Growing Great Grass

Combining research, analytics, agronomy, and management strategies to help you maximise production from grassland and forages. Homegrown forages and grass provide a cost effective, high quality and sustainable source of feed to your business.

Our team of experienced, trusted consultants can help you to navigate the various components required to improve the profitability and sustainability of your forage systems.

Our specialist advice includes:

Soil health
A healthy soil requires the physical, biological, and chemical components of soil to work to be working collectively. Our experienced consultants can provide advice on optimising soil health ensuring they provide the environment for superior forage production. Using SRUC analytical services we can carry out a range of chemical and biological tests to compliment physical soil assessments providing you with a soil management plan and baseline data.

Nutrient management
Using forage, soil, and organic manure analysis our FACTS qualified advisors can assist you with optimising crop yield, quality, and soil health with a targeted Nutrient Management Plan for crop and soil requirements. Helping you to reduce reliance on purchased fertiliser and lower greenhouse gas emissions.

Agronomy
Our BASIS qualified consultants provide independent advice with an integrated approach to crop management, considering aspects such as soil health, crop rotation, environment, and pesticide use. SAC agronomists will ensure you are up to date with the latest research data and technology through trials conducted at SRUC, using analytics to make evidence-based decisions to maximise profitable crop production.
Our specialist grassland consultants can help you to implement grazing systems, providing services to help you identify what type of management will suit your farm, plan the implementation of new systems, provide information on grazing principles and the tools to help you maximise your management of grass, improving farm output from grass and forages.

For more information, contact grazeup@sac.co.uk

**Forage system development**

Utilisation of forage crops is critical to the success of a profitable system. Our experienced advisors can help you plan, design and implement your forage system ensuring high utilisation, increased animal performance and minimise the environmental impact of using forages to improve profitability and sustainability.

**Analytical services and interpretation**

Soil, forage, and manure analysis help to provide real time data to assist with management decisions, but this data can also be used to profile the longer-term trends across your farm and measure the effectiveness of practices implemented on farm. SAC consultants can help to interpret this information to provide both the immediate responses and longer-term strategic decisions to improve business efficiency.

We bring together a collective range of skills from across SRUC, encompassing analytics, research, and veterinary, ensuring our independent consultants have the skills and services to put your business first.

For more details about these services, contact your local SAC Consulting office or email SACConsulting@sac.co.uk.