

# *Rhaponticoides ruthenica*

## Habitus and growth type

Life span: **Perennial**

Life form: **Hemicryptophyte**

## Fruit, seed and dispersal

Dispersal mode: **Anemochory**

Dispersal distance class: **5**

## 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**

Ellenberg-type indicator values

Light indicator value: **8**

Temperature indicator value: **5**

Moisture indicator value: **4**

Disturbance indicator values

Disturbance frequency: **1.37**

Disturbance frequency (herb layer): **1.86**

Disturbance severity: **0.48**

Disturbance severity (herb layer): **0.46**

Mowing frequency: **0.55**

Grazing pressure: **0.38**

Soil disturbance: **0.17**

## Habitat and sociology

Syntaxon

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

EUNIS habitat

Diagnostic species of EUNIS habitats: [R15 Continental dry rocky steppic grassland and dwarf scrub on chalk outcrops](#)

Broad habitat

Occurrence in broad habitats: **Grassland (non-alpine, non-saline)**