

# STEPPE-LIKE GRASSLAND VEGETATION IN THE HILLS AROUND THE LAKES OF VEGORITIDA AND PETRON, NORTH-CENTRAL GREECE

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## Abstract

The present paper describes the floristic composition and synecology of steppe-like dry grasslands occurring in a Natura 2000 site in North-Central Greece around the two karstic lakes of Vegoritida and Petron. In total, 245 relevés of vascular plant species composition and abundance were sampled and subjected to cluster analysis and ordination analysis. Passive explanatory variables, including environmental parameters as well as indicator values, were used to support the ecological interpretation. Four plant communities were distinguished in the area, namely *Artemisia campestris-Dasypyrum villosum*, *Chrysopogon gryllus-Bothriochloa ischaemum*, *Satureja montana-Artemisia alba* and *Stipa capillata-Koeleria macrantha*. All communities were classified within the *Festuco-Brometea* class and the *Astragalo-Potentilletalia* order. Soil properties (soil reaction, moisture and nutrient content) and meso-climate factors (temperature variation along topographic gradients) were identified as the main factors determining the floristic differentiation among the four communities.

The dry grasslands harbor a number of species associated with steppic habitats. We discuss the relict character of the steppe-like vegetation.

**Key words:** *Astragalo-Potentilletalia*, dry calcareous grasslands, *Festuco-Brometea*, steppe plants, syntaxonomy, vegetation classification.

## Izvleček

V članku opisujemo floristično sestavo in sinekologijo stepi podobnih suhih travnišč, ki se pojavljajo v Natura 2000 območju v severni centralni Grčiji okoli dveh kraških jezer Vegoritida in Petron. Vzorčili smo 245 vegetacijskih popisov in jih analizirali s klastrsko in ordinacijsko analizo. Rastišče smo interpretirali s pasivnimi pojasnjevalnimi spremenljivkami, kamor smo vključili okoljske spremenljivke in indikatorske vrednosti. Na raziskovanem območju smo ločili štiri rastlinske združbe: *Artemisia campestris-Dasypyrum villosum*, *Chrysopogon gryllus-Bothriochloa ischaemum*, *Satureja montana-Artemisia alba* in *Stipa capillata-Koeleria macrantha*. Vse združbe smo uvrstili v razred *Festuco-Brometea* in red *Astragalo-Potentilletalia*. Lastnosti tal (reakcija tal) in mezo klimatski dejavniki (spreminjanje temperature vzdolž topografskih gradientov) so glavni dejavniki, ki vplivajo na floristične razlike med štirimi rastlinskimi združbami.

V suhih travniščih najdemo številne vrste stepskih habitatov. V članku razpravljamo o reliktnem značaju stepi podobne vegetacije.

**Ključne besede:** *Astragalo-Potentilletalia*, suha travnišča na apnenu, *Festuco-Brometea*, stepske rastline, sintaksonomija, klasifikacija vegetacije.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

In the natural landscape of Europe, calcareous grasslands below the timberline would have occurred on steep outcrops in mountainous regions, on non-forested hilltops characterized by extreme environmental conditions, and in continental lowland steppes (Butaye et al. 2005). Today, nearly all low to montane calcareous grasslands are semi-natural, anthropogenic vegetation that replaces various kinds of forest on lime-rich bedrock and mostly shallow or permeable soils (Poschlod & WallisDe Vries 2002, Rodwell et al. 2007). While in central and western Europe numerous publications deal with the syntaxonomy of dry grasslands (e.g. Oberdorfer & Korneck 1978, Royer 1991, Bruun & Ejrnaes 2000, Price 2002, Rodwell et al. 2002, Dengler et al. 2006, Dengler & Löbel 2006, Illyés et al. 2007, Michálková 2007), publications concerning dry grasslands in the Balkans have appeared mainly in the last decade (e.g. Redžić 1999, Dring et al. 2002, Meshinev et al. 2005, Apostolova & Meshinev 2006, Matevski et al. 2008, Tzonev 2009, Tzonev et al. 2009, Todorova & Tzonev 2010, Čušterevska et al. 2012, Vassilev et al. 2012). Studies on the grassland vegetation of Greece refer chiefly to high-altitude grasslands (Bergmeier 1990, 2002, Karagiannakidou et al. 1995, Schreiber 1998, Papanastasis et al. 2003), while the lowland and montane grassland vegetation has been scarcely studied as yet (but see Pirini & Babalonas 2002, Pirini et al. 2006, Bergmeier et al. 2009, Pirini 2011).

In North-Central Greece, dry calcareous grasslands of lower elevations physiognomically resemble steppe grasslands (Pirini 2011). However, we refer to the original meaning of zonal semi-arid grasslands of the nemoral (temperate and submeridional) vegetation zone as emphasized by, e.g., Walter (1974) and Schroeder (1998). Steppe occurs as zonal vegetation in south-eastern Europe, the Ukraine, southern Russia and Central Asia (Martinovsky & Kolbek 1984, Schroeder 1998), while the corresponding vegetation of the Balkans is considered secondary, steppe-like grassland, with some species interpreted as relicts of the Tertiary period (Horvat et al. 1974, Ellenberg 1988, Zgaga 2005).

The present paper describes the floristic composition and the underlying gradients of steppe-like grassland vegetation around the two karstic lakes of Vegoritida and Petron in North-Central Greece, thus contributing to a better under-

standing of the low-altitude dry grasslands near the south-eastern European margins of the vegetation class *Festuco-Brometea* (see Dengler et al. 2013). The phytosociological investigation and ecological interpretation provides a basis for the appropriate management and conservation of the steppe-like grasslands and their species.

## 2. MATERIAL AND METHODS

### 2.1. STUDY AREA

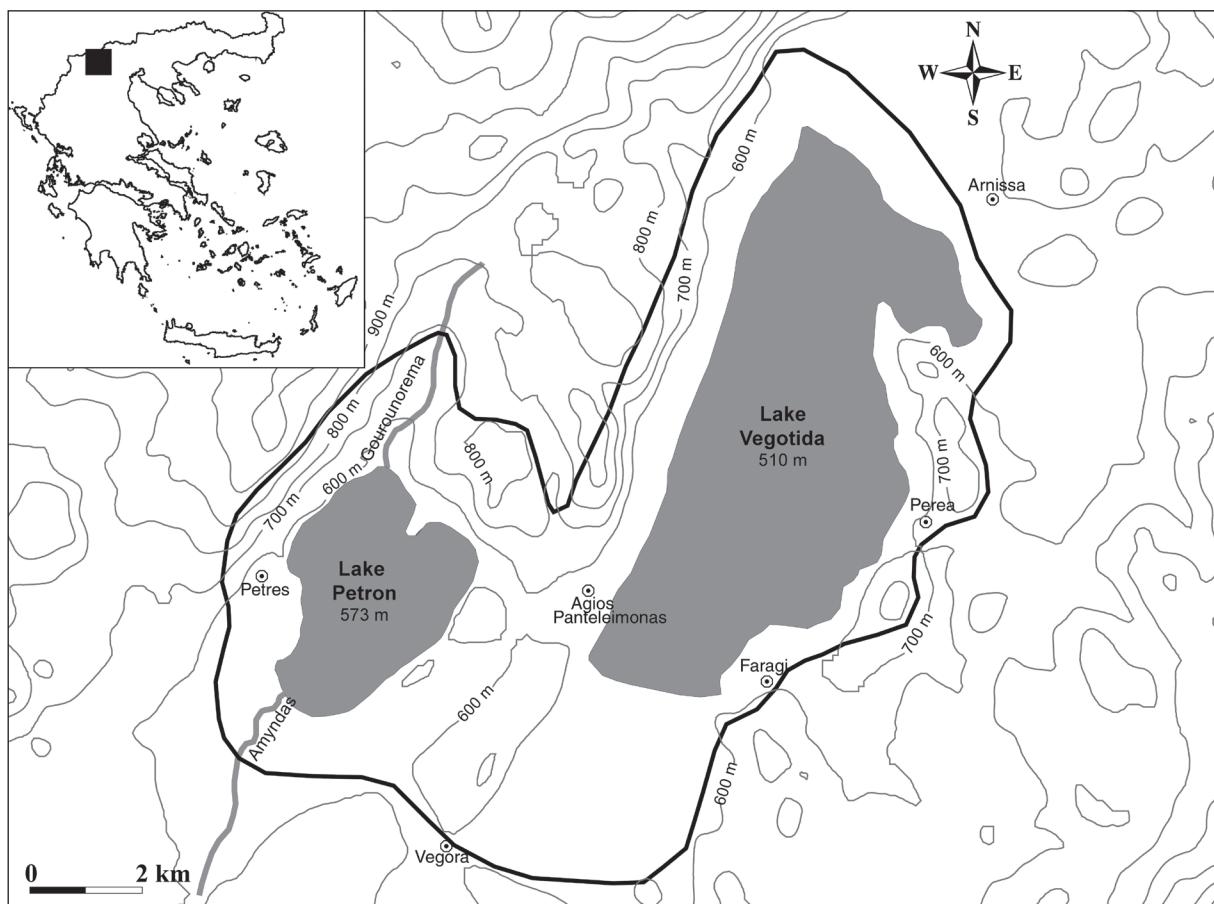
The study area is located in North-Central Greece (Figure 1), between the coordinates 40° 49' to 40° 39' N and 21° 40' to 21° 50' E. It includes a complex of two karstic lakes (Vegoritida and Petron) in a total area of 12,077 ha, with an altitudinal range of 510 to 850 m. The study area is a Natura 2000 site (GR-1340004, Limnes Vegoritida-Petron).

The climate of the area is submediterranean-subcontinental, characterized by harsh winters and mild drought in summers, with a mean annual precipitation of 437 mm (rain only, without snowfall) according to data from the meteorological station of Amindeo (longitude: 21° 41', latitude: 40° 41', altitude: 580m) for the period 1964–2008. Based on the Mediterranean bioclimatic divisions, the area belongs to the sub-humid zone with harsh winters (Emberger 1955, Mavromatis 1980). The dry period, according to the ombro-thermic diagram of Bagnouls & Gausson (1957), lasts four months, from early June to late September.

Geomorphologically, the study area is part of a long graben system that opened in the late Miocene. It was divided by ridges and hills into several sub-basins during the Pleistocene (Pavlides & Mountrakis 1987, Goldsworthy & Jackson 2001). The rocks of the sub-basins and the surrounding hills belong to the north Pelagonian geological zone and consist of crystalline limestones and marbles, recent talus cones and screes at the foothills, while recent alluvial and lacustrine deposits occur around the lakes (Pavlides & Mountrakis 1987).

### 2.2. DATA RECORDING AND ANALYSIS

In total, 245 relevés were sampled during the years 1999 to 2001 and 2003 to 2005, according to the Braun-Blanquet method (Braun-Blanquet 1964, Dierschke 1994). The plot size was between 20 and 50 m<sup>2</sup>. In each relevé, the altitude, expo-



**Figure 1:** Map of the study area.

**Slika 1:** Karta raziskovanega območja.

sition and slope were measured. Coordinates of relevés were recorded using GPS. Species cover/abundance was estimated using the 7-point Braun-Blanquet scale (Braun-Blanquet 1964).

