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Cover: The grape-growing industry, in partnership with UC scientists, has aggressively promoted sustainable viticulture practices that are environmentally friendly, economically viable and socially responsible. In the Carmel Valley, a wine-grape vineyard shows its fall colors. *Photo: David Gubernick/ AGStockUSA*

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