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Hello,

The diagnostic lab has been fairly quiet on the turf front. We have had some more large patch of zoysia come in. I also had a sample where the turf pulled back like a carpet, and lo-and-behold there were a couple of white chafer grubs in there. It can be easy to confuse insect and disease damage (and abiotic damage too) so don't forget about our invertebrate friends even if disease is the first thing that pops into your head.

Dollar spot is active in many putting green sites. In the past day or so it has popped up at our Rocky Ford research farm as well. I sent some dollar spot info around awhile back, but now that the season is here I will remind you that there is a fact sheet with fungicide info at the following website:

<http://www.oznet.ksu.edu/library/plant2/EP131.pdf>

If you would like to see results from our dollar spot tests here at K-State, you can view our previous research reports here:

<http://www.ksuturf.com/Research%20Reports.html>

The 2008 report (with data from 2007) should be coming along soon.

Finally, I'd like to thank in advance everyone who will be participating in the Heart of America Golf Course Superintendents Association (HAGCSA) research and scholarship tournament on Monday. Thanks to Jeff White of Lake Quivira Country Club for hosting the event. I am not sure whether I will make it over, but K-State will be fielding a team, so be sure to give my colleagues a hard time for me if you see them on the course :)