Both multivariate classification and ordination techniques were applied. Vegetation data were entered into a database implemented in TURBOVEG version 2.32a (Hennekens & Schaminée 2001). The phytosociological table was processed in JUICE version 6.3 (Tichý 2002). Taxa occurring in only one or two relevés were omitted prior to analyses in order to reduce noise. For the classification of relevés, cluster analysis was performed using the Sørensen distance and the flexible beta method, setting the b value equal to -0.25. Classification was carried out using PC-ORD (ver. 5) (McCune & Mefford 1999). Detrended Correspondence Analysis (DCA; Hill & Gauch 1980) was used for ordination with CANOCO (ver. 4.5) (ter Braak & Šmilauer 2002). Species abundances were squared-root transformed prior to DCA

analysis. In order to facilitate the interpretation of the DCA diagram, passive explanatory variables were used. These variables concern altitude, inclination, geographical coordinates, potential annual direct incident radiation and heat load, and the Ellenberg indicator values for the relevés. Geographical coordinates were transformed to X and Y coordinates from a zero point. Potential annual direct incident radiation and heat load were calculated using the third equation from McCune & Keon (2002). Ellenberg indicator values (IVs) of the taxa concern light, temperature, continentality, moisture, reaction, nitrogen and salinity. The indicator values were taken from the list referring to the flora of Italy (Pignatti et al. 2005, extended by Pignatti during the 16th Workshop of the European Vegetation Survey in 2006). In total, 212 out of the 265 taxa of the data set were present in the extended list of Pignatti et al. (2005). For the 52 taxa not present, new indicator values were calculated in JUICE (Tichý

2002) using the phi coefficient (Chytrý et al. 2002). Taxa with a phi coefficient higher or equal to 0.2 were identified for each of the 52 taxa with missing values, and the mean of their indicator values was taken as the new indicator value. The calculation of the indicator values was not possible for one taxon, because there were no taxa with a phi coefficient higher or equal to 0.2 with regard to this taxon. The indicator values of the relevés were calculated as a weighted mean of the indicator values of taxa occurring in them. The weighting was calculated based on the cover values of each taxon, which were transformed into percentage values and then power transformed, using as power the value 0.2. In this way, the abundance of taxa was taken into account, but sufficiently downweighted to reduce the effect of species dominance on the indicator values of the relevés. Correlations between DCA relevé scores and explanatory variables were calculated using the non-parametric Kendall coefficient.

Differential taxa combinations for the distinguished plant communities were determined using the algorithm proposed by Tsiripidis et al. (2009). Furthermore, in order to quantify the fidelity values of taxa, the phi-coefficient was calculated between the groups differentiated positively and those differentiated negatively, positive-negatively or not-differentiated at all. As fidelity threshold to accept a taxon as differential for a group or a combination of groups, the value 0.45 was chosen.

The nomenclature of the taxa in the phytosociological tables and the text follows Dimopoulos et al. (2013).

### 3. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

#### 3.1 CLASSIFICATION AND SYNTAXONOMY

The cluster analysis of the relevés revealed four groups corresponding to ecologically interpretable plant communities (Table 1):

1. The first group, the *Artemisia campestris-Dasypyrum villosum* community (Table 6), includes all relevés sampled at the bottom of hills, on gravelly soil formed by the erosion of the calcareous bedrock uphill. The soils are relatively nutrient-rich, especially on sites of former arable fields and near roads, where human impact affects the species composition of the vegetation. Vegetation dominated by *Artemisia campestris*

is found in dry, base-rich grasslands throughout much of Central and Southern Europe and is commonly classified within *Festuco-Brometea* (Horvat et al. 1974, Ellenberg 1988, Sýkora et al. 2003, Davies et al. 2004). Annual-dominated subnitrophilous *Dasypyrum villosum* grasslands of the Campagna Romana, Central Italy, have been studied by Fanelli (1998) who included them in the order *Thero-Brometalia*. The *Artemisia campestris-Dasypyrum villosum* community of our study area is similar to those *Dasypyrum*-dominated grasslands in their slightly nitrophytic character, reflecting a certain degree of former or current disturbance. However, in the *Dasypyrum* grasslands short-lived, mostly annual, plants prevail and *Dasypyrum villosum* is dominant, while our community comprises grasslands dominated by perennials, chiefly *Artemisia campestris*, with *Dasypyrum villosum* and other tall annuals being frequent but with very low cover.

2. The second group corresponds to the *Chrysopogon gryllus-Bothriochloa ischaemum* community (Table 5). This plant community appears in patches, in small depressions and along small rills of moderate inclination, where the soil is deeper, with higher silt content and thus a higher water holding capacity. Similar plant communities were described elsewhere in the Balkans and have been interpreted as the result of secondary succession on sites of former deciduous forests (Szollát & Standová 2005, Matevski et al. 2008). The absence or low abundance of *Stipa* species and their replacement by sub-Mediterranean grazing-tolerant grasses of the tribe *Andropogoneae*, *Chrysopogon gryllus* and *Bothriochloa ischaemum*, has been attributed mainly to the grazing pressure of domestic animals (Tzonev et al. 2006).

3. The third group, the *Satureja montana-Artemisia alba* community (Table 4), is represented by relevés sampled on stony ground at the highest elevations of the study area. It develops on steep eroded slopes, covered with marl slates or stones of different size. Its species composition resembles that of the *Artemisia alba* community described by Bergmeier et al. (2009) from Mt. Falakro. This community has been termed Greek-Balkan steppes with *Satureja montana* (Matevski et al. 2008). Under this name, Matevski et al. (2008) classified steppe-like grasslands of perennial species occurring “in the sub-Mediterranean and sub-Pannonian region of the Balkans in the *Quercion frainetto* and *Fagion moesiaceae* zones, from Greece to Serbia and west Bulgaria”. Al-

legrezza et al. (1997) used these two species as indicators of the alliance *Artemisio albae-Saturejion montanae* (*Rosmarinetea officinalis*), which occurs in the micro-garrigues of the hilly, submontane and lower montane belts of the central Apennines.

4. The fourth group corresponds to the *Stipa capillata-Koeleria macrantha* community (Table 7), and includes the majority of relevés sampled in the study area. It occurs mainly on the hill slopes of low to moderate inclination and on soil that is less gravelly or rocky than the other vegetation units. This community is relatively heterogeneous, as it is differentiated floristically according to the soil properties. In sites with very shallow lithic leptosols, the vegetation is rich in stress-tolerant chasmophytes and other drought-resistant species (e.g. *Inula verbascifolia* subsp. *aschersoniana*, *Stachys iva*). At sites with better soil conditions, shrubby species occur sporadically (e.g. *Juniperus oxycedrus*, *Paliurus spina-christi*, *Prunus webbii*). Similar communities, in which *Stipa capillata* and *Festuca valesiaca* dominate while *Chrysopogon gryllus* is less abundant or absent, have been described from Central Europe and the Balkan Peninsula (Michálková 2007, Sopotlieva 2009, Tzenev et al. 2009).

All communities described here were classified within the phytosociological class of *Festuco-Brometea*. In Central Europe this class includes the dry and semi-dry grasslands on base-rich soils (lowland steppes, rocky and sandy secondary and primary calcareous grasslands) of low to (sub) montane altitudes (Ellenberg 1988, Mucina 1997, Rodwell et al. 2002) while in southern Europe it includes also the rocky limestone grasslands of the montane belt (Biondi et al. 1995, Di Pietro 2011). Vegetation differentiation within *Festuco-Brometea* in Europe shows a geographic pattern from more mesophytic swards in the Atlantic zone to continental steppic grasslands and steppes in the south-east (Rodwell et al. 2007). In the Balkan Peninsula, *Festuco-Brometea* is represented by *Scorzonero-Chrysopogonetalia*, which includes the sub-Mediterranean grasslands of the north-western sector of the Dinarids (Horvatić 1973, 1975, Feoli-Chiapella & Poldini 1993, Poldini 1995, Terzi 2011), by *Festucetalia valesiacae* extending from eastern Central Europe through the eastern and south-eastern Balkans, and by *Astragalo-Potentilletalia*, which includes the sub-Mediterranean/sub-continental lowland to montane grasslands of the south-central Balkans (Bergmeier et al. 2009, Redžić 2010).

**Table 1:** Synoptic relative constancy table of the communities of steppe-like grassland vegetation in the surroundings of the Lakes of Vegoritida and Petron. 1: *Artemisia campestris-Dasypyrum villosum* community, 2: *Chrysopogon gryllus-Bothriochloa ischaemum* community, 3: *Satureja montana-Artemisia alba* community, 4: *Stipa capillata-Koeleria macrantha* community. Vegetation layer h: herb, s: shrub, t: tree. Differential taxa of the distinguished communities are shown with bold typescript.

**Tabela 1:** Sinoptična tabela stanovitnosti združb stepi podobne traviščne vegetacije v okolici jezer Vegoritida in Petron. 1: združba *Artemisia campestris-Dasypyrum villosum*, 2: združba *Chrysopogon gryllus-Bothriochloa ischaemum*, 3: združba *Satureja montana-Artemisia alba*, 4: združba *Stipa capillata-Koeleria macrantha*. Plast vegetacije h: zeliščna, s: grmiščna, t: drevesna. Razlikovalne vrste posameznih združb so prikazane s krepko pisavo.

Number of cluster (plant community)	Vegetation layer	Absolute constancy	1	2	3	4
Number of relevés			48	26	30	141
Average species number		27	24	25	27	
<b>Differential taxa</b>						
<i>Erysimum crassistylum</i>	h	60	<b>81</b>	31	7	8
<i>Avena sterilis</i>	h	30	<b>48</b>	15	.	2
<i>Bromus tectorum</i>	h	29	<b>46</b>	15	.	2
<i>Micromeria crenophila</i>	h	71	<b>42</b>	23	17	28
<i>Marrubium peregrinum</i>	h	19	<b>35</b>	8	.	.
<i>Cynodon dactylon</i>	h	18	<b>33</b>	4	.	1
<i>Anthemis arvensis</i> ssp. <i>incrassata</i>	h	20	<b>33</b>	4	.	2
<i>Vulpia ciliata</i>	h	15	<b>29</b>	4	.	.
<i>Stipa cf. endotricha</i>	h	32	.	.	<b>67</b>	9
<i>Bromus cappadocicus</i>	h	50	6	19	<b>53</b>	18
<i>Fumana scoparia</i>	h	30	.	19	<b>43</b>	9

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Number of relevés			48	26	30	141
Average species number		27	24	25	27	
<b>Differential taxa</b>						
<i>Anthericum liliago</i>	h	22	.	.	<b>37</b>	8
<i>Petrohragia thessala</i>	h	57	8	12	17	<b>32</b>
<b>Differential taxa of more than one cluster</b>						
<i>Artemisia alba</i>	h	88	<b>29</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>70</b>	33
<i>Teucrium capitatum</i>	h	193	<b>85</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>73</b>	79
<i>Koeleria macrantha</i>	h	168	<b>65</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>53</b>	76
<i>Euphorbia myrsinites</i>	h	141	<b>50</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>30</b>	69
<i>Thymus sibthorpii</i>	h	177	<b>65</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>87</b>	70
<i>Chrysopogon gryllus</i>	h	137	21	<b>58</b>	<b>70</b>	65
<i>Satureja montana</i> ssp. <i>macedonica</i>	h	79	21	<b>42</b>	<b>87</b>	23
<i>Fumana procumbens</i>	h	100	8	<b>23</b>	<b>53</b>	52
<i>Hypericum rumeliacum</i>	h	57	10	<b>27</b>	<b>23</b>	27



