

Investigate the relationship between past, current and emerging applications of biotechnology in agriculture.



Is this right for me?

- » Would I enjoy working with this project?
- » Do I currently have, or have access to, needed resources for this project?

Where could I take this project?

- » Analyze the relationship and implications of bioethics, laws and public perceptions on applications of biotechnology in agriculture.
- » Research the biggest challenges producers face when adopting new technology.
- » Research the adoption of technology by agriculture producers in your area.

Future Careers (visit AgExplorer.FFA.org):

Biological Technician

Plant Biologist

Agriculture Science
Teacher



RESEARCH

BIOTECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS

Analyze the impact major regulatory issues have on public acceptance of biotechnology in agriculture.



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Where could I take this project?

- » Work as an intern for the local agriculture department.
- » Create podcasts about agricultural issues.
- » Evaluate the scope and implications of regulatory agencies on applications of biotechnology in agriculture and the protection of public interests.

Future Careers (visit AgExplorer.FFA.org):

Advisor: Government/
Stakeholder Relations

Agricultural Lobbyist

Regulatory Scientist



RESEARCH

BIOTECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS

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Where could I take this project?

- » Design a study to examine public perceptions of scientifically based arguments regarding biotechnology in agriculture.
- » Analyze the impact major regulatory issues have on public acceptance of biotechnology in agriculture.
- » Work as an intern for the local agriculture department.

Future Careers (visit AgExplorer.FFA.org):

Advisor: Government/
Stakeholder Relations

Regulatory Scientist

Biological Technician



RESEARCH

BIOTECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS

Research factors and data regulatory agencies use to evaluate the risks new biotechnology applications pose.



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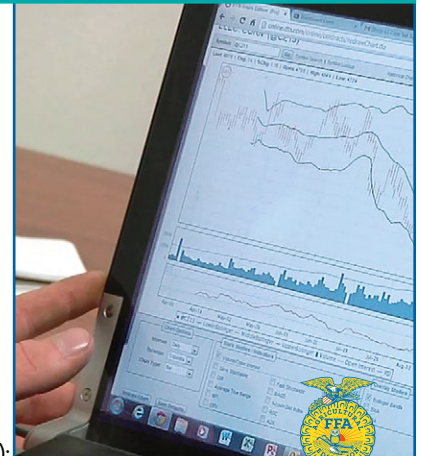
- » Evaluate the scope and implications of regulatory agencies on applications of biotechnology in agriculture and the protection of public interests.
- » Work as an intern for the local agriculture department.
- » Work for the natural resources and conservation district.

Future Careers (visit AgExplorer.FFA.org):

Reproductive and
Nutritional Specialist

Plant Biologist

Regulatory Scientist



RESEARCH

BIOTECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS

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Advisor: Government/
Stakeholder Relations

Agricultural Lobbyist

Agricultural Legal Assistant



RESEARCH

BIOTECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS

Perform ongoing maintenance of laboratory equipment according to standard operating procedures.



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Where could I take this project?

- » Perform sterilization techniques for equipment in a laboratory using standard operating procedures.
- » Operate advanced laboratory equipment and measurement devices.
- » Create hands-on classroom curriculum activities.

Future Careers (visit AgExplorer.FFA.org):

Biostatistician

Laboratory Technician

Agriculture Science
Teacher



PLACEMENT/INTERNSHIP

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Where could I take this project?

- » Evaluate the scope and implications of regulatory agencies on applications of biotechnology in agriculture and the protection of public interests.
- » Produce a weekly column about agricultural issues for a newspaper.
- » Interview a naturalist.

Future Careers (visit AgExplorer.FFA.org):

Agricultural Literacy and
Advocacy Specialist

Bioinformatics Scientist

Agriculture Science
Teacher



RESEARCH

BIOTECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS

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Where could I take this project?

- » Perform ongoing maintenance of laboratory equipment according to standard operating procedures.
- » Work for a local university in the area of robotics in agriculture.
- » Work for a testing laboratory.

Future Careers (visit AgExplorer.FFA.org):

Biostatistician

Laboratory Technician

Game Warden



PLACEMENT/INTERNSHIP

BIOTECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS

Perform sterilization techniques for equipment in a laboratory using standard operating procedures.



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Where could I take this project?

- » Perform ongoing maintenance of laboratory equipment according to standard operating procedures.
- » Implement standard operating procedures for the safe handling and/or disposal of biological and chemical materials in a laboratory.
- » Work for a testing laboratory.

Future Careers (visit AgExplorer.FFA.org):

Biostatistician

Laboratory Technician

Biosecurity Monitor



PLACEMENT/INTERNSHIP

BIOTECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS

Examine and perform scientific procedures using microbes, DNA, RNA and proteins in a laboratory.



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- » Would I enjoy working with this project?
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Where could I take this project?

- » Transform plant or animal cells by performing a cellular transformation.
- » Evaluate factors that influence gene expression.
- » Create hands-on classroom curriculum activities.

