

# DOMOGRAN®45 Activating Your Nutrient Potential

The Nitrogen-Sulfur Fertilizer from Leuna



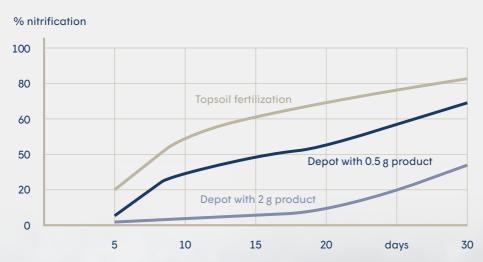
# DOMOGRAN® 45 – nitrogen and sulfur fertilizer for positive nutrient dynamics

Because of its attraction effect, DOMOGRAN®45 causes stronger formation of secondary roots, allowing greater exposure to the soil volume. To absorb ammonium-N, the plant releases a proton in the form of a hydrogen ion as a charge equalization, so that the rhizosphere acidifies. This partial acidification results in a mobilization of nutrients, improving nutrient dynamics. Sulfur in the form of sulfate ions is an important anion, both directly in the plant's nutrition, and indirectly for the mobilization as well as regulation of cations from the soil.



**Topsoil Fertilization** 

## Longer ammonium phase and better soilnutrient release using DOMOGRAN®45 as a seed-placed fertilizer



Sandy loam: 66% sand, 19% silt, 15% clay; pH (H<sub>2</sub>O) 7.3

Depot effect of ammonium sulfate at 20°C Source: Based on Grewal et al. 1998

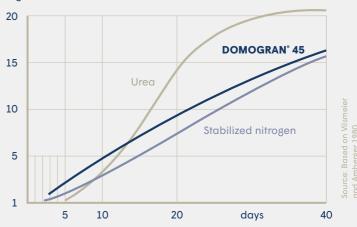


# Instant and Long-lasting Nitrogen Fertilizer

DOMOGRAN®45 is a coarse crystalline ammonium fertilizer that has an immediate effect and continues to be effective over a long period. The nitrification of ammonium is significantly influenced by the pH value, as well as temperature, oxygen concentration and moisture. A neutral to slightly alkaline pH speeds the breakdown of ammonia nitrogen into nitrate.

## **Conversion speeds**

of various forms of nitrogen in the soil into nitrate-N at  $10^{\circ}\text{C}$  mg of nitrate-N



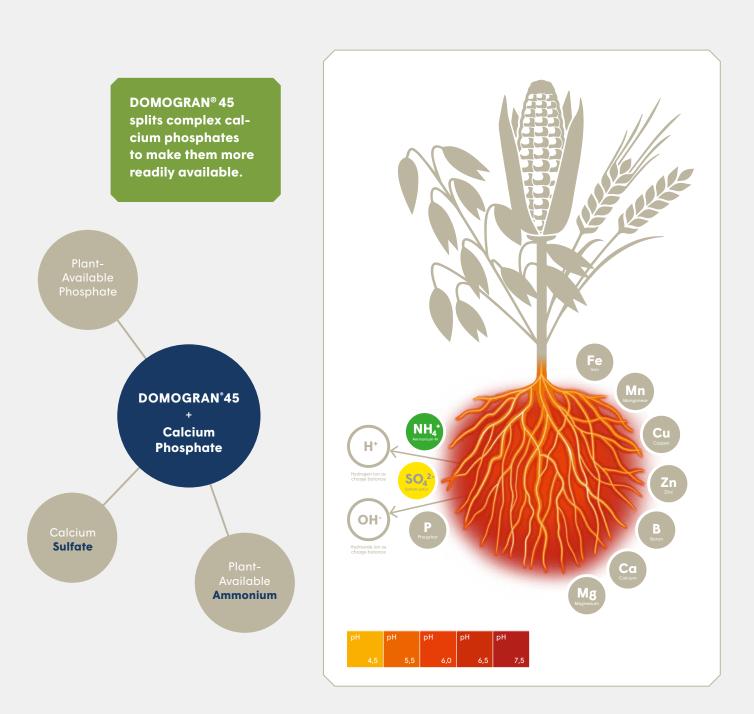
Because of its partially acidifying effect, DOMOGRAN® 45 naturally buffers nitrification, enabling a long ammonium phase. DOMOGRAN® 45 therefore results in advantageous effective speeds during the conversion to nitrate:



Long-lasting nitrogen supply

### **Improved Phosphate Availability**

Because of its acidifying effect, DOMOGRAN®45 triggers the release of sulfur-soluble calcium phosphate. In soils with an optimal calcium supply, phosphor from manganese, iron and aluminum compositions is replaced through hydroxide-ion exchange, and then bonds with calcium. Acids in the soil, such as humic, carbonic or even sulfuric acids can cause calcium phosphates to becomes soluble again. Optimal phosphate solubility occurs within the pH range of 5.5 to 6.5.



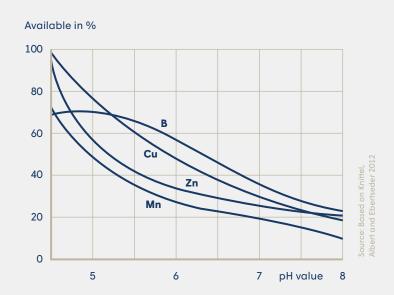
## **Improved Micronutrient Availability**

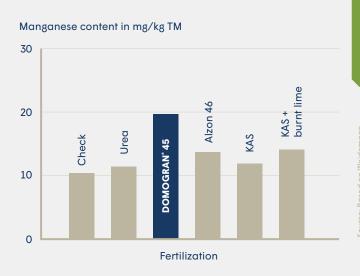
Micronutrient availability improves as pH values decrease.

By applying DOMOGRAN®45, the acidic environment within the soil can be selectively modified, making nutrients available to plants. This is due to its triple-action effect:

- · Ammonium nutrition
- · Conversion of ammonium into nitrate
- · The acidic nature of the fertilizer pellet

DOMOGRAN® 45 increases the availability of micronutrients – especially at high soil pH values.





Using DOMOGRAN® 45 allows you to influence manganese levels (in winter wheat, for example), thus improving photosynthesis and protein formation.

#### **Plants Need Sulfur**

#### Sulfur optimizes nitrogen efficiency

One kilogram of sulfur in the plant in need impedes the conversion of up to 15 kilograms of nitrogen. Plus, sulfur lowers nitrate levels in the plant, which results in greater vitality.

#### Sulfur increases the proportion of sulfur-containing amino acids like methionine and cysteine.

- · Outstanding baking quality due to the excellent glutenous properties in grains
- · Very high feed values in grains, corn, grasses and fodder crops

#### Sulfur promotes the buildup of carbohydrates

· Starches/Sugars/Flavorings

#### **Soils Need Sulfur**

Because of the lack of mineralization of sulfur from the soil during the autumn and winter, targeted sulfate sulfur fertilizer is necessary at the start of vegetation.

# Reducing sulfur depositions from the previous year results in deficits in the C/N/S ratio in the humus.

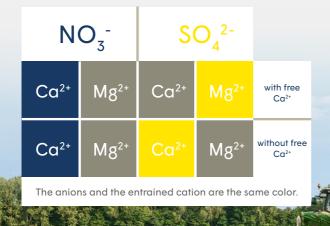
- The C/S quotient in the humus is responsible for the mineralization of sulfur during the vegetation period
- Quantities of sulfur mineralized from the humus must be replenished using a supplement fertilizer at midyear
- Adding more sulfur than the plants require stabilizes the humus content

#### **Regulating Nutrient Antagonism**

- Improves solubility, e.g. of Mg-ions, for better Mg-nutrition of plants
- Sulfate sulfur is well suited for regulating cation antagonism and thus indirectly improves quality

Nitrate deposits form, regardless of the allocation of the cation exchanger calcium in deeper soil layers.

Depending on the allocation of calcium to cation exchangers, sulfur in sulfate form can trigger the release of either calcium or magnesium, making them available to plants and depositing them in deeper soil layers.



Sulfur for quality and soil



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