

HERBS

Monocotyledonous plants (e.g. lemon grass, chives etc)

Timing: Sample as required. Sampling early in a crop's life gives a better chance of correcting deficiencies and maintaining good nutrient levels and balances

Sample Volume: 30 - 50 plants or above ground, 10 – 15 cm long basal sections, depending on their size

Sampling: Collect samples from a representative area in the crop. Return to the same area for subsequent samples. Below 20cm height, collect entire plants **without roots.**

Off taller plants, collect individual stems (youngest, fully sized stems).

Plant part for analysis: Discard the top of the stem and retain the basal 10-15 cm sections for analysis.

Growth stage: Record which week after planting the sample is taken or the planting date on the sample information sheet (label)



Lemongrass for analysis



Chives for analysis

Growth Stage numbering system is in accordance to the extended BBCH, a uniform coding of phenologically similar growth stages for all plant species

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