

**SYNTAXONOMICAL CHECKLIST OF THE PLANT COMMUNITIES OF
SZEKLERLAND (EASTERN TRANSYLVANIA)**

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*"To the memory of the sixty years old publication of the first overview
about the Szeklerland's vegetation elaborated by Rezső Soó (1944)"*

Abstract

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The work is dealing with the survey of natural, semi-natural and synanthropic vegetation of the historical-ethnographic region of Szeklerland (Terra Siculorum, Székelyföld, Țara Secuilor) situated in the eastern part of Transylvania (Romania). The landscape components of this territory contain series of heterogenous microregions circumscribed by hills, plateaux, slopes, river-valleys, mountain massifs, depressions etc. inside of the two major geomorphological types: Transylvanian Basin and East Carpathians.

The geographical and ecological factors determine the particularities of vegetation units, the *hilly* and the *mountainous* vegetation, being characteristic for the region. During about a hundred years a high number of vegetation units (communities, alliances, suballiances etc.) has been described and analysed for this area using various methods of investigation and nomenclature, therefore the immense and sometimes confused material is not adequate scientific for comparisons and co-operations.

Using a large documentation and continuous personal investigation, the author presents a syntaxonomical introduction, a prodrömus, trying to give an overview (conspectus) of the most important plant communities in this region, conform to the actual state of the coenological researches applying the rules of the International Code of Phytosociological Nomenclature (ICPN). The checklist enumeration presents the *plant communities* (cca 290 plant association) grouping them syntaxonomically in alliances, orders and classes, according to the modern monographies and syntaxonomical approaches. Every plant community has been named after the rules and in the spirit of the Code with the connected synonyms, and was followed by a short characterization referring to the habitat conditions (*ecology*), the species composition (*flora*), the main distribution, the chorology (*area*) and sometimes special taxonomical remarks (*note*). So the enumeration gives adequate informations about the present situation of natural and synanthropic vegetation of the region with possibilities to be applied in management and nature protection.

Realizing the present checklist it was evidenced a series of zonal and characteristic communities of the alliances *Festucion rupicolae*, *Cirsio pannonici-Brachypodion*, *Danthonio alpinae-Brachypodion*, *Geranion sanguinei* (Transylvanian Basin), *Symphyto cordatae-Fagion*, *Lathyro*

hallersteinii-Carpinion, *Hieracio lachenalii-Quercion petraeae*, *Piceion excelsae*, *Eriophoro-Pinion sylvestris*, *Festuco saxatilis-Seslerion bietzii*, *Caricion fuscae*, *Sphagnum magellanicum*, *Adenostylion alliariae*, *Rumicion alpini* (East Carpathians) etc. It was concluded that, even if the most vegetation units present generally positive naturalness values, the environmental changes, the human pressure, the spreading of the invasive stands (*Fallopia x bohemica*, *Rudbeckia laciniata*, *Impatiens glandulifera*, *Solidago gigantea*, *Helianthus tuberosus* agg., etc.) contribute to increase the vulnerability of coenopopulations and influence more and more the structure of plant communities, a process that requires new attitudes and urgent nature protection measures.

Key words: plant communities, phytocoenology, syntaxonomy, vegetation ecology, vegetation synthesis, invasive stands, nature conservation, Eastern Transylvania, Szeklerland, Romania

Introduction

In the south-eastern part of the Carpathian Basin, at the contact of the Transylvanian Basin with the East Carpathian mountains there is a historical-ethnographical region named in latin documents „Terra Sicularum”, Székelyföld in Hungarian and Seklerland, Țara Secuilor, Szeklerland in other modern languages with an area about 15000 square km². The object of the present study is circumscribed by the land of the historical counties Maros-Torda, Udvarhely, Csík and Háromszék, actually being part of the administrative territories of Maros (Mureș), Hargita (Harghita) and Kovászna (Covasna) counties (Transylvania, Romania).

The geographical position (Eastern Transylvania), the variety of the ecological factors (relief, geology, hydrology, soil, climate), the millenary old human influences, the special man-plant interactions, the traditional agriculture and forestry management determine heterogenous landscape unites, several small subregions and microregions (Sóvidék, Erdővidék, Nyárárdmenté etc.) with a high diversity of habitats, vegetation types, and plant communities respectively.

The dominant *relief* forms are plains, hills, river-valleys, plateaux, mountains, keys/gorges, slopes, and depressions but they are not distributed equally between the two major geomorphological units: Transylvanian Basin (Transylvanian Plateau) and East Carpathians. The Transylvanian Basin is mostly characterized by different kinds of plains and hills, eroded slopes. The mountainous East Carpathian landscape's specificity is given by the middle and high mountainous groups and the extended intra-Carpathian depressions. The *geological* structure of the mountainous regions is composed mainly by old chrystalline slates, flysch, volcanic rocks like andesite in the interior of Carpathians and basalt in the exterior of the mountains. The Transylvanian Plateau is composed mainly by sedimentary deposits: sandstone, limestone, conglomerate, clay, marls, sand, gravel etc. The *hydrological* conditions are determined by three river-systems collecting most of the precipitations: Olt (Olt), Maros (Mureș), Tatos (Trotuș), in close connection with other rivers and brooks: Kis-Küküllő (Târnava Mică), Nagy Küküllő (Târnava Mare), Feketeügy (Rîul Negru), Nyárád (Niraj), Fehérmikó (Nico-Alba), Nagy-Homoród (Homorodu Mare), Kis-Homoród (Homorodu Mic), Kászón

(Caşin), Gagy (Geoagiu), Görgény (Gurghiu), Uz (Uz), Vargyas (Vârghiş), Küsmöd (Cuşmed) etc. As basic components of the habitats the *soil* types vary from the alluvial soils (sandy, black meadow and alkali soils) to the different kinds of brown forest soils (pseudogleic-brown, podzol-soils, ando-soils, rendzinas) and rocky soils. The *climate* conditions influence the biotope diversification especially by the temperature and the level of precipitations, the distribution of these major factors showing large variation in the region. The average annual temperature is about 7-9 °C in the south-western part of the region, but only 4-6 °C in the central mountain zone. The annual precipitation has also different values in the western and eastern parts of the region, in the plain, hilly or mountain zone, generally varying between 600-950 mm.

The continuous and long term interaction of the natural conditions determines a large variety of plant communities beginning from the vegetation of *swamps, fens, and peat bogs* to the diverse groups of *grassland, rocky coenoses* and *forest vegetation*. The various units of vegetation have been conserved, maintained and distributed in different levels of zone and belt (altitudinal) of vegetation. In the area of Szeklerland the following *zonal* units can be recognized.

The nemoral belt of common oak forests and of those mixed with common oak has a relatively limited spreading in the region being distributed mainly at the western part of the Szeklerland, especially in the area of Transylvanian Plain, Maros-Field, Küküllő-Plateau and border of the Brassó-Háromszék Depression. In the Bodok- and the Barót-Mts. the acidophilous oak forest stands can be locally extensive. The main competitors and the dominant species in this area are the species *Quercus petraea*, *Q. robur*, *Carpinus betulus*, *Acer campestre*. It is a particularity of the region that the thermophilous forest competitors are not present (*Quercus cerris*, *Q. frainetto*) or they rarely form natural forests (*Quercus pubescens*). In the valleys of the rivers, this belt arrives at the 800 m altitude coming in contact with the beech forests. The herbaceous vegetation is represented by dry- and semi-dry grasslands on sunny hills and eroded slopes (alliances *Festucion rupicolae*, *Bromion erecti* and *Cirsio-Brachypodion pinnati*).

The nemoral belt of pure beech forests and of those mixed with coniferous trees covers a large territory in the region especially in the western slopes of volcanic mountains (Görgény-, Hargita-Mts.). Extensive beech forests can be found also in the subcarpathian area (Regen-Hills, Sóvidék-Hills, Udvarhely-Hills, Homoród-Hills) and in the Bodok- and Persany-Mts. The Carpathian beech forest and the mixed forms climb up in the mountainous valleys to the 1300 m altitude. The main competitor species are *Fagus sylvatica*, *Carpinus betulus*, *Abies alba*, *Picea abies*, but in gorges and keys others can be dominant like *Acer pseudoplatanus*, *Fraxinus excelsior*, *Tilia platyphyllos* conserving various rare and valuable species that render the habitats colourful. The mesic-rich meadows and pastures (*Arrhenatherion*, *Deschampsion*, *Cynosurion*, *Violion caninae*) have a large extension.

The boreal belt of spruce and fir forests has the most extended area in Szeklerland, forming a real klimax belt in this region, distributed from the 700-800 m altitude from the intra-carpathian depressions to the superior limit of forests (1500-1650 m).

Beside the main competitors (*Picea abies*, *Abies alba*, *Pinus sylvestris*, *Alnus incana*), a series of particular habitats (raised bogs, peat bogs, marshes) conserved here valuable glacial relics (*Betula humilis*, *B. nana*, *Ligularia sibirica*, *Lysimachia thyrsiflora*, *Vaccinium oxycoccus*, *Andromeda polifolia*, *Viola epipsila*, *Saxifraga hirculus* etc.). The rocky vegetation and the extensive mountainous grasslands with several local taxa (*Seslerio-Festucion pallentis*, *Festuco-Seslerion bielzii*, *Cynosurion*, *Nardion strictae*) constitute another characteristic of this belt.

The subalpine belt of juniper trees has only a fragmentary distribution. Characteristic stands of *Pinus mugo* appear in the tops and peaks of Kelemen- and Bereck-Mts. (Górhegy), the communities with *Juniperus sibirica*, *Vaccinium myrtillus* and *Vaccinium vitis-idaea* generally are frequent in the superior mountain area and in the subalpine belt (mostly around and above 1700 m altitude), but stands with *Dryas octopetala* have only a limited presence (Nagyhagymás-Mts.). The humid and cool valleys, rocky places, eroded slopes conserved interesting coenopopulations of *Alnus viridis* (Görgény-, Hargita- and Bereck-Mts.). The main mountain tops generally are covered by subalpine-alpine grasslands of *Festuca supina*, *Nardus* and *Vaccinium mixtures* (*Caricion curvulae*, *Nardion strictae*).

Related to the *historical background*, studies concerning the vegetation of this region started at the beginning of the 20th century. The first phytogeographical characterization was given by PAX (1908) for the East-Carpathian area, the first chorology of forest species and shrubs was given by FEKETE and BLAITNY (1913). These were followed by the general description of some vegetation units realized by MOESZ (1910), NYÁRÁDY (1929, 1931, 1937), BORZA (1931), and Pop E. (1931). In the first part of the 20th century the up to date investigation and exploration of natural vegetation using authentic phytosociological methods and analyses (relevés) belongs to SOÓ (1927, 1930a,b, 1940, 1944), GUŞULEAC (1932), ŢOPA (1933), HARGITAI (1942, 1943), ÚJVÁROSI (1941) and ZÓLYOMI (1939, 1943). New additions, conclusions of former research and the first synthesis about the main components, the general distribution and structure of plant communities in Szeklerland were published sixty years ago by SOÓ (1944). In this works the author recognized 32 alliances and 52 plant association for the region.

In the second part of the 20th century the scientific research of vegetation concerned mainly the theme "flora and vegetation", elaborated in various diploma-works, thesis-works, pratological and silvicultural studies (grassland and forest typology), pedological and ecological investigations. A series of basic and applied studies contributed to the description, analysis and evaluation of various plant communities of the region: ANDREI (1963), BORZA and RAŢIU (1970), COLDEA and KOVÁCS (1969), CSÜRÖS (1951, 1970), CSÜRÖS et al. (1960-1985), DANCUI (1970, 1974), DANCUI and KOVÁCS (1972), DOBRESCU and GHENCUI (1970), HÖHN (1992), GERGELY et al. (1973-1989), GYORGY et al. (1985), KOVÁCS A. (1962-1971), KOVÁCS AL. (1969-1981), KOVÁCS J. A. (1970-1981), KOVÁCS J. A. et al. (1977-1985), MITITELU et al. (1984-1993), PÁLI (1960-1969), PUSCARU-SOROCEANU et al. (1960, 1968), RAŢIU (1968-1972), RAŢIU and

GERGELY (1971-1981), SOÓ (1949-1980), VICOL et al. (1971) etc. The most important plant communities have been registered in several regional and national overviews as: BELDIE and DIHORU (1967), COLDEA (1991, 1997), CSÚRÓS-KÁPTALAN (1970), DOBRESCU and KOVÁCS (1972), POP (1968), POP et al. (2002), SANDA et al. (1999, 2001). The research activity related to vegetation science have been continued and progressed in the last decade also, attaining important new additions and fundamental contributions like: EPURAN (2001), HÖHN (1994, 1998), KATÓ (2000), KOVÁCS J. A. (2002, 2003), NECHITA (2000, 2003), NECHITA and MITITELU (1996), OROIAN (1995, 1998), SĂMĂRGIȚAN (1999, 2000, 2003). Valuable botanical informations especially in relation to the distribution of such vegetation units can be found in the ethnobotanical and other connected works: CSEDŐ et al. (1968), GUB (1996), PÁLFALVI (2001), RAB (2001), RÁCZ and CSEDŐ (1970), RÁCZ and RÁCZ (1975).

After about a hundred years of sustained studies of phytogeography and vegetation science of Szeklerland, we can conclude that despite the profound transformation of several vegetation units, there exists at the present time a very large diversity of plant communities in the region (cca 290 units), most of them with positive naturalness value. It is necessary to apply further natural protection measures for maintenance and conservation of the scientifically important vegetation units. Working to elaborate the materials of the present conspectus it was possible to establish that during the years the different kinds of plant communities have been described under various research methods (dominancy, floristico-ecologic, typologic, etc.), for various aims (scientific, pratologic, sylvicultural, nature protection etc.) using various analyses and evaluation methods of diverse schools. So without to apply with consistency an adequate syntaxonomical system and modern nomenclature, it is very hard to compare them with those of other regions or countries.

Actually in the period of extensive European co-operations, the indication of the European Vegetation Science (EVS) board is to use and apply the rules of the International Code of Phytosociological Nomenclature (ICPN) for valid scientific description, characterization and evaluation of vegetation units. In this sense the present work is an introduction, a prodromus, trying to give an overview about the most important plant communities in the historical-ethnographic region of Szeklerland, using the new approaches in phytosociology. The conclusion of this synthesis evidenced that applying the rules of the Code, the names of a series of plant communities previously described actually are necessary to be re-considered as: *nomen invalidum* (*nom. inval.*), *nomen illegitimum* (*nom. illeg.*), *nomen conservandum* (*nom. cons.*), *nomen ambiguum* (*nom. ambig.*), *nomen inversum* (*nom. invers.*), *nomen mutatum* (*nom. mut.*) etc. A series of characteristic communities can be found in the alliances *Caricion fuscae*, *Caricion davallianae*, *Sphagnion magellanicii*, *Festuco saxatilis-Seslerion bielzii*, *Thymo comosi-Festucion rupicolae*, *Cirsio pannonici-Brachypodion pinnati*, *Geranion sanguinei*, *Symphyto cordatae-Fagion*, *Lathyro hallersteinii-Carpinion Luzulo-Fagion*, *Hieracio lachenalii-Quercion*, *Alnion incanae*, *Salicion cinereae*, *Eriophoro-*

Pinion sylvestris, *Piceion excelsae* etc. Evaluating the syntaxonomical nomenclature, and continuing this in the near future, we will be able to approach more and more to the modern system of plant communities with a general scientific benefit.

In the present enumeration, every plant community is arranged hierarchically in one of the currently accepted coenological alliances-suballiances and, after the actual name of the plant community (considered as the correct name) the following features are indicated:

- *synonym-synonymous* name/names, the frequent earlier used name, several times with indication of the restricted article of the code (Syn.)
- *ecology*, the preferable environmental factors and important habitat type/s (Ecol.)
- *flora*, species of recognition, diagnosis or/and frequent species (Flor.)
- *area*, distribution, chorology of plant community (cf. landscape division) (Area)
- *note*, remarks/observations related to the critical problems of classification (Note).

The general view of the communities' distribution in the region is indicated by short characterizations: *rare*, *sporadic*, *frequent*, *common*. The plant communities without any author's specification are considered association after the dominant species as „dominant community” (dom. comm.) inside of different classes and/or „Derivate community” (DC) specifying mostly the invasive vegetation.

SYNOPSIS OF HIGHER SYNTAXONOMICAL UNITS (CLASSES) TREATED

Fresh water aquatic vegetation

Lemnetea de Bolós et Masclans 1955

Potametea Klika in Klika et Novák 1941

Vegetation of swamps and fens

Isoëto-Nanojuncetea Br.-Bl. et R. Tx. ex Westhoff et al. 1946

Phragmiti-Magnocaricetea Klika in Klika et Novák 1941

Vegetation of springs, bogs and fens

Montio-Cardaminetea Br.-Bl. et Tx. ex Klika 1948

Scheuchzerio-Caricetea fuscae R. Tx. 1937

Oxycocco-Sphagnetea Br.-Bl. et Tx. ex Westhoff et al. 1946

Chasmophytic vegetation

Asplenietea trichomanis (Br.-Bl. in Meier et Br.-Bl. 1934) Oberd. 1977

Thlaspietalia rotundifolii Br.-Bl. 1948

Arctic, subalpine and alpine vegetation

Juncetea trifidii Hadač in Klika et Hadač 1944

Carici rupestris-Kobresietea bellardii Ohba 1974

Elyno-Seslerietea Br.-Bl. 1948

Mulgedio-Aconitetea Hadač et Klika in Klika et Hadač 1944

Temperate grasslands and heathlands

Molinio-Arrhenatheretea R. Tx. 1937

Calluno-Ulicetea Br.-Bl. et R. Tx. ex Westhoff et al. 1946

Festuco-Brometea Br.-Bl. et R. Tx. ex Klika et Hadač 1944
Thero-Suaedetea Vicherec 1973 em. Borhidi 2003
Festuco-Puccinellietea Soó 1968 em. Borhidi 2003
Trifolio-Geranietea sanguinei T. Müller 1961

Synanthropic vegetation

Stellarietea mediae R. Tx., Lohm. et Prsg. ex von Rochow 1951
Artemisietea vulgaris Lohm. et al. ex von Rochow 1951
Bidentetea tripartiti R. Tx. et al. ex von Rochow 1951
Galio-Urticetea Passarge ex Kopecký 1969
Polygono arenastri-Poëtea annuae Rivas-Martinez 1975 corr. Rivas-Mart. et al. 1991

Vegetation of clearings

Epilobietea angustifolii R. Tx. et Prsg. ex von Rochow 1951

Temperate and boreal woodlands and shrubs

Salicetea purpureae Moor 1958
Alnetea glutinosae Br.-Bl. et Tx. ex Westhof et al. 1946
Rhamno-Prunetea Rivas-Goday et Borja Carbonell 1961
Quercu-Fagetea Br.-Bl. et Vlieger in Vlieger 1937
Erico-Pinetea I. Horvat 1959
Vaccinio-Piceetea Br.-Bl. in Br.-Bl. et al. 1939

LANDSCAPE DIVISION

(Geografia României 1983; Magyarország földje és a Kárpát-medence 2002)
(Map 1, Map 2)

Transylvanian Basin (Erdélyi-medence, Depresiunea Transilvaniei)