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<i>Verbascum leucophyllum</i>	h	45	56	31	. 7	<i>Pterocephalus plumosus</i>	h	7	.	4	. 4
<i>Echinops microcephalus</i>	h	42	6	23	7 22	<i>Verbascum graecum</i>	h	7	.	4	. 4
<i>Allium guicciardii</i>	h	41	.	4	10 26	<i>Lappula patula</i>	h	7	.	.	10 3
<i>Valerianella rimosa</i>	h	36	27	35	10 8	<i>Potentilla detommasii</i>	h	7	.	4	. 4
<i>Dianthus gracilis</i> ssp. <i>gracilis</i>	h	35	2	.	17 21	<i>Catapodium rigidum</i>	h	7	6	4	. 2
<i>Potentilla recta</i>	h	35	8	19	13 16	<i>Erodium cicutarium</i>	h	7	10	4	. 1
<i>Paronychia macedonica</i>	h	32	2	4	10 19	<i>Alyssum corymbosoides</i>	h	6	2	.	7 2
<i>Linum bienne</i>	h	32	10	.	19	<i>Taraxacum</i> spec.	h	6	10	4	.
<i>Arenaria serpyllifolia</i>	h	31	35	31	10 2	<i>Quercus trojana</i> ssp. <i>trojana</i>	s	6	.	.	. 4
<i>Sideritis montana</i> ssp. <i>montana</i>	h	31	2	12	.	<i>Quercus trojana</i> ssp. <i>trojana</i>	t	6	.	.	3 4
<i>Scorzonera mollis</i> ssp. <i>mollis</i>	h	29	.	12	3 18	<i>Thymus boissieri</i>	h	6	.	.	10 2
<i>Asyneuma limonifolium</i> ssp. <i>limonifolium</i>	h	28	.	.	13 17	<i>Festuca jeanpertii</i>	h	6	2	.	. 4
<i>Ornithogalum divergens</i>	h	23	.	4	3 15	<i>Pyrus spinosa</i>	s	6	.	.	. 4
<i>Carlina corymbosa</i>	h	21	25	15	.	<i>Medicago orbicularis</i>	h	6	10	4	.
<i>Petrorhagia illyrica</i> ssp. <i>illyrica</i>	h	21	15	4	.	<i>Cerastium brachypetalum</i> ssp. <i>roeseri</i>	h	6	.	.	. 4
<i>Brachypodium distachyon</i>	h	20	15	19	.	<i>Minuartia hamata</i>	h	6	4	8	. 1
<i>Orlaya daucoides</i>	h	19	27	8	7 1	<i>Phleum exaratum</i>	h	5	6	.	. 1
<i>Onosma heterophylla</i>	h	19	2	.	7 11	<i>Achnatherum bromoides</i>	h	5	2	.	3 2
<i>Cruciata pedemontana</i>	h	19	10	15	10 5	<i>Haplophyllum coronatum</i>	h	5	.	.	13 1
<i>Arrhenatherum palaestinum</i>	h	19	17	15	13 2	<i>Hieracium pannosum</i>	h	5	.	.	7 2
<i>Crepis sancta</i>	h	18	23	19	.	<i>Clypeola jonthlaspi</i> ssp. <i>jonthlaspi</i>	h	5	2	8	3 1
<i>Prospero autumnale</i>	h	18	2	19	.	<i>Podospermum laciniatum</i>	h	5	.	.	. 4
<i>Avena barbata</i> ssp. <i>barbata</i>	h	17	15	23	.	<i>Silene graeca</i>	h	5	.	12	3 1
<i>Erodium absinthoides</i>	h	16	.	.	11	<i>Hypochaeris cretensis</i>	h	4	6	4	.
<i>Calamintha nepeta</i>	h	14	19	4	3 2	<i>Papaver rhoeas</i>	h	4	8	.	.
<i>Asphodeline liburnica</i>	h	14	.	.	10	<i>Lathyrus saxatilis</i>	h	4	4	4	. 1
<i>Alyssum sibiricum</i>	h	14	.	4	.	<i>Tragopogon porrifolius</i>	h	4	2	4	. 1
<i>Medicago monspeliaca</i>	h	14	17	4	.	<i>Plantago lanceolata</i>	h	4	.	.	. 3
<i>Medicago tuberculata</i>	h	13	25	4	.	<i>Onobrychis gracilis</i>	h	4	.	.	. 3
<i>Trifolium scabrum</i>	h	13	4	8	.	<i>Bellardia latifolia</i>	h	4	.	.	. 3
<i>Centaurea graeca</i>	h	12	2	.	7 6	<i>Coronilla valentina</i> ssp. <i>glauca</i>	h	4	2	.	. 2
<i>Centaurea salonitana</i>	h	11	6	4	.	<i>Betonica officinalis</i>	h	4	6	.	. 3
<i>Goniolimon heldreichii</i>	h	9	.	19	.	<i>Asterolinon linum-stellatum</i>	h	4	2	.	3 1
<i>Thesium macedonicum</i>	h	9	.	4	3 5	<i>Cynosurus echinatus</i>	h	3	4	.	. 1
<i>Crucianella graeca</i>	h	9	10	15	.	<i>Achillea holosericea</i>	h	3	2	.	. 1
<i>Bromus benekenii</i>	h	9	.	.	6	<i>Geranium purpureum</i>	h	3	2	4	. 3
<i>Psilurus incurvus</i>	h	9	10	8	.	<i>Ziziphora capitata</i>	h	3	.	12	.
<i>Ranunculus sprunerianus</i>	h	9	.	4	3 5	<i>Valerianella carinata</i>	h	3	.	4	. 1
<i>Lens nigricans</i>	h	8	13	8	.	<i>Medicago coronata</i>	h	3	2	8	.
<i>Bupleurum praetaltum</i>	h	8	.	8	7 3	<i>Medicago medicaginoides</i>	h	3	.	4	. 1
<i>Achillea fraasii</i>	h	8	.	.	17 2	<i>Scandix australis</i>	h	3	2	8	.
<i>Petrorhagia prolifera</i>	h	7	15	.	.	<i>Dactylis glomerata</i>	h	3	.	.	. 2
<i>Achillea chrysocoma</i>	h	7	13	.	1	<i>Hornungia petraea</i>	h	3	.	.	. 2
<i>Trifolium campestre</i>	h	7	15	.	.	<i>Origanum vulgare</i>	h	2	2	.	. 1
<i>Pilosella bauhini</i>	h	7	2	4	3 3	<i>Lotus corniculatus</i>	h	1	.	4	.
<i>Polygala supina</i> ssp. <i>rhodopaea</i>	h	7	2	.	7 3	<i>Campanula patula</i>	h	1	.	.	. 1

Taxa occurring in two or one relevés (within brackets the community they occur is given): *Cionura erecta* (2), *Polygonum aviculare* ssp. *neglectum* (2), *Micropus erectus* (2), *Scabiosa trinifolia* (2), *Linaria peloponnesiaca* var. *parnassica* (2), *Crepis neglecta* (2), *Nigella arvensis* ssp. *arvensis* (2), *Cuscuta epithymum* (2), *Nigella damascena* (2), *Lomelosia brachiata* (2), *Carex extensa* (1), *Genista sessilifolia* (1), *Echium arenarium* (1), *Salvia officinalis* (1), *Cistus creticus* (1), *Linum nodiflorum* (1), *Astragalus monspessulanus* ssp. *monspessulanus* (1), *Myosotis incrassata* (1).

We classified all four communities distinguished in our study in the latter order. Our communities, as well as the entire order *Astragalo-Potentilletalia*, shows an intermediate geographical and floristic position between the more western sub-Mediterranean *Scorzonero-Chrysopogonetalia*, the more eastern *Festucetalia valesiacae*, and the Mediterranean pasturelands of the *Thero-Brachypodietea* further south. With the *Scorzonero-Chrysopogonetalia*, the *Astragalo-Potentilletalia* shares sub-Mediterranean species such as *Fumana procumbens*, *Chrysopogon gryllus*, *Euphorbia myrsinoides*, *Helianthemum nummularium* and *H. oelandicum* subsp. *canum*; with the *Festucetalia valesiacae*, it shares species of continental distribution such as *Stipa capillata* and *Festuca valesiaca*; and with the Mediterranean grasslands, it shares many annuals as well as the chamaephytes *Artemisia alba*, *Teucrium capitatum* and *Thymus sibthorpii*. The *Satureja montana-Artemisia alba* community and the

*Stipa capillata-Koeleria macrantha* community can be furthermore assigned to the alliance *Saturejion montanae* (*Saturejo-Thymion*). This assignment is supported by a lot of differential species of this alliance, such as *Satureja montana*, *Artemisia alba*, *Vincetoxicum hirundinaria* subsp. *nivale*, *Sedum ochroleucum*, *Leontodon crispus*, *Cytisus procumbens*, *Alyssum montanum* subsp. *montanum*, *Anthyllis vulneraria* subsp. *scardica*, *Helianthemum oelandicum* subsp. *canum*, *Teucrium montanum*, *Minuartia verna* subsp. *collina* and *Trinia glauca* (based on the table provided by Horvat et al. 1974).

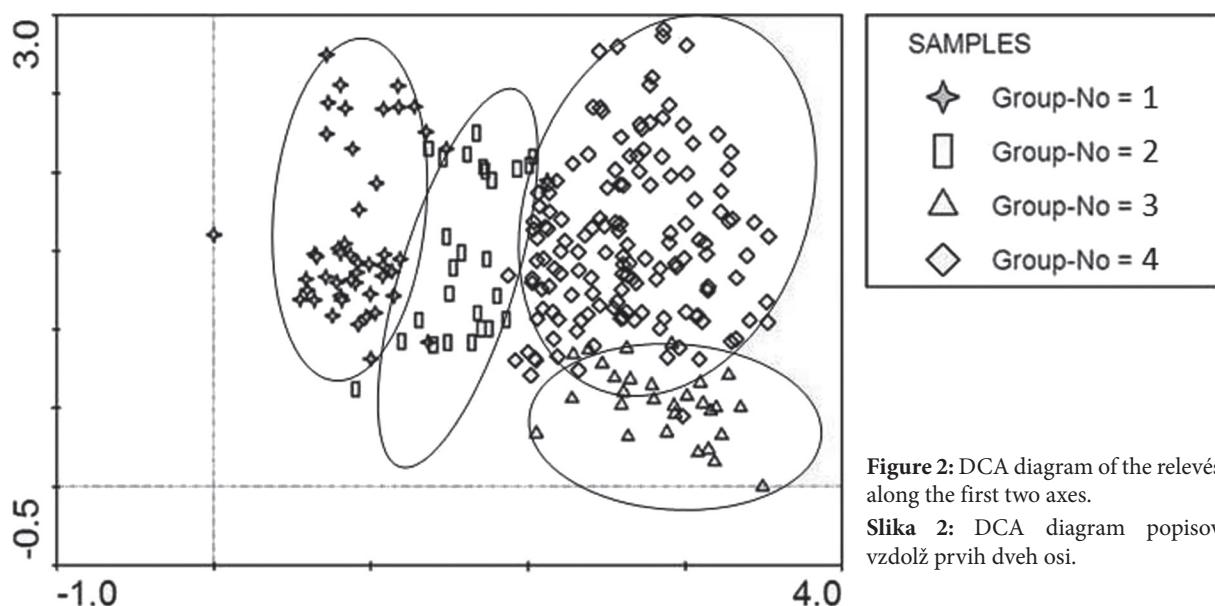
### 3.2 ORDINATION

The results of the DCA analysis are presented in Table 2. In the DCA diagram (Fig. 2) the four vegetation units are clearly distinct.

