

The Potential of Dedicated Energy Crops

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Ceres, Inc. is a leading developer of high-yielding energy crops that can be planted as feedstocks for cellulosic ethanol production. Its development efforts cover switchgrass, miscanthus, sorghum and other dedicated energy crops. Founded as a plant genomics company, Ceres holds the one of world's largest proprietary collections of fully sequenced plant genes. In addition to energy crops, the privately held company also licenses its technology and traits to other organizations. Ceres headquarters are based in Thousand Oaks, Calif.

About Spencer Swayze

Spencer Swayze joined Ceres as Manager of Business Development in 2006. Prior to joining Ceres, he was an Associate with PTV Sciences, LP, a life and material science venture capital firm in Austin, TX. Spencer holds an MBA from the McCombs School of Business at The University of Texas at Austin and a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from Oklahoma State University.