- A. *Transylvanian Plain (Erdélyi-Mezőség, Câmpia Transilvaniei)*
A1 Maros-Plain (Marosi-Mezőség, Déli- vagy Sármási-Mezőség, Székely-Mezőség, Câmpia de Sud, Câmpia Șarmașului)
A2 Maros-Field (Marostere, Marosmező, Culoarul Mureșului)
B. *Küküllő-Plateau (Küküllők dombsága, Podișul Târnavelor)*
B1 Nyárád-Valley and Hills (Nyárádmente, Valea și Dealurile Nirajului)
B2 Kis-Küküllő Valley and Hills (Kis-Küküllő völgye, Culoarul Târnavei Mici)
B3 Nagy-Küküllő Valley and Hills (Nagy-Küküllő völgye, Culoarul Târnavei Mari)
B4 Küküllőköz-Plateau (Küküllőközi-dombság, Podișul Dumbrăvenilor)
C. *Subcarpathians (Szováta-Udvarhelyi dombvidék, Subcarpații Transilvaniei)*
CA Regen-Hills (Régeni-dombság, Dealurile Reghinului/Mureșului)
C1 Sóvidék-Hills (Sóvidéki-dombság, Subcarpații Târnavei Mici)
C2 Udvarhely-Hills (Udvarhelyi-dombság, Subcarpații Odorheiului)
C3 Homoród-Hills (Homoródi-dombság, Subcarpații Homoroadelor)

East Carpathians (Keleti Kárpátok, Carpații Orientali grupa centrală și sudică)

- D. *Volcanic series: Kelemen-Görgény-Hargita Mts. (Kelemen-Görgény-Hargita vulkáni hegyvonulat, Munții vulcanici Căliman-Gurghiu-Harghita)*
- D1 Kelemen-Mts. (Kelemen-havasok, Munții Călimani)
- D2 Maros-Key (Maros-szoros, Felső-Maros áttörés, Trecătoarea Mureșului Toplița-Deda)
- D3 Görgény-Mts. (Görgényi-havasok, Munții Gurghiuului)
- D4 Hargita-Mts. (Hargita-hegység, Munții Harghita)
- D5 Csomád-Mts. (Csomád-hegyecsoport, Munții Ciomatu)
- D6 Görgény-Hargita Plateau (Görgény-Hargita vulkáni fennsík, Platoul Gurghiu-Harghita)
- E. *Crystalline-mesozoic Mts. series (Kristályos-mezozoós vonulat, Mții cristalino-mezozoici)*
- E1 Beszterce-Mts. (Besztercei-havasok, Munții Bistriței)
- E2 Gyergyó-Mts. (Gyergyói-havasok, Munții Giurgeului)
- E3 Nagyhagymás-Békás Mts. (Nagyhagymás-hegység, Muntii Hășmaș; Békás-szoros, Cheile Bicazului)
- E4 Naskalat-Mts. (Naskalat-hegyecsoport, Munții Nășcălat)
- F. *Tatros-Mts. (Tatrosmenti-hegyvidék, Flis, Munții Troțușului, Mții Flisului)*
- F1 Tarkó-Mts. (Tarkó-hegység, Munții Tarcăului)
- F2 Csík-Mts. (Csíki-havasok, Munții Ciucului)
- F3 Nemere-Mts. (Nemere-hegység, Munții Nemira)
- G. *Bodok- and Barót-Mts. (Bodoki- és Baróti-hegység, Munții Bodoc și Baraolt)*
- G1 Torjai-Mts. (Torjai-hegység, Munții Turiei)
- G2 Bodok-Mts. (Bodoki-hegység, Munții Bodocului)
- G3 Barót-Mts. (Baróti-hegység, Munții Baraoltului)
- H. *Persany-Mts. (Persányi-hegység, Munții Perșani)*
- H1 Rika-Mts. (Rika-hegység, Munții Perșani de Nord)
- H2 Vargyas-Key (Vargyas-szoros, Cheile Vârghișului)
- I. *Curve of Carpathians (Kárpát-kanyar, Carpații de Curbură)*
- I1 Bereck-Mts. (Berecki-havasok, Munții Brețcului)
- I2 Bodza-Mts. (Bodzai-havasok, Munții Intorsurii Buzăului)
- J. *Intra-Carpathian Depressions (Kárpátközi medencék, Depresiuni intra-carpatice)*
- J1 Bělbor-Depr. (Bélbori-medence, Depresiunea Bilborului)
- J2 Borszék-Depr. (Borszéki-medence, Depresiunea Borsecului)
- J3 Gyergyó-Depr. (Gyergyói-medence, Depresiunea Giurgeu, Depresiunea Gheorgheni)
- J4 Csík-Depr. (Csíki-medence, Depresiunea Ciucului)
- J5 Kászón-Depr. (Kászóni-medence, Depresiunea Plăieși)
- J6 Brassó-Háromszék-Depr. (Brassó-Háromszéki-medence kismedencékkel; Depresiunea Brașov-Trei Scaune cu microdepsiuni)

FRESH WATER AQUATIC VEGETATION

LEMNETEA de Bolós et Masclans 1955

(Free-floating communities of still relatively nutrient-rich, fresh waters)

LEMNETALIA de Bolós et Masclans 1955

Riccio-Lemnion trisulcae R. Tx. et Schwabe-Braun 1974

Lemnetum trisulcae Knapp et Stoffers 1962

Ecol.: clearstagnant waters pools

Flor.: Lemna trisulca, Lemna gibba

Area: sporadic, locally frequent (A1, A2, B1, B2, B3, CA, C2, D2, G3, J3, J4, J6)

Lemnion minoris de Bolós et Masclans 1955 em. Borhidi 2001

Lemnetum minoris Soó 1927

[Syn.: Lemnetum minoris Oberd. 1957 (art. 3b, 31)]

Ecol.: stagnant waters, backwaters,

Flor.: Lemna minor, Lemna trisulca

Area: sporadic, locally frequent (B3, D2, E3, G2, G3, J3, J4, J6)

Note: The community was described with relevés from the Transylvanian Basin by Soó (1927), but later long time was included in Lemno-Utricularietum.

Lemnetum gibbae Miyaw. et J. Tx. 1960

Ecol.: stagnant eutrophic waters, backwaters, lakes

Flor.: Lemna gibba, L. trisulca, Ceratophyllum demersum

Area: sporadic (J6)

LEMNO-UTRICULARIETALIA Passarge 1978

Utricularion vulgaris Passarge 1964

Aldrovanda vesiculosa ass. (dom. comm.)

Ecol.: dystrophic fen waters, pools, backwaters

Flor. *Aldrovanda vesiculosa*

Area: rare (J6) Rétyi Nyir (Reci)

Lemno-Utricularietum vulgaris Soó 1928

Ecol.: backwaters, pools with eutrophic-mesotrophic waters

Flor.: *Utricularia vulgaris*, Lemna minor, *Myriophyllum spicatum*

Area: rare (A1, C2, J6)

Utricularietum neglectae T. Müller et Görs 1960

Ecol.: stagnant waters

Flor.: *Utricularia australis*, *Hydrocharis morsus-ranae*, Lemna minor

Area: rare (D2)

HYDROCHARITETALIA MORSUS-RANAE Rübel 1933

Hydrocharition morsus-ranae (Passarge 1964) Westhoff et den Held 1969

Hydrocharitetum morsus-ranae van Langendock 1935

Ecol.: stagnant waters, margin of pools

- Flor.: *Hydrocharis morsus-ranae*, *Ceratophyllum demersum*, *C. submersum*,
Lemna minor
Area: sporadic (A1, A2, D2)
- Ceratophyllion Den Hartog et Segal 1964
Ceratophylletum demersi Hild 1956
Ecol.: eutrophic-hypertrophic stagnant waters, pools
Flor.: *Ceratophyllum demersum*, *Lemna gibba*, *Potamogeton pectinatus*
Area: sporadic (A1, A2, J6)
- POTAMETEA** Klika in Klika et Novák 1941
(Rooted, floating or submersed communities in mesotrophic-eutrophic fresh waters)
- POTAMETALIA Koch 1926
- Potamion lucentis Rivas Martinez 1973
Myriophylletum spicati Soó 1927
Ecol.: stagnant waters, pools
Flor.: *Myriophyllum spicatum*, *Potamogeton lucens*, *P. perfoliatus*
Area: common
- Myriophyllo-Potametum* Soó 1934
Ecol.: deep and shallow stagnant waters, pools
Flor.: *Myriophyllum spicatum*, *M. verticillatum*, *Potamogeton perfoliatus*, *P. pectinatus*
Area: common
- Potamion pusillii Vollmar 1947 em. Hejný 1978
Potametum crispum Soó 1928
Ecol.: stagnant waters, ditches
Flor.: *Potamogeton crispus*, *Lemna minor*, *L. gibba*
Area: sporadic (J4)
- Nymphaeion albae Oberd. 1957
Nymphaeetum albo-lutae Nowinski 1928
Ecol.: dead waters, ditches, canals, pools
Flor.: *Nymphaea alba*, *Nuphar lutea*
Area: rare (A1, J4, J6)
- Potametum natantis* Soó 1928
Ecol.: shallow stagnant waters and ditches
Flor.: *Potamogeton natans*, *Myriophyllum spicatum*
Area: frequent (A1, A2, D2, B3, E3, J3, J4, J6)
- Polygonetum natantis* Soó 1927
(Syn. *Polygonetum amphibii* Soó 1927)
Ecol.: pioneer vegetation of stagnant waters and canals
Flor.: *Polygonum amphibium* f. *natans*, *Potamogeton natans*
Area: sporadic (A1, A2, B2, B3, E3, J6)

CALLITRICHICO-BATRACHIETALIA Passarge 1978

Ranunculion aquatilis Passarge 1964

Callitrichetum cophocarpae Pócs (1958) 1998

(Syn.: Ranunculo trichophylli-Callitrichetum Soó 1927)

Ecol.: puddles, slow-moving, shallow, still waters

Flor.: Callitriche cophocarpa, Callitriche palustris, Lemna minor

Area: sporadic (B2, B3, C2, E3, J3, J6)

Ranunculion fluitantis Neuhäusl 1959

Ranunculetum fluitantis s. l. (Allorge 1922) Koch 1926

Ecol.: water courses in the hilly-mountain region

Flor.: Ranunculus fluitans, Fontynalis antipiretica, Potamogeton nodosus

Area: rare (locally frequent J3, J4)

VEGETATION OF SWAMPS AND FENS

ISOËTO-NANOJUNCETEA Br.-Bl. et R. Tx. ex Westhoff et al. 1946
(Pioneer dwarf-cyperaceous vegetation on periodically flooded soils)

NANOCYPERETALIA Klika 1935

Nanocyperion Koch ex Libbert 1932

Cypero-Juncetum bufonii (Felföldy 1942) Soó et Csűrös 1949

(Syn.: Juncetum bufonii-Potentilla anserina subass. Felföldy 1942)

Ecol.: pioneer vegetation on wet places and open habitats

Flor.: Juncus bufonius, J. articulatus, Cyperus fuscus, Mentha pulegium,

Lythrum hyssopifolium

Area: sporadic (J4, J6, E3)

Cyperetum flavescens Koch 1926 ex Aichinger 1933

(Syn.: Heleochareto-Cyperetum flavescens Soó 1944)

Ecol.: wet places, open habitats, muddy substrata

Flor.: Cyperus flavescens, C. fuscus, Gnaphalium uliginosum, Eleocharis acicularis

Area: rare (C3, J6)

Ranunculus flammula ass. (domm. comm.)

Ecol.: wet places, open habitats, muddy substrata

Flor.: Ranunculus flammula, Eleocharis ovata

Area: rare (J6) Rétyi Nyír (Reci)

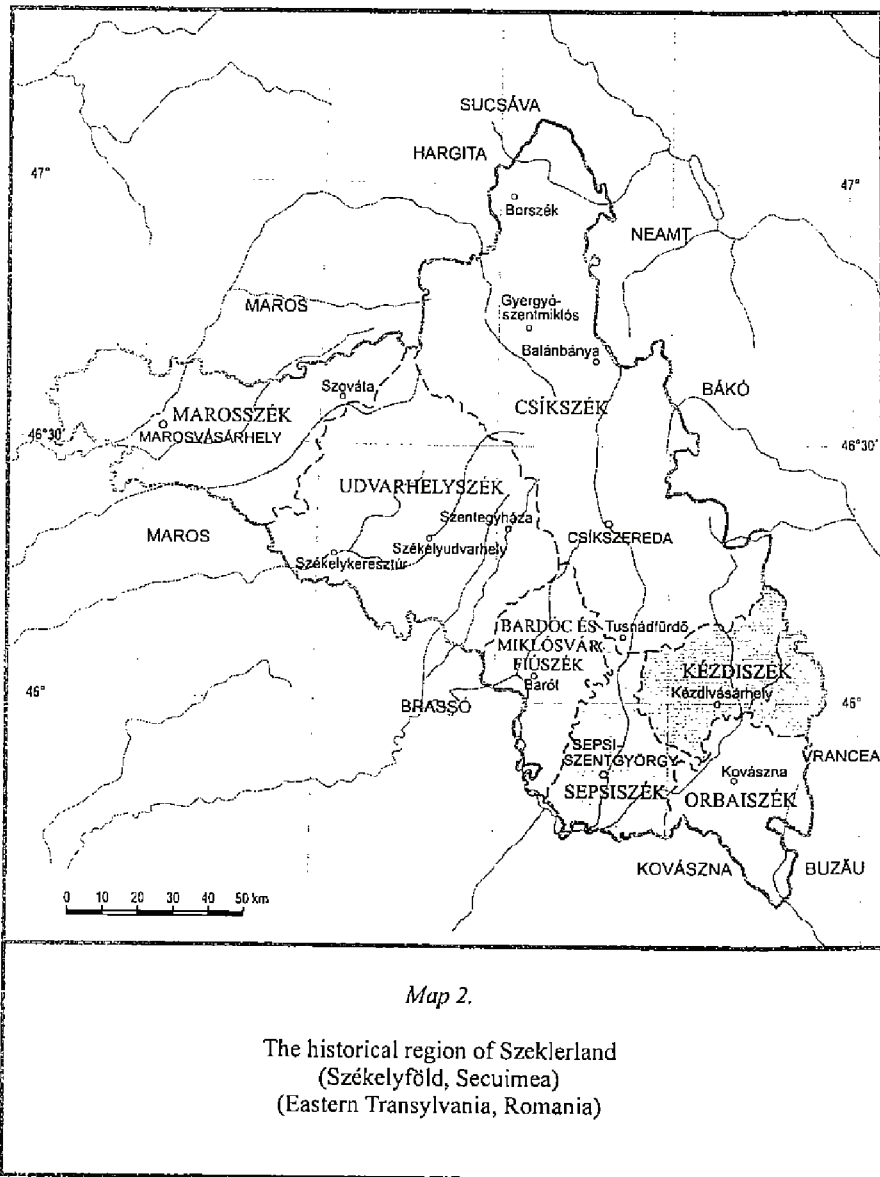
Dichostylido micheliana-Gnaphalietum uliginosi Timár 1947

[Syn.: Dichostylis micheliana ass. Soó 1940 (art. 2b.)]

Ecol.: wet places, streamsides, open habitats

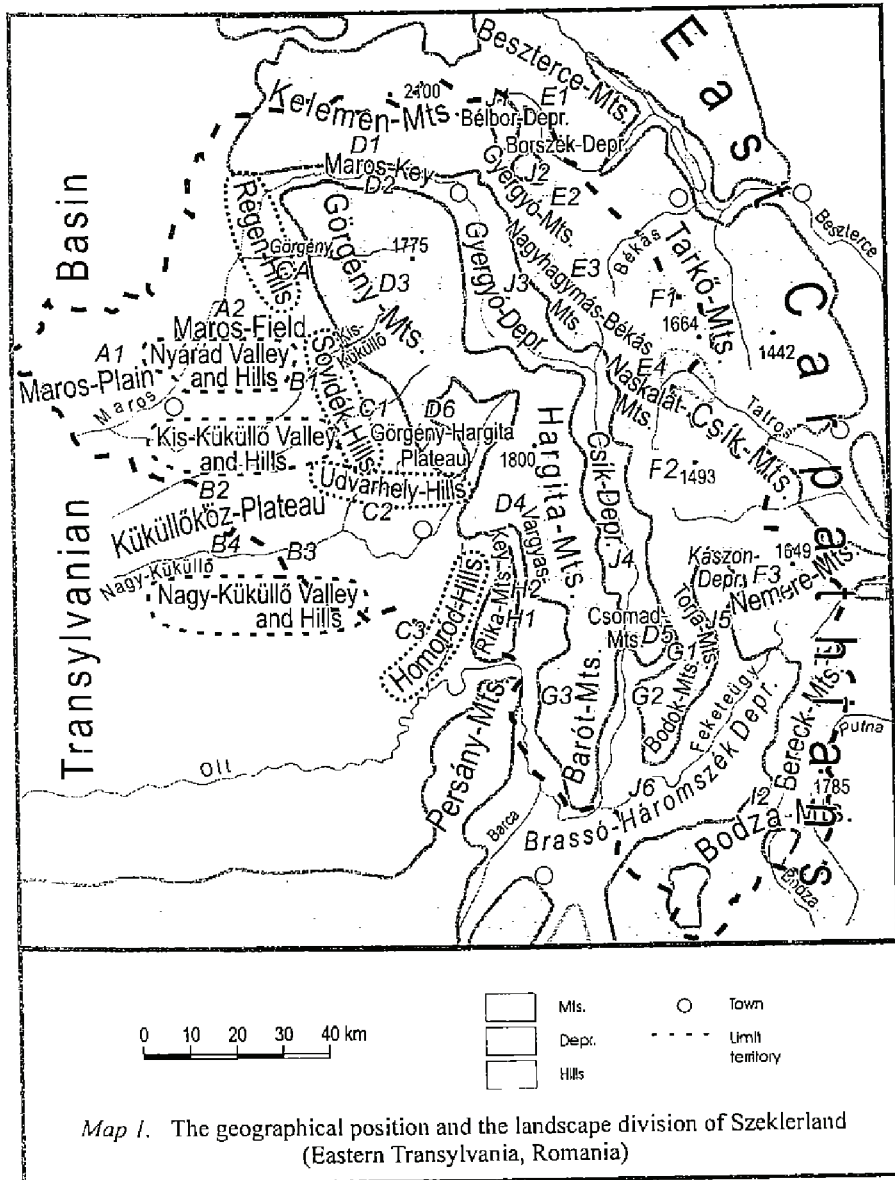
Flor.: Cyperus (Dichostylis) micheliana, Gnaphalium uliginosum, Cyperus fuscus, Ranunculus sceleratus

Area: sporadic (J6) Rétyi Nyír (Reci)



Map 2.

The historical region of Szeklerland
 (Szekelyföld, Secuimea)
 (Eastern Transylvania, Romania)



PHRAGMITI-MAGNOCARICETEA Klika in Klika et Novák 1941
(Swamps, fens and marginal vegetation of fresh or brackish waters)

PHRAGMITETALIA Koch 1926

Phragmitum australis Koch 1926

Phragmitetum communis Soó 1927 em. Schmale 1939

[Syn.: *Scirpo-Phragmitetum* W. Koch 1926 p.p. (art. 36), *Phragmitetum australis* auct. (art. 30)]

Ecol.: wetlands, swamps of pools, marshlands

Flor.: *Phragmites australis*, *Iris pseudacorus*, *Lythrum salicaria*, *Lycopus europaeus*

Area: frequent (A1, A2, B1, B2, B3, CA, C1, C2, C3, D2, G2, G3, J3, J4, J5, J6), mainly alongside the rivers Maros (Mureş), Olt, Küküllő (Târnava), Nyárád (Niraj); several artificial pools (Bözödújfalú, Bita, Zeteváralja, Homoródszentpéter, Marossárpatak, Maksa etc.).

Schoenoplectetum lacustris Chouard 1924

Ecol.: water pools, stagnant waters

Flor.: *Schoenoplectus lacustris*

Area: sporadic (A1, C2, C3, G2)

Typhetum angustifoliae (Soó 1927) Pignatti 1953

Ecol.: wet places near the rivers, canals, swamps of pools

Flor.: *Typha angustifolia*, *Solanum dulcamara*

Area: frequent, mostly alongside the rivers Maros (Mureş), Olt, Küküllő (Târnava), Nyárád (Niraj), and artificial pools

Typhetum latifoliae (Soó 1927) Nowinski 1930

Ecol.: wet places near the rivers, canals, pools

Flor.: *Typha latifolia*, *Solanum dulcamara*

Area: frequent, mostly alongside the rivers Maros (Mureş), Olt, Küküllő (Târnava) artificial pools etc.

