Medicago prostrata

Habitus and growth type

Plant height [m]: **0.22**
Life span: **Perennial**
Life form: **Hemicryptophyte**

Flower

Flowering period: **April-July**

Fruit, seed and dispersal

Seed mass [mg]: **1.71**
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: **Oligotrophic**
Salinity relationship: **Non-saline**

Ellenberg-type indicator values

Light indicator value: **8.7**
Temperature indicator value: **8**
Moisture indicator value: **2**
Reaction indicator value: **8.3**
Nutrient indicator value: **2**
Salinity indicator value: **0**

Disturbance indicator values

Disturbance frequency: **1.18**
Disturbance frequency (herb layer): **1.84**
Disturbance severity: **0.47**
Disturbance severity (herb layer): **0.42**

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Mowing frequency: **0.34**
Grazing pressure: **0.35**
Soil disturbance: **0.19**

Habitat and sociology

Syntaxon

Diagnostic species of phytosociological classes: **DA (FES) *Festuco-Brometea***

EUNIS habitat

Diagnostic species of EUNIS habitats: **R17 Heavy-metal dry grassland of the Balkans**, **R19 Dry steppic submediterranean pasture of the Amphi-Adriatic region**

Constant species of EUNIS habitats: **R19 Dry steppic submediterranean pasture of the Amphi-Adriatic region**

Broad habitat

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

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