

# Leveraging AI and IoT for Optimized Hemp - Based Carbon Sequestration: A Pathway to Sustainable Climate Solutions

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**Abstract:** This paper investigates the potential of artificial intelligence (AI) in enhancing hemp - based carbon sequestration for climate change mitigation. Hemp's rapid growth and high biomass make it a promising crop for carbon capture. This study explores AI techniques that model carbon sequestration dynamics, the challenges in AI applications, and the integration of Internet of Things (IoT) sensors for real - time monitoring, aiming to optimize sequestration potential. Additionally, we present comparative data for crops, machine learning approaches, and challenges encountered.

**Keywords:** artificial intelligence, Carbon sequestration, carbon capture, hemp, IoT in agriculture, machine learning, predictive modeling

## 1. Introduction

### a) Importance of Carbon Sequestration in Climate Change Mitigation

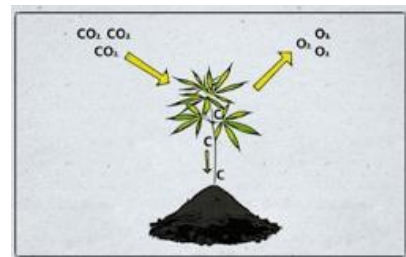
Carbon sequestration, the process of capturing and storing atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub>, is fundamental in mitigating climate change impacts. Terrestrial carbon sequestration, recognized by the U. S. Geological Survey (USGS), offers a natural, sustainable approach by utilizing agricultural ecosystems as carbon sinks, reducing net greenhouse gas emissions. Achieving global net - zero emissions goals demands agricultural practices that efficiently capture CO<sub>2</sub> and store it within plant biomass and soil matrices [1].

### b) Hemp as a Potential Carbon Sink

Hemp has emerged as a promising crop for carbon sequestration due to its rapid growth rate, high biomass yield, and adaptability to diverse climates. Hemp's lifecycle carbon footprint is favorable compared to other crops, largely due to its significant CO<sub>2</sub> uptake through photosynthesis. Studies, such as those conducted by Portland State University, have found that hemp sequesters CO<sub>2</sub> more efficiently than traditional crops like corn and cotton, positioning it as an ideal candidate for carbon sequestration efforts [2].

### c) AI's Role in Carbon Sequestration Optimization

Artificial intelligence (AI) significantly enhances carbon sequestration by improving the precision of measurements, predictions, and optimizations within carbon capture processes. AI models in carbon sequestration can dynamically adjust farming practices in real - time, based on environmental data. Techniques like machine learning (ML), IoT sensors, and big data analytics help tailor carbon capture strategies to maximize sequestration within hemp cultivation, thereby advancing carbon sequestration's effectiveness on a large scale [3].



**Figure 1:** This fig shows depicting the cycle of carbon capture and storage in hemp, from photosynthesis to soil and biomass storage

## 2. Background on HEMP And Carbon Sequestration

### a) Hemp's Carbon Sequestration Capabilities

Hemp's unique properties allow it to absorb substantial amounts of CO<sub>2</sub> through photosynthesis, storing carbon in both its biomass and the surrounding soil. Its high carbon uptake, coupled with a short growth cycle, enables continuous sequestration across multiple growing seasons, making it one of the most effective crops for atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub> reduction [4].

### b) Lifecycle Analysis (LCA) of Hemp

Lifecycle analysis (LCA) offers a comprehensive method to assess hemp's carbon sequestration potential, capturing the end - to - end carbon footprint from planting to product disposal. Hemp's lifecycle carbon storage outperforms other crops like corn and cotton, which have lower sequestration rates and higher emissions [5].