Typhetum schuttleworthii Soó 1927

Ecol.: mountainous wet places, water fringing swamps

Flor.: *Typha schuttleworthii*, *Phragmites australis*, *Poa trivialis*

Area: sporadic (E3)

Equisetetum limosi Steffen 1931

[Syn. *Equisetetum limosi* Soó 1927 (art. 2b), *Equisetetum fluviatilis* auct. (art. 30), *Scirpo-Phragmitetum equisetetosum fluviatilis* Soó 1957 (art. 30)]

Ecol.: swamps and fens, turfy soils

Flor.: *Equisetum fluviatile*, *Lythrum salicaria*, *Lysimachia thyrsoiflora*, *Carex vesicaria*, *C. rostrata*

Area: sporadic (E3, G2, J3, J4) [Lake-Gyilkos (Lacul Roşu), Mikóújfalú (Micfalău), Gyergyó-Depr. (Joseni-Voşlobeni), Csíkmadaras (Mădăraş), Csíkrákos (Racu), Verebes-Tusnád (Vrabia-Tuşnad Sat)]

Note: After the composition of vegetation, several stands with *Equisetum limosum* can be included in the alliance Magnocaricion.

Glycerietum maximae Hueck 1931

[Syn.: *Glycerietum aquaticae* Soó 1927 (art. 2b), *Glycerietum aquaticae* Hueck 1931 (nom mut. propos.)]

Ecol.: backwaters, marshy places, ditches. swamps of pools

Flor.: *Glyceria aquatica*, *Alisma plantago-aquatica*

Area: frequent (A1, A2, B3, C2, D2, G2, J3, J4, J6)

Thelypteridi-Phragmitetum Kuiper 1957

Ecol.: floating bogs, pools, dystrophic lakes

Flor.: *Thelypteris palustris*, *Phragmites australis*, *Eriophorum gracile*, *Salix cinerea*

Area: rare (C2) only as fragments in „Rát-tava” (Nagygalambfalva, Porumbeni Mari)

BOLBOSCHOENETALIA MARITIMI Hejný 1967

Cirsio brachycephali-Bolboschoenion (Passarge 1978) Mucina 1993

[Syn.: *Bolboschoenion maritimi* Soó 1947 (art.32); non *Bolboschoenion maritimi* Dahl et Hadač 1941]

Schoenoplectetum tabernaemontani Soó 1947

Ecol.: wet and secondary drying sites, salty

Flor.: *Schoenoplectus tabernaemontani*, *Eleocharis uniglumis*

Area: sporadic (C3, G2)

Bolboschoenetum maritimi Egger 1932

(Syn.: *Schoenoplecti triquetri-Bolboschoenetum maritimi* Zonnefeld 1960 p. p.)

Ecol.: wet places with brackish soils

Flor.: *Bolboschoenus maritimus*, *Schoenoplectus triquetet*, *Schoenoplectus tabernaemontani*

Area: sporadic (CA, C3)

Astero tripolii-Phragmitetum Krish (1972) 1974

Ecol.: wet places alongside slighty salt waters

Flor.: *Aster tripolium* subsp. *pannonicum*, *Phragmites australis*, *Triglochin maritima*

Area: sporadic (CA, C3)

NASTURTIO-GLYCERIETALIA Pignatti 1953

Glycerio-Sparganion Br.-Bl. et Sissingh in Boer 1942

Glycerietum fluitantis Egger 1933

Ecol.: shallow waters, marshy places, banks of ditches

Flor.: *Glyceria fluitans*, *Sparganium erectum* subsp. *erectum*, *Phalaroides arundinacea*

Area: sporadic in marshes alongside the rivers

- Veronico-Glycerietum notatae* Soó 1973 corr. Borhidi 2001
 [Syn.: Bas. *Glycerietum plicatae* Kovács M. 1962. non Kulczynski 1928,
Veronico-Glycerietum plicatae Soó 1971 (art. 2b)]
 Ecol.: marshy places alongside the mountainous creeks and springs
 Flor.: *Glyceria notata*, *G. fluitans*, *Veronica beccabunga*, *Myosotis palustris*
 Area: sporadic alongside the mountainous creeks
- Calamagrostietum pseudophragmitis* Kopecký 1968
 Ecol.: stony places alongside the rivers, gravel banks
 Flor.: *Calamagrostis pseudophragmites*, *Phalaris arundinacea*, *Lycopus europaeus*
 Area: sporadic (A2, D2, J6)
- Leersietum oryzoidis* Egger 1933
 Ecol.: riversides, wet places and shallow waters
 Flor.: *Leersia oryzoides*, *Rorippa amphibia*, *Oenanthe aquatica*, *Ranunculus sceleratus*
 Area: sporadic, locally frequent alongside the rivers and lakes (B3, C2, E3)

OENANTHETALIA AQUATICAE Hejny in Kopecký et Hejny 1965

Oenanthion aquaticae Hejny ex Neuhäusl 1959

- Oenantho aquaticae-Rorippetum amphibiae* Lohmeyer 1950
 Ecol.: marshy places, backwaters, flooding areas
 Flor.: *Oenanthe aquatica*, *Rorippa amphibia*, *Polygonum amphibium*
 Area: sporadic (C3, J6)
- Eleocharitetum palustris* Ubrizsy 1948
 Ecol.: flooding areas, ditches, wet places
 Flor.: *Eleocharis palustris*, *Galium palustre*, *Triglochin palustris*
 Area: sporadic (D2, E3, J6)

MAGNOCARICETALIA Pignatti 1953

Magnocaricion elatae Koch 1926

Caricenion rostratae (Bal.-Tutl. 1963) Oberd. et al. 1967

- Caricetum elatae* Koch 1926
 Ecol.: wet fens and swamps of pools
 Flor.: *Carex elata*, *Galium palustre*, *Peucedanum palustre*, *Thelypteris palustris*
 Area: rare (D4, D6, J3, J4)
- Caricetum paradoxae* Soó in Aszódi 1935
 [Syn.: *Caricetum appropinquatae* Soó 1938, *Caricetum paniculatae-paradoxae*
 Soó 1949 (art. 29)]
 Ecol.: wet fens and swamps
 Flor.: *Carex appropinquata*, *C. elata*, *Peucedanum palustre*, *Equisetum variegatum*, *Galium palustre*
 Area: sporadic (E3, G2, J3, J4, J6)

- Caricetum paniculatae* Wangerin ex von Rochow 1951
 [Syn.: *Caricetum paniculatae* Wangerin 1916 (art. 2b), *Caricetum paniculatae-paradoxae* Soó 1949 (art. 29, 36)]
 Ecol.: wet fens and springs
 Flor.: *Carex paniculata*, *Scutellaria galericulata*, *Carex elata*
 Area: sporadic (J3, J4, J6)
- Equiseto limosi-Caricetum rostratae* Zumpfe 1929
 [(Syn.: *Caricetum inflatae* Rübél 1911 (art. 2b), *Caricetum inflato-vesicariae* W. Koch 1926 p.p.)]
 Ecol.: swamps and bogs, shallow waters
 Flor.: *Carex rostrata*, *Equisetum fluviatile*, *Comarum palustre*, *Lythrum salicaria*
 Area: sporadic (G2, F3, I1, J3, J4, J6) [Zalánpatak (Valea Zălanului), Uzonka-fürdő (Ozunca-Băi), Veresvíz (Apa Roşie), Lassúág, Heveder (Műi Nemira), Eger-rét (Zágon), Komandó (Comandău), Gyergyó-Depr., Csík-Depr., Rétyi Nyír (Reci)]
Note: A part of the phytocoenoses belong to the all. Caricion lasiocarpae. The stands of *Calla palustris* reflect this relation.
- Callietum palustris* (Ostwald 1923) Vanden Berghen 1952
 (Syn.: *Caricetum rostratae* Ostwald 1923 em. Dierssen 1982 subass. *callietosum palustris* S. Oroian 1998 p.p.)
 Ecol.: swamps, wet places
 Flor.: *Calla palustris*, *Carex rostrata*, *Galium uliginosum*
 Area: rare (D1, D2, D6)
- Carici pseudocyperici-Menyanthetum* Soó 1955
 Ecol.: wet fens, bogs, swamps
 Flor.: *Menyanthes trifoliata*, *Carex elata*, *C. pseudocyperus*, *C. appropinquata*
 Area: rare (C3, G2, D6, J3, J4)
- Caricetum buxbaumii* Issler 1925
 Ecol.: swamps and bogs
 Flor.: *Carex buxbaumii*, *Carex nigra*
 Area: rare (J3, J4)
- Calamagrostetum canescentis* Simon 1960
 (Syn. *Caricetum elatae calamagrostietosum canescentis* Krisai 1975; *Calamagrostetum canescentis* Podbielkowski 1970)
 Ecol.: fen meadows, wet places
 Flor.: *Calamagrostis canescens*, *Peucedanum palustre*, *Galium palustre*, *Lysimachia thyrsiflora*, *L. vulgaris*, *Carex elata*
 Area: rare (J3, J4)
- Caricion gracilis* (Neuhäusl 1959) Oberd. et al. 1967
Caricetum gracilis Almquist 1929
 (Syn.: *Caricetum acutiformis-gracilis* Soó 1927 p.p.)
 Ecol.: riverside, marshes, wet places
 Flor.: *Carex acuta* (*C. gracilis*), *C. acutiformis*, *Scutellaria galericulata*

- Area: frequent (G2, J3, J4); rare (D2)
- Caricetum vesicariae* Chouard 1924
 [Syn.: *Caricetum vesicariae* Br.-Bl. et Denis 1926 (art. 31); *Caricetum inflato-vesicariae* Koch 1936 (art. 36)]
 Ecol.: marshes, shallow waters
 Flor.: *Carex vesicaria*, *Sium latifolium*, *Carex rostrata*
 Area: frequent (G2, J1, J3, J4); rare (D2, E3)
- Caricetum vulpinae* Soó 1927
 (Syn.: *Caricetum vulpinae* Nowinski 1928)
 Ecol.: wet places, wet grasslands
 Flor.: *Carex vulpina*, *Galium palustre*
 Area: frequent (G2, J3, J4)
- Caricetum distichae* Nowinski 1928
 [(Syn.: *Caricetum intermediae* Nowinski 1928 (nom. mut. propos.), *Caricetum intermediae* Steffen 1931 (art. 45), *Caricetum distichae* Jonas 1933 (art. 31), *Caricetum vulpinae-distichae* Soó 1944 p.p.)]
 Ecol.: wetlands, swamps
 Flor.: *Carex disticha*, *Equisetum fluviatile*, *Galium palustre*
 Area: rare (G2, J4)
- Caricetum acutiformis* Egger 1933
 (Syn.: *Caricetum acutiformis-ripariae* Soó 1947 (art. 29.))
 Ecol.: wet places, marshes and ditches
 Flor.: *Carex acutiformis*, *C. riparia*, *Lythrum salicaria*
 Area: frequent (G2, G3, J1, J3, J4, J6)
- Galio palustris-Caricetum ripariae* Bal.-Tul. et al. 1993
 [Syn.: *Caricetum acutiformis-ripariae* Soó 1947 (art. 29.)]
 Ecol.: backwaters, ditches, marshes, wet places
 Flor.: *Carex riparia*, *Galium palustre*, *Lysimachia vulgaris*, *Lythrum salicaria*
 Area: frequent (J3, J4)
- Phalaridetum arundinaceae* Libbert 1931
 (Syn.: *Poo palustris-Phalaridetum arundinaceae* Passarge 1955)
 Ecol.: wetlands, inundated shores, swamps
 Flor.: *Phalaris arundinacea*, *Galium palustre*, *Symphytum officinale*, *Poa palustris*, *Triglochin palustris*
 Area: frequent (A2, B2, B3, D2, G2, G3, J3, J4, J5, J6)

VEGETATION OF SPRINGS, BOGS AND FENS

- MONTIO-CARDAMINETEA** Br.-Bl. et Tx. ex Klika 1948
 (Vegetation of cold springs, commonly co-dominated by bryophytes)
- MONTIO-CARDAMINETALIA** Pawl. in Pawl. et al. 1948

Caricion remotae Kästner 1941

Cardaminetum amarae Br.-Bl. 1925

Ecol.: shaded springs in forests

Flor.: Cardamine amara, Caltha palustris subsp. laeta, Scirpus sylvaticus,

Area: sporadic (D4, D6)

Cardamino-Chrysosplenietum alternifolii Mass 1959

Ecol.: fens and wet places near acidophilous springs

Flor.: Chrysosplenium alternifolium, Cardamine amara, Impatiens noli-tangere

Area: sporadic (D2, D4)

Carici remotae-Calthetum laetae Coldea 1978

Ecol.: wet places alongside the montane rivers

Flor.: Caltha palustris subsp. laeta, Carex remota, Chrysosplenium alternifolium

Area: sporadic (D2, D4)

Cardamino-Montion Br.-Bl. 1926

Montio-Bryetum schleicheri Br.-Bl. 1925

Ecol.: acidiphilous clearly springs

Flor.: Bryum schleicheri, Brachythecium rivulare, Myosotis palustris

Area: sporadic (D4, D6)

Cratoneurion commutati Koch 1928

Carici lepidocarpae-Cratoneuretum filicini Kovács et Felföldy 1960 corr. Soó 1971

[Syn.: Carici (flavae)-Cratoneuretum filicini Kovács et Felföldy 1958 nom. prov. (art. 3b)]

Ecol.: wet places, basiphilous springs with mosses

Flor.: Carex lepidocarpa, C. flava, Cratoneuron commutatum, C. filicinum, Caltha palustris

Area: rare (E2, E3, J2)

SCHEUCHZERIO-CARICETEA FUSCAE R. Tx. 1937

(Bog pool, flush and transitional mires dominated by sedges and bryophytes)

SCHEUCHZERIETALIA PALUSTRIS Nordhagen 1937

Rhynchosporion albae W. Koch 1926

Caricetum limosae Br.-Bl. 1921

Ecol.: peat bogs, raised bogs

Flor.: Carex limosa, Carex nigra, Sphagnum cuspidatum

Area: rare (D1, D4, D5, D6, G2)

Caricion lasiocarpae Vanden Berghen in Lebrun et al. 1949

Caricetum lasiocarpae Oswald 1923 em. Dierssen 1982

Ecol.: peat bogs, wet places

Flor.: Carex lasiocarpa, C. panicea, Valeriana simplicifolia, Sphagnum warnstorffii

Area: rare: (D1, D5)

Caricetum diandrae (Jonas 1932) em. Oberd. 1957

Ecol.: peat bogs, wet places

Flor.: *Carex diandra*, *C. nigra*, *Menyanthes trifoliata*, *Camptothecium lutescens*, *Pedicularis palustris*

Area: sporadic (G1, G2, G3, J3, J6) [Torja-patak (Turia), Zsombor-patak (Valea Roşie) Uzonka-fürdő (Uzonka-Băi), Zalanpatak (Valea Zălanului), Gyergyó-Depr., Egerrét (Zagon)]

Carici lasiocarpae-Sphagnetum Zólyomi 1931

Ecol.: peat bogs

Flor.: *Carex lasiocarpa*, *Carex rostrata*, *Lysimachia thyrsiflora*, *Peucedanum palustre*, *Sphagnum recurvum*, *Sph. palustre*

Area: rare (D5)

CARICETALIA FUSCAE Koch 1926 em. Br.-Bl. 1949

Caricion fuscae Koch 1926 em. Klika 1934

Carici echinatae-Sphagnetum Soó 1954

Ecol.: acid peat bogs

Flor.: *Carex echinata*, *C. nigra*, *C. rostrata*, *Eriophorum latifolium*, *Sphagnum recurvum*, *Sph. palustre*, *Sph. contortum*

Area: sporadic (D1, D4, G2, J3), rare (J6) Egerrét (Zagon), (I1) Rozsdapatak (Comandău)

Caricetum nigrae Br.-Bl. 1915 (nom. mut. propos.)

(Syn.: *Caricetum goodenowii* Br.-Bl. 1915; *Junco-Caricetum fuscae* R. Tx. 1937 p. p.)

Ecol.: wet and acid places, peat mossy habitats

Flor.: *Carex nigra*, *C. canescens*, *Epilobium palustre*, *Sphagnum warnstorffii*, *Ligularia sibirica*, *Juncus conglomeratus* (Locally: *Drosera rotundifolia*, *Viola epipsila*, *Ligularia sibirica*)

Area: sporadic; locally frequent (D1, D3, G2, J3, J4, J6)

Calamagrostetum neglectae Tengwall 1920

Ecol.: fens, swamps, bogs

Flor.: *Calamagrostis stricta*, *Carex acutiformis*, *Peucedanum palustris*

Area: rare (J3, J4)

Sphagno-Caricetum rostratae Steffen 1931

Ecol.: peatbogs, turfy soils

Flor.: *Carex rostrata*, *Sphagnum terres*, *Sph. russowi*

Area: sporadic: D1, D4, J3, J4, D4, F3

CARICETALIA DAVALLIANAE Br.-Bl. 1949

Caricion davallianae Klika 1934

Caricetum davallianae Dutoit 1924

Ecol.: wet places, fens



Fig. 1. Population of *Dyras octopetala* on the peak of Nagyhagymás-Mts. (Öcsém)

Fig. 2. Extended mountainous pastures (*Agrosti-Festucetum rubrae*)
with populations of *Picea abies* (Hargita-Mts.)

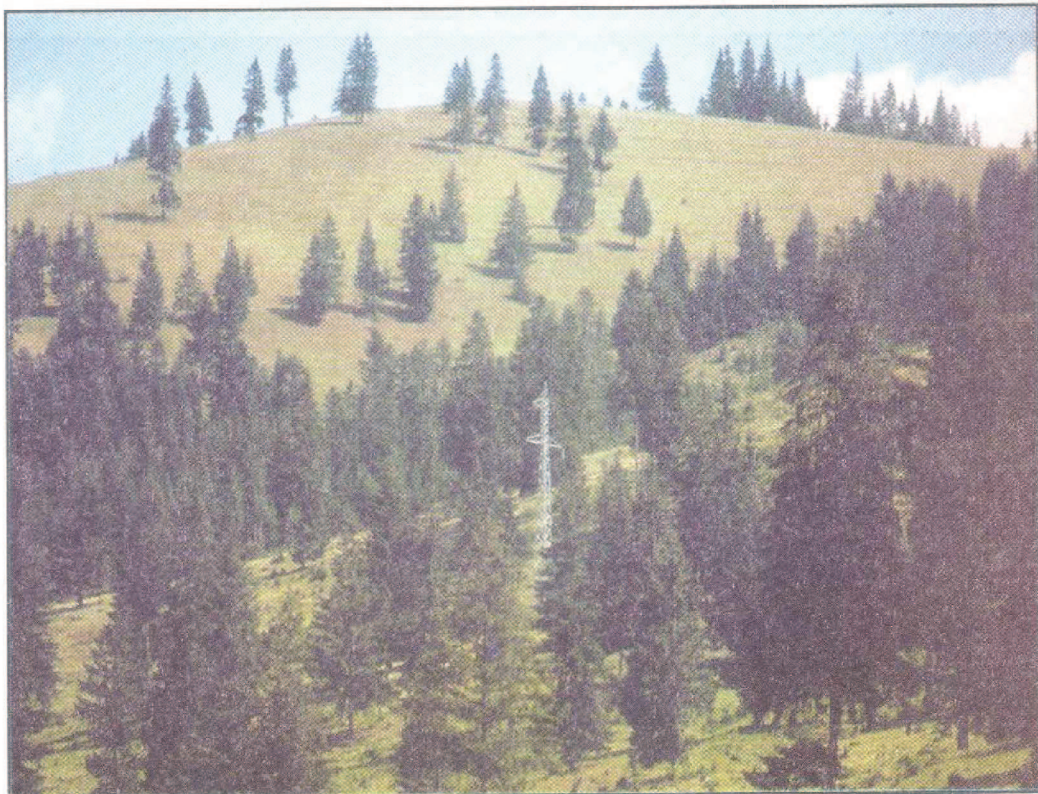


Fig. 3.
Populations of *Phlomis tuberosa*
as a component of the *Cariceto*
humilis-Brachypodium pinnati
(Székelykeresztúr,
Cristuru-Secuiesc)



Fig. 4.
Details of *Eriophoro vaginati-*
Sphagnetum with *Pinus sylvestris*
(Lucs, Hargita-Mts.)



