

THE 'GUM BOOT' TRIAL METHOD – A MOST RELIABLE SCIENCE FOR MANY!

This Insight takes a light-hearted look at 'gum boot' science and the instincts that growers all over the world use in assessing their crops.

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Steve and Greg Gaskin are growers of quality celery in Virginia, South Australia – about a one hour drive north of Adelaide.

Consistently growing uniform, high quality celery is a product of good soil management, sound crop nutrition and irrigation practices.

Steve and Greg have never been afraid to try different things in their quest for the 'best practices' that firstly, looks after their soil, and secondly produces high quality celery. For years now, foliar fertilisers have been an integral part of their fertiliser program and the best results have come from an RLF-specified CSF/TMS tank mix.

How do they test fertiliser performance?

Steve calls it his '**Gum Boot' Trial Method**, i.e. walk through the celery crop and use highly experienced sight, smell, taste and touch to test it !

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