

# **Soil and Plant Nutrient Testing Laboratory**

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USE THIS FORM FOR GREENHOUSE MEDIA; SATURATED MEDIA EXTRACT FOR UMASS RECHARGE. See page 2 for Sampling Instructions and Description of Services. Complete Recharge information requested below.

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SAMPLE INFORMATION:												
Mix Characteristics:  Mixture type? Soilless Soil Blend What is the approximate percentage by volume of field soil? ————————————————————————————————————				Fertilizer use:  Fertilizer values (i.e. N-P-K analysis)  Rate of application: ppmlbs/gal  Frequency of application:  Is a slow release fertilizer in use (e.g. Osmocote)? Yes No				Age or Is this status?	Crop and Sample Information: Crop Name:  Age or stage of development:  Is this a routine sample to determine nutrient status?  Yes No For problem diagnosis, describe symptoms:			
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# **Greenhouse Media Sampling Instructions**

It's very important that you take the necessary steps to obtain a representative sample.

#### Procedure:

- 1. Sampling:
  - a) **Potting or transplanting media pile**: Collect samples from at least 10 locations in the pile, combine and thoroughly mix.
  - b) **Potted plants**: Collect media samples from root depth of at least 10 pots. Combine and thoroughly mix.
  - c) **Ground beds or bench crops**: Collect cores from top to bottom of media from at least 10 locations, combine and thoroughly mix.
- Place about 2 cups of your well mixed media sample in a heavy zip-lock bag labeled with your sample ID and complete submission form.

Hand deliver or mail the sample, submission form, and a check or money order payable to UMass to the address listed at the top of this form. Samples should be delivered to the lab a quickly as possible.

## **Greenhouse Media Test Descriptions & Fees**

### Standard Media Test: \$30.00

Includes pH of water saturated media, electrical conductivity, and nutrient content (phosphorus, potassium, calcium, magnesium, manganese, zinc, copper, iron, and boron) of saturated media extract.

### **Optional Testing**

Organic Matter Percentage: \$6.00

Measurement of soil organic matter by loss on ignition at 360 degrees C

### Additional Elements: \$5.00

Extractable sulfur (S) and sodium (Na) of water saturated media (\*to be added on to Standard Media Test only)

### Media pH and Soluble Salts Only: \$15.00

Provides pH and electrical conductivity of the water saturated media

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