Flor.: *Carex davalliana*, *C. panicea*, *C. dioica*, *Eriophorum latifolium*, *Valeriana simplicifolia*

Area: rare (F2, J3, J4)

Seslerietum uliginosae Soó 1941

Ecol.: fen meadows, wet places

Flor.: *Sesleria uliginosa*, *Galium boreale*, *Carex hostiana*

Area: rare (J4)

Cavici flavae-Eriophoretum Soó 1944

Ecol.: wet places, fen meadows

Flor.: *Carex flava*, *C. lepidocarpa*, *Eriophorum latifolium*, *Gymnadenia conopsea*,

Potentilla palustris, *Parnassia palustris*

Area: sporadic; locally frequent (C2, D2, D3, D4, E3, G2, J1, J2, J3, J4, J6, I1)

OXYCOCCO-SPHAGNETEA Br.-Bl. et Tx. ex Westhoff et al. 1946

(Ombotrophic bog and wet hethland vegetation of acid oligotrophic peats)

SPHAGNETALIA MAGELLANICI Kästner et Flössner 1933

Sphagnion magellanici Kästner et Flössner 1933

Eriophoro vaginati-Sphagnetum recurvi Hueck 1925

Ecol.: raised bogs, acid oligotrophic peats

Flor.: *Eriophorum vaginatum*, *Sphagnum palustre*, *S. magellanicum*, *S. fuscum*,

Vaccinium oycoccos, *Drosera rotundifolia*, *Andromeda polifolia*

Area: rare (D4, D5, F3, G1, G2, I1) [Lucs, Ördögtó, Mohos, Lassúág, Veresvíz (Apa Roşie), Torja (Turia), Rozsdapatak (Comandău)]

CHASMOPHYTIC VEGETATION

ASPENIETEA TRICHOMANIS (Br.-Bl. in Meier et Br.-Bl. 1934) Oberd. 1977

(Chasmophytic vegetation of rock faces, fissures and ledges)

TORTULO-CYMBALARIETALIA Segal 1969

Cymbalario-Asplenion Segal 1969

Asplenietum trichomanis-rutae-murariae Kuhn 1937

Ecol.: limestone rock fissures, dry sites

Flor.: *Asplenium trichomanes*, *A. ruta-muraria*, *Cystopteris fragilis*, *Moehringia muscosa*

Area: sporadic, locally frequent (E3, H1, H2, J2)

Jovibarbo soboliferae-Saxifragetum paniculatae Täuber 1987

Ecol.: limestone fissures, cracking rocks

Flor.: *Saxifraga paniculata*, *Jovibarba globifera*, *Erysimum wittmannii* subsp. *transsilvanicum*, *Campanula carpatica*

Area: rare (E1) (insufficiently studied)

Cystopteridion fragilis Richard 1972

Cystopteridetum fragilis Oberd. 1938

(Syn.: Asplenio-Cystopteridetum Oberd. 1949)

Ecol.: shadows rocky places, cracking limestones

Flor.: Asplenium trichomanes, A. viride, Cystopteris fragilis, Valeriana officinalis subsp. sambucifolia

Area: sporadic (H2, J2)

Thymo pulcherrimi-Poëtum rehmannii Coldea (1986) 1990

[Syn.: Poa rehmannii ass. Soó 1944 (art. 3b)]

Ecol.: calcareous rocky places, ledges

Flor.: Poa rehmannii, Cystopteris fragilis, Asplenium viride, Thymus pulcherrimus, Pedicularis comosa, Cerastium alpinum

Area: rare (E3)

Asplenio quadrivalenti-Poëtum nemoralis Soó 1944 ex Gergely et al. 1966

[Syn.: Poëtum nemoralis muscosum Soó 1944, Asplenio-Poëtum nemoralis Soó 1944 (art. 2), Poëtum nemoralis calcicolum Csűrös 1958 (art. 34)]

Ecol.: basiphilous rocky places, shadow sites

Flor.: Ctenidium molluscum, Asplenium trichomanes subsp. quadrivalens, Moehringia muscosa, Cystopteris fragilis, Poa nemoralis, Cardaminopsis arenosa, Sedum hispanicum

Area: sporadic (E3, J2)

ANDROSACETALIA VANDELLII Br.-Bl. in Meier et Br.-Bl. 1934

Asplenion septentrionalis Oberd. 1938

Asplenietum septentrionalis Schwickerath 1944

Ecol.: sites on volcanic and acid substrate

Flor.: Asplenium septentrionale, Campanula rotundifolia, Melica transsilvanica

Area: sporadic (C2, D4)

Asplenietum septentrionali-adianti-nigri Oberd. 1938

Ecol.: sites on volcanic substrates

Flor.: Asplenium adiantum-nigrum, Silene dubia

Area: sporadic (C2, D4, F3)

Asplenio trichomani-Poëtum nemoralis Boşcaiu 1971

Ecol.: mountaneous volcanic substrates

Flor.: Asplenium trichomanes subsp. trichomanes, Asplenium septentrionale, Poa nemoralis, Sedum maximum

Area: sporadic (D2, D4)

Sempervivetum heuffelii Schneider-Binder 1969

Ecol.: mountainous rocky places, fissures

Flor.: Jovibarba heuffelii, Asplenium septentrionale, Sedum maximum

Area: sporadic (D2)

Hypno-Polypodium Mucina 1993

Hypno-Polypodietum Jurko et Peciar 1963

Ecol.: shaded crevices, mainly on volcanic acid substrates (colline-submontane belt)

Flor.: Polypodium vulgare, Hypnum cupressiforme, Sedum maximum, Epilobium collinum, Poa nemoralis, Cardaminopsis arenosa

Area: sporadic (C2, D6)

POTENTILLETALIA CAULESCENTIS Br.-Bl. in Br.-Bl. et Jenny 1926

Gypsophilion petraeae Borhidi et Pócs 1957

Artemisio erianthae-Gypsophiletum petraeae Puşcaru et al. 1956

(Syn.: Artemisio baumgartenii-Gypsophiletum petraeae Puşcaru et al. 1956)

Ecol.: crevices and sunny calcareous places

Flor.: Gypsophila petraea, Draba kotschyi, Eritrichium nanum subsp. jankae, Androsace villosa subsp. arachnoidea, Bupleurum diversifolium

Area: rare (E3)

Saxifraga luteoviridis-Silenetum zawadzki Pawl. et Walas 1949

Ecol.: calcareous rocky places

Flor.: Silene zawadzki, Saxifraga luteoviridis, S. paniculata, Trisetum alpestre, Asplenium trichomanes,

Area: rare (E3)

THLASPIETEA ROTUNDIFOLII Br.-Bl. 1948

(Vegetation of screes, gravel river-banks and rubbles)

THLASPIETALIA ROTUNDIFOLII Br.-Bl. in Br.-Bl. et Jenny 1926

Papavero-Thymion pulcherrimi I. Pop 1968

(Syn.: Thlaspion rotundifolii Br.-Bl. 1926 em. Zollitsch 1966 p.p.)

Acino-Galietum anisophylli Beldie 1967

(Syn.: Calamintha baumgarteni-Galium anisophyllum ass. Beldie 1967)

Ecol.: calcareous screes and rubbles of subalpine belt

Flor.: Acinos alpinus subsp. baumgarteni, Galium anisophyllum, Arabis alpina, Thymus pulcherrimus

Area: rare (E3)

Sedo fabariae-Geranietum macrorrhizi Boşcaiu et Täuber 1977

Ecol.: calcareous screes and rubbles

Flor.: Geranium macrorrhizum, Arabis alpina, Geranium robertianum, Acinos alpinus, Bupleurum falcatum

Area: rare (E3)

ARCTIC, SUBALPINE AND ALPINE VEGETATION

JUNCETEA TRIFIDI Hadač in Klika et Hadač 1944

(Swards on lime-poor humic soils in the subalpine-alpine belt)

CARICETALIA CURVULAE Br.-Bl. in Br.-Bl. et Jenny 1926

Caricion curvulae Br.-Bl. in Br.-Bl. et Jenny 1926

Festucetum supinae Domin 1933 s. l.

[Syn.: *Potentillo chrysocraspedae*-*Festucetum airoidis* Boşcaiu 1971 (art. 43)]

Ecol.: mountane subalpine grasslands on poor acid soils

Flor.: *Festuca supina*, *Geum montanum*, *Potentilla ternata*, *Antennaria dioica*, *Nardus stricta*

Area: sporadic, locally frequent (D4, E3, F3, I1)

Loiseleurio-Vaccinion Br.-Bl. 1926

Empetro-Vaccinietum gaultherioidis Br.-Bl. 1926

(Syn.: *Cetrario-Vaccinietum gaultherioidis* Hadač 1956)

Ecol.: chionophilous heath with scheletic soils

Flor.: *Empetrum nigrum* (incl. subsp. *hermaphroditum*), *Vaccinium gaultherioides*, *V. myrtillus*, *V. vitis-idea*, *Juniperus sibirica*, *Cetraria islandica*

Area: rare (E3) Nagyhagymás-Mts., (I1) Bereck-Mts. (Lakóca, Vf. Lăcăuți).

CARICI RUPESTRIS-KOBRESIETEA BELLARDII Ohba 1974

(Subalpine and alpine grasslands and dwarf-shrub heaths)

OXYTROPIDO-ELYNETALIA Oberd. 1957

Oxytropido-Elynion Br.-Bl. 1949

Sileno zawadzki-Caricetum rupestris Täuber 1987

Ecol.: alpine-subalpine calcareous steep slopes

Flor.: *Carex rupestris*, *Silene zawadzki*, *Cerastium alpinum* subsp. *lanatum*, *Helianthemum alpestre*, *Dryas octopetala*

Area: rare (E3)

Achilleo schurii-Dryadetum (Beldie 1967) Coldea 1984

Ecol.: alpine calcareous rocky places

Flor.: *Dryas octopetala*, *Achillea schurii*, *Cerastium alpinum* subsp. *lanatum*, *Aster alpinus*, *Polygonum viviparum*

Area: rare (E3)

ELYNO-SESLERIETEA Br.-Bl. 1948

(Alpine and subalpine calcareous grasslands)

SESLERIETALIA ALBICANTIS Br.-Bl. 1926

Festuco saxatilis-Seslerion bielzii (Pawl. et Walas 1949) Coldea 1984

Festucetum saxatilis Domin 1933

[Syn.: *Festuca saxatilis*-*Festuca versicolor*-*Carex sempervirens* ass. Soó 1944

- p. p.; *Seslerieto-Festucetum saxatilis* Beldie 1967 (art. 25)]
 Ecol.: subalpine calcareous terraced slopes
 Flor.: *Festuca rupicola* subsp. *saxatilis*, *Carex sempervirens*, *Thymus pulcherrimus*,
Dianthus tenuifolius, *Cerastium arvense*
 Area: sporadic (E3)
- Seslerio-Festucetum versicoloris* Beldie 1967
 Syn.: *Festuca versicolor*-*Carex sempervirens* ass. Soó 1944, *Festucetum versicoloris transsilvanicum* Soó 1944 (art. 34)]
 Ecol.: subalpine rocky places
 Flor.: *Festuca versicolor*, *F. rupicola* subsp. *saxatilis*, *Carex sempervirens*,
Dryas octopetala, *Galium anisophyllum*, *Cerastium lichenfeldianum*
 Area: rare (E3)
- Diantho tenuifolii-Festucetum amethystinae* (Domin 1933) Coldea 1984
 [Syn.: *Festucetum amethystinae* Soó 1944, *Festucetum amethystinae Puşcaru et al.* 1956 (art. 36); *Festucetum amethystinae Pawlowski* 1923 transsilvanicum Nyárády 1967 (art. 34)]
 Ecol.: calcareous rocky places
 Flor.: *Festuca amethystina* subsp. *orientalis*, *Dianthus tenuifolius*, *Festuca versicolor*, *Thymus pulcherrimus*, *Festuca rupicola* subsp. *saxatilis*, *Aster alpinus*
 Area: rare: E3 (Nagyhagymás, Egyeskö, Terkő); E4-F2 (Péter, Hegyes, Szellő)
- Seslerion rigidae* Zólyomi 1939
Helictotrichetum decori Domin 1932
 (Syn.: *Festuca glauca*-*Avenastrum decorum* ass. Soó 1944)
 Ecol.: montane-subalpine rocky places
 Flor.: *Helictotrichon decorum*, *Festuca pallens*, *Carex humilis*, *Dianthus spiculifolius*, *Aster alpinus*, *Kernera saxatilis*
 Area: rare (E3)
- Festuco saxatilis-Seslerietum heuflerianae* Soó 1944
 [Syn.: *Festuca saxatilis*-*Sesleria heufleriana* ass. Soó 1944; *Seslerietum heuflerianae siculum* Soó 1944 (art. 34); *Seslerio heuflerianae-Caricetum sempervirentis* Coldea 1984 p.p]
 Ecol.: montane-subalpine calcareous rocky places, rubbles
 Flor. *Sesleria heufleriana*, *Festuca rupicola* subsp. *saxatilis*, *Ranunculus oreophilus*, *Helianthemum alpestre*, *Carex sempervirens*, *Gentiana phlogifolia*,
Iris ruthenica
 Area: rare (E3)
- Seslerio bielzii-Caricetum sempervirentis* Puşcaru et al. 1956
 [Syn.: *Seslerietum bielzii transsilvanicum Borhidi* 1958 (art. 34)]
 Ecol.: calcareous rocky places, ledges
 Flor.: *Carex sempervirens*, *Sesleria bielzii*, *Dianthus spiculifolius*, *Anthyllis vulneraria* subsp. *alpestris*, *Bupleurum diversifolium*, *Cerastium arvense*
 Area: rare (E3)

MULGEDIO-ACONITETEA Hadač et Klika in Klika et Hadač 1944

[Syn.: Betulo-Adenostyletea Br.-Bl. et R. Tx. 1943 (art. 8)]

(Tall-herb and scrub montane vegetation, moistened and fertilized by percolating water)

ADENOSTYLETALIA G. Br.-Bl. et J. Br.-Bl. 1931

Adenostylion alliariae Br.-Bl. 1926

Alnetum viridis Br.-Bl. 1918

[Syn.: Salici-Alnetum viridis Colic et al. 1962 p. p., Alnetum viridis transilvanicum Soó (1935) 1944 (art. 34)]

Ecol.: montane humid valleys, eroded slopes, rocky places of the subalpine green alder

Flor.: *Alnus viridis*, *Salix silesiaca*, *S.cinerea*, *Sorbus aucuparia*, *Calamagrostis arundinacea*

Area: sporadic (F3, I1)

Adenostylo-Doronicetum austriaci Horv. 1956

Ecol.: wet places, humid soils in montane valleys

Flor.: *Doronicum austriacum*, *Adenostyles alliariae*, *Cherophyllum hirsutum*, *Achillea distans*, *Viola biflora*, *Valeriana sambucifolia*

Area: sporadic (E3)

Polemonio coerulei-Carduetum personatae M. Sămărghitan 2000

Ecol.: slopes, places with humic accumulations

Flor.: *Cirsium waldsteinii*, *Geum rivale*, *Doronicum austriacum*, *Valeriana sambucifolia*, *Hypericum maculatum*, *Aconitum paniculatum* (*Deschampsia caespitosa*)

Area: rare (D3) (insufficiently studied)

Calamagrostion villosae Pawl. et al. 1928

[Syn.: Phleo alpini-Deschampsion Csűrös et al. 1985 (art. 25)]

Phleo alpini-Deschampsietum caespitosae (Krajina 1933) Coldea 1983

[Syn.: Deschampsietum caespitosae alpinum Csűrös et al. 1954 (art. 34)]

Ecol.: mountainous-subalpine sites, wet places, marshes

Flor.: *Deschampsia caespitosa*, *Phleum alpinum*, *Veratrum album*, *Geum montanum*, *Campanula abietina*

Area: locally frequent in the boreal and subalpine belt

Diantho compacti-Festucetum porcii A. Nyárády 1966

[Syn.: Calamagrostidetum arundinaceae subalpinum Csűrös et al. 1962 (art. 34)]

Ecol.: mountainous rocky places

Flor.: *Festuca porcii*, *Dianthus compactus*, *Calamagrostis arundinacea*, *Achillea distans*, *Knautia longifolia*, *Adenostyles alliariae*

Area: rare (E3)

Rumicion alpini Rübél ex Klika in Klika et Hadač 1944

[Syn.: Rumicion alpini Rübél 1933 (art. 8)]

Rumicetum alpini Beger 1922

[Syn.: *Rumicetum alpini carpaticum* Szafer et al. 1925 (art. 34)]

Ecol.: montane-subalpine nitrophilous lands, damp pastures

Flor.: *Rumex alpinus*, *Veratrum album*, *Geum montanum*, *Deschampsia caespitosa*, *Senecio subalpinus*, *Poa supina*

Area: frequent (D1, D2, D3, D4, D6, E2, E3, F2, F3, G2, I1)

TEMPERATE GRASSLANDS AND HEATHLANDS

MOLINIO-ARRHENATHERETEA R. Tx. 1937

(Nutrient-rich, mesic pastures, hay meadows, lawns and wet grasslands)

MOLINIETALIA Koch 1926

Molinio coeruleae Koch 1926

Molinio-Salicetum rosmarinifoliae Magyar ex Soó 1933

Ecol.: fen meadows, wet places, peaty soils

Flor.: *Salix repens* subsp. *rosmarinifolia*, *Molinia coerulea* agg.

