

# ***Knautia dipsacifolia***

## **Habitus and growth type**

Plant height [m]: **0.68**

Life span: **Perennial**

Life form: **Hemicryptophyte**

## **Leaf**

Specific leaf area [mm<sup>2</sup>/mg]: **29.86**

## **Flower**

Flowering period: **April-August**

## **Fruit, seed and dispersal**

Seed mass [mg]: **3.96**

Dispersal mode: **Myrmecochory**

Dispersal distance class: **3**

## **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: **Mesic**

Substrate reaction relationship: **Alkaline**

Nutrient relationship: **Mesotrophic**

Salinity relationship: **Non-saline**

### **Ellenberg-type indicator values**

Light indicator value: **6**

Temperature indicator value: **4.2**

Moisture indicator value: **6**

Reaction indicator value: **6.8**

Nutrient indicator value: **4.3**

Salinity indicator value: **0**

### **Disturbance indicator values**

Disturbance frequency: **0.15**

Disturbance frequency (herb layer): **1.33**

Disturbance severity: **0.64**

Disturbance severity (herb layer): **0.2**

Mowing frequency: **0.08**

Grazing pressure: **0.19**

Soil disturbance: **0.12**

## **Habitat and sociology**

Broad habitat

Occurrence in broad habitats: **Grassland (non-alpine, non-saline), Alpine-subalpine and arctic grassland, Scrub, Forest**

## **Distribution**

Continentality: **4**

Continentality amplitude: **2**