**Table 2:** Eigenvalues, length of gradient and total inertia of the DCA.

**Tabela 2:** Lastne vrednosti, dolžina gradienata in variabilnost vseh DCA ordinacijskih osi.

Axis	1	2	Total inertia
Eigenvalues	0.431	0.269	7.639
Lengths of gradient	3.532	2.910	
Cumulative percentage variance of species-environment relation	25.1	38.8	



**Figure 2:** DCA diagram of the relevés along the first two axes.

**Slika 2:** DCA diagram popisov vzdolž prvih dveh osi.

The first DCA axis was positively correlated with continentality and soil reaction and negatively correlated with the nutrient content of the

soil (Figure 3, Table 3). Furthermore, the first axis is significantly, but less strongly correlated with light intensity, temperature, moisture, alti-

tude, inclination, annual radiation, heat load and longitude (Figure 3, Table 3). According to the correlations of the first axis with the explanatory variables, we may say that it represents a gradient related to soil properties (pH and nutrient content) and to climatic conditions. However, as the study area is too small to expect a large-scale climatic differentiation, the increase of continentality along the first DCA axis probably reflects the occurrence of more cold-tolerant species with higher continentality IVs in the right part of the diagram. The cooler micro-climate in the relevés of the third and fourth groups, which appear in the right-hand part of the DCA diagram, may be attributed to the fact that these groups occur at higher elevations in the study area and on wind-exposed slopes. The very shallow soil in the sites of the third and fourth groups, and hence the more direct effect of the calcareous substrate, may also be responsible for the higher soil reaction values as well as for the lower moisture and nutrient content (on shallower soils the available water and nutrient content is reduced).

The second DCA axis is significantly positively correlated with temperature and salinity, and negatively correlated with moisture, altitude and inclination. It may thus represent an altitudinal and drought gradient, separating mainly the more xerophilous *Satureja montana-Artemisia alba* community occurring on steeper slopes from the *Stipa capillata-Koeleria macrantha* community occurring at lower altitudes and on less steep slopes. Furthermore, the second DCA axis is relatively strongly related to geographical coordinates, simply because the hilly landscape is confined to the northern part of the study area.

### 3.3 RELICT VEGETATION OR SECONDARY GRASSLAND?

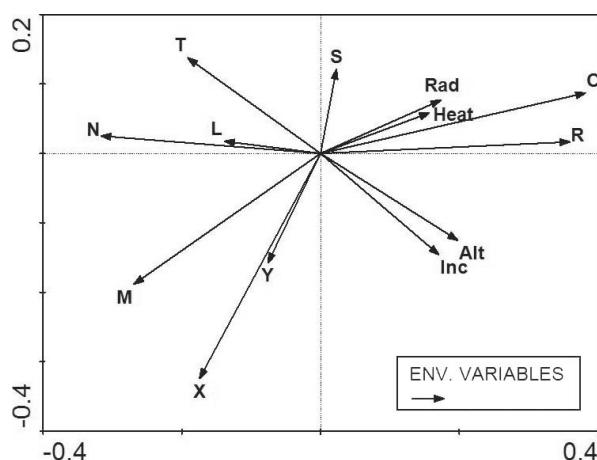
Temperate grasslands of Eurasia are either natural climax, as steppe and around rock outcrops, or secondary semi-natural sward as a result of forest degradation (Coupland 1993, Poschlod & WallisDe Vries 2002, Rodwell et al. 2007). Lowland climax grasslands in the western and central Mediterranean are restricted to the most arid parts of North Africa, SE Spain, SE Italy and S Greece (Grove & Rackham 2001, Maestre & Cortina 2002, Forte et al. 2005, Terzi et al. 2010).

Do our studied steppe-like grasslands represent a relict of true steppe communities, or are

**Table 3:** Kendall's correleation coefficients between the explanatory variables and DCA relevé scores. \*\*, \*: significant correlation at  $a<0.01$  and  $0.05$ , respectively.

**Tabela 3:** Kendallov korelacijski koeficient med pojasnjevalnimi spremenljivkami in DCA vrednostmi popisov. \*\*, \*: korelacija je statistično značilna pri  $<0,01$  in  $0,05$ .

Explanatory Variables	Axis 1	Axis 2
Light	-0.218**	0.044
Temperature	-0.306**	0.212**
Continentality	0.506**	0.083
Moisture	-0.305**	-0.267**
soil Reaction	0.497**	-0.037
Nutrient	-0.421**	0.016
Salinity	-0.04	0.154**
Altitude	0.276**	-0.242**
Inclination	0.224**	-0.231**
annual Radiation	0.197**	0.03
Heat load	0.170**	0.042
X coordinates	-0.172**	-0.451**
Y coordinates	-0.071	-0.257**



**Figure 3:** Environmental variables passively projected onto the DCA diagram of the first two axes. For the abbreviations of explanatory variables see Table 3 (letters with bold typescript).

**Figure 3:** Okolske spremenljivke, pasivno prikazane na DCA diagramu prvih dveh osi. Okrajšave pojasnjevalnih spremenljivk so enake kot v Tabeli 3 (krepka pisava).

they secondary grassland, representing degradation stages of forest vegetation?

The number of steppe species in our study area is relatively small, but they may be abundant locally in dry grasslands. Chiefly feather grasses (*Stipa* spp.) give a steppe-like impression (Price 2002, Apostolova et al. 2008, Matevski et al. 2008). Three *Stipa* species have been found in

the study area (Pirini et al. 2010), namely *S. capillata*, *S. balcanica* (*S. joannis* subsp. *balcanica*), and *S. cf. endotricha*. Further species in the study area that occur in natural steppes are *Bombycilaena erecta*, *Chondrilla juncea*, *Festuca valesiaca*, *Phleum phleoides*, *Kengia serotina*, *Melica transsilvanica*, *Astragalus onobrychis* and *Jurinea mollis* (Gamarra & Montuto 1997, Fekete et al. 2002, Meshinev et al. 2005, Pirini et al. 2010).

Steppe plants have been present in the majority of the Balkan region since the Pliocene. They survived and spread during the cold periods and some remained in the Holocene as relicts of the Tertiary flora (Horvat et al. 1974, Schmid 1975, Ellenberg 1988, Matevski et al. 2008). Possible refugia for steppe species – grasslands that remained non-forested throughout the post-glacial period – exist in the Balkan Peninsula. Is the study area therefore a possible steppe species refuge?

Although the plant communities described in this study represent open grasslands, woody species of forest and pre-forest do occur, albeit scattered (Table 1). Furthermore, different vegetation types that represent successional stages can be found in the study area. The main woodland-forming tree is *Quercus trojana*, an east Mediterranean oak species distributed from south Italy through the Balkan Peninsula to west and south Anatolia (Fukarek 1975, Yaltirk 1975, Bianco et al. 1998, Biondi et al. 2004, Zieliński et al. 2006, Misano & Di Pietro 2007, Di Pietro & Misano 2009, Uğurlu et al. 2012). In Greece, this oak species is restricted to the northwestern, sub-Mediterranean-subcontinental part, substituting the less hardy *Q. coccifera*, which prevails further south and south-east. Different degradation stages of forest exist in the study area, from open woodlands with low canopy cover and high abundance of *Festuco-Brometea* grassland species up to bushland in which *Juniperus oxycedrus* is the dominant woody species, albeit with low cover. Thus, the heterogeneous vegetation in the study area with open oak woodlands, shrub formations and steppe-like grasslands probably represents a series of successional stages of vegetation. Hence the grasslands in the study area must be considered secondary as a result of forest degradation.

However, we advocate an intermediate hy-

pothesis, whereby some of the steppe plant populations may have occurred throughout postglacial times in a more or less wooded environment. In the understory of *Quercus trojana* woodlands, many light-demanding plants occur. *Quercus trojana*, quite like its “Mediterranean counterpart” *Q. coccifera*, is extremely resilient and tolerant to browsing. It is an essential element of certain shrublands of the *shibljak* type, a wooded deciduous pastureland of the subcontinental parts of the Balkans and the Black Sea area. Under postglacial and current climatic as well as land use (grazing) conditions in our area, and depending on the degree of their demand for light, steppe species may have occurred either in open oak woodlands or in various kinds of *shibljak*-type degradation stages. The calcareous substrate and the geomorphology of the area as well as wood pasture and other human disturbance since ancient times (Pavlides & Mountrakis 1987, Kloosterveerboer-van Hoeve et al. 2006) have contributed to the expansion of suitable habitats for steppe species. In Apulia, Biondi & Guerra (2008), Di Pietro & Misano (2010) and Terzi et al. (2010) observed various types of successional stages dynamically linked to the potential *Quercus trojana* forests. The hypothesis needs further vegetation inventories and studies on the dynamics of vegetation, as well as corroboration by findings from the fields of paleobotany, plant geography and population genetics. The steppe-like grasslands around the Lakes of Vegoritida and Petron are clearly secondary steppe grasslands but it is rather likely that populations of steppe species have occurred continuously in deciduous woodlands and shrublands, in landscapes that were probably never densely wooded throughout the Holocene.

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Relevé number	298	299	318	321	256	301	280	297	229	288	289	304	277	255	234	262	287	257	278	279	315	290	293	235	236	322	230	237	254			
<i>Inula verbascifolia</i> ssp. <i>aschersoniana</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	2	r	2	1	+	r	1	2	1	+	2
<i>Achillea ageratifolia</i> ssp. <i>aizoon</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	+	.	+	
<b>Character and diagnostic taxa of class Festuco-Brometea</b>																																
<i>Festuca valesiaca</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.		
<i>Bohriochloa ischaemum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.		
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<i>Thesium linophyllum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.		
<i>Minuartia glomerata</i> ssp. <i>macedonica</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.		
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<i>Melica ciliata</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.		
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<i>Eryngium campestre</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.		
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<i>Helianthemum nummularium</i> ssp. <i>nummularium</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.		
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<i>Lomelosia argentea</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Sanguisorba minor</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
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<i>Erysimum crassistylum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Sedum ochroleucum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Onobrychis arenaria</i> ssp. <i>lasiostachya</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Alyssum montanum</i> ssp. <i>montanum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Imula oculus-christi</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Convolvulus cantabrica</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Phelipanche purpurea</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<b>Character and diagnostic taxa of class Thlaspietea rotundifoli</b>																																
<i>Linaria simplex</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Aethionema saxatile</i> ssp. <i>gracuum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	







