carbon conversion efficiency					
C3003, C3004 ^{1,} C3011	canola, soybean, corn, sorghum	200 million			
Oil enhancing traits ¹					
C3007, C3008a, C3008b, C3009, C3010, C3012	canola, soybean	110 million			
Gene regulators ¹					
C4001-C4003	wheat, rice ² , corn and sorghum	169 million			
C4004	wheat, rice	74 million			
C4029	sorghum	5 million			

¹ traits accessible with genome editing; not regulated by USDA-APHIS, could be regulated by EPA and/or FDA and/or regulated in EU, Canada



² Market for rice is fragmented; est. 2 million acres US; 400 million acres ex-US

2019 Field Testing Plan for C3003 and C3004

Planting to begin soon pending suitable weather conditions Field Test C3003 in Canola

Objective: Generate multi-site field data to identify commercial quality events and data to drive partnership discussions Gen 1,

Test C3003 Gen 2.0 in canola

Generate field grown seed for 2020 field tests

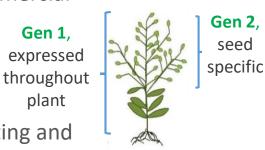
Scaling up C3003 to make more canola events for testing and crossing into elite varieties

Continue to support Bayer/Monsanto in evaluation of C3003

Field Test C3004 in Camelina

Objective: Generate multi-site field data to validate impressive seed yield results (up to 65% increase) obtained in growth chambers

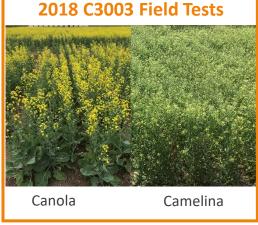
- Collect agronomic and initial seed yield data
- Generate field grown seed for 2020 field tests
- Generate data to drive partnership discussions
- Continue work to deploy trait in canola and corn



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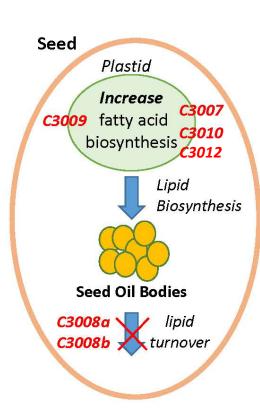


Genome Editing Targets for Increasing Oil Content

Specialty oils: Cost of goods is driven by seed yield/acre x seed oil content

Goal: Develop the best combination of gene edits to maximize oil/acre

- C3008a: US field tests of non-regulated lines planned in 2019
- C3008a, C3008b, C3009
 - Completed editing of three distinct genes of Camelina designed to increase oil
 - Received confirmation of nonregulated status from USDA-APHIS Sept. 2018
 - US field tests of non-regulated lines planned in 2019
- ACCase Pathway Technology including C3007 (BADC), C3010, C3012
 - Signed exclusive license to technology and IP from MU in 2018
 - Expanded scope of license with additional technology and IP in 2019
 - C3007 is a novel negative regulator, obtained edited canola lines
 - C3010 may increase the enzymatic activity of ACCase
 - C3012 may act alone, or in combination with C3007





Update: C4000 Series Traits for Wheat and Rice

Focus on CRISPR genome-editing strategies for key food crops

Opportunity: Large global acreage (~950 mm acres), highly fragmented market, no dominant players

Challenge: Public concern around GMO technologies in staple food crops

Yield10 Approach: Deploy yield traits using CRISPR genome-editing of novel targets identified using GRAIN platform

- C4000 series traits produced significant increases in photosynthesis and biomass yield when tested in switchgrass
- Conduct testing of C4000 series in wheat and rice
- Characterize GE plants and collect initial seed yield data in 2019
- Identify collaborative opportunities to test traits in commercial varieties



Affiliations Expand Testing of Traits in Key Crops

Leveraging crop expertise of Ag players to deploy Yield10 traits in commercial germplasm, collect field testing data on crop yield performance and provide path to commercial licensing



In-house expertise in Camelina, canola and rice Access to expertise in soybean and corn



Research license to C3003 and C3004 for evaluation and field testing in elite soybean lines



Research license to C3003, C4001, C4002, C4003 and C4029 for evaluation and field testing in elite forage sorghum



Yield10 research partner for evaluation of novel yield traits in wheat

Many additional opportunities exist for licensing and/or partnerships



First Quarter 2019 Financial Results

Balance Sheet

- Net operating cash usage of \$2.3 M for Q1 2019
- \$6.1 M in cash and cash equivalents at end of Q1
- On March 18, closed on \$2.6 million, net proceeds, in registered direct offering of approx. 2.4 million shares of common stock priced at market
- Estimate total net cash usage of approx. \$9.0 to \$9.5 M for FY 2019
- No debt on balance sheet

Operating Results

- Reported net loss for Q1 2019 of \$2.3M or \$0.22 per share
 - Based on \$0.1 M in grant revenue, \$1.2 M in R&D, and \$1.2M in G&A spend



Yield10 Upcoming Milestones

Yield10 is working to advance our crop yield technologies and build collaborations

- Continue commercial development of C3003 in canola and other crops (soybean, corn)
 - Focus on C3003 development in canola through creation of additional events and testing in elite germplasm
 - Generate field data and field grown seed in 2019 field testing program
 - Support Bayer/Monsanto in development of C3003 and C3004 traits in soybean
 - Continue independent evaluation of C3003 in soybean, rice and corn
- Report data from C3004 Camelina 2019 field tests, fast-track into canola and corn
- Report progress on oil boosting traits using CRISPR genome-editing
- Report progress on C4000 series traits in wheat and rice
 - Support Forage Genetics in forage sorghum
- Secure revenue generating Ag industry collaborations
- Build our intellectual property portfolio
- Communicate our scientific innovations in technical presentations and papers





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