

Ornithopus compressus

Habitus and growth type

Plant height [m]: **0.16**

Life span: **Annual**

Life form: **Therophyte**

Leaf

Specific leaf area [mm²/mg]: **32.75**

Flower

Flowering period: **March-June**

Fruit, seed and dispersal

Seed mass [mg]: **3.7**

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: **Acidic**

Nutrient relationship: **Oligotrophic**

Salinity relationship: **Non-saline**

Ellenberg-type indicator values

Light indicator value: **8.3**

Temperature indicator value: **9**

Moisture indicator value: **3**

Reaction indicator value: **4.3**

Nutrient indicator value: **3.3**

Salinity indicator value: **0**

Disturbance indicator values

Disturbance frequency: **0.96**

Disturbance frequency (herb layer): **1.9**

Disturbance severity: **0.56**

Disturbance severity (herb layer): **0.48**

Mowing frequency: **0.47**

Grazing pressure: **0.31**

Soil disturbance: **0.31**

Habitat and sociology

Syntaxon

Diagnostic species of phytosociological classes: [**FI \(TUB\) *Helianthemetea guttati***](#)

EUNIS habitat

Diagnostic species of EUNIS habitats: [**R1R Mediterranean to Atlantic open, dry, acid and neutral grassland**](#)

Constant species of EUNIS habitats: [**R1D Mediterranean closely grazed dry grassland**](#), [**R1R Mediterranean to Atlantic open, dry, acid and neutral grassland**](#), [**S34 Balkan-Anatolian submontane genistoid scrub**](#)

Broad habitat

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