**Table 1:** This table compares sequestration potential, where hemp demonstrates a significantly higher capacity for carbon storage, attributed to its higher biomass and product lifecycle

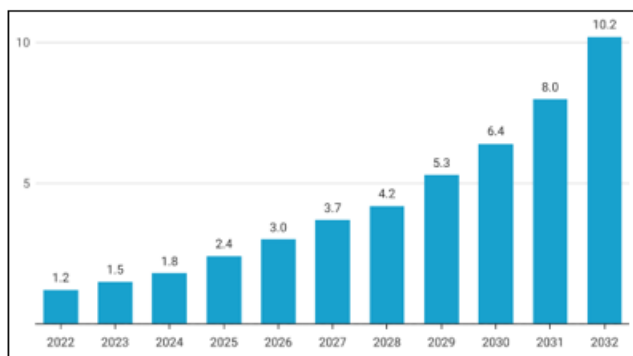
Crop Type	Sequestration Rate (t CO <sub>2</sub> /ha/year)	Biomass Accumulation (t/ha)	Lifecycle Carbon Storage
Hemp	15 - 22	High	High
Corn	7 - 10	Moderate	Moderate
Cotton	5 - 8	Low	Low

### c) Comparison with Other Crops

Hemp's efficiency as a carbon sink is reinforced by its ability to capture more CO<sub>2</sub> per hectare than traditional crops, due to both high biomass and optimal carbon storage throughout its lifecycle. Its environmental adaptability further supports its application in various climatic regions, enhancing its potential to serve as a global carbon sink.

## 3. AI Applications in Agriculture and Carbon Modeling

Advancements in artificial intelligence (AI) have enabled precise modeling and optimization of carbon sequestration processes in agriculture. Through machine learning (ML), big data analytics, and integration with IoT sensors, AI enhances traditional agricultural methods by enabling real - time data collection, predictive modeling, and dynamic decision - making. This section delves into AI's role in precision agriculture, specific AI models for carbon sequestration, and the technical benefits these technologies bring to carbon sequestration efforts.



**Figure 2:** This bar graph showing the rise in AI adoption in agriculture for tasks related to yield, carbon modeling, and resource management.

### 1) Current AI Use in Agriculture

AI is transforming agriculture through precision farming, crop monitoring, and yield optimization. By integrating AI, farmers can precisely control resource use, enhancing the efficiency and sustainability of agricultural practices. These applications in agriculture can be extended to carbon sequestration, using AI to focus on CO<sub>2</sub> absorption and storage in crops [6].

### 2) AI for Carbon Sequestration Modeling

AI models simulate and optimize carbon sequestration in hemp by predicting carbon capture based on real - time environmental data, such as soil moisture, temperature, and crop health. This modeling allows tailored approaches that maximize carbon uptake under various conditions, improving both the accuracy and efficacy of carbon sequestration practices [7].

### 3) Precision Agriculture and AI's Role in Carbon Management

Precision agriculture employs data - driven strategies to optimize crop management practices. The integration of AI with precision agriculture systems allows for the collection, processing, and analysis of massive datasets, improving

efficiency in carbon capture and resource use. Key components include:

**a) Remote Sensing and Imaging Technologies:** Remote sensing technology leverages both multispectral and hyperspectral imaging to capture critical data about soil health, plant vitality, and crop density from satellites, drones, and aircraft. Hyperspectral imaging divides the electromagnetic spectrum into hundreds of narrow bands, providing detailed data on crop health indicators such as chlorophyll content and moisture levels. AI algorithms analyze this spectral data to detect growth patterns, identify areas of stress, and predict potential sequestration rates, enabling targeted interventions to improve carbon capture efficiency [6].

**b) IoT - Enabled Climate and Soil Sensors:** IoT devices in precision agriculture continuously monitor parameters such as soil moisture, pH levels, temperature, and nutrient content. These sensors provide real - time environmental data critical for predicting carbon uptake. For instance, soil moisture data directly impacts biomass growth and, therefore, carbon sequestration potential. When coupled with machine learning models, IoT data helps farmers make proactive adjustments to optimize sequestration, such as adjusting irrigation or nutrient levels in response to real - time soil conditions [7].

**c) Automated Data Collection and Machine Learning Integration:** AI - driven platforms in precision agriculture automate data collection and analytics, reducing human intervention and enhancing accuracy. Machine learning algorithms are trained on historical and real - time data, allowing them to predict future sequestration trends, crop health, and yield under various environmental conditions. This reduces waste and optimizes resources, enhancing both economic and environmental sustainability [8].

### 4) Specific AI Models for Carbon Sequestration

AI models, particularly machine learning algorithms, are effective in simulating and predicting carbon sequestration rates under different farming conditions. Key models used in carbon sequestration include ensemble learning techniques, deep learning architectures, and big data analytics.

