

## Emily Fuerst Named Director of Research and Development for Kemin Crop Technologies

**Fuerst brings extensive product innovation expertise and customer-focused vision to new role**

**DES MOINES, Iowa** (June 19, 2017) – Kemin Crop Technologies, an initiative of Kemin Industries focused on providing solutions for commercial horticulture, has appointed Emily Fuerst to the newly created role of research and development director, effective immediately.

In this role, Fuerst will be responsible for leading the development of new and innovative crop technology solutions that ensure protection from pests, enhance defense systems and improve nutrient utilization. Leveraging insights from the Kemin greenhouses and plant science program, she will work with integrated pest management (IPM) managers, plant health specialists, pest control advisers (PCAs) and business owners to understand their challenges and ensure Kemin Crop Technologies' products meet their needs.

"Emily is a respected scientist in her field and brings strong leadership to this new role at Kemin," said Riaan van Dyk, Vice President of Worldwide Marketing and Strategy. "Her commitment to Kemin is evident, and her expertise will further the success of Kemin Crop Technologies. We are thrilled to have her in this role."

Since joining the Kemin Discovery Research team in 2010, she has built expertise in engineering microorganisms to produce molecules, enzyme development, encapsulation technologies and formulation chemistry. Fuerst played an influential role in the development of **TetraCURB™ Concentrate**, a rosemary oil-based treatment for two-spotted spider mites currently sold by Kemin Crop Technologies.

"I'm committed to advancing innovation efforts with Kemin Crop Technologies and develop product solutions that will enhance and protect specialty crops," said Fuerst. "Ensuring protection from pests, enhancing plant defense systems and enhancing nutrient utilization with rapid quality growth are key to helping growers become more efficient, sustainable and successful."

Fuerst holds a bachelor's degree in Biochemistry from the University of Nevada, Reno, master's degree in Entomology from Iowa State University, and is pursuing an Executive Masters of Business degree from the University of Iowa. She will be based in Des Moines, Iowa.

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### **About Kemin Industries**

Kemin ([www.kemin.com](http://www.kemin.com)) has been dedicated to using applied science to improve the quality of life for over half a century. As a global company touching 3.5 billion people every day with its products, Kemin is committed to improving the quality, safety and efficacy of food, feed and health-related products to feed a growing population and be a resource for others in need.

Committed to feed and food safety, Kemin maintains top-of-the-line manufacturing facilities where over 500 specialty ingredients are made for humans and animals in the global feed and food industries, as well as the health, nutrition and beauty markets. The company provides product solutions and options to customers in more than 120 countries.

A privately held, family-owned and operated company, Kemin has more than 2,500 global employees and operates in 90 countries including manufacturing facilities in Belgium, Brazil, China, India, Italy, Russia, Singapore, South Africa and the United States.

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