

News Release

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Smart Spraying Solution from Bosch BASF Smart Farming enters first series production at Dammann for Germany and Hungary

- Reliable and easy-to-use crop protection sprayer for smart farming use
- Effective weed management to provide optimum crop protection
- Pinpoint herbicide application to support EU pesticide reduction targets

Buxtehude/Cologne, Germany – The Smart Spraying Solution from Bosch BASF Smart Farming will enter first series production at Herbert Dammann GmbH as of March.

Combining Bosch's high-tech camera sensor technology and software, with the advanced digital agronomic decision engine of xarvio[®] Digital Farming Solutions, the Smart Spraying Solution will be integrated into Dammann's range of intelligent crop protection sprayers. Available initially in Germany and Hungary, Dammann's first crop protection sprayer for practical use featuring the unique weed management system is expected to be delivered in the spring.

"Farmers now have a reliable field sprayer at their disposal that provides optimum protection for crops, while being easy to operate and ready for immediate use," says Florian Gwosdz, Co-Managing Director of Bosch BASF Smart Farming.

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The Smart Spraying Solution offers real-time, automated weed detection and precision spraying both on pre-emergence ("green-on-brown") and post-emergence ("green-on-green"). As the sprayer passes over a field, the system in milliseconds distinguishes crops from weeds and controls individual spray nozzles with pinpoint accuracy. This ensures herbicide is applied in the right dose and only where it is needed. In addition, with its connection to the xarvio FIELD MANAGER platform, the system also offers farmers actionable insights and digital tools such as customized agronomic recommendations, weed distribution and as-applied maps, automated sensitivity levels and easy-to-use documentation that can be used for reporting purposes.

Konstantin Kretschun, Co-Managing Director of Bosch BASF Smart Farming, adds: "Introducing the Smart Spraying Solution to farmers in Germany and Hungary is an important achievement and step towards optimizing crop protection use. It also helps ensure future legal requirements and EU pesticide reduction targets are met."

Delivering efficiency and supporting sustainable farming

Bosch BASF Smart Farming is the joint venture responsible for marketing and commercializing the Smart Spraying Solution technology worldwide. Global field trials in various locations under different agronomic conditions have shown that the Smart Spraying Solution delivers a more efficient use of herbicide without compromising weed control. This supports sustainable farming and improves resource efficiency, while helping to reduce environmental impacts.

"By integrating the Smart Spraying Solution from Bosch BASF Smart Farming with our intelligent field sprayers, we want to offer farmers an innovative technology for optimal weed management in the future. Only as much herbicide as necessary and as little as possible needs to be sprayed – this pays off financially as well as ecologically. This confirms our commitment to be at the forefront of innovation in European agriculture," says Nadine Dammann, Managing Director of Dammann GmbH.

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More information:

https://www.smartfarming.ag/

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About Bosch BASF Smart Farming

Bosch BASF Smart Farming – a joint venture of Bosch and BASF – was established in 2021 to combine the best of two worlds: with the agronomic know-how from BASF and hardware expertise from Bosch, we create the farming of tomorrow, today. Combining precision technology, digital tools, and agronomic intelligence, we offer smart farming solutions that really work to make agriculture more productive, profitable, and sustainable. More information at: www.smartfarming.ag

About xarvio® Digital Farming Solutions – a brand by BASF Digital Farming GmbH

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