#### a) Random Forests and Decision Trees

Random forests and decision trees are ensemble learning algorithms that are effective in analyzing complex datasets with multiple variables, such as soil composition, climate conditions, and plant growth patterns.

- **Decision Trees:** Decision trees make predictions by splitting data into nodes based on certain decision rules. In carbon sequestration modeling, decision trees could split data on factors like soil pH, rainfall, and temperature to predict whether a particular set of conditions would maximize carbon capture. This method works well for datasets with a relatively small number of inputs, making it ideal for localized sequestration projects [9].
- **Random Forests:** Random forests are ensembles of decision trees that aggregate multiple predictions, increasing model robustness and reducing overfitting. For carbon modeling, random forests can handle more complex datasets by integrating diverse environmental variables, predicting sequestration rates across large and

heterogeneous agricultural areas. The algorithm's ability to combine predictions from multiple trees improves the accuracy and reliability of sequestration models, especially in varied climates and soils [10].

#### b) Neural Networks and Deep Learning Architectures

Neural networks, especially convolutional neural networks (CNNs) and recurrent neural networks (RNNs), are highly effective for modeling non - linear, complex relationships within carbon sequestration data.

- Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs): CNNs process spatial data, making them suitable for analyzing remote sensing images that capture crop health, soil moisture, and other environmental factors. In carbon modeling, CNNs can analyze satellite imagery to identify regions of high biomass and monitor changes in vegetation health. This spatial analysis aids in predicting carbon absorption potential over large areas, refining sequestration models based on real - time environmental feedback [11].
- Recurrent Neural Networks (RNNs): RNNs are useful for analyzing sequential data, such as climate patterns and crop growth rates over time. By processing time - series data, RNNs can forecast future carbon uptake based on historical climate data, enabling more accurate predictions of seasonal carbon sequestration fluctuations. For example, RNNs could model changes in carbon sequestration as the growing season progresses, allowing for adjustments in agricultural practices to maximize carbon capture [12].

#### c) Support Vector Machines (SVMs) and Classification Algorithms

Support Vector Machines (SVMs) classify data points into distinct categories, such as "high - sequestration" and "low - sequestration" zones within a farm. SVMs analyze input features (e. g., soil type, moisture level) to identify patterns and group similar sequestration capacities together, assisting in resource allocation. This classification enables farmers to focus resources on high - sequestration areas, improving overall carbon management [13].

#### d) Big Data Analytics and Aggregated IoT Data

Big data analytics process vast amounts of IoT - generated data, identifying trends and correlations that might not be visible on a smaller scale. With big data methods, data from different IoT sensors (e. g., temperature, humidity, soil nutrients) is aggregated, enabling dynamic adjustments in crop management strategies to optimize carbon sequestration.

- Data Integration and Storage: Cloud platforms and data lakes store data collected from IoT sensors, drones, and satellites. This storage architecture allows for real - time processing and high - throughput data analysis, providing immediate insights into carbon dynamics across large agricultural fields.
- Dynamic Adjustment Models: By integrating continuous IoT data streams, big data analytics systems can adjust crop management in real - time, optimizing carbon capture based on changing environmental conditions. This dynamic adjustment capability is particularly valuable in regions with variable climates, where conditions can fluctuate rapidly and affect sequestration rates [14].

**Table 2:** This table outlines the capabilities of various AI techniques in carbon sequestration modeling, where random forests and neural networks provide distinct advantages in handling diverse environmental variables

AI Technique	Description	Application in Carbon Modeling
Random Forest	Ensemble learning with decision trees	Sequestration rate prediction across varied climates
Neural Networks	Models' non - linear data relationships	Biomass and sequestration prediction from remote sensing
Support Vector Machines (SVM)	Classification of data into sequestration capacity classes	Soil and crop condition categorization
Big Data Analytics	Processing and integration of multi - source data	Real - time monitoring and predictive adjustment

#### 5) Technical Benefits of AI in Carbon Sequestration

The application of AI in carbon sequestration modeling offers numerous benefits that enhance accuracy, scalability, and resource management in agriculture. These technical advantages include:

- Increased Prediction Accuracy: AI algorithms, especially ensemble methods like random forests and deep learning models, process complex environmental data and improve prediction accuracy. With precise forecasts, farmers can implement targeted sequestration practices, such as adjusting irrigation or fertilization schedules, to enhance carbon capture [15].
- Scalability for Large - Scale Operations: AI models such as neural networks and big data analytics scale effectively to handle data from large farms or regional agricultural areas. By integrating IoT sensors across expansive fields, AI can monitor and adjust carbon sequestration strategies in real - time, ensuring consistent sequestration performance on a large scale [16].
- Real - Time Decision - Making: With continuous data input from IoT sensors, AI algorithms enable immediate adjustments based on environmental conditions. For instance, if soil moisture levels drop during a drought, the model may recommend increased irrigation to maintain optimal biomass growth for carbon capture. This real - time adaptability ensures that sequestration targets are met despite environmental variability [17].
- Resource Optimization: By identifying high - sequestration areas within a farm, AI can direct resources (water, nutrients) more efficiently. Support Vector Machines (SVMs) categorize areas based on sequestration potential, enabling farmers to focus resources on regions with the highest carbon capture capacity. This selective allocation reduces waste and lowers operational costs while maximizing carbon capture [18].

#### 6) Challenges in Implementing AI - Based Carbon Sequestration Models

While AI models for carbon sequestration offer clear benefits, several challenges hinder their widespread adoption:

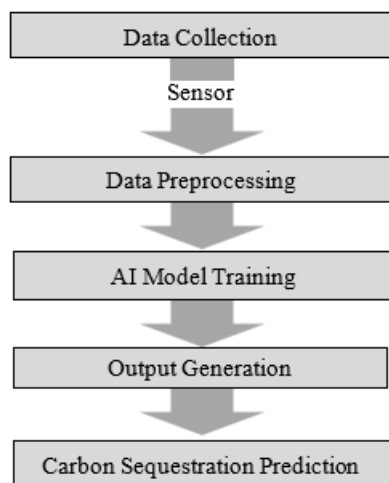
- High Computational Requirements: Machine learning models, particularly deep neural networks, demand high computational power and storage. This can be cost - prohibitive for smaller agricultural operations,

necessitating cloud - based solutions and optimized algorithms to reduce processing time [19].

- **Data Privacy and Security:** With the use of IoT and AI, data security becomes critical as vast amounts of sensitive environmental and operational data are collected. Implementing secure data transmission protocols and data encryption is essential to protect against potential breaches [20].
- **Limited Access to Hemp - Specific Data:** Many AI models rely on extensive, high - quality datasets to make accurate predictions. However, data on hemp's growth patterns, sequestration rates, and environmental interactions is limited compared to other crops, impacting the accuracy of hemp - specific models. Creating open - source databases focused on hemp would greatly benefit model reliability and encourage broader adoption [21].

## 7) AI Techniques for Modeling Hemp - Based Carbon Sequestration

### a) Machine Learning Algorithms in Sequestration Prediction



**Figure 3:** This Figure shows the AI pipeline, illustrating the stages from data collection through sensors to AI model training and output generation, which facilitates precise carbon sequestration predictions.

- **Decision Trees and Random Forests:** These algorithms are highly effective for understanding patterns in carbon uptake based on factors such as soil health, temperature, and water levels. Decision trees provide straightforward predictions, while random forests, as ensembles of multiple decision trees, enhance model robustness by averaging predictions across varied environmental variables, reducing overfitting and improving accuracy across diverse conditions [10].
  - **Support Vector Machines (SVM):** Effective for classifying regions based on carbon sequestration potential, SVMs help categorize data points (e. g., soil type, moisture) into high or low sequestration zones, guiding resource allocation to maximize carbon capture in high - potential areas [23].
- ## 8) Neural Networks for Predictive Modeling
- **Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs):** CNNs analyze spatial data from remote sensing images (e. g.,

drone or satellite images) to detect areas of high biomass, making them ideal for monitoring crop health and sequestration potential over large area [12].

- **Recurrent Neural Networks (RNNs):** RNNs are suitable for time - series data, capturing seasonal or climate - driven fluctuations in carbon uptake. They can forecast sequestration patterns based on historical data, enabling dynamic, season - specific modeling [15].