Future Careers (visit AgExplorer.FFA.org):

Bioinformatics Scientist

Laboratory Technician

Agriculture Science Teacher



RESEARCH

BIOTECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS

Implement standard operating procedures for safe handling of biological and chemical materials in a lab.



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- » Perform sterilization techniques for equipment in a laboratory using standard operating procedures.
- » Work on plumbing waste systems and air and water systems in agricultural settings.
- » Start a service to collect used pesticide containers.

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Biostatistician

Laboratory Technician

Biosecurity Monitor



PLACEMENT/INTERNSHIP

BIOTECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS

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Where could I take this project?

- » Examine and perform scientific procedures using microbes, DNA, RNA and proteins in a laboratory.
- » Conduct studies to track the movement of transgenes in the environment.
- » Design and conduct experiments to evaluate an existing transgenic eukaryote.

Future Careers (visit AgExplorer.FFA.org):

Bioinformatics Scientist

Molecular Biologist

Plant Geneticist



RESEARCH

BIOTECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS

Evaluate the biochemical properties of proteins to explain their function and predict potential uses.



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- » Perform ongoing maintenance of laboratory equipment according to standard operating procedures.

Future Careers (visit AgExplorer.FFA.org):

Bioinformatics Scientist | Molecular Biologist | Analytical Chemist



RESEARCH

BIOTECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS

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Where could I take this project?

- » Use antibodies to detect and quantify antigens by conducting an Enzyme-Linked Immunosorbent Assay (ELISA).
- » Perform sterilization techniques for equipment in a laboratory using standard operating procedures.
- » Plan plant-related activities and laboratories for your class.

Future Careers (visit AgExplorer.FFA.org):

Bioinformatics Scientist | Plant Geneticist | Laboratory Technician



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- » Conduct studies to track the movement of transgenes in the environment.
- » Examine and perform scientific procedures using microbes, DNA, RNA and proteins in a laboratory.
- » Apply biotechnology principles, techniques and processes to enhance the production of food through the use of microorganisms and enzymes.

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- » Apply biotechnology principles, techniques, and processes to enhance plant and animal care and production.
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BIOTECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS

Evaluate the impact of modified organisms on the natural environment.



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- » Create podcasts about agricultural issues.
- » Interview a naturalist.

Future Careers (visit AgExplorer.FFA.org):

Plant Biologist | Agronomist | Agriculture Science Teacher



RESEARCH

BIOTECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS

Apply biotechnology techniques to enhance the production of food by using microorganisms and enzymes.



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Where could I take this project?

- » Perform sterilization techniques for equipment in a laboratory using standard operating procedures.
- » Research why new food fails to sell.
- » Develop a plan to manage school food waste.

Future Careers (visit AgExplorer.FFA.org):

Bioinformatics Scientist | Biostatistician | Food Technologist



RESEARCH

BIOTECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS

Monitor and evaluate processes used in the synthesis of a molecule.



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- » Design animal-care protocols to ethically monitor and promote animal systems associated with biotechnology.
- » Perform plant-breeding techniques (e.g., plant tissue culture, etc.).
- » Analyze the impact major regulatory issues have on public acceptance of biotechnology in agriculture.

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Bioinformatics Scientist | Plant Biologist | Animal Biotechnologist



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Where could I take this project?

- » Research and categorize the types of pharmaceuticals developed for animals and humans through biotechnology.
- » Work as a veterinary assistant.
- » Work on a dairy farm or heifer-raising farm.

Future Careers (visit AgExplorer.FFA.org):

Animal Geneticist | Reproductive and Nutritional Specialist | Animal Caretaker/Operations Manager



RESEARCH

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RESEARCH

BIOTECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS

Examine and synthesize the need for biofuels (e.g., cellulosic bioenergy, etc.).



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Where could I take this project?

- » Produce alcohol/biodiesel/methane and co-products from biomass.
- » Conduct a review of the technologies used to create biofuels from biomass and weigh the pros and cons of each method.
- » Work as a diesel mechanic assistant.

Future Careers (visit AgExplorer.FFA.org):

Biorefining Manager

Ethanol Engineer

Agriculture
Science Teacher



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Biorefining Manager

Environmental Engineer

Ethanol Engineer



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Future Careers (visit AgExplorer.FFA.org):

Biorefining Manager

Ethanol Engineer

Environmental Engineer



RESEARCH

BIOTECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS

Conduct studies to evaluate the treatment of a waste product using a genetically engineered organism.



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Where could I take this project?

- » Design a bioremediation project including plans to evaluate the effectiveness of the effort.
- » Work on plumbing waste systems and air and water systems in agricultural settings.
- » Research area pollution concerns.

Future Careers (visit AgExplorer.FFA.org):

Biorefining Manager

Biosecurity Monitor

Environmental
Compliance Officer



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- » Conduct studies to evaluate the treatment of a waste product using a genetically engineered organism.
- » Research the effectiveness of habitat restoration projects in your community.
- » Research area pollution concerns.



Future Careers (visit AgExplorer.FFA.org):

Biorefining Manager

Biosecurity Monitor

Environmental Engineer

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PLACEMENT/INTERNSHIP

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