

# Member SPOTLIGHT

Aztalan Bio



Jefferson, WI



This month, we are featuring WABA member **Aztalan Bio**.

Located outside Jefferson, WI - Aztalan Bio is a biorefinery that utilizes a dry front-end fractionation system which separates corn components (starch, protein, germ) before the distillation process, leading to a wider range of products and potentially higher efficiency.

Aztalan Bio currently buys corn from 15 Southern WI Counties, processing up to 40 million bushels of locally grown feed corn each year, producing corn oil, ethanol, corn germ, bran, and distillers' grains. These outputs support a wide range of markets, including food production, animal nutrition, and renewable energy.

The plant has been in operation since 1898, first as a malting company and then, in 2006, was converted to ethanol production, becoming Wisconsin's largest ethanol operation.

The facility underwent a variety of business owners and closures throughout the years. ClonBio acquired the property in 2022, and production resumed at this historic facility in Fall 2023 after substantial upgrades. Over the coming years, Aztalan Bio will undergo a similar transformation to its sister facility, Pannonia Bio in Hungary, investing hundreds of millions of dollars to create a next-generation biorefinery tailored to Wisconsin's agricultural strengths and diversity.

Building on more than a century of history, this next chapter strengthens generations of agricultural partnership, offering farmers greater stability, pride in a revitalized historic plant, and confidence that their crops will play a meaningful role in Wisconsin's food and renewable energy future.

Commodities Director, Bill Ton, said, "Being a WABA member is all about having access to great training and education that helps our team grow and stay up to date. It's a practical way to build knowledge, strengthen our workforce, and connect with others who are all working toward a stronger future for Wisconsin agriculture."

To learn more about Aztalan Bio, visit their website at [www.aztalanbio.com](http://www.aztalanbio.com).