## 9) Big Data Analytics in Hemp Cultivation

Big data methods integrate diverse datasets collected over multiple seasons and locations. By analyzing environmental conditions, growth rates, and carbon storage patterns, these models refine sequestration predictions and offer insights into optimal growing conditions to maximize carbon capture [15].

**Table 3:** This table lists various AI techniques, including machine learning and neural networks, along with a brief description of each technique and its specific application in hemp carbon sequestration modeling.

AI Technique	Description	Application in Hemp Carbon Modeling
Decision Trees	Splits data into decision - based nodes	Predicts carbon capture based on environmental factors
Random Forests	Ensemble of decision trees	Reduces overfitting, enhances accuracy
Support Vector Machines	Classification algorithm	Classifies regions for targeted carbon management
Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs)	Analyzes spatial data	Monitors biomass and crop health from remote sensing
Recurrent Neural Networks (RNNs)	Time - series analysis	Forecasts sequestration trends across seasons

## 10) Measurement, Reporting, and Verification (MRV)

### a) Measurement (Monitoring)

- **Data Collection:** For effective sequestration measurement, data on GHG emissions and carbon sequestration is collected through direct physical methods or estimated using environmental data (e. g., soil health, crop growth).
- **Digital MRV (dMRV) Technologies:** Advanced dMRV uses IoT sensors, drones, and remote sensing to gather real - time environmental data. This enables precise monitoring of sequestration in hemp fields, supporting continuous data collection and rapid assessment [24].

### b) Reporting

- **Standardized Data Compilation:** The compiled data is stored in GHG inventories accessible to scientists, policymakers, and stakeholders for policy alignment.
- **Real - Time Reporting:** Digital tools offer instant data reporting, ensuring transparency and timeliness for all stakeholders involved [25].

### c) Verification

- **Independent Assessment:** Reported data undergoes rigorous review to ensure accuracy and alignment with industry standards.



- **Blockchain Technology:** Blockchain provides secure, immutable records, reinforcing trust in reported sequestration values and preventing data tampering [26].

#### d) Importance of MRV in Climate Action

MRV is vital for climate goal tracking, funding management, and evaluating carbon reduction effectiveness. Its transparency and accountability facilitate improved planning and policy adherence, promoting trust among stakeholders.

### 4. Case Studies and Simulation Insights

#### 1) AI - Driven Carbon Sequestration Models in Agriculture

**Maize Carbon Modeling:** A case study on maize uses random forests to identify optimal sequestration conditions, a method adaptable to hemp to refine growth and carbon predictions based on soil, water, and seasonal variables.

#### 2) Simulation Models for Crop - Based Carbon Sequestration

Simulations based on existing AI - driven studies in crop carbon sequestration provide insights transferable to hemp. For instance, studies on maize have identified optimal growth conditions that maximize sequestration, a methodology adaptable for hemp cultivation [11].

#### 3) Proposed Simulation Model for Hemp

**Proposed Hemp Simulation Model:** This model leverages ensemble modeling and IoT data to simulate carbon uptake under varied environmental conditions tailored specifically, to hemp's growth characteristics.

**Table 4:** This table illustrates case studies in AI - driven crop sequestration, showcasing methods adaptable for hemp's unique characteristics in carbon sequestration.

Study/ Simulation	Focus Crop	AI Techniques	Key Findings
Carbon Modeling in Maize	Maize	Random Forest, Regression Analysis	Identified conditions for maximum sequestration
AI in Wheat Sequestration	Wheat	Neural Networks, Big Data Integration	Enhanced yield prediction and resource optimization
Proposed Model for Hemp	Hemp	Ensemble Modeling (Forest + Neural)	Expected high sequestration in diverse climates

### 5. Challenges and Future Directions

#### 1) Current Limitations of AI Models

- **Data Shortages:** High - quality, hemp - specific data on carbon sequestration is limited. Efforts to create open - source hemp data repositories will increase model accuracy.
- **Computational Demands:** AI models require significant computational resources, making them less accessible to smaller farms. Utilizing cloud - based or edge - computing solutions can mitigate these challenges

#### 2) Integration with Emerging Technologies

- **IoT and Remote Sensing:** IoT sensors provide continuous field monitoring, while remote sensing

captures macro data, enhancing model adaptability in varying climates [28].

