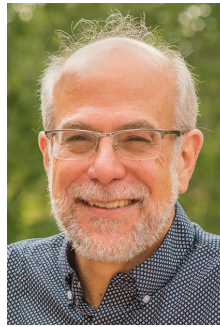


- Keynote Speech -



Tom Adams, Ph.D.

Chief Executive Officer, Pairwise

Biography:

Dr. Adams became CEO of Pairwise in April of 2018 after a 20-year career at Monsanto where he most recently served as Vice President of Global Biotechnology leading the development of Monsanto's next generation of biotechnology traits. Prior to that, Dr. Adams had numerous technology leadership roles including Vice President of Chemistry Technology, of Genomics Technology, and Director of Yield and Emerging Technologies. Before joining Monsanto, Dr. Adams was an Associate Professor in the Department of Biology at Texas A&M University. Dr. Adams has PhD in Microbiology from Michigan State University and a BS degree in Botany and Plant Pathology from Oregon State University.

Dr. Adams and the team at Pairwise believe genome editing in plants has the power to offer healthier, more sustainable, accessible and affordable food. By harnessing the natural diversity in plants, the team will bring new varieties for fruits and vegetables to the produce aisle, while partnering to develop traits in row crops that address global challenges to food production.