

# *Medicago tornata*

## Habitus and growth type

Plant height [m]: **0.12**

Life span: **Annual**

Life form: **Therophyte**

## Flower

Flowering period: **March-May**

## Fruit, seed and dispersal

Seed mass [mg]: **3.85**

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: **Dry**

Substrate reaction relationship: **Slightly acidic to near-neutral**

Nutrient relationship: **Mesotrophic**

Salinity relationship: **Non-saline**

### Ellenberg-type indicator values

Light indicator value: **9**

Temperature indicator value: **9**

Moisture indicator value: **3**

Reaction indicator value: **6**

Nutrient indicator value: **4**

Salinity indicator value: **0**

## 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**