- **Blockchain for Data Integrity:** Blockchain ensures data security, maintaining a transparent record of data inputs and model predictions, which enhances model reliability [17].

### 3) Technical Challenges

a) **Data Scarcity and Quality for Hemp - Specific Modeling** AI models rely on vast, high - quality datasets to deliver accurate predictions. However, hemp - specific carbon sequestration data is sparse, especially data detailing carbon absorption across varying climates, soil types, and environmental conditions [24]. Limited access to this data affects the robustness and generalizability of AI models for hemp, as current data predominantly originates from traditional crops. Expanding data collection efforts specific to hemp's growth patterns and sequestration rates is essential to improve the accuracy of these models.

To address data limitations, open - source hemp - specific datasets are proposed to enhance model reliability. These datasets could be built from field trials across different geographic locations, covering variables such as biomass accumulation, soil nutrient content, CO<sub>2</sub> flux, and climate data. Collaboration between universities, agricultural institutions, and governments could further accelerate data availability [25].

b) **Computational Demands and Resource Constraints** AI models, particularly deep learning architectures, are computationally intensive, requiring substantial processing power and memory. Running convolutional neural networks (CNNs) or recurrent neural networks (RNNs) on real - time data for carbon prediction across large - scale hemp farms can strain computational resources, especially for small - to - medium agricultural enterprises with limited budgets [26]. The high computational costs associated with training and deploying complex models also hinder scalability.

Solutions to this challenge include the adoption of cloud - based computing resources, which allow for scalable AI processing without significant on - site infrastructure. Furthermore, recent advances in edge computing enable real - time analysis at the data source, reducing latency and improving model responsiveness [27].

c) **Data Security and Privacy Concerns** As IoT devices collect and transmit large volumes of sensitive agricultural data, there are rising concerns over data privacy and cybersecurity risks. AI - driven agriculture often relies on data collected from remote sensors, drones, and soil monitors, all of which can be vulnerable to unauthorized access and cyber threats [28]. Protecting this data is crucial to ensure farm operations are not compromised and that data integrity is maintained.

Solutions to enhance data security in AI - based agriculture include implementing end - to - end encryption for data transmission, secure data storage solutions, and regular security audits to mitigate risks. Blockchain technology, with its decentralized and immutable data recording, has also been

suggested as a means of enhancing data security for sensitive agricultural information [29].

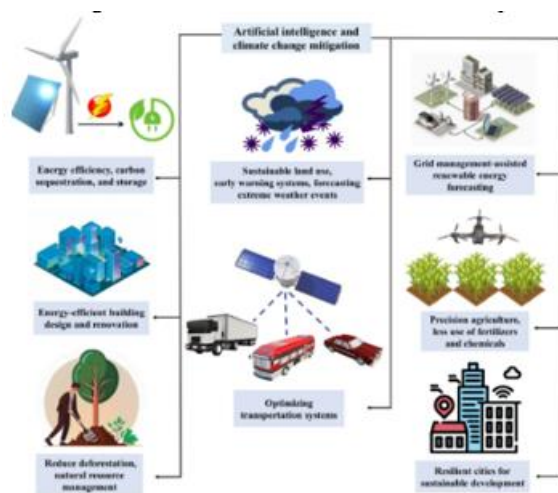
#### 4) Environmental and Operational Challenges

- a) **Environmental Variability and Model Adaptability**  
Environmental factors such as soil pH, rainfall, and temperature vary widely across different regions and seasons, impacting carbon sequestration rates. AI models trained on data from a specific region may not perform well in new locations due to differing environmental conditions [30]. This environmental variability presents a significant challenge to the generalizability of carbon sequestration models, as models need to adapt to unpredictable and diverse conditions.

Future research could focus on creating adaptive models that incorporate transfer learning, where an AI model trained in one environmental context can be fine-tuned for use in another, leveraging shared data features. Such adaptability would increase the robustness of AI applications in carbon sequestration across diverse agricultural settings [31].

- b) **Limited Access to IoT Infrastructure in Remote Farming Areas.** The integration of IoT devices for real-time data monitoring is central to precision agriculture. However, remote and rural farming areas may lack the necessary infrastructure to support continuous IoT connectivity, such as stable internet access or power sources for IoT devices [32]. This lack of infrastructure limits the availability of continuous data feeds needed for real-time carbon modeling, which can impair decision-making processes.

