Medicago scutellata

Habitus and growth type

Plant height [m]: **0.09**
Life span: **Annual**
Life form: **Therophyte**

Flower

Flowering period: **March-May**

Fruit, seed and dispersal

Seed mass [mg]: **18.5**
Dispersal mode: **Epizoochory**
Dispersal distance class: **6**

Trophic mode

Parasitism and mycoheterotrophy: **autotroph**
Carnivory: **non-carnivorous**
Symbiotic nitrogen fixation: **symbiosis with rhizobia**

Taxon origin

Origin in Europe: **Native**

Ecology

Environmental relationships

Substrate humidity relationship: **Mesic**
Substrate reaction relationship: **Slightly acidic to near-neutral**
Nutrient relationship: **Mesotrophic**
Salinity relationship: **Non-saline**

Ellenberg-type indicator values

Light indicator value: **7.7**
Moisture indicator value: **5**
Reaction indicator value: **6.7**
Nutrient indicator value: **6**
Salinity indicator value: **0**

Disturbance indicator values

Disturbance frequency: **1.56**
Disturbance frequency (herb layer): **2.17**
Disturbance severity: **0.86**
Disturbance severity (herb layer): **0.84**
Mowing frequency: **0.64**

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Grazing pressure: **0.17**
Soil disturbance: **0.58**

Habitat and sociology

Syntaxon

Diagnostic species of phytosociological classes: **QC (CHE) *Chenopodietea***

Broad habitat

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

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