Area: sporadic (J4)

Juncus-Molinietum coeruleae (s. l.) Preising in R. Tx. et Preising ex Klapp 1954

[Syn.: *Molinietum coeruleae* Koch 1926 (art. 36), *Potentillo erectae-Molinietum Resmerița* 1963 (art. 2b, 7)]

Ecol.: fen meadows, wet unmanured meadows, wet places, swamp-peaty soils

Flor.: *Molinia coerulea* agg., *Juncus conglomeratus*, *Achillea ptarmica*, *Potentilla erecta*, *Serratula tinctoria*, *Carex panicea*, *Succisa pratensis*, *Gentiana pneumonanthe*

Area: sporadic, locally frequent (CA, C2, D3, D6, J3, J4, F3, I1)

Filipendulion W. Koch 1926

Chaerophyllo hirsuti-Filipenduletum Niemann et al. 1973

Ecol.: montane streamsides, wet and shadow habitats

Flor.: *Filipendula ulmaria*, *Chaerophyllum hirsutum*, *Valeriana sambucifolia*, *Veratrum album*

Area: rare (D2, D4)

Filipendulo ulmariae-Geranium palustre Koch 1926

(Syn.: *Filipenduletum ulmariae* Passarge 1964)

Ecol.: damp places, river banks, margin of fens

Flor.: *Filipendula ulmaria*, *Geranium palustre*, *Carex acutiformis*, *Achillea ptarmica*

Area: frequent (D2, D4, G2, J3, J4, J6)

Lysimachio vulgaris-Filipenduletum Bal.-Tul. 1978

Ecol.: wet places, damp fields

- Flor.: Filipendula ulmaria, Lysimachia vulgaris, Lythrum salicaria
 Area: frequent (D2, D4, J3, J4, J6)
 Note: Several semi-natural communities from the all. Petasition (Galio-Urticetea) probably can be included also here instead of the synanthropic units.
- Calthion R. Tx. 1937
- Angelico-Cirsietum oleracei* R. Tx. 1937
 Ecol.: wet meadows, shadow places, fringes of forests
 Flor.: Angelica sylvestris, Cirsium oleraceum, Chaerophyllum hirsutum, Chaerophyllum aromaticum
 Area: sporadic (C1, C2, C3, D3, D4)
- Cirsietum rivularis* Nowinski 1928
 Ecol.: wet meadows, damp valleys, fens
 Flor.: Cirsium rivulare, Equisetum palustre, Epilobium hirsutum, Scirpus sylvaticus, Caltha palustris, Filipendula ulmaria
 Area: sporadic (B3, CA, D2, J3, J4)
- Scirpetum sylvatici* Ralski 1931
 Ecol.: damp meadows, river banks
 Flor.: Scirpus sylvaticus, Caltha palustris, Myosotis scorpioides, Equisetum palustre
 Area: frequent (C1, C2, D2, D4, E3, F2, F3, G2, J3, J4, J1, J2, J5, J6)
- Caricetum caespitosae* Klika et Smarda 1941
 Ecol.: wet and fen meadows, streamsides
 Flor.: Caltha palustris, Persicaria bistorta, Myosotis palustris, Scirpus sylvaticus
 Area: sporadic (G3)
- Scirpo-Cirsietum cani* Bal.-Tul. 1973
 Ecol.: fen meadows, wet places
 Flor.: Cirsium canum, Scirpus sylvaticus
 Area: sporadic (C1, C2)
- Deschampsion caespitosae* Horvatić 1930 em. Soó 1941
 (Syn.: *Agrostion albae* Soó 1933 p.p.)
Leucanthemo-Agrostenion stoloniferae (Soó 1933) Borhidi 2003
 [Syn.: *Agrostion albae* (Soó 1933) Kovács M. 1975 sub *Agrostion albae*, *Agrostion albae* Borhidi 2001]
- Agrostetum albae* M. Kovács 1955
 [Syn. *Agrostetum albae* Ujvárosi 1941 (nomen inval. art. 2b, 7); *Agrostetum albae* Burduja et al. 1956; *Agrostio-Poëtum trivialis* Soó 1938 (art. 2b, 36)]
 Ecol.: damp grasslands, wet places
 Flor.: *Agrostis stolonifera*, *Poa trivialis*, *P. pratensis*, *Deschampsia caespitosa*
 Area: frequent alongside the rivers
- Agrostio-Phalaridetum* (Ujvárosi 1947) Soó 1971
 Ecol.: wet meadows, damp places, depressions, flooding areas

- Flor.: *Phalaris arundinacea*, *Agrostis stolonifera*, *Gratiola officinalis*,
Triglochin palustre
 Area: frequent, alongside the rivers (A2, B3, G2, J3, J4, J6)
Cirsio cani-Festucetum pratensis Májovsky et Ružičková 1975
 (Syn.: *Festucetum pratensis* Soó 1938)
 Ecol.: wet meadows, rich moist soils
 Flor.: *Festuca pratensis*, *Cirsium canum*, *Poa trivialis*, *Holcus lanatus*,
Bromus mollis
 Area: frequent (C1, C2, C3, E3, G2, J3, J4, J5, J6)
Alopecurenion albae (Passarge 1964) Borhidi 2001
 [Syn.: *Alopecurenion pratensis* (Passarge 1964) Soó 1971 sub *Agrostion albae*]
Carici vulpinae-Alopecuretum pratensis (Máthé et Kovács M. 1967) Soó 1971 corr.
 Borhidi 1996
 [Syn.: *Alopecuretum pratensis* Regel 1925 s. l., Nowinski 1928 (art. 36),
Carici-Alopecuretum pratensis Soó 1971 (art. 3), *Ranunculo repentis-*
Alopecuretum pratensis Ellmauer 1993 p.p.]
 Ecol.: wet meadows, damp places
 Flor.: *Alopecurus pratensis*, *Carex vulpina*, *C. hirta*, *Lathyrus pratensis*,
Lychnis flos-cuculi
 Area: frequent (B2, B3, C2, C3, D2, G2, J3, J4, J5, J6)
Deschampsenion caespitosae (Horvatić 1930) Borhidi 2001
Agrostio-Deschampsietum caespitosae Ujvárosi 1947
 (Syn.: *Agrostideto-Deschampsietum* Soó 1944)
 Ecol.: damp grasslands, wet places
 Flor.: *Deschampsia caespitosa*, *Agrostis stolonifera*, *Succisella inflexa*,
Ranunculus repens, *Inula salicina*, *Carex panicea*, *Plantago altissima*
 Area: frequent (B2, B3, C1, C2, E3, F2, G2, J3, J4, J6)
- ARRHENATHERETALIA R. Tx. 1931
Arrhenatherion elatioris Koch 1926
Pastinaco-Arrhenatheretum (Knapp 1954) Passarge 1964
 (Syn.: *Arrhenatheretum elatioris* Br.-Bl. 1919 s.l.)
 Ecol.: meadows of well drained, fertile soils of lower altitudes
 Flor.: *Arrhenatherum elatius*, *Dactylis glomerata*, *Avenula pubescens*, *Pastinaca*
sativa, *Campanula patula*, *Geranium pratense*, *Crepis biennis*, *Tragopogon*
orientale
 Area: frequent (B2, B3, C1, C2, C3, E3, G2, G3, J3, J4, J6)
Alopecuro-Arrhenatheretum (Máthé et Kovács 1960) Soó 1971
 Ecol.: wet meadows, damp rich soils
 Flor.: *Arrhenatherum elatius*, *Alopecurus pratensis*, *Sanguisorba officinalis*,
Geranium pratense
 Area: sporadic (D2, J3, J4, J6)

- Poo-Trisetetum flavescens* Knapp ex Oberd. 1957
 Ecol.: montane meadows on fertile soils
 Flor.: *Poa pratensis*, *Trisetum flavescens*, *Centaurea melanocalathia*
 Area: sporadic (D2, D3, D4, E3, E4, F2, G2)
- Cynosurion cristati* R. Tx. 1947
Lolio-Cynosuretum R. Tx. 1937
 Ecol.: mesotrophic grasslands on fertile soils
 Flor.: *Lolium perenne*, *Cynosurus cristatus*, *Festuca rubra*
 Area: frequent (B2, B3, C2, C3, G2, G3, H1)
- Trifolio repenti-Lolietum* Krippelová 1967
 (Syn.: *Lolio-Trifolietum repentis* Resmerița, Spîrchez et Csűrös 1967)
 Ecol.: fertile pastures, rich soils on rivers valley
 Flor.: *Trifolium repens*, *Lolium perenne*, *Lotus corniculatus*
 Area: frequent (A1, B3, B4, C2, C3, G3, J6)
- Festuco rubrae-Agrostietum* M. Csűrös-Káptalan 1964
 Ecol.: mesic, moderat humid sites, grasslands on the hilly and mountainous region
 Flor.: *Agrostis capillaris*, *Festuca rubra*, *Anthoxanthum odoratum*, *Trifolium montanum*
 Area: common, mostly in the hilly region
- Agrosti-Festucetum rubrae* Csűrös et Resmerița 1960
 Ecol.: mountainous grasslands on acid and oligomesobasic soils
 Flor.: *Festuca rubra*, *Agrostis capillaris*, *Centaurea melanocalathia*, *Achillea distans*, *Hieracium aurantiacum*, *Hypericum maculatum*
 Area: common, mostly in the mountains
- Festuco rubrae-Deschampsietum* F. Rațiu et Gergely 1978
 Ecol.: mountainous damp grasslands, wet places, mountain depressions
 Flor.: *Festuca rubra*, *Deschampsia caespitosa*, *Nardus stricta*, *Juncus effusus*, *J. articulatus*, *Veratrum album*, *Potentilla erecta*
 Area: frequent (D3, D4, D6, F2, F3, G2, J1, J2, J3, J4, J4, J6)
 Note: The mountainous grasslands dominated by coenoses of *Deschampsia caespitosa* can not be included in to the alliance of „*Deschampsion*” or in „*Clamagrostion villosae*”, they show several transition and presents more coenological relations with the grasslands of „*Potentillion anserinae*”.
- Polygono-Trisetion* Br.-Bl. et Tx. ex Marschall 1947 nom. inv.
 [Syn.: *Trisetio-Polygonion* Br.-Bl. et Tx. 1943 (art. 2b.)]
Geranio sylvatici-Trisetetum Knapp ex Oberd. 1957
 (Syn.: *Trisetetum flavescens* Rübel 1911 s. l.)
 Ecol.: mountain hay meadows
 Flor.: *Geranium sylvaticum*, *Trisetum flavescens*, *Alchemilla monticola*, *Centaurea pseudophrygia*, *Polygonum bistorta*
 Area: sporadic (D1, F3)

- POTENTILLO-POLYGONETALIA R. Tx. 1947
 Potentillion anserinae R. Tx. 1937
 [Syn.: Agrostion stoloniferae Görs in Oberd. et al. 1967 (art. 29, 31, 36) non Agropyro-
 Rumicion crispum Nordhagen 1940 (art. 36)]
- Dactylido-Festucetum arundinaceae* R. Tx. ex Lohmeyer 1953
 Ecol.: wet places, flooding area of rivers
 Flor.: Festuca arundinacea, Dactylis glomerata, Trifolium repens
 Area: sporadic (B2, C2, C3, J6)
- Potentilletum anserinae* Felföldy 1942
 [Syn.: Lolio-Potentilletum anserinae Knapp 1946 (art. 2b)]
 Ecol.: damp and waste places
 Flor.: Potentilla anserina, Lolium perenne, Juncus inflexus, Trifolium fragiferum,
 Poa annua
 Area: common in disturbed pastures
- Ranunculetum repentis* Knapp ex Oberd. 1957
 Ecol.: damp places, wet grasslands
 Flor.: Ranunculus repens, Rorippa sylvestris, Inula britannica, Mentha pulegium
 Area: frequent in disturbed pastures
- Ranunculo repentis-Alopecuretum geniculati* R. Tx. 1937
 Ecol.: wet places, small depressions
 Flor.: Ranunculus repens, Alopecurus geniculatus, Agrostis stolonifera,
 Rumex crispus
 Area: sporadic in wetlands
- Agropyro repentis-Rorippetum austriacae* (Timár 1947) R. Tx. 1950
 Ecol.: wet places, damp grasslands, river banks
 Flor.: Elytrigia (Agropyron) repens, Rorippa austriaca, R. sylvestris
 Area: frequent in wetlands
- Rumici crispi-Agrostietum stoloniferae* Moor 1958
 Ecol.: wet places, flooding areas
 Flor.: Rumex crispus, Agrostis stolonifera, Mentha pulegium, Potentilla
 reptans, P. anserina
 Area: frequent in flood-basins
- Lythro-Calamagrostietum epigei* I. Pop 1968
 Ecol.: riverbanks, flood plains, wet fields and ponds
 Flor.: Calamagrostis epegeios, Lythrum salicaria, Epilobium hirsutum
 Area: frequent, mostly near the streamsides
- Juncetum effusi* Soó (1931) 1949
 Ecol.: wet and damp places mostly on acid soils
 Flor.: Juncus effusus, J. conglomeratus, Ranunculus repens, Mentha aquatica
 Area: frequent in the submontane region
- Juncetum tenuis* (Diemont et al. 1940) R. Tx. 1950
 Ecol.: damp and shaded places, forest glades

Flor.: *Juncus tenuis*, *Poa annua*, *Prunella vulgaris*

Area: frequent

Junco inflexi-Menthetum longifoliae Lohmeyer 1953

Ecol.: marshes, ditches, wet fields and ponds

Flor.: *Mentha longifolia*, *Juncus inflexus*, *Holcus lanatus*

Area: common

CALLUNO-ULICETEA Br.-Bl. et R. Tx. ex Westhoff et al. 1946

(Temperate and boreal grasslands and heathlands on nutrient-poor soils)

NARDETALIA Oberd. ex Preising 1949

Violion caninae Schwickerath 1944

Hieracio pilosellae-Nardetum strictae I. Pop et al. 1990

[Syn.: *Xeronardetum* Soó 1931; *Festuco-Nardetum strictae montanum* Csűrös et Resm. 1960 (art. 34); *Polygalo vulgaris-Nardetum* Oberd. 1957 p.p.]

Ecol.: hilly-montane grassy swards on poor acid soils

Flor.: *Nardus stricta*, *Festuca rubra*, *Polygala vulgaris*, *Viola canina*, *Hieracium pilosella* *Antennaria dioica*

Area: common, locally frequent (C1, C2, D6, F2, F3, G2, J1, J2, J3, J4)

Carici-Nardetum strictae Resmerița et Pop 1986

(Syn.: *Hygronardetum strictae* Borza 1934)

Ecol.: wet places, montane sites on gleyic soils

Flor.: *Nardus stricta*, *Festuca rubra*, *Carex leporina*, *C. flava*, *Potentilla ternata*

Area: frequent (C1, C2, C3, D3, D4, D6, E2, G2, F2, F3, J3, J4, J5, J6)

Scorzonero roseae-Festucetum nigricantis (Pușcaru et al. 1956) Coldea 1987

[Syn.: *Festucetum rubrae montanum* Csűrös et Resmerița 1960 (art. 34)]

Ecol.: montane grasslands on poor acid soils

Flor.: *Festuca nigrescens*, *Nardus stricta*, *Hieracium aurantiacum*, *Scorzonera rosea*, *Campanula abietina*

Area: common, locally frequent (C2, D3, D4, D6, E1, E2, E3, E4, F2, F3, G2, G3, I1)

Junipero communis-Nardetum Al. Kovács et Csűrös 1977 ex Al. Kovács 1981

Ecol.: grassy swards with juniper bushes on acid soils

Flor.: *Veronica officinalis*, *Luzula luzuloides*, *Nardus stricta*, *Juniperus communis*, *Betula pendula*, *Vaccinium myrtillus*

Area: sporadic (G2, F3)

Note: Probably it is a successional stage from the grasslands to bushes and woods (*Violion caninae*, *Luzulo-Fagion*, *Hieracio-Quercion*).

Festuco-Genistetum sagittalis Issler 1927

Ecol.: border of forests, open woodlands

Flor.: *Festuca rubra*, *Genista sagittalis*, *Nardus stricta*, *Antennaria dioica*

Area: sporadic (D4, D6, F2, F3)

Nardion strictae Br.-Bl. in Br.-Bl. et Jenny 1926

Viola declinatae-Nardetum strictae Simon 1966

[Syn.: Nardetum strictae subalpinum Buia et al. 1962; Nardetum strictae alpinum Buia et al. 1962 (art. 34)]

Ecol.: chionophilous grassy swards on acid soils in the montane-subalpine belt

Flor.: Nardus stricta, Viola declinata, Campanula abietina, Poa media

Area: frequent in the subalpine-alpine belt (D3, D4, D6, E3, F1, F2, F3, I1, J1, J2)

Note: In the new approach of the chionophilous grassy swards the subalpine-alpine Nardus-pastures (Nardion strictae for the Alps and Carpathians and the Potentillo ternatae-Nardion for the mountains of the eastern Balkans) are included in the ord. Caricetalia curvulae, class. Juncetea trifidi.

Dry grasslands of subcontinental temperate regions

FESTUCO-BROMETEA Br.-Bl. et R. Tx. ex Klika et Hadač 1944

(Rocky steppes, steppes and continental sandy grasslands of the temperate and subboreal regions)

STIPO PULCHERRIMAE-FESTUCETALIA PALLENTIS Pop 1968

Seslerio-Festucion pallentis Klika 1931

Asplenio rutaemurariae-Melicetum ciliatae Soó 1962

Ecol.: calcareous rocky places

Flor.: Melica ciliata, Asplenium rutaemuraria, Jovibarba hirta

Area: sporadic (E3, H2)

Helictotricho decori-Festucetum pallentis (Soó 1944) Gergely 1972

[Syn.: Festuca glauca-Avenastrum decorum ass. Soó 1944]

Ecol.: calcareous rocky places

Flor.: Festuca pallens, Helictotrichum decorum, Carex humilis, Biscutella laevigata, Saxifraga paniculata, Campanula sibirica

Area: rare (C3, E3, H2)

Thymo comosi-Festucion rupicola Pop 1968

Thymo comosi-Festucetum rupicola (Csűrös et Gergely 1959) Pop et Hodişan 1985

[Syn.: Festucetum sulcatae calcophilum Csűrös et Gergely 1959, Festucetum rupicola montanum Beldie 1967 (art. 34)]

Ecol.: rocky and stony places, rendzina soils

Flor.: Festuca rupicola, Thymus comosus, Potentilla arenaria, Acinos arvensis, Helianthemum nummularium, Allium senescens subsp. montanum

Area: sporadic (B4, C3, D2, H2)

Thymo comosi-Caricetum humilis (Zólyomi 1939) Morariu et Danciu 1974

[Syn. Caricetum humilis transsilvanicum Zólyomi 1939 (art. 34)]

Ecol.: dry sites, stony places, rendzinas

- Flor.: Carex humilis, Thymus comosus, Festuca pallens, Teucrium montanum,
Allium flavum, Sedum album
Area: sporadic (D2, E3, G3)
- Carici humilis-Stipetum joannis* Pop et Hodişan 1985
Ecol.: dry grasslands
Flor.: Carex humilis, Stipa joannis, Veronica austriaca
Area: sporadic (B4)
- Melico ciliatae-Stipetum pulcherrimae* Pop et Hodişan 1985
Ecol.: dry rocky grasslands
Flor.: Stipa pulcherrima, Melica ciliata, Hieracium bupleuroides
Area: sporadic (B3, B4)
- Melico-Phleetum montani* Gergely et al. 1967
Ecol.: dry rocky and stony places
Flor.: Melica ciliata, Phleum montanum, Agropyron intermedium
Area: sporadic (B3, B4, H2)

FESTUCETALIA VALESIIACAE Br.-Bl. et R. Tx. ex Br.-Bl. 1949

Festucion rupicolae Soó 1940 corr. 1964

(Syn.: Festucion sulcatae Soó 1929)

- Stipetum capillatae* (Hueck 1931) Krausch 1961
Ecol.: sunny slopes, dry sites
Flor.: Stipa capillata, Festuca rupicola, Anthericum ramosum
Area: sporadic (A1, B2, B3, B4, C2, C3)
- Cariceto humilis-Festucetum rupicolae* Soó 1947 corr. Kovács 2002
Ecol.: dry habitats, sunny slopes
Flor.: Festuca rupicola, Carex humilis, Jurinea mollis, Astragalus austriacus
Area: sporadic (A1, B2, B3, B4)
- Cleistogeni-Festucetum rupicolae* Zólyomi 1958
Ecol.: dry slopes, ridges mainly on calcareous and marly substrata
Flor.: Festuca rupicola, Cleistogenes scrotina, Bothriochloa ischaemum,
Chamaecytisus austriacus, Stachys recta
Area: sporadic (A1, B3, G3, J6)
- Agrosti-Festucetum rupicolae* M. Csűrös-Káptalan 1964 (nom. mut. propos.)
(Syn.: Agrosti-Festucetum sulcatae M. Csűrös-Káptalan 1964, 1971)
Ecol.: dry grasslands on the hilly area
Flor.: Agrostis capillaris, Festuca rupicola, Medicago falcata, Pulsatilla montana,
Veronica orchidea
Area: common (A1, A2, B1, B2, B3, B4, CA, C1, C2, C3, D2, G2, G3, H1,
H2, J3, J6)
- Bothriochloetum ischaemi* (Krist 1937) I. Pop 1977
Ecol.: degraded slopes, dry grasslands
Flor.: Bothriochloa ischaemum, Artemisia campestris, Thymus pannonicus

- Area: sporadic (A1, B2, B3, B4, C1, C2, C3, G2, G3, H2, J6).
Helianthemo cani-Festucetum valesiaca Soó 1944 corr. hoc loco
 (Syn.: *Festuca valesiaca* ass. Soó 1944, ch sp. *Helianthemum canum*)
 Ecol.: sunny slopes, basic rocks and stony places
 Flor.: *Festuca valesiaca*, *Helianthemum canum*, *Phleum montanum*, *Potentilla arenaria*
 Area: sporadic (C2, C3, G3)
Potentillo arenariae-Festucetum pseudovinae Soó (1938) 1940
 [Syn.: *Festucetum pseudovinae potentilletosum arenariae* Soó 1938;
Festucetum pseudovinae Bojko 1931 (art. 2b, 36)]
 Ecol.: degraded habitats on sandy and stony soils
 Flor.: *Festuca pseudovina*, *Potentilla arenaria*, *Koeleria gracilis*, *Poa bulbosa*
 Area: sporadic (J6) Rétyi Nyír (Reci), Perkő-Kézdiszentlélek (Sânzieni)
Artemisietum ponticae-sericeae Soó (1927) 1942
 Ecol.: eroded slopes, sunny places
 Flor.: *Artemisia pontica*, *Diplachne serotina*, *Artemisia campestris*, *Asyneuma canescens*, *Elymus hispidus*
 Area: sporadic (A1, B3, B4)
 Note: Other dry grassland communities like *Medicagini-Festucetum valesiaca* Wagner 1941 or *Agrosti-Festucetum valesiaca* Borisavljevic et al. 1955, are frequently cited but after the original diagnoses they cannot be present in the studied area (Kovács J. A. 2002ab).