Addressing this issue requires the development of low-power, solar-powered IoT devices that can operate in remote settings without requiring a constant power source. Additionally, satellite-based IoT networks could provide connectivity in areas without reliable cellular service, ensuring that data is transmitted continuously to AI models for accurate carbon tracking [33].



**Figure 4:** This figure outlines various artificial intelligence applications in energy efficiency, including carbon sequencing, storage, and renewable energy forecasting. Furthermore, artificial intelligence optimizes transportation

systems, precision agriculture, and natural resource management

#### 6. Future Directions

- 1) **Development of Open - Access Hemp Data Repositories**  
To improve AI model accuracy and applicability, establishing open - access data repositories dedicated to hemp cultivation and carbon sequestration is essential. These repositories would facilitate data sharing among researchers and farmers, offering comprehensive datasets for training and validating AI models. Universities, agricultural organizations, and governments could collaborate to aggregate hemp - specific data from global trials, ensuring that models are representative of diverse agricultural practices [34].
- 2) **Integration of Advanced Sensors and Remote Sensing for Real - Time Data**  
Advances in remote sensing and sensor technology will play a critical role in enhancing AI's capacity to model carbon sequestration. Hyperspectral and multispectral imaging technologies can provide more detailed data on plant health, soil conditions, and water stress, factors that directly influence carbon uptake. For instance, hyperspectral sensors can detect subtle variations in crop chlorophyll levels, which correlate with photosynthesis rates and carbon absorption [35]. These advanced sensors, combined with AI models, will enable precise and dynamic carbon sequestration predictions.
- 3) Additionally, the integration of real-time satellite data with on-ground IoT sensors can offer a multi-dimensional view of crop health, helping farmers to make informed decisions that optimize sequestration. This hybrid approach, using both satellite and IoT data, could improve model robustness, particularly in areas prone to environmental fluctuations [36].
- 4) **Deployment of Explainable AI (XAI) Models in Agriculture**  
Explainable AI (XAI) seeks to make AI decision-making processes transparent, a crucial feature for promoting trust in AI-driven carbon sequestration models. XAI tools can help farmers understand why certain decisions or predictions are made, fostering better adoption of AI technologies in agriculture. For example, an XAI model could explain why a specific region is flagged for high carbon sequestration potential based on soil health, moisture levels, and crop type [37].
- 5) Incorporating XAI into carbon sequestration models would empower farmers to make informed decisions and adjust practices according to model insights. This transparency could drive greater adoption of AI by reducing perceived complexity and increasing user confidence [38].
- 6) **Leveraging Blockchain for Secure Data Sharing and Model Transparency-**  
Blockchain technology can address data integrity and transparency issues in AI-driven agriculture by securely recording data and ensuring that it remains unaltered. In carbon sequestration, blockchain can track the source and accuracy of data used to train AI models, ensuring that predictions are based on verified inputs. This decentralized approach can improve data reliability, providing a trustworthy basis for carbon sequestration

predictions and enhancing collaboration among researchers and agricultural stakeholders [39].

**Table 5:** This table identifies key challenges in AI - based carbon modeling and suggests solutions, emphasizing the need for innovative IoT and data collection practices to enhance model accuracy

Challenge	Description	Proposed Solutions
Limited Hemp Data	Insufficient datasets on growth and sequestration	Develop open - access hemp - specific databases
IoT Device Energy Needs	Power consumption for continuous monitoring	Deploy low - energy, solar - powered IoT devices
Modeling Environmental Variability	Dynamic environmental interactions	Utilize advanced neural networks and IoT integration

#### 7) Collaborative Policy Development and Governmental Support for AI in Agriculture

Government support is essential to incentivize the adoption of AI and IoT technologies in sustainable agriculture. Policies that provide subsidies, tax credits, or grants for farmers adopting AI - driven precision agriculture can reduce financial barriers and promote the transition to data - driven carbon sequestration practices. Collaborative efforts among governments, academic institutions, and private sectors can accelerate technological adoption, particularly in developing regions where access to technology may be limited [40].

