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vice president of research.

"The research is directed at finding hormones that are present in very tiny amounts in the insects.' says Sandmeier. "We isolate these neuropeptides from insects using sophisticated separation techniques and bioassays to identify the principles."

Although the United States is leading the world in biotechnological research, Sandoz Crop Protection president and CEO Dale Miller believes more domestic support is needed to maintain that lead.

"For it (biotechnology)

to become the workhorse tool that can light a fire under American farm production," says Miller, "the gov-



Miller ernment must get squarely behind the next stage of development, and push.'

According to Miller, the United States is in danger of losing its leadership position in biotechnology due to governmental footdragging and a complicated bureaucracy. A strong supporter of product testing, Miller believes that "if laws and regulations were written with an eye to the potential economic advantage that biotechnology offers to American agriculture ...more effort would be made to streamline the system."

RESEARCH

## Ryegrass mixture yields top turf

RIVERSIDE, Calif. - A University of California overseeding trial combining perennial and intermediate ryegrasses has produced a better quality turf.

The field trial was conducted on a common Bermudagrass fairway at a local golf course. The trial tested annual ryegrass, Palmer perennial ryegrass, Agree intermediate ryegrass and a 50/50 mix of the perennial ryegrass and intermediate grass.

Each of the grasses and the ryegrass mix were established in late September on 50 sq. ft. plots and seeded at 100 to 600 lbs./acre rates.

Researchers concluded

 Annual ryegrass established quicker and was first to transition in spring;

• The initial stand of overseeding grass was directly dependent on the seeding rate, irrespective of species, with the higher seeding rates yielding a more quickly-acceptable grass stand;

 A seeding rate had little effect on the mature overseeding in terms of percentage of cover;

 A reasonable seeding rate, irrespective of species, was the 300 to 400 lbs./acre

The study was conducted by John Van Dam, U.C. Cooperative Extension farm advisor, assisted by Victor Gibeault and Richard Autio.

INDUSTRY

## Dow and Lilly in joint venture

MIDLAND, Mich. - Dow Chemical Co. and Eli Lilly Co. are combining their worldwide agricultural chemical divisions to form one of the six largest agricultural-chemical concerns in the world.

The joint venture, to be called Dow Elanco Inc., will be formed by consolidating Dow's plant science business, Dow Agricultural Products, and its pest control business with Lilly's plant science business. Elanco Products Co. The joint venture is expected to reach sales of about \$1.5 billion in its first year, according to Dow.

The new company plans to build a \$35 million research facility in Indianapolis. It will be staffed by 2,800 employees, largely in marketing, sales and re-