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Dr. Vincent Haby is a soil scientist employed by Texas AgriLife Research, a part of the Texas A&M University System. He conducts soil chemistry, fertility, management and plant nutrition research on forages and horticultural crops at the Texas AgriLife Research and Extension Center at Overton.

Dr. Haby earned his B.S. and M.S. degrees from Texas A&M University in 1963 and 1969. Montana State University awarded Dr. Haby his Ph.D. degree in 1975. In 1975, he was appointed assistant professor to conduct soil fertility research at the Southern Agricultural Research Center in Montana and was promoted to associate professor in 1980. In 1982, Dr. Haby transferred to the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station and was promoted to professor in 1989.

Dr. Haby's research is directed toward improving forage quality and production economics on acid soils through improved soil fertility and plant nutrition. His research emphasizes limestone efficiency and plant nutrient interactions, forage systems, soil environmental quality, water quality, and sustainable agriculture. Current soils research on forages at Overton includes production of alfalfa with Coastal bermudagrass for grazing on limed acid soils. Other research in which he is involved includes management of fertilizer nitrogen on ryegrass-clover pastures, soil acidity tolerance of rye and ryegrasses, and limestone efficiency on bermudagrass-based forage systems.

Dr. Haby has authored or co-authored 28 scientific journal papers and more than 200 technical articles. He is a member of the American Society of Agronomy (ASA), Soil Science Society of America (SSSA), Southern Section of the ASA, Texas Chapter of the ASA, and the American and Texas Forage and Grassland Councils. He is certified as a professional soil scientist with the American Registry of Certified Professionals in Agronomy, Crops and Soils. He received the Texas A&M University System Award for Excellence in Team Research in 1989 and the Soil and Crop Sciences Department's Superior Achievement Award for Research in 1991.