**Table 6:** Relevés table of the *Artemisia campestris - Dasypyrum villosum* comm.

Relevé number	153	202	206	200	8	9	201	13	12	203	7	156	324	330	250	266	271	248	53
Relevé area (m <sup>2</sup> )	40	40	40	40	50	50	40	50	40	40	50	40	30	30	30	30	30	30	40
Altitude (m)	630	610	660	600	575	575	605	580	575	640	595	600	595	600	605	580	590	580	630
Exposition	W	S	SE	SE	SE	S	S	-	-	S	SE	S	W	N	E	SE	E	E	E
Slope (%)	50	10	50	20	10	10	5	-	-	40	50	5	15	5	35	20	10	10	50
Cover tree layer (%)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cover shrub layer (%)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cover herb layer (%)	80	70	70	70	50	65	80	80	85	65	65	60	90	70	70	75	70	60	50
Locality	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Aspect (°)	270	180	135	135	135	180	180	-	-	180	135	180	270	360	90	135	90	90	90
<b>Differential taxa</b>																			
<i>Artemisia campestris</i>	3	3	2	4	3	3	3	4	3	3	3	4	4	3	3	3	3	3	2
<i>Dasypyrum villosum</i>	+	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	r	+	.	.	+	+	.	+	r
<i>Teucrium capitatum</i>	+	+	+	.	+	+	+	+	+	+	.	.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
<i>Thymus sibthorpii</i>	+	.	+	.	+	.	.	.	.	+	+	.	.	.	+	1	+	.	.
<i>Koeleria macrantha</i>	+	.	+	.	.	+	+	.	.	+	.	+	+	+	+	+	+	.	.
<i>Eryngium campestre</i>	1	+	+	+	+	+	+	.	.	+	r	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
<i>Crupina crupinastrum</i>	.	+	+	+	.	.	+	.	.	+	.	+	+	.	+	+	+	+	+
<i>Erysimum crassistylum</i>	+	.	r	.	+	+	.	+	+	r	+	+	+	.	+	+	.	+	+
<i>Euphorbia myrsinoides</i>	+	+	+	+	+	+	.	+	+	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	+
<i>Bothriochloa ischaemum</i>	.	+	2	1	.	+	1	.	+	+	+	1	.	.	1	+	r	.	.
<i>Stipa capillata</i>	2	1	+	+	+	.	1	r	r	+	r	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Avena sterilis</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	+	+	+	.
<i>Bromus tectorum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	r	.	.
<i>Helianthemum salicifolium</i>	+	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	+	+	.	.	.
<i>Aegilops triuncialis</i>	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.
<i>Micromeria crenophila</i>	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	+	+	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	r	.
<i>Helichrysum luteo-album</i>	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	+	.	.	.	+	.	.
<i>Artemisia alba</i>	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	r	.	r	+	.
<i>Marrubium peregrinum</i>	.	+	.	+	+	+	+	.	.	r	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Cynodon dactylon</i>	.	.	.	.	+	+	.	1	+	.	+	.	.	+	+	+	.	.	.
<i>Vulpia ciliata</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.
<i>Anthemis arvensis</i> ssp. <i>incrassata</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<b>Character and diagnostic taxa of class Festuco-Brometea</b>																			
<i>Melica ciliata</i>	.	.	+	.	+	+	.	.	.	+	+	.	.	.	+	.	.	+	.
<i>Asperula purpurea</i> ssp. <i>purpurea</i>	.	+	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	+	+	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.
<i>Chondrilla juncea</i>	.	.	+	.	+	+	.	+	.	+	+	+	.	.	r	.	.	.	.
<i>Lomelosia argentea</i>	+	.	+	.	r	+	.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	.	+	.	.	.
<i>Ononis pusilla</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	r	.	.	+	+	.	.	r	.	.
<i>Chrysopogon gryllus</i>	+	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Satureja montana</i> ssp. <i>macedonica</i>	+	.	.	.	+	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Herniaria incana</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	+	.
<i>Minuartia glomerata</i> ssp. <i>macedonica</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.
<i>Teucrium chamaedrys</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	+	.	.
<i>Onobrychis arenaria</i> ssp. <i>lasiostachya</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.
<i>Thesium linophyllum</i>	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.
<i>Alyssum montanum</i> ssp. <i>montanum</i>	.	.	.	.	+	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Sedum urvillei</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Fumana procumbens</i>	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Allium sphaerocephalon</i> ssp. <i>sphaerocephalon</i>	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.



Relevé number	153	202	206	200	8	9	201	13	12	203	7	156	324	330	250	266	271	248	53
<i>Convolvulus cantabrica</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Helianthemum nummularium</i> ssp. <i>nummularium</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Astragalus onobrychis</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Festuca valesiaca</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	1	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Pilosella hoppeana</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Sanguisorba minor</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Galium verum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.
<i>Securigera varia</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.
<i>Lactuca viminea</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Linum tenuifolium</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Eryngium amethystinum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<b>Character and diagnostic taxa of class <i>Stellarietea mediae</i></b>																			
<i>Consolida regalis</i>	r	+	r	.	r	+	.	r	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Lathyrus cicera</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Bromus squarrosus</i>	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Euphorbia helioscopia</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Geranium rotundifolium</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Coronilla scorpioides</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.
<i>Caucalis platycarpos</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Heliotropium europaeum</i>	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Fumaria officinalis</i> ssp. <i>officinalis</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Veronica arvensis</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Ajuga chamaepitys</i> ssp. <i>chia</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Hordeum murinum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<b>Character and diagnostic taxa of class <i>Artemisietea vulgaris</i></b>																			
<i>Echinops sphaerocephalus</i> ssp. <i>albidus</i>	.	+	.	+	+	+	.	+	.	+	+	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Carthamus lanatus</i>	.	+	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Cichorium intybus</i>	.	+	.	.	+	+	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	r	.	.
<i>Picromonacarna</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Tragopogon dubius</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Reseda lutea</i>	.	.	.	.	r	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<b>Character and diagnostic taxa of class <i>Asplenietea trichomanis</i></b>																			
<i>Aurinia saxatilis</i> ssp. <i>orientalis</i>	.	+	.	1	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	+	.	.	.
<i>Inula verbascifolia</i> ssp. <i>aschersoniana</i>	.	.	.	.	r	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<b>Character and diagnostic taxa of class <i>Thlaspietea rotundifolii</i></b>																			
<i>Linaria simplex</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	r	.
<i>Aethionema saxatile</i> ssp. <i>graecum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<b>Companion taxa</b>																			
<i>Medicago minima</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	1	1	1	1	.	.
<i>Silene conica</i>	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	+	.	.	+	.	r	.	.
<i>Acinos suaveolens</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	+	.	+	+	+	+	.	.
<i>Arenaria serpyllifolia</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.
<i>Bromus intermedius</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	r	.
<i>Leontodon crispus</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	+	r	.	.
<i>Orlaya daucoides</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.
<i>Valerianella rimosa</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	+	.
<i>Medicago tuberculata</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	+	.	.	.	.
<i>Crepis sancta</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Calamintha nepeta</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Hippocratea ciliata</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Poa bulbosa</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	+	+	.	.	.	+	.	.



Relevé number	153	202	206	200	8	9	201	13	12	203	7	156	324	330	250	266	271	248	53
<i>Arrhenatherum palaestinum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Medicago monspeliaca</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	+	.	.	.	.
<i>Thesium humile</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	+	+	+	+	.	.	.
<i>Verbascum leucophyllum</i>	.	.	r	.	+	+	.	+	+	.	+	+	.	.	+	r	.	.	.
<i>Xeranthemum inapertum</i>	+	+	.	+	.	1	+	+	.	+	.	+	+	+	.	+	+	.	.
<i>Carlina corymbosa</i>	+	+	+	.	+	+	.	.	.	+	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.
<i>Petrorhagia illyrica</i> ssp. <i>illyrica</i>	+	.	.	+	.	.	+	+	+	.	+	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.
<i>Avena barbata</i> ssp. <i>barbata</i>	.	.	+	.	+	.	r	.	+	+	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.
<i>Centaurea grisebachii</i>	+	+	+	r	.	+	.	+	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Trifolium campestre</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.
<i>Stachys iva</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	r	+	.
<i>Petrorhagia prolifera</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	r	.
<i>Brachypodium distachyon</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	+	.	+	.
<i>Lens nigricans</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	+	+	+	.
<i>Asperula aristata</i>	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Achillea chrysocoma</i>	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	r	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Cruciata pedemontana</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Psilurus incurvus</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.
<i>Crucianella graeca</i>	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	+	+	.	.	.
<i>Erodium cicutarium</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	r	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Taraxacum</i> sp.	.	.	.	+	r	+	.	+	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Medicago orbicularis</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.
<i>Linum bienne</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Astragalus sericophyllus</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.
<i>Hypericum rumeliacum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Potentilla recta</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.
<i>Scabiosa webbiana</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.
<i>Papaver rhoeas</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Petrorhagia thessala</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	r	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Bromus cappadocicus</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Euphorbia taurinensis</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Echinops microcephalus</i>	.	+	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Silene radicosa</i>	+	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Hypochaeris cretensis</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Phleum exaratum</i>	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Betonica officinalis</i>	.	+	.	+	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Minuartia verna</i> ssp. <i>collina</i>	.	+	+	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Catapodium rigidum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Centaurea salonitana</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.

Taxa occurring in 1 or 2 relevés: *Cynosurus echinatus* (2), *Lathyrus saxatilis* (2), *Nigella damascena* (2), *Polygonum aviculare* ssp. *neglectum* (2), *Cuscuta epithymum* (2), *Trifolium scabrum* (2), *Minuartia hamata* (2), *Origanum vulgare* (1), *Paliurus spina-christi* (1), *Juniperus oxycedrus* (1), *Prunus webbii* (1), *Prospero autumnale* (1), *Salvia ringens* (1), *Paronychia macedonica* (1), *Polygala supina* ssp. *supina* (1), *Scandix australis* (1), *Alyssum corymbosoides* (1), *Astragalus monspessulanus* ssp. *monspessulanus* (1), *Pilosella bauhini* (1), *Medicago coronata* (1), *Clypeola jonthlaspi* ssp. *jonthlaspi* (1), *Festuca jeanpertii* (1), *Stipa bromoides* (1), *Sideritis montana* ssp. *montana* (1), *Centaurea graeca* (1), *Onosma heterophylla* (1), *Geranium purpureum* (1), *Asterolinon linum-stellatum* (1), *Achillea holosericea* (1), *Dianthus gracilis* ssp. *gracilis* (1), *Coronilla valentina* ssp. *glauca* (1), *Tragopogon porrifolius* (1).



