

Carex ornithopoda

Habitus and growth type

Plant height [m]: **0.08**

Life span: **Perennial**

Life form: **Hemicryptophyte**

Leaf

Specific leaf area [mm²/mg]: **30.58**

Flower

Flowering period: **April-July**

Fruit, seed and dispersal

Seed mass [mg]: **0.82**

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: **7.3**

Temperature indicator value: **2.4**

Moisture indicator value: **4.1**

Reaction indicator value: **8.5**

Nutrient indicator value: **2.6**

Salinity indicator value: **0**

Disturbance indicator values

Disturbance frequency: **0.36**

Disturbance frequency (herb layer): **1.23**
Disturbance severity: **0.5**
Disturbance severity (herb layer): **0.25**
Mowing frequency: **0.1**
Grazing pressure: **0.24**
Soil disturbance: **0.11**

Habitat and sociology

Syntaxon

Diagnostic species of phytosociological classes: [CO \(ERI\) *Erico-Pinetea*](#), [CU \(SES\) *Elyno-Seslerietea*](#), [KC \(ASP\) *Asplenietea trichomanis*](#), [KE \(THL\) *Thlaspietea rotundifolii*](#)

Broad habitat

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

Distribution

Continentality: **5**
Continentality amplitude: **3**