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The Chinese Academy of Agricultural Sciences (CAAS) features 36 affiliated institutes and nine co-hosted institutes. The CAAS library is the preeminent library of agricultural institutes in China. Mr. Dong Yue selects and assembles resources for the CAAS library, manages user access, and analyzes data usage for the library’s electronic journals and collections.

Acquiring relevant and affordable content for CAAS researchers is an ongoing challenge for Mr. Dong and his colleagues. “Agricultural science is an interdisciplinary science, involved in many specific areas,” he explained, “therefore, these kinds of content and resources can be less discoverable for the students and researchers in China. Also, due to budget limitations, it’s difficult to find an integrated database with such specific content.”

The CAAS library first gained access to BioOne Complete in 2015. Mr. Dong and his team collected and analyzed feedback from library researchers and other users before making the decision to invest in BioOne. “Based on the academic value, relevant subjects, and acceptable cost, we had to have this resource.”

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Mr. Dong Yue recommends BioOne Complete to research science libraries like CAAS, emphasizing

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that the “content is professional and relevant to researchers in agricultural sciences, so the subjects are very well matched to our needs.”

“What attracted us to BioOne Complete was the wide range of journals from the various societies and associations,” he said. “Having the content we need in one place is very convenient for the library and the users, and removes the difficulty of accessing journals via different platforms. Furthermore, the subjects within BioOne Complete match the needs of our institutions and, importantly, the subscription price is very reasonable.”