**Table 7:** Relevés table of the *Stipa capillata* – *Koeleria macrantha* comm.

Relevé number	52	308	312	146	145	303	144	57	162	338	197	337	54	148	314	55	56	191
Relevé area (m <sup>2</sup> )	40	20	20	40	40	20	40	40	40	20	40	20	40	40	30	40	40	40
Altitude (m)	590	690	580	620	650	735	670	675	670	690	780	665	675	590	610	690	690	670
Exposition	W	SW	W	-	E	NW	E	E	W	-	SE	SE	E	SW	S	E	E	SW
Slope (%)	35	30	40	-	40	40	25	75	60	-	60	60	75	25	40	70	80	30
Cover tree layer (%)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cover shrub layer (%)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cover herb layer (%)	80	30	35	70	40	45	30	40	45	60	30	50	35	60	60	40	40	40
Locality	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Aspect (°)	270	225	270	-	90	315	90	90	270	-	135	135	90	225	180	90	90	225
<b>Differential taxa</b>																		
<i>Stipa capillata</i>	+	r	+	.	.	+	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	+	+
<i>Chrysopogon gryllus</i>	.	.	+	.	+	+	r	r	.	+	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Bothriochloa ischaemum</i>	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Teucrium capitatum</i>	+	.	+	+	.	.	+	.	.	+	+	+	+	.	+	+	+	+
<i>Thymus sibthorpii</i>	+	+	+	+	+	+	.	.	.	+	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	+
<i>Koeleria macrantha</i>	+	+	+	.	.	+	.	r	+	.	+	.	+	+	+	+	+	+
<i>Euphorbia myrsinoides</i>	+	.	+	+	.	+	r	+	+	+	.	+	.	r	+	r	r	+
<i>Helianthemum salicifolium</i>	+	+	+	+	.	.	+	+	+	.	+	.	+	.	+	.	+	.
<i>Eryngium campestre</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	+	.	+	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Asperula aristata</i>	+	+	.	.	.	+	r	+	.	+	.	.	+	+	+	+	.	.
<i>Crupina crupinastrum</i>	+	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	+	.	+	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Fumana procumbens</i>	.	+	+	+	+	.	+	.	.	+	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	+
<i>Asperula purpurea</i> ssp. <i>purpurea</i>	.	+	.	.	.	+	.	.	+	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	+
<i>Scabiosa webbiana</i>	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	+	+	+	.	+	r	.	+	+	+	+
<i>Helichrysum luteo-album</i>	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	r	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.
<i>Astragalus sericophyllus</i>	.	.	.	r	.	+	.	+	+	r	.	+	.	r	+	+	.	.
<i>Hypericum rumeliacum</i>	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+
<i>Petrorhagia thessala</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	+	+	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	+
<i>Inula verbascifolia</i> ssp. <i>aschersoniana</i>	+	.	.	.	.	+	.	+	.	.	r	r	r	.	r	.	.	.
<i>Stachys iva</i>	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	+	+	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+
<i>Artemisia alba</i>	.	.	.	.	r	.	+	+	.	r	r	+	.	+	.	+	.	+
<i>Satureja montana</i> ssp. <i>macedonica</i>	.	.	r	r	.	+	+	+	.	.	+	r	.	.	.	.	.	.
<b>Character and diagnostic taxa of class Festuco-Brometea</b>																		
<i>Festuca valesiaca</i>	.	+	+	.	+	+	+	.	.	+	+	+	.	+	.	.	.	.
<i>Melica ciliata</i>	.	.	r	.	.	+	.	.	+	.	+	+	+	.	+	.	.	+
<i>Carex liparocarpos</i>	+	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Eryngium amethystinum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	+	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Ononis pusilla</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	+
<i>Lomelosia argentea</i>	.	.	.	.	+	.	r	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.
<i>Anthyllis vulneraria</i> ssp. <i>scardica</i>	.	.	+	.	.	+	.	.	+	+	+	.	.	+	.	.	.	.
<i>Minuartia glomerata</i> ssp. <i>macedonica</i>	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.
<i>Sedum urvillei</i>	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	+	.	.
<i>Linum tenuifolium</i>	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	+	+	.	.	+	.	.	.	.
<i>Helianthemum nummularium</i> ssp. <i>nummularium</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Artemisia campestris</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	+	r	.	.	.
<i>Sedum ochroleucum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Onobrychis arenaria</i> ssp. <i>lasiostachya</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Jurinea mollis</i> ssp. <i>mollis</i>	.	.	.	r	.	.	r	.	r	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Convolvulus cantabrica</i>	r	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Sanguisorba minor</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	r	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	r	.	.	.
<i>Muscaria neglectum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.



Relevé number	52	308	312	146	145	303	144	57	162	338	197	337	54	148	314	55	56	191	
<i>Allium paniculatum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Inula oculus-christi</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Pilosella hoppeana</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Allium moschatum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Helianthemum oelandicum</i> ssp. <i>canum</i>	.	+	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Alyssum montanum</i> ssp. <i>montanum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Allium sphaerocephalon</i> ssp. <i>sphaerocephalon</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	r	+	.	.	.	.	
<i>Astragalus onobrychis</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Trinia glauca</i>	r	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Galium verum</i>	+	.	.	.	.	.	r	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	
<i>Herniaria incana</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Teucrium chamaedrys</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Thesium linophyllum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Teucrium montanum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Matthiola fruticulosa</i> ssp. <i>valesiaca</i>	.	.	.	+	.	r	.	.	.	r	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Cytisus procumbens</i>	.	.	.	.	+	+	r	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Erysimum crassistylum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	r	.	.	.	.	
<i>Onosma visianii</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Hippocrepis comosa</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Phelipanche purpurea</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Hypericum perforatum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	r	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Seseli pallasii</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Bromus erectus</i>	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<b>Character and diagnostic Phanerophyte taxa of <i>Quercetea pubescens</i>, <i>Rhamno-Prunetea</i> and <i>Quercetea ilicis</i></b>																			
<i>Juniperus oxycedrus</i>	.	.	.	r	r	r	r	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	r	.	.	.	
<i>Asparagus acutifolius</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Rhamnus alaternus</i> ssp. <i>alaternus</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Prunus webbii</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	r	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Phillyrea latifolia</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Pistacia terebinthus</i> ssp. <i>terebinthus</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Prunus spinosa</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	r	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Rosa agrestis</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Rubus sanctus</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Paliurus spina-christi</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Hippocrepis emerus</i> ssp. <i>emeroides</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Carpinus orientalis</i>	4	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<b>Character and diagnostic taxa of class <i>Stellarietea mediae</i></b>																			
<i>Euphorbia helioscopia</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Geranium rotundifolium</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Coronilla scorpioides</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Bromus squarrosus</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	+	+	.	.	.	
<i>Cynodon dactylon</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Consolida regalis</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Avena sterilis</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Bromus tectorum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Caucalis platycarpos</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Ajuga chamaepitys</i> ssp. <i>chia</i>	r	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Viola arvensis</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<b>Character and diagnostic taxa of class <i>Asplenietea trichomanis</i></b>																			
<i>Achillea ageratifolia</i> ssp. <i>aizoon</i>	r	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	r	+	+	+	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Iris reichenbachii</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Aurinia saxatilis</i> ssp. <i>orientalis</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Campanula lingulata</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	



Relevé number	52	308	312	146	145	303	144	57	162	338	197	337	54	148	314	55	56	191
<b>Character and diagnostic taxa of class <i>Thlaspietea rotundifolii</i></b>																		
<i>Linaria simplex</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Vincetoxicum hirundinaria</i> ssp. <i>nivale</i>	.	.	.	.	+	+	r	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Aethionema saxatile</i> ssp. <i>graecum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<b>Character and diagnostic taxa of class <i>Artemisieta vulgaris</i></b>																		
<i>Cichorium intybus</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Reseda lutea</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Echinops sphaerocephalus</i> ssp. <i>albidus</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.
<b>Companion taxa</b>																		
<i>Centaurea grisebachii</i>	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	+	+	+	.	.	+	r	.	.	+
<i>Minuartia verna</i> ssp. <i>collina</i>	r	+	+	+	.	+	r	+	.	+	+	+	.	.	.	+	.	.
<i>Leontodon crispus</i>	.	.	.	.	+	+	+	+	+	.	.	.	.	r	+	+	.	.
<i>Acinos suaveolens</i>	.	.	.	.	r	.	r	+	+	+	.	.	+	.	+	+	+	+
<i>Poa bulbosa</i>	+	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	+	.	+	.	.	.	.
<i>Silene radicosa</i>	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	+	.	+	.	+	+	.	.	+	.
<i>Xeranthemum inapertum</i>	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	+	+	+	.	+	+	.	.	.	.
<i>Thesium humile</i>	.	.	+	.	.	.	+	+	+	.	+	.	+	.	+	.	+	.
<i>Micromeria crennophila</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Allium stamineum</i>	.	.	+	.	.	+	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Hippocrepis ciliata</i>	r	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	+	.	.	+	.	.	.	.
<i>Echinops microcephalus</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Bromus intermedius</i>	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Dianthus gracilis</i> ssp. <i>gracilis</i>	.	+	.	.	.	+	.	.	+	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Silene conica</i>	r	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	+	.	+	.	.	.
<i>Sideritis montana</i> ssp. <i>montana</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Paronychia macedonica</i>	+	+	+	+	.	.	.	.	+	+	.	.	+	.	+	.	.	.
<i>Linum bienne</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Bromus cappadocicus</i>	.	.	+	.	.	.	r	.	.	.	+	.	.	+	+	.	.	.
<i>Scorzonera mollis</i> ssp. <i>mollis</i>	.	.	.	.	.	r	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Asyneuma limonifolium</i> ssp. <i>limonifolium</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	+	.	r	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Potentilla recta</i>	.	r	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	r	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Ornithogalum divergens</i>	+	.	.	r	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Salvia ringens</i>	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Erodium absinthoides</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Onosma heterophylla</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Asphodeline liburnica</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Alyssum sibiricum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Petrorhagia illyrica</i> ssp. <i>illyrica</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Stipa cf. endotricha</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Fumana scoparia</i>	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Prospero autumnale</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Anthericum liliago</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Bupleurum praetaltum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Origanum vulgare</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Valerianella rimosa</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.
<i>Medicago minima</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.
<i>Euphorbia taurinensis</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Verbascum leucophyllum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.
<i>Trifolium scabrum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Centaurea graeca</i>	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	r	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Bromus benekenii</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Brachypodium distachyon</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Cruciata pedemontana</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.



Relevé number	52	308	312	146	145	303	144	57	162	338	197	337	54	148	314	55	56	191
<i>Centaurea salonitana</i>	r	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Ranunculus sprunerianus</i>	r	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Thesium macedonicum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+
<i>Pyrus spinosa</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Quercus trojana</i> ssp. <i>trojana</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Potentilla detommasii</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Verbascum graecum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	r	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Pterocephalus plumosus</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Aegilops triuncialis</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	r	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Cerastium brachypetalum</i> ssp. <i>roeseri</i>	.	.	.	.	+	.	+	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Podospermum laciniatum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Quercus trojana</i> ssp. <i>trojana</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Medicago monspeliaca</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Festuca jeanpertii</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	+	.	.	+	+	+	+	.
<i>Dasyperym villosum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	r	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Carlina corymbosa</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Polygala supina</i> ssp. <i>supina</i>	.	.	.	.	r	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Pilosella bauhini</i>	.	.	.	.	r	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Lappula patula</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	r	.	.	.	.
<i>Goniolimon heldreichii</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Avena barbata</i> ssp. <i>barbata</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Onobrychis gracilis</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Bellardia latifolia</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Catapodium rigidum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Thymus boissieri</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Alyssum corymbosoides</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	r	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Arrhenatherum palaestinum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Calamintha nepeta</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Achillea fraasii</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Stipa bromoides</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Hieracium pannosum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Coronilla valentina</i> ssp. <i>glauca</i>	.	.	.	r	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Cerastium decalvans</i>	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	r	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Arenaria serpyllifolia</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Anthemis arvensis</i> ssp. <i>incrassata</i>	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Plantago lanceolata</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Dactylis glomerata</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Campanula patula</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Hornungia petraea</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.



