LEAF SAP SAMPLING GUIDE Corn



Keep in mind!

- Avoid outer rows and first 20 feet of a row.
- Sample leaves with average leaf quality. Sample areas of abnormal growth separately.
- Sample consistently; avoid extreme weather etc.
- If leaves are wet at sampling lightly pat dry before shipping (moisture influences results).
- Sap Analysis data works best when used in progression. The more samples
 the better crop nutrient uptake can be illustrated and understood.
- Note fertilizer and irrigation times and application rates if possible.
- Sample either before or 3+ days after fertilizer/pesticides have been applied.

Sampling Instructions

<u>Sample Time:</u> Sample in the morning before 11 a.m. and temperatures less than 80 °F for adequate leaf tension and moisture. Avoid sampling in the rain. Store samples in cooler.

<u>Sample Size:</u> Collect 80+ grams each of both new (young) and old leaves for a collected total of 160+ grams per sample set. Bag leaves separately labeled New and Old.

<u>Initial Sampling:</u> Begin sampling at V2-4. <u>Sample entire young plant (without roots)</u>, place in zip lock bag.

<u>Sequential Samples:</u> Sample New and Old leaves separately at V6-8, V10-12, R1-2. Cut leaves into thirds and sample only middle 4-5 inch section. Consider adding ear leaf (collard leaf supporting ear) or replace new leaf with ear leaf once field scouting indicates initial ear development.

NEW- Youngest fully formed leaf, second or third from the top of the plant. Place stacked leaves in zip lock bag labeled NEW.

OLD- Still healthy and functional leaves, second to fourth (depending on growth stage) leaf from the base of the plant. Place stacked stacked leaves in separate zip lock bag labeled OLD.

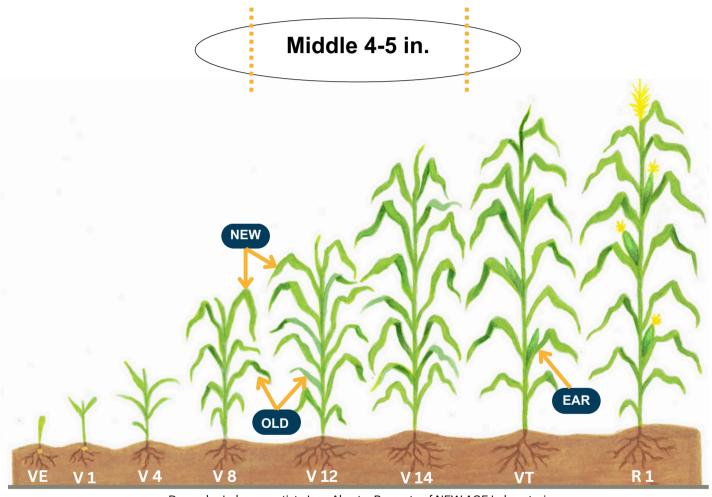
Do not mix varieties when sampling as this may cause variation in analyses



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Sequential New/Old Leaf Sampling: Cut leaves into thirds and place middle 4-5 inch section into zip lock bag.



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Keep samples cool. Ship overnight or 2-day on M/T/W (morning arrival time) with ice packs. Samples should not come into direct contact with ice packs. Let air out of bags before shipping.

All samples must be accompanied by a fully completed Sample Submission Form. Fillable version available on our website www.newagelaboratories.com.