Through the implementation of supportive policies, governments can help create an environment conducive to AI research and development, paving the way for sustainable carbon sequestration practices that contribute to climate change mitigation goals.

## 7. Conclusion

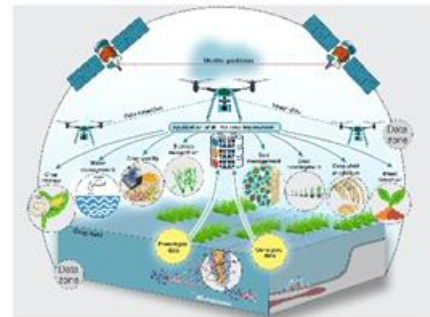
### a) AI's Potential in Hemp Carbon Sequestration:

Artificial Intelligence (AI) plays a transformative role in enhancing the capacity of hemp as a carbon sink. By harnessing advanced tools like machine learning algorithms and remote sensing technologies, AI can provide real - time data for monitoring hemp's growth patterns, soil conditions, and carbon uptake. Predictive modeling powered by AI allows for the identification of optimal planting strategies, growth environments, and harvesting times, which can maximize the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> absorbed by hemp crops. Moreover, AI - driven analytics can help optimize farming practices, reducing carbon emissions from agricultural operations and improving the overall sustainability of hemp - based carbon sequestration efforts. As a result, AI can significantly improve the efficiency and scalability of using hemp to mitigate climate change, offering actionable insights and precision that were previously out of reach.

### b) Importance of Interdisciplinary Collaboration:

To realize the full potential of hemp - based carbon sequestration, it is crucial to foster collaboration across multiple disciplines. Agronomists provide expertise on crop cultivation, growth cycles, and soil health, ensuring that hemp can be cultivated in diverse environments with high carbon capture potential. Data scientists, utilizing AI, help analyze large datasets from remote sensing tools and sensors in the field, allowing for precise monitoring and forecasting.

Environmental scientists focus on the broader ecological impacts of hemp cultivation, ensuring that it does not disrupt local ecosystems or contribute to unintended consequences like soil degradation. Finally, policymakers play a vital role in creating supportive regulations, incentives, and frameworks that promote sustainable hemp farming and carbon offset programs. This interdisciplinary collaboration will be essential in scaling up hemp's use in carbon sequestration and ensuring that its implementation is both scientifically grounded and socially beneficial. By combining expertise from these diverse fields, it is possible to develop integrated, holistic solutions that maximize the environmental and economic benefits of hemp - based carbon sequestration.



**Figure 5:** This fig shows possible data types and collection zones from crop fields to feed different machine - learning models to improve and develop different crops.

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**Figure**

Figure 1 This fig shows depicting the cycle of carbon capture and storage in hemp, from photosynthesis to soil and biomass storage. 1

Figure 2 This bar graph showing the rise in AI adoption in agriculture for tasks related to yield, carbon modeling, and resource management. 2

Figure 3 This Figure shows the AI pipeline, illustrating the stages from data collection through sensors to AI model training and output generation, which facilitates precise carbon sequestration predictions. 4

Figure 4 This figure outlines various artificial intelligence applications in energy efficiency, including carbon sequencing, storage, and renewable energy forecasting. Furthermore, artificial intelligence optimizes transportation systems, precision agriculture, and natural resource management. 6

Figure 5 This fig shows possible data types and collection zones from crop fields to feed different machine - learning models to improve and develop different crops. 7

**Tables:**

Table 1 This table compares sequestration potential, where hemp demonstrates a significantly higher capacity for carbon storage, attributed to its higher biomass and product lifecycle. 1

Table 2 This table outlines the capabilities of various AI techniques in carbon sequestration modeling, where random forests and neural networks provide distinct advantages in handling diverse environmental variables. 3

Table 3 This table lists various AI techniques, including machine learning and neural networks, along with a brief description of each technique and its specific application in hemp carbon sequestration modeling. 4

Table 4 This table illustrates case studies in AI - driven crop sequestration, showcasing methods adaptable for hemp's unique characteristics in carbon sequestration. 5

Table 5 This table identifies key challenges in AI - based carbon modeling and suggests solutions, emphasizing the need for innovative IoT and data collection practices to enhance model accuracy. 7