

Smart Farmers require Intelligent IoT devices



Challenge

Modern agriculture faces numerous challenges, such as increasing efficiency, reducing costs, and maintaining soil and yield quality. Reliable data transmission and precise machine control are essential for meeting these demands. However, traditional technologies often fall short when it comes to realtime monitoring and control, especially in remote or large-scale

Solution

Quarterwave offers innovative antenna technologies specifically designed to meet the demands of digital agriculture. Our custom antenna solutions enable seamless and reliable communication between machines, sensors, and central control systems. By utilizing technologies like GNSS, LTE, Wi-Fi, BLE, and UWB, we ensure precise positioning and real-time data transmission, even in challenging environments like densely planted fields or shielded greenhouses.

What Makes Antennas Essential for Success in Smart Farming

At Quarterwave, we leverage advanced antenna technologies to tackle Smart Farming challenges. Our solutions focus on enhancing connectivity and efficiency:

- **Compact Antenna Designs:** Our antennas are powerful yet small, easily integrating into agricultural equipment and IoT devices.
- **Multi-Band Support:** We offer multi-band antennas that facilitate real-time data transfer across GNSS, Cellular, Wi-Fi, and Bluetooth, keeping farmers connected.
- **Omnidirectional Coverage:** Our antennas provide reliable communication from all angles, ensuring uninterrupted connectivity in dynamic farming environments.
- **Durability:** Built to withstand harsh conditions, our antennas are moisture-resistant and temperaturestable for long-lasting performance.
- **Customized Solutions:** We work with farmers to develop tailored antenna solutions that meet their specific needs, enhancing productivity in various applications.

Summary

By integrating advanced antenna technologies, we help farmers enhance the efficiency of their operations, reduce operating costs, and maximize yields. With Quarterwave, you're prepared for the future of smart farming – precise, reliable, and sustainable.





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Smart farming examples



Example 1: Crop monitoring in all weather conditions



Challenge

One of the biggest challenges in crop monitoring is dealing with the vast amount of data and the variability of environmental conditions. Weather changes, soil diversity, and different crop needs can make it difficult to standardize monitoring processes. Additionally, integrating various sensor systems and making real-time adjustments requires seamless connectivity, which can be a challenge in remote or large-scale farming environments.

Solution

At Quarterwave, we developed a tailored multiband antenna solution that not only exceeded performance expectations but also ensured the global usability of the sensor. By precisely tuning the antenna to specific frequency bands and seamlessly integrating it into the device, we optimized space while delivering robust global connectivity via NB-IoT and LTE-Cat-M1, even in harsh environments.

LTE B20

TE B8

GPS

LTEHB

WiFi/B

1.2

1,4

Frequency [GHz]

1,6

1,8

2.0

2.2

LTE B12/13

Example 2: Tracker for livestock

Challenge

Developing a tracking device for livestock, especially cows, poses several challenges. It must provide precise and reliable positioning while remaining compact and unobtrusive. The antenna needs to function effectively from various mounting points on the animal, which can move unpredictably through diverse environments. Key issues include maintaining a consistent GNSS signal in obstructed areas, ensuring lightweight design to avoid interference with the cow's behavior, and providing durability against outdoor elements.

Solution

Quarterwave has developed an advanced antenna system for a cutting-edge livestock tracking device, featuring a highly efficient GNSS antenna and a multiband cellular antenna that covers all essential frequency bands. To ensure seamless connectivity, we've also integrated a Wi-Fi/Bluetooth Low Energy (BLE) antenna. Our expertise allowed us to skillfully combine these diverse antennas into a compact design, delivering exceptional performance across all communication channels. The impressive results are a true testament to our innovation.

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