

# *Cephalaria leucantha*

## Habitus and growth type

Plant height [m]: **0.51**

Life span: **Perennial**

Life form: **Hemicryptophyte**

## Leaf

Specific leaf area [mm<sup>2</sup>/mg]: **6.68**

## Flower

Flowering period: **June-September**

## Fruit, seed and dispersal

Seed mass [mg]: **4.8**

Dispersal mode: **Local non-specific dispersal**

Dispersal distance class: **2**

## 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**

Temperature indicator value: **7**

Moisture indicator value: **3**

Reaction indicator value: **7**

Nutrient indicator value: **2**

Salinity indicator value: **0**

### Disturbance indicator values

Disturbance frequency: **0.25**

Disturbance frequency (herb layer): **1.46**

Disturbance severity: **0.64**

Disturbance severity (herb layer): **0.24**

Mowing frequency: **0.11**

Grazing pressure: **0.29**

Soil disturbance: **0.14**

## **Habitat and sociology**

### Syntaxon

Diagnostic species of phytosociological classes: [FB \(ROS\) \*Ononido-Rosmarinetea\*](#)

### EUNIS habitat

Constant species of EUNIS habitats: [R17 Heavy-metal dry grassland of the Balkans](#),  
[R19 Dry steppic submediterranean pasture of the Amphi-Adriatic region](#)

### Broad habitat

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