Medicago disciformis

Habitus and growth type

Plant height [m]: **0.08**
Life span: **Annual**
Life form: **Therophyte**
Spinescence: **not spinescent**

Flower

Flowering period: **March-June**

Fruit, seed and dispersal

Seed mass [mg]: **2.9**
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**
Nutrient relationship: **Mesotrophic**
Salinity relationship: **Slightly saline or brackish**

Ellenberg-type indicator values

Light indicator value: **8**
Temperature indicator value: **10**
Moisture indicator value: **2.5**
Reaction indicator value: **8**
Nutrient indicator value: **5.5**
Salinity indicator value: **0.5**

Disturbance indicator values

Disturbance frequency: **0.94**
Disturbance frequency (herb layer): **1.96**
Disturbance severity: **0.81**
Disturbance severity (herb layer): **0.64**

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Mowing frequency: **0.26**
Grazing pressure: **0.33**
Soil disturbance: **0.35**

Habitat and sociology

Syntaxon

Diagnostic species of phytosociological classes: **FJ (TRA) *Stipo-Trachynietea distachyae***

Broad habitat

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

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