

Melilotus neapolitanus

Habitus and growth type

Plant height [m]: **0.25**

Life span: **Annual**

Life form: **Therophyte**

Flower

Flowering period: **March-June**

Fruit, seed and dispersal

Seed mass [mg]: **1.5**

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

Dispersal distance class: **1**

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: **Dry**

Substrate reaction relationship: **Alkaline**

Nutrient relationship: **Eutrophic**

Salinity relationship: **Non-saline**

Ellenberg-type indicator values

Light indicator value: **7.9**

Moisture indicator value: **3.8**

Reaction indicator value: **7.3**

Nutrient indicator value: **6.3**

Salinity indicator value: **0**

Disturbance indicator values

Disturbance frequency: **0.89**

Disturbance frequency (herb layer): **1.64**

Disturbance severity: **0.64**

Disturbance severity (herb layer): **0.55**

Mowing frequency: **0.24**

Grazing pressure: **0.29**

Soil disturbance: **0.27**

Habitat and sociology

Syntaxon

Diagnostic species of phytosociological classes: [FJ \(TRA\) *Stipo-Trachynietea distachyae*](#), [QC \(CHE\) *Chenopodietea*](#)

Broad habitat

Occurrence in broad habitats: **Coastal beach, dune or shingle, Grassland (non-alpine, non-saline), Scrub, Forest, Sparsely vegetated (incl. rock and scree), Synanthropic**