

# *Urospermum picroides*

## Habitus and growth type

Plant height [m]: **0.24**

Life span: **Annual**

Life form: **Therophyte**

Spinescence: **not spinescent**

## Leaf

Specific leaf area [mm<sup>2</sup>/mg]: **23.56**

## Flower

Flowering period: **January-July**

## Fruit, seed and dispersal

Seed mass [mg]: **1.6**

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**

Substrate reaction relationship: **Alkaline**

Nutrient relationship: **Eutrophic**

Salinity relationship: **Non-saline**

### Ellenberg-type indicator values

Light indicator value: **8**

Temperature indicator value: **9**

Moisture indicator value: **3**

Reaction indicator value: **7.7**

Nutrient indicator value: **6.3**

Salinity indicator value: **0.3**

### Disturbance indicator values

Disturbance frequency: **0.77**  
Disturbance frequency (herb layer): **1.76**  
Disturbance severity: **0.77**  
Disturbance severity (herb layer): **0.57**  
Mowing frequency: **0.27**  
Grazing pressure: **0.29**  
Soil disturbance: **0.33**

## **Habitat and sociology**

### Syntaxon

Diagnostic species of phytosociological classes: [QC \(CHE\) \*Chenopodietea\*](#)

### EUNIS habitat

Diagnostic species of EUNIS habitats: [S63 Eastern garrigue](#), [S72 Eastern Mediterranean spiny heath \(phrygana\)](#), [T25 Phoenix theophrasti vegetation](#)

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### Broad habitat

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