



Jeffrey Simmons

President & CEO, Elanco Animal Health

Jeffrey Simons is head of Elanco, a leading US feed additive company with a 66-year track record of growth. Elanco provides comprehensive products and knowledge services to improve animal health, welfare and food animal production with 200 brands in 90 countries.

As the head of Elanco for the past decade, Simmons has directed the company's transformation from a primarily US feed additive company to a premier global player with a diversified business. During his tenure, Elanco has quadrupled in size, created a unique innovation engine, completed 13 acquisitions, and built five new businesses, including a \$1 billion companion animal business, and a leading aquaculture business.

In 2018, Simmons navigated the company's separation from Eli Lilly and Company, culminating with Elanco's listing on the New York Stock Exchange as an independent public company solely dedicated to animal health. Most recently, he has orchestrated the

industry's largest acquisition to date with the completion of Elanco's purchase of Bayer Animal Health.

In his 30 years with the company, he has held an array of roles, from sales and marketing to R&D across multiple continents. In these roles, he gained a new perspective on food, agriculture and companionship that has sparked a deep conviction for the power of healthy animals.

As the co-founder of Hatch, Simmons and the Elanco team have created a unique, donation-free model to deliver sustained food security through eggs to US food banks. Simmons also founded Edge Mentoring, designed to equip and accelerate whole-life excellence in leaders.

Simmons has also served as a former board member and chairman of the compensation committee for Chiquita Brands. He has completed terms as president of the Health for Animals, chairman of the FFA Foundation Board and as a board member of Gleaners Food Bank of Indiana.