BROMETALIA ERECTI Br.-Bl. 1936

Bromion erecti Br.-Bl. 1936

Onobrychido viciaefoliae-Brometum erecti T. Müller 1966

(Syn.: *Brometum erecti* Scherer 1925 s.l.)

Ecol.: dry grasslands on base-rich soils

Flor.: *Bromus erectus*, *Onobrychis viciaefolia*, *Coronilla varia*, *Carex ontana*, *Anthyllis vulneraria*

Area: sporadic (A1, B2, B3, B4, C2, C3)

Cirsio pannonici-Brachypodion pinnati Hadač et Klika in Hadač et Klika 1944

Cariceto humilis-Brachypodietum pinnati Soó 1947

Ecol.: mesic-dry hilly habitats on soft easily sliding marly and sandy soils

Flor.: *Brachypodium rupestre*, *Carex humilis*, *Securigera varia*, *Astragalus monspessulanus*, *Jurinea mollis*, *Onobrychis viciifolia*

Area: locally frequent (A1, A2, B1, B2, B3, B4, C1, C2, C3, G2, G3)

Dorycnio herbacei-Seslerietum heufleriana A. J. Kovács (1994) 2003

Ecol.: abrupt and easily sliding slopes, ridges, marly places of hills

Flor.: *Sesleria heufleriana*, *Dorycnium herbaceum*, *Cephalaria radiata*, *Linum hirsutum*

Area: locally frequent (B3, B4, C1, C2)

Danthonio alpinae-Brachypodium pinnati Boşcaiu 1970

Festuco rupicolae-Danthonietum Csűrös et al. 1961

Ecol.: moderate slopes, small plateaux, ridge of hills

Flor.: Danthonia alpina, Festuca rupicola, Astragalus monspessulanus,
Pseudolysimachion spicatum, Chamaecytisus albus

Area: locally frequent (B2, B3, C1, C2)

Festuco rubrae-Danthonietum Csűrös et al. 1968

Ecol.: ridges of hills, plateaux, slopes with warmsoils

Flor.: Festuca rubra, Danthonia alpina, Potentilla alba, Inula salicina, Ferulago
sylvatica

Area: locally frequent (B3, C1, C2, C3, J4)

Danthonio-Brachypodietum pinnati Soó 1947

Ecol.: slighty slopes, sunny places

Flor.: Brachypodium rupestre, Danthonia alpina, Festuca rupicola, Aster
linosyris, Peucedanum cervaria

Area: sporadic; locally frequent (B1, B3, CA, C2)

Continental alkali vegetation

THERO-SUAEDETEA Vicherek 1973 em. Borhidi 2003

(Salt-marsh vegetation of continental short lived succulents and saline wet meadows)

CHAMPHOROSMO-SALICORNIALIA Borhidi 1996

Salicornion prostratae Soó 1933 corr. Borhidi 1996

[Syn.: Salicornion herbaceae Soó 1933 (art. 43)]

Salicornietum prostratae Soó 1947 corr. 1964

[Syn.: Salicornietum herbaceae Soó 1927 (art. 36); Salicornietum europeae
auct. (art. 34, 36)]

Ecol.: salt pans, bottom of drying salty lakes and mud

Flor.: Salicornia prostrata, Spergularia salina, Puccinellia limosa, Crypsis
aculeata

Area: sporadic (CA, C3)

CRYPsidETALIA ACULEATAE Vicherek 1973

Cypero-Spergularion salinae Slavnic 1948

Atriplicetum prostratae Wenzl 1934 corr. Gutermann et Mucina 1993

Ecol.: salty mud, bottom of lakes

Flor.: Atriplex prostrata, Aster tripolium

Area: sporadic (C3)

Chenopodietum urbici Soó 1947

Ecol.: moderate salty sites

Flor.: Chenopodium urbicum, Polygonum arenastrum

Area: sporadic (C3)

FESTUCO-PUCCINELLIETEA Soó 1968 em. Borhidi 2003

(Continental salt-marshes, salt-pans and salt-grasslands in eastern Europe)

FESTUCO-PUCCINELLIETALIA Soó 1968

Puccinellion limosae Soó 1933

Puccinellietum limosae Magyar ex Soó 1933

Ecol.: moist salt pans, salty soils and wet sites

Flor.: *Puccinellia limosa*, *Aster tripolium* subsp. *pannonicus*, *Plantago maritima*,
Limonium gmelini, *Lotus tenuis*

Area: sporadic (A1, CA, C2, C3)

SCORZONERO-JUNCETALIA GERARDII Vicherec 1973

Scorzonero-Juncion gerardii (Wendelberg. 1943) Vicherec 1973

Triglochineto palustris-Asteretum pannonicum Sanda et Popescu 1979

Ecol.: wet salty places

Flor.: *Aster tripolium* subsp. *pannonicus*, *Triglochin palustre*, *Puccinellia limosa*

Area: rare (CA, C2, C3)

Scorzonero parviflorae-Juncetum gerardi (Wenzl 1934) Wendelberg. 1943

Ecol.: moist salt pans, wet places

Flor.: *Juncus gerardi*, *Scorzonera parviflora*, *Agrostis stolonifera*, *Eleocharis palustris*

Area: rare (CA, C3)

Agrostio-Caricetum distantis Rapaics ex Soó 1938

Ecol.: wet and salty places near the mineral water sources

Flor.: *Scorzonera parviflora*, *Agrostis stolonifera*, *Carex distans*, *Juncus gerardi*

Area: sporadic (G1, G2)

ARTEMISIO-FESTUCETALIA PSEUDOVINAE Soó 1968

Festucion pseudovinae Soó 1933

Artemisio-Festucetum pseudovinae Soó in Máthé 1933 corr. Borhidi 1996

(Syn.: *Artemisietum salinae* Soó 1927)

Ecol.: grasslands on salty soils

Flor.: *Artemisia santonicum* subsp. *monogyna*, *Festuca pseudovina*, *Puccinellia limosa*, *Gypsophila muralis*, *Limonium gmelini*

Area: sporadic (C3)

Fringe vegetation of woodland margins

TRIFOLIO-GERANIETEA SANGUINEI T. Müller 1962

(Herbaceous vegetation of woodland margins)

ORIGANETALIA VULGARIS T. Müller 1961

Geranion sanguinei R. Tx. in T. Müller 1961

Galio-Dictamnenum Gils et Kovács 1977

Ecol.: woodland margins, sunny places

Flor.: *Galium glaucum*, *Dictamnus albus*, *Clematis recta*, *Inula hirta*

Area: sporadic (A2, B3, B4, H2)

Inulo ensifoliae-Peucedanetum cervariae Kozłowska 1925 em. Van Gils et Kovács 1977

[Syn.: *Geranio-Peucedanietum cervariae* (Kuhn 1937) T. Müller 1961 (art. 29)]

Ecol.: sunny steep slopes, ridges of hills, basic soils mainly in SW exposition

Flor.: *Inula ensifolia*, *Peucedanum cervaria*, *Artemisia pontica*, *Aster linosyris*, *Thalictrum minus*

Area: sporadic, locally frequent (A2, B2, B3, B4)

Clematido recti-Laserpitietum latifolii Schneider-Binder 1984

Ecol.: shadow of shrubs and forests, N, NE slopes

Flor.: *Laserpitium latifolium*, *Clematis recta*, *Polygonatum odoratum*, *Anthericum ramosum*, *Peucedanum oreoselinum*

Area: sporadic (B1, B2, B3, C1, C2, E2, H1)

Trifolion medii T. Müller 1961

Trifolio medii-Agrimonetum T. Müller 1962

[Syn.: *Origano-Agrimonetum* Kovács Al. (1979) 1981]

Ecol.: border of mesic forests

Flor.: *Agrimonia eupatoria*, *Trifolium medium*, *Achillea millefolium*, *Origanum vulgare*, *Centaurea jacea*

Area: sporadic (C2, C3, G2, H2)

Stachyo-Melampyretum bihariensis Coldea et Pop 1992

Ecol.: borders of oak-hornbeam tree forests, mesic fringes

Flor.: *Melampyrum bihariense*, *Stachys officinalis*, *Inula bifrons*, *Agrostis capillaris*, *Vincetoxicum officinale*

Area: frequent (B1, B2, B3, C1, C2, C3, G3, H1, H2)

SYNANTHROPIC VEGETATION

Weed communities

STELLARIETEA MEDIAE R. Tx., Lohm. et Prsg. ex von Rochow 1951

(Weed communities of arable crops, gardens and waste places)

PAPAVERETALIA RHOEADIS Hüppe et Hofmeister 1990

(Syn.: *Centauretalia cyani* R. Tx., Lohm. et Prsg. In R. Tx. 1950 p.p.)

Caucalio platycarpi (R. Tx. 1950) ex von Rochow 1951

Stachyo annuae-Setarietum pumilae Felföldy 1942 corr. Mucina 1993

[Syn.: *Stachyo annuae-Setarietum glaucae* Felföldy 1942 (art. 43); *Stachyetum annuae* Soó 1932 (art. 36)]

- Ecol.: cultivated stubble fields, fixed soils
 Flor.: *Setaria pumila*, *Stachys annua*, *Oxalis europea*, *Consolida regalis*,
Anagallis arvensis
 Area: frequent especially in the Transylvanian Plain (A1, A2, B1, B2, B3, B4,
 C1, C2, C3)
- Echinochloo-Setarietum pumilae* Felföldy 1942 corr. Mucina 1993
 [Syn.: *Echinochloo-Setarietum glaucae* Felföldy 1942 (art. 43)]
 Ecol.: cultivated arable lands
 Flor.: *Echinochloa crus-galli*, *Setaria pumila*, *Amaranthus retroflexus*, *Galingsoga
 parviflora*
 Area: frequent (A1, A2, B1, B2, B3, B4, C1, C2, C3)
- Veronico-Euphorbion Sissingh ex Passarge 1964
Veronicetum trilobae-triphyllidi Slavnic 1951
 Ecol.: base-rich soils of sunny slopes, vineyards and orchards
 Flor.: *Veronica hederifolia* agg., *V. triphyllus*, *V. polita*, *Lamium amplexicaule*
 Area: sporadic (A1, A2, B1, B2, B3)
- SPERGULETALIA ARVENSIS Hüppe et Hofmeister 1990
 [Syn.: *Chenopodietalia* sensu Mucina 1993 (art. 36)]
 Scleranthion annui (Kruseman et Vlieger 1939) Sissingh in Westhoff et al. 1946
Sclerantho-Trifolietum arvensis Morariu 1943
 Ecol.: cultivated ground, stubble fields
 Flor.: *Scleranthus annuus*, *Trifolium arvense*, *Spergula arvensis*, *Centaurea
 cyanus*
 Area: sporadic (J3, J4, J5, J6)
- Spergulo-Aperetum spicae-venti* Soó (1953) 1962
 Ecol.: cultivated field, acid-sandy soils
 Flor.: *Apera spica-venti*, *Spergula arvensis*, *Anthemis ruthenica*
 Area: locally frequent (J4, J5, J6)
- Setario pumilae-Digitarietum sanguinalis* Felföldy 1942 corr. Borhidi 1996
 Ecol.: cultivated ground, sandy soils
 Flor.: *Digitaria sanguinalis*, *Setaria pumila*, *Eragrostis minor*
 Area: sporadic (B1, B2, B3, B4, C2, C3)
- LOLIO REMOTI-LINETALIA J. Tx. et R. Tx. in Lohmeyer et al. 1962
 Lolio remoti-Linion R. Tx. 1950
Lolium temulentum-Linetum usitatissimi Timár 1952
 Ecol.: cultivated grounds, flax fields
 Flor.: *Lolium temulentum*, *Lathyrus aphaca*
 Area: sporadic (C2, F2, J3, J4)

- ERAGROSTETALIA J. Tx. ex Poli 1966
 Amarantho-Chenopodion albi Morariu 1943
 [Syn.: Consolido-Eragrostion minoris Soó et Timár 1957 (art. 29.)]
Amarantho-Chenopodietum albi (Morariu 1943) Soó 1947
 Ecol.: arable lands and gardens
 Flor.: *Amaranthus retroflexus*, *Chenopodium album*, *Galingsoga parviflora*,
Solanum nigrum
 Area: common
- Convolvulo-Portulacetum* Ubrizsy 1949
 Ecol.: cultivated fields, gardens, vineyards
 Flor.: *Portulaca oleracea*, *Convolvulus arvensis*, *Stellaria media*, *Lamium
 aplexicaule*
 Area: sporadic (B2, B3)
- Lolio-Cynodontetum dactylidi* Jarolímek et al. 1997
 [Syn.: *Cynodon dactylon* ass. Felföldy 1942 (art. 36)]
 Ecol.: margins of fieldways, alongside the pathways and roads
 Flor.: *Cynodon dactylon*, *Eragrostis minor*, *Lolium perenne*
 Area: sporadic (A1, B4)
- SISYMBRIETALIA J. Tx. in Lohm. et al 1962
 Sisymbrium officinalis R. Tx. Lohm. et Prsg. ex von Rochow 1951
Hordeetum murini Libbert 1938
 Ecol.: alongside roads, waste and rough ground
 Flor.: *Hordeetum murinum*, *Chenopodium album*, *Sisymbrium officinale*
 Area: frequent as small stands
- Erigeronto-Lactucetum serriolae* Lohm. in Oberd. 1957
 Ecol.: uncultivated arable lands,
 Flor.: *Conyza canadensis*, *Lactuca serriola*, *Erigeron annuus*, *Apera spica-venti*,
Cirsium arvense
 Area: frequent (B4, C3)
- Malvion neglectae* (Gutte 1966) Hejny 1978
Hyoscyamo-Malvetum neglectae Aichinger 1933
 (Syn.: *Malvetum neglectae* Felföldy 1942)
 Ecol.: waste ground alongside the roads, courtyards
 Flor.: *Malva neglecta*, *Polygonum arenastrum*, *Verbena officinalis*
 Area: frequent (A1, B2, B4, C3)
- Malvo neglectae-Chenopodietum vulvariae* Gutte 1966
 Ecol.: courtyards, waste grounds
 Flor.: *Malva neglecta*, *Chenopodium vulvaria*, *Polygonum arenastrum*, *Poa
 annua*
 Area: sporadic (B4, C3)

ARTEMISIETEA VULGARIS Lohm. et al. ex von Rochow 1951
(Perennial and thistle-rich subxerophilous ruderal communities of temperate region)

ONOPORDETALIA ACANTRHII Br.-Bl. et R. Tx. ex Klika et Hadač 1944

Onopordion acanthii Br.-Bl. et al. 1936

Carduo acanthoidis-Onopordetum acanthii Soó ex Timár 1955

Ecol.: waste and rough ground, pastures, uncultivated lands

Flor.: Onopordon acanthium, Carduus acanthoides, Artemisia vulgaris, Bromus sterilis

Area: sporadic (A1, A2, B2, B3, B4)

Dauco-Melilotion Görs 1966

Melilotetum albo-officinalis Sissingh 1950

Ecol.: uncultivated and degraded lands, alongside railways

Flor.: Melilotus albus, M. officinalis, Echium vulgare, Centaurea micrantha, Reseda luteola

Area: frequent (A1, A2, B1, B2, B3, B4, C1, C2, C3)

Dauco-Picridetum Görs 1966

Ecol.: uncultivated lands, alongside roads

Flor.: Daucus carota, Picris hieracioides, Centaurea micranthos, Crepis rheadifolia

Area: frequent (B2, B3, B4, C3)

Tanaceto-Artemisietum vulgaris Sissingh 1950

Ecol.: waste places, uncultivated fields, alongside roads

Flor.: Tanacetum vulgare, Artemisia vulgaris, Cichorium intybus, Daucus carota, Picris hieracioides, Inula britannica

Area: common

Poo compressae-Tussilaginetum R. Tx. 1931

Ecol.: disturbed ground, open habitats, sliding slopes, ditches

Flor.: Tussilago farfara, Poa compressa, Ranunculus repens, Rumex obtusifolius, Juncus bufonius

Area: common

Calamagrostis epigeios derivate community (DC)

Ecol.: uncultivated lands, eroded field

Flor.: Calamagrostis epigeios, Erigeron annuus, Daucus carota

Area: common

Arction lappae R. Tx. 1937

Conietum maculati I. Pop (1965) 1968

Ecol.: damp ground, roadside bank ditches

Flor.: Conium maculatum, Elymus repens, Urtica dioica, Ballota nigra

Area: common

Arctietum lappae Felföldy 1942

(Syn.: Arctio-Ballotetum nigrae Morariu 1943)

- Ecol.: rough ground, waysides, hedgerows
 Flor.: *Arctium lappa*, *A. tomentosum*, *Ballota nigra*, *Leonurus cardiaca*,
Carduus acanthoides
 Area: frequent (A1, B2, B3, B4, C3)
- Carduetum acanthoidis* Felföldy 1942
 Ecol.: degraded fields, pastures
 Flor.: *Carduus acanthoides*, *Artemisia vulgaris*, *Urtica dioica*, *Elymus repens*
 Area: frequent A1, B1, B2, B3, B4, C2, C3, G3)
- Arctio-Artemisietum vulgaris* Oberd. et al. ex Seybold et Müller 1972
 Ecol.: rough grounds, waysides, disturbed fields
 Flor.: *Arctium lappa*, *Artemisia vulgaris*, *Elymus repens*
 Area: sporadic (B2, B3, B4, C2, C3, G3)
- Cirsietum lanceolati-arvensis* Morariu 1943
 Ecol.: uncultivated lands, degraded fields
 Flor.: *Cirsium lanceolatum*, *C. arvense*, *Elymus repens*, *Conyza canadensis*
 Area: frequent (A1, B1, B3, B4? C2, C3)
- Balloto-Malvetum sylvestris* Gutte 1966
 (Syn.: *Malvetum sylvestris* Todor et al. 1971)
 Ecol.: uncultivated fields, fences, waysides
 Flor.: *Ballota nigra*, *Malva sylvestris*, *Hordeum murinum*, *Bromus sterilis*
 Area: sporadic (B2, B3, B4, C3, J6)
- Lycietum barbarum* Felföldy 1942
 Ecol.: waysides, hedgerows (fences)
 Flor.: *Lycium barbarum*, *Ballota nigra*, *Elymus repens*, *Polygonum arenastrum*
 Area: sporadic mainly in the Transylvanian Plain
- Artemisietum annuae* Morariu 1943
 Ecol.: uncultivated lands, waysides
 Flor.: *Artemisia annua*, *Elymus repens*
 Area: sporadic (B2, B3, C2)

