Polygala alpina

Habitus and growth type

Plant height [m]: **0.06**
Life span: **Perennial**
Life form: **Hemicryptophyte**

Flower

Flowering period: **May-August**

Fruit, seed and dispersal

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: **Dry**
Substrate reaction relationship: **Alkaline**
Nutrient relationship: **Oligotrophic**
Salinity relationship: **Non-saline**

Ellenberg-type indicator values

Light indicator value: **8.7**
Temperature indicator value: **3**
Moisture indicator value: **4**
Reaction indicator value: **7**
Nutrient indicator value: **1.7**
Salinity indicator value: **0**

Disturbance indicator values

Disturbance frequency: **0.93**
Disturbance frequency (herb layer): **1.59**
Disturbance severity: **0.36**
Disturbance severity (herb layer): **0.3**
Mowing frequency: **0.12**

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Grazing pressure: **0.28**
Soil disturbance: **0.12**

Habitat and sociology

Syntaxon

Diagnostic species of phytosociological classes: **CU (SES) *Elyno-Seslerietea***

Broad habitat

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

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