**Table 7:** Continued

Relevé number	263	329	472	336	193	65	194	335	294	84	85	90	259	86	87	89	88	91
Relevé area (m <sup>2</sup> )	20	20	40	20	40	100	40	20	20	50	50	60	30	50	50	50	50	50
Altitude (m)	700	690	570	660	700	595	720	655	630	680	685	685	730	680	685	690	680	590
Exposition	S	E	E	SE	W	E	E	SE	SE	N	NE	SE	SE	E	E	SE	NE	W
Slope (%)	20	50	60	40	60	60	35	30	20	15	10	40	15	10	10	25	50	
Cover tree layer (%)	-	-	-	-	-	15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Cover shrub layer (%)	-	-	-	-	-	25	-	-	-	50	40	40	-	30	60	50	40	10
Cover herb layer (%)	40	45	40	50	30	40	40	50	40	50	60	50	80	70	40	40	40	60
Locality	P	P	V	P	P	V	P	P	V	V	V	P	V	V	V	V	V	
Aspect (°)	180	90	90	135	270	90	90	135	135	360	45	135	135	90	90	135	45	270
<b>Differential taxa</b>																		
<i>Stipa capillata</i>	+	r	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	1	2	2	.	2	2	1	2	1
<i>Chrysopogon gryllus</i>	.	r	+	r	.	+	r	.	+	1	1	+	3	1	1	2	+	.
<i>Bothriochloa ischaemum</i>	+	.	.	.	.	+	+	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	1
<i>Teucrium capitatum</i>	.	+	+	.	+	+	+	+	.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
<i>Thymus sibthorpii</i>	+	.	.	+	+	+	+	.	+	1	+	1	1	1	1	+	+	1
<i>Koeleria macrantha</i>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	.	+	+	+	+	+
<i>Euphorbia myrsinoides</i>	.	+	+	+	r	.	.	+	+	+	+	+	r	+	+	+	+	+
<i>Helianthemum salicifolium</i>	.	+	+	+	.	.	.	+	+	+	+	+	.	+	+	+	.	.
<i>Eryngium campestre</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	+	+	.	+	+	+	+	+
<i>Asperula aristata</i>	.	+	+	+	.	.	+	.	.	+	+	+	+	.	+	+	+	+
<i>Crupina crupinastrum</i>	+	+	+	+	.	.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
<i>Fumana procumbens</i>	.	+	+	+	+	.	+	+	.	.	.	.	1	.	+	.	+	.
<i>Asperula purpurea</i> ssp. <i>purpurea</i>	+	.	.	+	+	.	+	+	.	.	+	+	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Scabiosa webbiana</i>	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	+	.	.	+	.	.	.
<i>Helichrysum luteo-album</i>	.	+	.	.	.	.	+	+	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	+
<i>Astragalus sericophyllus</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Hypericum rumeliacum</i>	.	.	.	.	+	.	+	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Petrorhagia thessala</i>	.	.	+	+	+	+	+	+	.	+	+	.	+	.	+	+	+	+
<i>Inula verbascifolia</i> ssp. <i>aschersoniana</i>	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Stachys iva</i>	+	.	+	+	.	+	+	+	.	.	+	.	+	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Artemisia alba</i>	.	.	.	.	+	.	+	r	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Satureja montana</i> ssp. <i>macedonica</i>	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.
<b>Character and diagnostic taxa of class Festuco-Brometea</b>																		
<i>Festuca valesiaca</i>	.	+	.	+	+	+	+	.	+	+	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Melica ciliata</i>	+	+	.	+	+	.	+	+	+	+	+	+	.	+	+	+	+	+
<i>Carex liparocarpos</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	+	+	.	+	.	+	+	+	+
<i>Eryngium amethystinum</i>	.	r	+	+	.	+	+	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Ononis pusilla</i>	+	+	.	+	.	.	+	.	r	.	+	+	+	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Lomelosia argentea</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Anthyllis vulneraria</i> ssp. <i>scardica</i>	.	+	+	+	.	+	+	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Minuartia glomerata</i> ssp. <i>macedonica</i>	+	+	.	+	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Sedum urvillei</i>	+	.	+	.	+	.	+	+	.	+	+	.	.	+	.	.	+	.
<i>Linum tenuifolium</i>	.	+	.	+	+	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	+	+	+	+
<i>Helianthemum nummularium</i> ssp. <i>nummularium</i>	.	.	.	.	+	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.
<i>Artemisia campestris</i>	.	.	.	.	r	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Sedum ochroleucum</i>	+	+	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Onobrychis arenaria</i> ssp. <i>lasiostachya</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Jurinea mollis</i> ssp. <i>mollis</i>	.	.	.	.	+	+	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Convolvulus cantabrica</i>	.	.	+	+	+	.	.	r	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Sanguisorba minor</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	r	.	.	.	+	.	.	+	.	+	.	.
<i>Muscaria neglectum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	+	.	.	+	.	.	.	.



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<i>Allium paniculatum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	+	+
<i>Inula oculus-christi</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Pilosella hoppeana</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Allium moschatum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Helianthemum oelandicum</i> ssp. <i>canum</i>	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Alyssum montanum</i> ssp. <i>montanum</i>	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Allium sphaerocephalon</i> ssp. <i>sphaerocephalon</i>	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Astragalus onobrychis</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Trinia glauca</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Galium verum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Herniaria incana</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Teucrium chamaedrys</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Thesium linophyllum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Teucrium montanum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Matthiola fruticulosa</i> ssp. <i>valesiaca</i>	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Cytisus procumbens</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Erysimum crassistylum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	+	.	.	.	+	+	.	.
<i>Onosma visianii</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Hippocrepis comosa</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Phelipanche purpurea</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Hypericum perforatum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Seseli pallasii</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Bromus erectus</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<b>Character and diagnostic Phanerophyte taxa of <i>Quercetea pubescens</i>, <i>Rhamno-Prunetea</i> and <i>Quercetea ilicis</i></b>																		
<i>Juniperus oxycedrus</i>	r	.	.	.	.	.	+	r	.	2	2	2	r	2	3	3	2	r
<i>Asparagus acutifolius</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	+	+	.	+	+	.	r	.
<i>Rhamnus alaternus</i> ssp. <i>alaternus</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	r	+	r	+	.
<i>Prunus webbii</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	r	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Phillyrea latifolia</i>	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	r	+	.	.
<i>Pistacia terebinthus</i> ssp. <i>terebinthus</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Prunus spinosa</i>	.	.	+	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Rosa agrestis</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Rubus sanctus</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	r	.	.
<i>Paliurus spina-christi</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	+	.	+	+	+	r	.
<i>Hippocrepis emerus</i> ssp. <i>emeroides</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Carpinus orientalis</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	r	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<b>Character and diagnostic taxa of class <i>Stellarietea mediae</i></b>																		
<i>Euphorbia helioscopia</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Geranium rotundifolium</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Coronilla scorpioides</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Bromus squarrosus</i>	.	.	.	+	.	.	+	+	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Cynodon dactylon</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Consolida regalis</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Avena sterilis</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Bromus tectorum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Caucalis platycarpos</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Ajuga chamaepitys</i> ssp. <i>chia</i>	.	+	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Viola arvensis</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<b>Character and diagnostic taxa of class <i>Asplenietea trichomanis</i></b>																		
<i>Achillea ageratifolia</i> ssp. <i>aizoon</i>	.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Iris reichenbachii</i>	.	.	r	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	r	.	.	.
<i>Aurinia saxatilis</i> ssp. <i>orientalis</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Campanula lingulata</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.



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<b>Character and diagnostic taxa of class <i>Thlaspietea rotundifolii</i></b>																		
<i>Linaria simplex</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Vincetoxicum hirundinaria</i> ssp. <i>nivale</i>	.	.	r	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Aethionema saxatile</i> ssp. <i>graecum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<b>Character and diagnostic taxa of class <i>Artemisietea vulgaris</i></b>																		
<i>Cichorium intybus</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Reseda lutea</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Echinops sphaerocephalus</i> ssp. <i>albidus</i>	.	.	r	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.
<b>Companion taxa</b>																		
<i>Centaurea grisebachii</i>	.	+	+	.	+	.	+	.	.	+	+	+	.	+	+	+	+	+
<i>Minuartia verna</i> ssp. <i>collina</i>	.	+	+	+	.	.	.	+	+	+	+	.	.	+	+	+	.	+
<i>Leontodon crispus</i>	+	.	+	.	.	.	+	.	.	+	.	+	.	+	+	.	.	+
<i>Acinos suaveolens</i>	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	+	+	.
<i>Poa bulbosa</i>	.	+	+	+	.	+	.	+	.	.	.	.	+	+	.	.	+	.
<i>Silene radicosa</i>	.	+	.	+	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	r	.	.	+	.	+
<i>Xeranthemum inapertum</i>	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	+	r	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	+	.
<i>Thesium humile</i>	.	.	+	+	.	+	.	+	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Micromeria crennophila</i>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	+	+	.
<i>Allium stamineum</i>	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Hippocrepis ciliata</i>	.	+	.	+	.	.	+	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Echinops microcephalus</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Bromus intermedius</i>	.	+	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Dianthus gracilis</i> ssp. <i>gracilis</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Silene conica</i>	.	+	+	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Sideritis montana</i> ssp. <i>montana</i>	.	+	.	+	.	.	+	+	.	.	+	.	+	.	+	+	+	+
<i>Paronychia macedonica</i>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.
<i>Linum bienne</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Bromus cappadocicus</i>	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Scorzonera mollis</i> ssp. <i>mollis</i>	+	.	.	.	.	.	+	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Asyneuma limonifolium</i> ssp. <i>limonifolium</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Potentilla recta</i>	.	+	+	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Ornithogalum divergens</i>	.	+	.	+	.	.	+	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Salvia ringens</i>	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Erodium absinthoides</i>	.	+	.	+	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Onosma heterophylla</i>	.	.	+	.	+	+	.	r	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Asphodeline liburnica</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	+	+	.	+	r	+	+	1
<i>Alyssum sibiricum</i>	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Petrorhagia illyrica</i> ssp. <i>illyrica</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	r	+	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Stipa cf. endotricha</i>	+	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Fumana scoparia</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Prospero autumnale</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Anthericum liliago</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Bupleurum praetaltum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Origanum vulgare</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Valerianella rimosa</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Medicago minima</i>	.	+	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Euphorbia taurinensis</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Verbascum leucophyllum</i>	.	.	r	.	.	.	r	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Trifolium scabrum</i>	.	+	.	+	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Centaurea graeca</i>	.	.	r	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Bromus benekenii</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Brachypodium distachyon</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Cruciata pedemontana</i>	.	+	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.



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<i>Centaurea salonitana</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Ranunculus sprunnerianus</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Thesium macedonicum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Pyrus spinosa</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	r	r	.	.	.	.	.	.	r	.
<i>Quercus trojana</i> ssp. <i>trojana</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	+	+	.	.	.	+	.	.
<i>Potentilla detommasii</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	+	.	.	.	.
<i>Verbascum graecum</i>	.	r	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Pterocephalus plumosus</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Aegilops triuncialis</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Cerastium brachypetalum</i> ssp. <i>roeseri</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Podospermum laciniatum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	+	+	+	.	.	.
<i>Quercus trojana</i> ssp. <i>trojana</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Medicago monspeliaca</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Festuca jeanpertii</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Dasypyrum villosum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Carlina corymbosa</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Polygala supina</i> ssp. <i>supina</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Pilosella bauhini</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Lappula patula</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Goniolimon heldreichii</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Avena barbata</i> ssp. <i>barbata</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Onobrychis gracilis</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	r	.	.	.	+	.	r	.	.	.
<i>Bellardia latifolia</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Catapodium rigidum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Thymus boissieri</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Alyssum corymbosoides</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Arrhenatherum palaestinum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Calamintha nepeta</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Achillea fraasii</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Stipa bromoides</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	+	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Hieracium pannosum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Coronilla valentina</i> ssp. <i>glauca</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Cerastium decalvans</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Arenaria serpyllifolia</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Anthemis arvensis</i> ssp. <i>incrassata</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Plantago lanceolata</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	r	+	+	.	+	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Dactylis glomerata</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Campanula patula</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Hornungia petraea</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.