AGROPYRETALIA INTERMEDIO-REPENTIS (Oberd. et al. 1967) T. Müller et Görs
 1969

- Convolvulo-Agropyrion repentis* Görs 1966
Convolvulo-Agropyretum repentis Felföldy 1943
 (Syn.: *Agropyron repens*-*Convolvulus arvensis* ass. Felföldy 1943; non
Agropyron repens ass. Felföldy 1942)
 Ecol.: waste and rough ground, alongside roads, uncultivated lands
 Flor.: *Convolvulus arvensis*, *Elymus repens*, *Poa annua*, *Polygonum arenastrum*,
Conyza canadensis, *Capsella bursa-pastoris*, *Medicago lupulina*
 Area: common

- Aristolochio-Convolvuletum arvensis* Ubrizsy 1967
 (Syn.: *Setario-Aristolochietum clematidis* F. Diaconescu 1978)
 Ecol.: alongside roads, alongside rivers
 Flor.: *Aristolochia clematidis*, *Convolvulus arvensis*, *Cardaria draba*, *Cirsium arvense*
 Area: frequent (B1, B2, B3, B4, C3)
- Falcario-Agropyretum repentis* (Felföldy 1942) T. Müller et Görs 1969
 (Syn.: *Bas. Agropyron repens* ass. Felföldy 1942 p.p.)
 Ecol.: waysides, railway margins, uncultivated lands
 Flor.: *Falcaria vulgaris*, *Elymus repens*, *Polygonum arenastrum*, *Convolvulus arvensis*, *Berteroa incana*
 Area: frequent (A1, B2, B3, B4, J6)
- Lepidietum drabae* Timár 1950
 Ecol.: disturbed ground, open, semi-open habitats
 Flor.: *Cardaria draba*, *Polygonum arenastrum*, *Poa angustifolia*
 Area: frequent (A1, B2, B4)
- Potentillo argenteae-Artemisietum absinthii* Falinski 1965
 Ecol.: roadsides, uncultivated lands
 Flor.: *Artemisia absinthium*, *Potentilla argentea*, *Convolvulus arvensis*
 Area: sporadic (D2)
- Artemisio-Agropyrion intermedii* T. Müller et Görs 1969
Melico transsilvanicae-Agropyretum repentis T. Müller in Görs 1966
 Ecol.: alongside roads, hedges, dams
 Flor.: *Melica transsilvanica*, *Elymus repens*, *Artemisia campestris*, *Poa angustifolia*
 Area: sporadic (B2, B3, B4, C2)
- Artemisio campestris-Agropyretum intermedii* Schneider-Binder 1976
 Ecol.: degraded sunny places, warm slopes
 Flor.: *Elymus hispidus*, *Artemisia campestris*, *A. absinthium*, *Festuca rupicola*, *Bupleurum rotundifolium*
 Area: sporadic (B2, B3, B4, J6)

BIDENTETEA TRIPARTITI R. Tx. et al. ex von Rochow 1951
 (Annual ruderal communities of periodically flooded, nutrient-rich and related habitats)

BIDENTETALIA TRIPARTITI Br.-Bl. et R. Tx. ex Klika et Hadač 1944

Bidention tripartiti Nordhagen 1940

Polygono lapathifolii-Bidentetum Klika 1935

(Syn.: *Bidentetum tripartiti* W. Koch 1926)

Ecol.: damp places, marshes, ditches, alongside the brooks

- Flor.: *Bidens tripartita*, *Persicaria lapathifolia*, *P. mitis*, *Rumex crispus*
 Area: frequent (A2, B3, J3, J4, J5, J6)
- Bidenti-Polygonetum hydropiperis* Lohm. in R. Tx. 1950
 Ecol.: alongside the rivers and brooks, uncultivated wet places, ditches on mud soils
 Flor.: *Persicaria hydropiper*, *Bidens tripartita*, *Poa palustris*, *Ranunculus repens*
 Area: frequent (A2, B2, B3, C2, C3, J6)
- Stachydi-Bidentetum tripartitae* Felföldy 1943
 [Syn.: *Bidens tripartita*-*Stachys annua* ass. Felföldy 1943; *Bidentetum tripartiti* Koch 1926 (art. 36.)]
 Ecol.: wet places, marshlands, pools
 Flor.: *Bidens tripartita*, *Stachys palustris*, *Lycopus europaeus*, *Mentha aquatica*, *Galium palustre*
 Area: rare (near pools)
- Xanthio strumarium-Chenopodietum* I. Pop 1968
 Ecol.: wet places, alongside the rivers and brooks, uncultivated fields
 Flor.: *Xanthium strumarium*, *Chenopodium album*, *Echinochloa crus-galli*, *Persicaria lapathifolia*, *Bidens tripartita*
 Area: frequent, especially alongside the rivers Küküllő (Târnava Mare, Târnava Mica), Nyárád (Niraj), Olt, Feketeügy (Rîul Negru) etc.
- Rumici-Alopecuretum aequalis* Cîrțu 1972
 Ecol.: wet places, flood plains, backwaters, marshlands
 Flor.: *Alopecurus aequalis*, *Rumex crispus*, *Agrostis stolonifera*, *Ranunculus sceleratus*
 Area: sporadic (C3, J6)
- Chenopodion rubri* Soó 1949
 [Syn.: *Chenopodion fluviatile* R. Tx. in Poli et J. Tx. 1960 (art. 34); *Chenopodion rubri* Soó 1968 (art. 8); *Chenopodion glauci* Hejný 1974 (art. 29)]
- Echinochloo-Polygonetum lapathifolii* Soó et Csűrös 1947
 Ecol.: wet places, waste-lands, flood plains, ditches, uncultivated wet fields,
 Flor.: *Echinochloa crus-galli*, *Persicaria lapathifolia*, *Chenopodium glaucum*, *Ch. urbicum*, *Ch. album*, *Rorippa sylvestris*, *Gnaphalium uliginosum*
 Area: frequent, especially alongside the rivers Olt, Küküllő (Târnava), Nyárád (Niraj) etc.
- Chenopodietum rubri* Timár 1947
 Ecol.: waste-lands, wet places, flood plains, muddy river banks
 Flor.: *Chenopodium rubrum*, *Persicaria lapathifolia*, *Juncus articulatus*, *Bidens tripartita*
 Area: sporadic (B3, C3, J6)

GALIO-URTICETEA Passarge ex Kopecký 1969

(Tall-herb mesophilous anthropogenous fringe vegetation of woodlands and scrubs of water courses)

LAMIO ALBI-CHENOPODIETALIA BONI-HENRICI Kopecký 1969

Geo urbani-Alliarion petiolatae Lohm. et Oberd. in Görs et T. Müller 1969

Sambucetum ebuli Felföldy 1942

Ecol.: waysides, waste-lands, railway borders, uncultivated fields

Flor.: Sambucus ebulus, Carduus acanthoides, Urtica dioica, Anthriscus sylvestris, Elymus repens, Galium aparine, Bromus sterilis

Area: frequent, mostly in the region of the Transylvanian Plain

Note: In Europe several vicariat communities and clinal variations like:

Heracleo-Sambucetum ebuli Brandes 1983 (Ch. sp. Heracleum sphondylium, Western Europe, Iberian area), Urtico-Sambucetum ebuli Brandes 1983 (Ch. sp. Ballota nigra subsp. nigra, Urtica dioica, Central-Western Europe) were recognized and described (Brandes 1982, 1983, Mucina 1991). The community studied and described by Felföldy (1942, s. str.) is characteristic for Central- and South-East Europe (Ch. sp. Carduus acanthoides).

Conio-Chaerophylletum bulbosi I. Pop 1968

Ecol.: alongside fences, ditches, waste-lands

Flor.: Chaerophyllum bulbosum, Conium maculatum, Galium aparine, Artemisia vulgaris

Area: sporadic (A1, A2, B3, B4, C3)

Alliario officinalis-Chaerophylletum temuli Lohm. 1949

Ecol.: alongside forests, shrubs, fences, brooks, uncultivated lands

Flor.: Alliaria petiolata, Chaerophyllum temulum, Chelidonium majus

Area: sporadic (little studied)

Geo urbani-Chelidonetum majoris Jarolimek et al 1997

Ecol.: waste-lands, fences, parks, semi-shadow sites

Flor.: Chelidonium majus, Geum urbanum, Lamium maculatum, Ballota nigra, Bromus sterilis, Urtica dioica

Area: sporadic (B2, B3, B4, C2, C3)

Impatienti noli-tangere-Stachyon sylvaticae Görs et Mucina 1993

Epilobio-Geranium robertianum Lohm. ex Görs et T. Müller 1969

Ecol.: borders of forests, roads and paths in forests, open woodlands,

Flor.: Geranium robertianum, Epilobium montanum, Mycelis muralis, Festuca gigantea

Area: sporadic (B3, B4, C2, C3, G3)

Urtico-Parietarium officinalis Segal in Mennema et Segal ex Klotz 1985

Ecol.: open woodlands, damp valleys, rich soils

Flor.: Parietaria officinalis, Urtica dioica, Aegopodium podagraria, Brachypodium sylvaticum, Stachys sylvatica

Area: sporadic (B1, B2, B3, B4, C3)

Aegopodium podagrariae R. Tx. 1967

Urtico-Aegopodietum podagrariae R. Tx. ex Görs 1968

Ecol.: wet and nitrogenous sites, damp pastures

Flor.: Aegopodium podagraria, Urtica dioica, Dactylis glomerata

Area: sporadic (D2, D4)

Chaerophylletum aromatici Neushäuslová-Novotná et al. 1969

Ecol.: alongside fences, brooks, waysides

Flor.: Chaerophyllum aromaticum, Aegopodium podagraria, Heracleum sphondylium, Galium aparine

Area: sporadic (E1, E2, G2)

Anthriscetum sylvestris Hadač 1978

Ecol.: alongside brooks, nitrogenous damp sites

Flor.: Anthriscus sylvestris, Urtica dioica, Arrhenatherum elatius, Galium aparine

Area: sporadic (B3, C3)

Sisymbrietum strictissimi Brandes in Mucina 1993

Ecol.: alongside rivers, brooks, fences, borders of bushes and woods

Flor.: Sisymbrium strictissimum, Urtica dioica, Galium aparine, Elymus repens

Area: sporadic, margin of softwood forests alongside the rivers and brooks ex.

Maros (Mureş), Nagy Küküllő (Tárnava Mare), Fehér Nyikó (Nico Alba), Kászon (Caşin) etc.

CONVOLVULETALIA SEPIUM R. Tx. 1950

Senecion fluviatilis R. Tx. 1950

Urtico-Convolvuletum Görs et T. Müller 1969

(Syn.: Calystegietum sepium R. Tx. 1947)

Ecol.: river banks, ditches, flood plains, marshes

Flor.: Calystegia sepium, Elymus repens, Senecio sarracenicus

Area: sporadic, alongside the rivers (B2, B3, J4, J6)

Bidenti-Calystegietum Felföldy 1943

(Syn.: Bidens tripartita-Calystegia ass. Felföldy 1943)

Ecol.: margin of pools, ditches, brooks

Flor.: Calystegia sepium, Bidens tripartita, Solanum dulcamara, Lycopodium europaeus

Area: sporadic (B2, B3, C1, C2, J6)

Senecionetum fluviatilis T. Müller in Oberd. 1983

Ecol.: banks of rivers, streamsides, flood plains

Flor.: Senecio sarracenicus, Calystegia sepium, Phalaris arundinacea, Urtica dioica

Area: locally frequent (J3, J4)

Calystegio-Agropyretum repentis Felföldy 1943 (nom.)

(Agropyron repens-Calystegia sepium ass. Felföldy 1943)

Ecol.: waysides, dams, ditches, alongside brooks

Flor.: *Elymus repens*, *Calystegia sepium*, *Conyza canadensis*, *Stachys palustris*
Area: sporadic (J3, J4, J5, J6)

Petasition officinalis Sillinger 1933

Telekio-Petasitetum hybridi (Morariu 1967) Resmerița et Rățiu 1974 (nom. invers.)
(Syn.: *Petasiteto-Telekietum speciosae* Morariu 1967)

Ecol.: mountainous valleys, streamsides, damp places

Flor.: *Telekia speciosa*, *Petasites hybridus*, *Carduus personatus*, *Chaerophyllum hirsutum*, *Melandrium rubrum*, *Filipendula ulmaria*

Area: frequent (D1, D2, D3, D4, E3, G3, I1, I2)

Telekia speciosae-Aruncetum dioici S. Oroian 1998

Ecol.: streamsides, habitats of semi-shaded wood margins and clearings

Flor.: *Aruncus dioicus*, *Telekia speciosa*, *Spiraea chamaedryfolia*,

Area: rare (D2)

Petasitetum kablíkiani Pawl. et Walas 1949

Ecol.: mountainous valleys, wet places, streamsides

Flor.: *Petasites kablíkianus*, *Filipendula ulmaria*, *Stellaria nemorum*

Area: uncertain and little studied (D2, E3)

Aegopodio-Petasitetum hybridi R. Tx. 1947

[Syn.: *Petasitetum hybridi* (Dostal 1933) Soó 1940 (art. 36)]

Ecol.: submontane streamsides and damp fields of raw alluvium soils

Flor.: *Petasites hybridus*, *Aegopodium podagraria*

Area: sporadic (C1, C2, E3, G2)

Note: It can be remark the inconsequency of the syntaxonomical system, therefore a part of the the semi-natural communities of *Petasition* would be better to be included in *Molinietalia*.

Galio-Urticetea derivate communities (DC.)

Solidago gigantea (DC.)

Ecol.: riversides, brooks, damp places, uncultivated fields

Flor.: *Solidago gigantea* agg., *Elymus repens*, *Urtica dioica*

Area: actually spreading: the upper part of the rivers Nagy Küküllő (Târnava Mare) ex. Segesvár (Sighișoara), Újszékely (Secuieni), Alsóboldogfalva (Bodogaia), Székelykeresztúr (Cristuru-Secuiesc), Nagyalambfalva (Porumbenii Mari), Décsfalva (Dejuțiu); Kis Küküllő (Târnava Mică) Balavásár (Bălăușeri) and of the brooks Gagy (Geoagiu), Fehér Nyikó (Nico Alba) etc.

Fallopia japonica agg. (DC.)

Ecol.: riversides, fences, roadsides, waste-lands

Flor.: *Fallopia x bohemica*, *Fallopia japonica* (monodominant stands)

Area: frequent: Újszékely (Secuieni), Alsóboldogfalva (Bodogaia), Székelykeresztúr (Cristuru-Secuiesc), Betfalva (Betești), Nagyalambfalva (Porumbenii)

Mari), Bögöz (Mugeni), Székelyudvarhely (Odorheiu-Secuiesc), Zeteváralja (Subcetate), Küküllőmező (Poiana Târnavei), Rugonfalva (Rugănești), Siménfalva (Șimonești), Balavásár (Balăușeri), Makfalva (Ghindari), Erdőszyörgy (Sângeorgiu de Pădure), Vargyas (Vârghiș), Sepsiszentgyörgy (Sf. Gheorghe), Imecsfalva (Imeni), Kézdiszentlélek (Sânzieni), Kovászna (Covasna), Csomakörös (Chiuruș), Cófalva (Țufalău), Zágón (Zăgon), Papolc (Păpăuți), Szováta (Sovata), Ákosfalva (Acățari), Geryeszeg (Gornești), Nagyernye (Ernei), Körtvélyfája (Periș), Alsókőhérd (Chiharu de Jos) etc.

Helianthus tuberosus agg. (DC)

Ecol.: waysides, riverbanks, waste-lands

Flor.: *Helianthus tuberosus*, *H. decapetalus*

Area: locally frequent: alongside the main rivers and brooks like Nagy Küküllő (Târnava Mare), Kis Küküllő (Târnava Mică), Maros (Mureș), Feketeügy (Rîul Negru), Barót (Baraolt) etc.

Rudbeckia laciniata (DC)

Ecol.: riversides, wet meadows, fresh meadows, dam places

Flor.: *Rudbeckia laciniata*, *Echinocystis lobata*, *Holcus lanatus*, *Poa palustris*

Area: locally frequent: alongside the rivers Kis Küküllő (Târnava Mică) especially between Parajd-Balavásár (Praid-Bălăușeri), Korond (Corund), Nyárad (Niraj), Szakadát (Sacădă), Feketeügy (Rîul Negru) etc.

Impatiens glandulifera (DC)

Ecol.: riverbanks, pools, wet places

Flor.: *Impatiens glandulifera*, *Calystegia sepium*, *Aegopodium podagraria*,

Area: sporadic: expl. Makfalva (Ghindari), Siklód (Șiclod), Énlaka (Inlănceni) Nagygalambfava (Porumbenii Mari), Székelymagyaros (Aluniș), Nagyernye (Ernei), Rétyi Nyír (Reci), Kézdiszentlélek (Sânzieni) etc.

Aster lanceolatus (DC)

Ecol.: floodplains, riverbanks, pools, wet places

Flor.: *Aster lanceolatus*, *Elymus repens*, *Poa trivialis*

Area: locally frequent: alongside the main rivers ex. Nagy Küküllő (Târnava Mare), Kis Küküllő (Târnava Mică), Nyárad (Niraj), Fehér Nyikó (Nico Alba), Olt, Maros (Mureș), Feketeügy (Rîul Negru), Barót (Baraolt) etc.

POLYGONO ARENASTRI-POËTEA ANNUAE Rivas-Martinez 1975 corr. Rivas-Martinez et al. 1991

(Short-lived therophyte-rich vegetation of trampled habitats)

POLYGONO ARENASTRI-POËTALIA ANNUAE R. Tx. in Géhu et al. 1972 corr. Rivas-Martinez

Matricario matricaroidis-Polygonion arenastri Rivas-Martinez 1975 corr. Rivas-Martinez et al. 1991

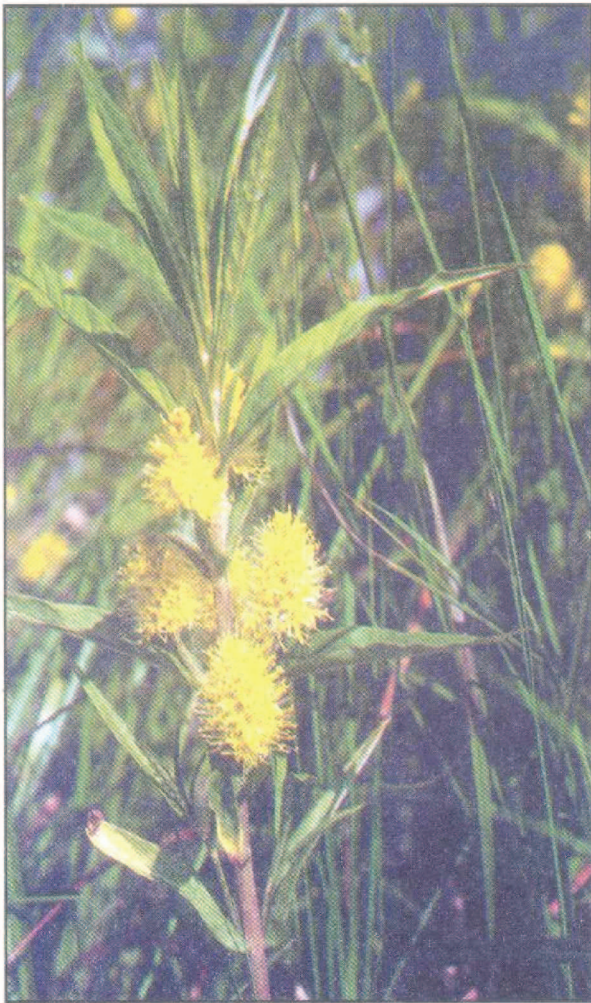


Fig. 5. Populations of *Lysimachia thyrsiflora*, component of the *Caricetum lasiocarpae-Sphagnetum* (Csomad-Mts.)

