

Polygala comosa

Habitus and growth type

Plant height [m]: **0.19**

Life span: **Perennial**

Life form: **Hemicryptophyte**

Leaf

Specific leaf area [mm²/mg]: **11.16**

Flower

Flowering period: **April-July**

Fruit, seed and dispersal

Seed mass [mg]: **1.4**

Dispersal mode: **Myrmecochory**

Dispersal distance class: **3**

Trophic mode

Parasitism and mycoheterotrophy: **autotroph**

Carnivory: **non-carnivorous**

Symbiotic nitrogen fixation: **no nitrogen-fixing symbionts**

Taxon origin

Origin in Europe: **Native**

Ecology

Environmental relationships

Substrate humidity relationship: **Dry**

Substrate reaction relationship: **Alkaline**

Nutrient relationship: **Oligotrophic**

Salinity relationship: **Non-saline**

Ellenberg-type indicator values

Light indicator value: **8**

Temperature indicator value: **5.6**

Reaction indicator value: **8**

Nutrient indicator value: **2.4**

Salinity indicator value: **0**

Disturbance indicator values

Disturbance frequency: **1.36**

Disturbance frequency (herb layer): **1.92**

Disturbance severity: **0.5**

Disturbance severity (herb layer): **0.48**

Mowing frequency: **1.02**

Grazing pressure: **0.26**

Soil disturbance: **0.18**

Habitat and sociology

Syntaxon

Diagnostic species of phytosociological classes: [DA \(FES\) Festuco-Brometea](#)

EUNIS habitat

Diagnostic species of EUNIS habitats: [R1A Semi-dry perennial calcareous grassland \(meadow steppe\)](#)

Constant species of EUNIS habitats: [R1A Semi-dry perennial calcareous grassland \(meadow steppe\)](#)

Broad habitat

Occurrence in broad habitats: **Grassland (non-alpine, non-saline), Scrub, Forest, Sparsely vegetated (incl. rock and scree)**

Distribution

Continentality: **6**

Continentality amplitude: **5**