**Table 7:** Continued

Relevé number	175	179	180	178	186	317	306	184	185	331	327	326	328	342	340	339	333	343
Relevé area (m <sub>r</sub> )	40	40	40	40	40	30	30	40	40	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30
Altitude (m)	610	630	620	650	625	670	710	625	630	610	665	655	680	655	685	685	635	620
Exposition	W	NW	NW	NW	NW	NW	W	W	N	N	N	N	N	W	NW	NW	N	W
Slope (%)	35	30	35	45	35	55	10	20	40	40	50	50	50	45	50	50	35	50
Cover tree layer (%)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cover shrub layer (%)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cover herb layer (%)	70	65	70	90	85	60	75	85	80	40	60	60	65	80	80	95	100	90
Locality	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Aspect (°)	270	315	315	315	315	315	270	270	360	360	360	360	360	270	315	315	360	270
<b>Differential taxa</b>																		
<i>Stipa capillata</i>	3	2	2	1	2	+	2	4	3	.	.	+	.	2	1	4	3	+
<i>Chrysopogon gryllus</i>	r	.	+	2	+	+	1	+	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	+	3
<i>Bothriochloa ischaemum</i>	1	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.
<i>Teucrium capitatum</i>	r	+	+	+	+	+	+	1	+	+	.	+	+	+	+	1	+	+
<i>Thymus sibthorpii</i>	.	+	+	.	.	.	+	+	+	+	+	+	.	.	+	.	+	.
<i>Koeleria macrantha</i>	+	+	+	+	.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	.	.	+	.	.
<i>Euphorbia myrsinoides</i>	+	+	+	r	+	+	.	r	+	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.
<i>Helianthemum salicifolium</i>	+	+	+	+	+	.	+	+	+	.	+	.	+	.	+	.	.	.
<i>Eryngium campestre</i>	.	.	+	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Asperula aristata</i>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	.	+	.	.
<i>Crupina crupinastrum</i>	+	.	+	.	.	+	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+
<i>Fumana procumbens</i>	.	+	.	+	.	+	.	+	+	+	.	+	.	+	.	+	+	.
<i>Asperula purpurea</i> ssp. <i>purpurea</i>	.	.	.	.	+	+	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Scabiosa webbiana</i>	+	.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	.	+	+	.
<i>Helichrysum luteo-album</i>	+	+	+	.	+	+	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	+	.
<i>Astragalus sericophyllus</i>	.	.	+	.	+	+	+	+	.	.	+	.	+	+	+	.	.	.
<i>Hypericum rumeliacum</i>	.	+	+	.	+	+	.	+	.	+	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Petrorhagia thessala</i>	+	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	+	+	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Inula verbascifolia</i> ssp. <i>aschersoniana</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Stachys iva</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Artemisia alba</i>	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Satureja montana</i> ssp. <i>macedonica</i>	.	.	.	.	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<b>Character and diagnostic taxa of class Festuco-Brometea</b>																		
<i>Festuca valesiaca</i>	+	+	1	.	.	+	+	.	.	1	+	+	1	1	+	.	.	.
<i>Melica ciliata</i>	.	.	+	+	+	.	.	.	+	.	+	+	+	+	.	.	.	.
<i>Carex liparocarpos</i>	.	.	+	1	.	+	.	+	+	.	+	.	.	+	+	+	+	+
<i>Eryngium amethystinum</i>	+	+	+	+	1	.	.	.	.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	r	.
<i>Ononis pusilla</i>	+	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.
<i>Lomelosia argentea</i>	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Anthyllis vulneraria</i> ssp. <i>scardica</i>	.	.	.	.	+	+	.	.	.	+	+	+	+	+	+	1	1	.
<i>Minuartia glomerata</i> ssp. <i>macedonica</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Sedum urvillei</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Linum tenuifolium</i>	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.
<i>Helianthemum nummularium</i> ssp. <i>nummularium</i>	.	.	.	+	+	+	.	+	+	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Artemisia campestris</i>	+	r	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Sedum ochroleucum</i>	.	+	.	+	.	+	.	+	.	+	+	+	+	+	.	.	.	.
<i>Onobrychis arenaria</i> ssp. <i>lasiostachya</i>	.	.	.	+	.	+	.	+	.	.	.	.	+	.	+	.	.	.
<i>Jurinea mollis</i> ssp. <i>mollis</i>	.	.	.	.	r	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	+	.	+	+	.	.
<i>Convolvulus cantabrica</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Sanguisorba minor</i>	.	+	.	+	.	+	.	+	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.
<i>Muscaris neglectum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.



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<i>Allium paniculatum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Inula oculus-christi</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	r	.	.	+	.	+	+	r	r	.	
<i>Pilosella hoppeana</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	+	.	.	
<i>Allium moschatum</i>	.	+	.	+	.	.	+	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Helianthemum oelandicum</i> ssp. <i>canum</i>	.	.	.	.	+	+	.	.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	
<i>Alyssum montanum</i> ssp. <i>montanum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Allium sphaerocephalon</i> ssp. <i>sphaerocephalon</i>	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	
<i>Astragalus onobrychis</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Trinia glauca</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Galium verum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Herniaria incana</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Teucrium chamaedrys</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Thesium linophyllum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Teucrium montanum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Matthiola fruticulosa</i> ssp. <i>valesiaca</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Cytisus procumbens</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Erysimum crassistylum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Onosma visianii</i>	.	.	.	r	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Hippocrepis comosa</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Phelipanche purpurea</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Hypericum perforatum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Seseli pallasii</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	r	+	.	.	
<i>Bromus erectus</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<b>Character and diagnostic Phanerophyte taxa of <i>Quercetea pubescens</i>, <i>Rhamno-Prunetea</i> and <i>Quercetea ilicis</i></b>																		
<i>Juniperus oxycedrus</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	r	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Asparagus acutifolius</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Rhamnus alaternus</i> ssp. <i>alaternus</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Prunus webbii</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Phillyrea latifolia</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Pistacia terebinthus</i> ssp. <i>terebinthus</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Prunus spinosa</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Rosa agrestis</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Rubus sanctus</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Paliurus spina-christi</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Hippocrepis emerus</i> ssp. <i>emeroides</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Carpinus orientalis</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<b>Character and diagnostic taxa of class <i>Stellarietea mediae</i></b>																		
<i>Euphorbia helioscopia</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Geranium rotundifolium</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Coronilla scorpioides</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Bromus squarrosus</i>	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Cynodon dactylon</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Consolida regalis</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Avena sterilis</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Bromus tectorum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Caucalis platycarpos</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Ajuga chamaepitys</i> ssp. <i>chia</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Viola arvensis</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<b>Character and diagnostic taxa of class <i>Asplenietea trichomanis</i></b>																		
<i>Achillea ageratifolia</i> ssp. <i>aizoon</i>	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	+	+	.	+	+	.	.	+	.	
<i>Iris reichenbachii</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Aurinia saxatilis</i> ssp. <i>orientalis</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
<i>Campanula lingulata</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	



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<b>Character and diagnostic taxa of class Thlaspietea rotundifolii</b>																		
<i>Linaria simplex</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	+
<i>Vincetoxicum hirundinaria</i> ssp. <i>nivale</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.
<i>Aethionema saxatile</i> ssp. <i>graecum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<b>Character and diagnostic taxa of class Artemisietea vulgaris</b>																		
<i>Cichorium intybus</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Reseda lutea</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	r	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Echinops sphaerocephalus</i> ssp. <i>albidus</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<b>Companion taxa</b>																		
<i>Centaurea grisebachii</i>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	.	.	+
<i>Minuartia verna</i> ssp. <i>collina</i>	+	+	+	.	+	+	+	.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
<i>Leontodon crispus</i>	.	+	+	.	+	+	+	.	+	+	+	+	.	+	+	.	.	.
<i>Acinos suaveolens</i>	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Poa bulbosa</i>	+	.	+	.	+	+	+	.	+	+	+	+	.	.	+	.	+	.
<i>Silene radicosa</i>	.	+	.	.	+	+	.	+	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Xeranthemum inapertum</i>	+	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	+	.	.
<i>Thesium humile</i>	.	.	.	.	.	+	+	.	.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
<i>Micromeria crennophila</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Allium stamineum</i>	+	+	.	+	+	+	+	.	.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
<i>Hippocrepis ciliata</i>	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	+	.	.	.	+	+	+	+	.	+
<i>Echinops microcephalus</i>	+	+	+	+	+	r	+	+	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Bromus intermedium</i>	.	.	.	.	.	+	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Dianthus gracilis</i> ssp. <i>gracilis</i>	.	.	+	+	+	.	.	+	.	+	.	+	+	.	+	+	+	+
<i>Silene conica</i>	.	+	+	+	+	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	+	.	.
<i>Sideritis montana</i> ssp. <i>montana</i>	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Paronychia macedonica</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Linum bienne</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	+	.
<i>Bromus cappadocicus</i>	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Scorzonera mollis</i> ssp. <i>mollis</i>	+	.	+	.	+	.	+	.	+	+	+	+	+	r	+	.	.	.
<i>Asyneuma limonifolium</i> ssp. <i>limonifolium</i>	.	+	.	+	.	+	+	.	+	.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
<i>Potentilla recta</i>	+	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.
<i>Ornithogalum divergens</i>	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	+	+	+	.	+	.	+	.	+
<i>Salvia ringens</i>	.	.	.	.	.	r	1	.	1	.	r	.	.	.	r	.	.	.
<i>Erodium absinthoides</i>	+	+	+	r	+	.	.	.	.	+	+	+	+	r	.	.	.	.
<i>Onosma heterophylla</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Asphodeline liburnica</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Alyssum sibiricum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Petrorhagia illyrica</i> ssp. <i>illyrica</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Stipa cf. endotricha</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	2	2	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Fumana scoparia</i>	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Prospero autumnale</i>	.	+	+	.	+	.	+	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Anthericum liliago</i>	.	.	.	.	.	+	+	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.
<i>Bupleurum praetaltum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Origanum vulgare</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Valerianella rimosa</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Medicago minima</i>	.	.	.	.	.	+	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Euphorbia taurinensis</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Verbascum leucophyllum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
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<i>Cruciata pedemontana</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.



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<i>Potentilla detommasii</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Verbascum graecum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Pterocephalus plumosus</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
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<i>Cerastium brachypetalum</i> ssp. <i>roeseri</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Podospermum laciniatum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
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<i>Goniolimon heldreichii</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	r	.	.	.	.
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<i>Arrhenatherum palaestinum</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Calamintha nepeta</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
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