Fig. 6. Populations of *Angelica arhangelica* component of the *Telekio-Patesitetum hybridi* (Göregény-Mts.)





Fig. 7. Invasive population of *Impatiens glandulifera* in the valley of Nagy-Küküllő (Nagygalambfalva, Porumbenii Mari)

Fig. 8. Stands of *Rudbeckia laciniata* spreading alongside the river Kis-Küküllő (Parajd-Szováta, Praid-SOVata)



Plantagini majoris-Polygonetum arenastri Knapp ex Passarge 1964 corr. Borhidi 2003

[Syn.: *Polygonetum avicularis* Gams 1927 (art. 37, 43), *Lolium perennis-Polygonetum avicularis* Br.-Bl. 1930 (art. 2b, 43), *Plantagini-Polygonetum avicularis* Knapp ex Passarge 1964 (art. 43.)]

Ecol.: trampled pathways and roads, waste-lands

Flor.: *Polygonum arenastrum*, *Plantago major*, *Lolium perenne*, *Prunella vulgaris*, *Medicago lupulina*

Area: common

Poetum annuae Felföldy 1942

[Syn.: *Poëtum annuae* Gams 1927 (art. 3c, 3f.)]

Ecol.: mesic waysides, trodden damps and pathways

Flor.: *Poa annua*, *Lolium perenne*, *Trifolium repens*, *Verbena officinalis*

Area: common

Sclerochloo-Polygonetum arenastri Soó ex Bodrogeközy 1966 corr. Mucina 1991

[Syn.: *Sclerochloo-Polygonetum avicularis* Soó 1940 (art. 2b), *Sclerochloo-Polygonetum avicularis* Soó ex Bodrogeközy 1966 (art. 43)]

Ecol.: alongside trampled pathways and roads

Flor.: *Polygonum arenastrum*, *Sclerochloa dura*, *Poa compressa*, *Lolium perenne*

Area: frequent (B2, B3, C3, G3)

VEGETATION OF CLEARINGS

EPILOBIETEA ANGUSTIFOLII R. Tx. et Prsg. ex von Rochow 1951

(Tall-herb and tall-grass communities of woodland clearings and related shrubbery)

ATROPETALIA Vlieger 1937

[Syn.: *Epilobietalia angustifolii* (Vlieger 1937) R. Tx. 1950 corr. Soó 1961 (art. 43)]

Carici piluliferae-Epilobion angustifolii R. Tx. 1950

[Syn.: *Epilobion angustifolii* Soó 1930 (art. 2b.)]

Senecioni sylvatici-Epilobietum angustifolii R. Tx. 1937

Ecol.: chopped woodlands, wood-margins, open places in woods

Flor.: *Chamaenerion angustifolium*, *Senecio sylvaticus*, *Rubus idaeus*, *Epilobium montanum*

Area: frequent (D1, D3, D3, E2, E3, F2, F3, G2, I1, I2 etc.)

Digitali-Calamagrostietum arundinaceae Sillinger 1933

(Syn.: *Calamagrostietum arundinaceae* Soó 1960)

Ecol.: chopped woodlands, wood-margins, open places in woods

Flor.: *Calamagrostis arundinacea*, *Digitalis grandiflora*, *Chamaenerion angustifolium*, *Gnaphalium sylvaticum*, *Galeopsis speciosa*

- Area: common in the hilly and the mountainous region
Calamagrostietum epigei Juraszek 1928
 Ecol.: wood-margins, open woodlands
 Flor.: *Calamagrostis epigeios*, *Poa nemoralis*, *Hypericum perforatum*
 Area: common, mostly in the hilly region
- Atropion Br.-Bl. ex Aichinger 1933
Epilobio-Atropetum bella-donnae R. Tx. 1931
 Ecol.: chopped beechwoods, open places in woods, damp valleys
 Flor.: *Atropa bella-donna*, *Rubus idaeus*, *Chamaenerion angustifolium*,
Mycelis muralis
 Area: frequent in the beechwood region
- Eupatorietum cannabini* R. Tx. 1937
 Ecol.: chopped beechwoods, damp valleys, open places in woods
 Flor.: *Rubus idaeus*, *Urtica dioica*, *Deschampsia caespitosa*, *Chamaenerion angustifolium*
 Area: frequent in the beechwood region
- Sambuco-Salicion capreae R. Tx. et Neumann in R. Tx. 1950
Sambucetum racemosae Noirfalise in Lebrun et al. ex Oberd. 1967
 Ecol.: montane wood margins, open places in forests, roads and paths in forests
 Flor.: *Sambucus racemosa*, *Salix caprea*, *Rubus idaeus*, *Athyrium filix-femina*,
Senecio sylvaticus, *S. fuchsii*
 Area: sporadic, especially in the montane beechwood region
- Rubetum idaei* Gams 1927
 Ecol.: open places in montane forests, wood margins
 Flor.: *Rubus idaeus*, *Calamagrostis arundinacea*, *Epitobium angustifolium*,
Fragaria vesca, *Poa nemoralis*, *Salix caprea*
 Area: frequent in the beech and spruce- fir woodlands region
- Sorbo-Betuletum pendulae* Dihoru 1975 corr. hoc loco
 (Syn.: *Sorbo-Betuletum* Dihoru 1975 ass. provis.; *Calamagrostis arundinacea*-
Betula verrucosa ass. Resm. et Csűrös 1966 p. p.)
 Ecol.: montane rocky valleys, moist slopes on scheletic soils
 Flor.: *Betula pendula*, *Sorbus aucuparia*, *Calamagrostis arundinacea*, *Pteridium aquilinum*
 Area: sporadic (D2, F3, I1)
- Aegopodio-Sambucetum nigrae* Doing 1963
 Ecol.: river banks, open places in the oak- ash tree forests of the plain
 Flor.: *Sambucus nigra*, *Aegopodium podagraria*, *Rubus caesius*, *Circaea lutetiana*
 Area: rare, alongside the rivers (A2, J6) (little studied)
- Spiraeetum ulmifoliae* Zólyomi 1939
 (Syn.: *Calamagrosteto-Spiraeetum ulmifoliae* Resmerița et Csűrös 1966 p. p.)

Ecol.: rocky places, bushes, damp valleys
Flor.: *Spiraea chamaedryfolia*, *Aruncus dioicus*, *Poa nemoralis*
Area: sporadic (D2, G1, G2, F3)

TEMPERATE AND BOREAL WOODLANDS AND SCRUBS

Temperate broadleaved forests and scrubs

SALICETEA PURPUREAE Moor 1958

(Riparian woods and scrubs of willow and poplar)

SALICETALIA PURPUREAE Moor 1958

Salicion eleagni Moor 1858

Salici purpureae-Myricarietum Moor 1958

(Syn.: *Myricario-Epilobietum* Aichinger 1933; *Myricarietum germanicae* Rübél 1912)

Ecol.: riverbanks, wet-sandy places

Flor.: *Myricaria germanica*, *Salix purpurea*, *Epilobium hirsutum*, *E. dodonaei*, *Calamagrostis epigeios*, *Mentha longifolia*

Area: sporadic alongside the montane rivers (B3, E3, J6, I1) [Nagy Küküllő (Târnava Mare), Kovacs-brook, Zágón (Zagon), Nagy Bászka (Basca Mare)]

Salicion triandrae T. Müller et Görs 1958

Rumici crispi-Salicetum purpureae Kevey in Borhidi et Kevey 1996

(Syn.: *Salicetum purpureae* Wendelberger-Zelinka 1952 p.p.)

Ecol.: stony riverbanks, flood plains, bushes

Flor.: *Salix purpurea*, *Salix alba*, *Rumex crispus*, *Rorippa amphibia*, *Phalaris arundinacea*

Area: frequent alongside the main rivers: Maros (Mureş), Küküllök (Târnave), Olt

Polygono hydropiperi-Salicetum triandrae Kevey in Borhidi et Kevey 1996

[Syn.: *Salicetum triandro-viminalis* (Malcuit 1929) R.Tx. 1948 p. p.]

Ecol.: riverbanks with mud and sandy places, flood plains, bushes

Flor.: *Salix triandra*, *Salix alba*, *S. viminalis*, *Myosotis palustris*, *Persicaria hydropiper*, *Elymus repens*

Area: sporadic (A2, CA, B3, E3, J4, J6)

Salicion albae Soó 1930 em. T. Müller et Görs 1958

Salicetum albae Issler 1924

[Syn.: *Salici-Populetum* (R. Tx. 1931) Mejer-Drees 1936 p.p.; *Populeto-Salicetum* Zólyomi 1955 p.p., *Ass. Salix alba-Polygonum hydropiper* Donița et Dihoru 1961]

Ecol.: riverbanks, floodplains, wet places, softwood sites

Flor.: Salix alba, S. fragilis, Populus alba, Rubus caesius, Echinocytis lobata,
Phragmites australis, Persicaria hydroper
Area: common alongside the main rivers and brooks: Maros (Mureş), Küküllök
(Tárnave), Olt

ALNETEA GLUTINOSAE Br.-Bl. et Tx. ex Westhoff et al. 1946

(Alder and willow woodlands of swamps, fens and wet places)

ALNETALIA GLUTINOSAE R. Tx. 1937

Alnion glutinosae Malcuit 1929

Carici elongatae-Alnetum Koch 1926

(Syn.: Dryopteridi-Alnetum Klika 1940)

Ecol.: fens with alder trees, marshes, wet and peaty places

Flor.: Alnus glutinosa, Frangula alnus, Dryopteris cristata, D. carthusiana,

Carex elongata, C. elata, C. acutiformis, Circaea alpina

Area: sporadic (J6) Rétyi Nyír (Reci)

SALICETALIA AURITAE Doing 1962

Salicion cinereae T. Müller et Görs ex Passarge 1961

Salici pentadrae-Betuletum pubescentis (Zólyomi 1931) Soó 1955

Ecol.: wet places, peat bogs, turfy soils

Flor.: Salix cinerea, S. pentandra, Betula pubescens, Populus tremula, Ribes
nigra, Carex rostrata, Homogyne alpina, Veratrum album

Area: rare (D4) Órdögtó

Salicetum auritae Jonas 1935

Ecol.: fens, peaty bogs, marshes, wet places

Flor.: Salix aurita, Betula pubescens, Salix cinerea, Frangula alnus, Valeriana
dioica

Area: sporadic (J1, J3, J4)

Calamagrosti-Salicetum cinereae Soó ex Zólyomi in Soó 1955

[Syn.: Salicetum cinereae Zólyomi 1934 (art. 36)]

Ecol.: peaty bogs, fens, wet places

Flor.: Salix cinerea, Calamagrostis canescens, C. neglecta, Carex elata, C.
acutiformis, Thelypteris palustris

Area: sporadic (D2, D3, D4, J1, J2, J3, J4)

Betulo pubescentis-Sphagnetum recurvi Zólyomi 1931

Ecol.: peaty bogs, raised bogs, wet places

Flor.: Betula pubescens, Salix cinerea, Alnus glutinosa, Dryopteris carthusiana,
Sphagnum recurvum

Area: sporadic (J3, J4)

Temperate scrubs

RHAMNO-PRUNETEA Rivas-Goday et Borja Carbonell 1961

(Shrub mantle vegetation in regions of temperate deciduous woods)

PRUNETALIA SPINOSAE R. Tx. 1952

Prunio spinosae Soó 1947

Pruno spinosae-Crataegetum Soó (1927) 1931

Ecol.: margin of forests, pastures, waysides

Flor.: *Crataegus monogyna*, *Prunus spinosa*, *Rosa canina*, *Clinopodium vulgare*,
Origanum vulgare

Area: frequent, mostly in the hilly pastures

Prunetum tenellae Soó 1947

[Syn.: *Amygdaletum nanae* sensu auct. (art. 30)]

Ecol.: sunny slopes, hilly ridges

Flor.: *Prunus tenella* (*Amygdalus nana*), *Elymus hispidus*, *Thalictrum minus*,
Cynanchum vincetoxicum, *Poa angustifolia*

Area: rare (G3) Csókás near Erősd (Ariuşd)

Coryletum avellanae Soó 1927

Ecol.: sunny slopes, margin of woodlands

Flor.: *Corylus avellana*, *Rosa canina*, *Agrostis capillaris*, *Origanum vulgare*,
Melampyrum bihariense

Area: frequent in the hilly and mountain region (D2, D3, D4, D6, E2, G2)

Corylo-Populetum Br.-Bl. 1919

Ecol.: mesic open sites, clearings, wood margins

Flor.: *Corylus avellana*, *Populus tremula*, *Polygonatum odoratum*, *Galium mollugo*

Area: sporadic (E2, J3)

Mixed broadleaved woodlands of temperate climate

QUERCO-FAGETEA Br.-Bl. et Vlieger in Vlieger 1937

(Deciduous mesic and subxerophilous woods of temperate regions)

Note: The new approach of the classification of deciduous forests in a broad sense in Europe contains the following orders: *Fagetalia sylvaticae*, *Querco-Carpinetalia*, *Aceretalia pseudoplatani*, *Alno-Fraxinetalia*, *Populetalia albae*, *Quercetalia pubescentis*, *Luzulo-Fagetalia*, *Quercetalia roboris* (Dierschke 2004).

FAGETALIA SYLVATICAE Pawlowski in Pawl. et al. 1928

Symphyto cordatae-Fagion (Vida 1963) Täuber 1982

Symphyto cordatae-Fagetum Vida 1959

[(Syn. *Fagetum carpaticum* Paucă 1941, non Klika 1927, *Fagetum sylvaticae siculum* Soó 1944, *Fagetum dacicum normale* Beldie 1951, *Fagetum carpaticum*

subass. austrocarpaticum Borza 1959 (art. 34a), Dentario glandulosae-Fagetum Matuszkiewicz 1964, Dentario glandulosae-Fagetum Morariu et al. 1968 (art. 2)]
Ecol.: mesic sites, mountainous eutrophic beech forests (alt. 700-1100 m)
Flor.: *Fagus sylvatica*, *Symphytum cordatum*, *Cardamine glandulifera*, *Hepatica transsilvanica*, *Primula elatior* subsp. *leucophylla*
Area: sporadic (C1, C2); frequent (D1, D2, D3, D4, D5, E2, E3, E4, F1, F2, F3, G2, G3, H1, H2, I1, I2)

Pulmonario rubrae-Fagetum (Soó 1964) Täuber 1987

[Syn.: *Abieti-Fagetum orienti-carpaticum* Knapp 1942, *Fagetum sylvaticae siculum* Soó 1944 p. p., *Fagetum dacicum abietosum* Beldie 1951, *Pulmonario rubrae-Abieti-Fagetum* Soó 1964 (34c)]

Ecol.: mountainous beech and fir-tree forests (alt. 800-1200m)

Flor.: *Fagus sylvatica*, *Abies alba*, *Picea abies*, *Pulmonaria rubra*, *Telekia speciosa*, *Aconitum moldavicum*

Area: sporadic (D1, D2, D3, D4, D5, E1, E3, E4)

Leucanthemo waldsteinii-Fagetum (Soó 1964) Täuber 1987

[Syn. *Fagetum adenostyletosum* Domin 1932; *Piceeto-Fagetum auct. roman.*; *Chrysanthemo rotundifolio-Piceo-Fagetum* Soó 1964 (34c)]

Ecol.: beech and spruce mixed woods on brown-acid soils with moder

Flor.: *Fagus sylvatica*, *Picea abies*, *Leucanthemum waldsteinii*, *Adenostyles alliariae*, *Cicerbita alpina*

Area: frequent (D1, D2, D3, D4, D5, E1, E2, E3, E4, F1, F2)

Festuco drymeiae-Fagetum Morariu et al. 1968

(Syn. *Fagetum sylvaticae transsilvanicum* Soó facies *Festuca drymeia* Pop et al. 1964, *Symphyto-Fagetum* Vida 1959 *festucetosum drymeae* Coldea 1972)

Ecol.: helio-thermophilous beech woods

Flor.: *Festuca drymeia*, *Festuca heterophylla*, *Hieracium sabaudum*, *H. racemosum*

Area: sporadic (D4, D5, D6, E1, G2, H1)

Epipactido-Fagetum Resmerița 1972

(Syn.: *Cephalanthero-Fagetum auct. roman. non Oberd.* 1957)

Ecol.: rocky and stony places

Flor.: *Fagus sylvatica*, *Acer platanoides*, *Cephalanthera rubra*, *Epipactis helleborine*, *Actaea spicata*

Area: rare (G3) Darázskő (Bölön, Belin)

LUZULO-FAGETALIA Scamoni et Passarge 1959

Luzulo-Fagion Lohmeyer et Tx. in Tx. 1954

Hieracio transsilvanici-Fagetum (Vida 1963) Täuber 1987

[Syn. *Hieracio transsilvanico-Luzulo-Fagetum* Vida 1963 (art. 34c); *Luzulo-Fagetum auct. roman.*, *Fagetum myrtilletosum* Soó 1927, *Fagetum dacicum luzuletosum* Beldie 1951, *Deschampsio flexuosae-Fagetum* Soó 1962 (art. 36)]

Ecol.: mountainous beech woods on acid soils

Flor.: *Hieracium transylvanicum*, *Calamagrostis arundinacea*, *Vaccinium myrtillus*, *Deschampsia flexuosa*, *Homogyne alpina*, *Luzula luzuloides*, *Moneses uniflora*

Area: frequent (D1, D3, D4, D5, F1, F2, F3, G2, G3, I1, I2)

Populeto-Betuletum pendulae Coldea 1972

Ecol.: eroded slopes, disturbed sites on poor nutrient soils

Flor.: *Populus tremula*, *Fagus sylvatica*, *Pteridium aquilinum*, *Oxalis acetosella*

Area: sporadic (G2, F3, I1)

Vaccinio-Juniperetum communis Kovács Al. 1989 ex Kovács Al. 1981

Ecol.: wood clearings, disturbed pastures on acid soils

Flor.: *Vaccinium myrtillus*, *Luzula luzuloides*, *Veronica officinalis*, *Fagus sylvatica*

Arera.: sporadic (G2, F3, I1)

QUERCO-CARPINETALIA Moor 1977

[Syn.: *Lathyro-Carpenetalia* Täuber 1987 (art. 3g)]

Lathyro-Carpinion Boscaiu 1974

Lathyro hallersteinii-Carpinetum Coldea 1975

[Syn. *Stellario-Carpinetum* auct. rom. non Oberd 1957, *Quercu petraeae-Carpinetum* Borza 1941, *Quercu petraeae-Carpinetum* Soó et Pócs 1957 (art. 36)]

Ecol.: mesic sites on hilly area

Flor.: *Quercus petraea*, *Q. robur*, *Carpinus betulus*, *Stellaria holostea*, *Lathyrus hallersteinii*, *L. transsilvanicus*, *Carex pilosa*, *Dactylis polygama*, *Helleborus purpurascens*

Area: common, locally frequent (A1, B1, B2, B3, CA, C1, C2, C3, D2, G2, G3)

Melampyro bihariensi-Carpinetum Soó 1964 em. Coldea 1975

[Syn.: *Querceto-Carpinetum* Soó 1944, *Quercu robori-Carpinetum* Soó et Pócs (art. 36); *Quercetum roboris-petraeae dacicum* Borza 1959, *Querceto-Carpinetum transsilvanicum* Soó 1957 (art. 34a)]

Ecol.: oak-hornbeam mesic forests, mesotrophic habitats

Flor.: *Quercus robur*, *Q. petraea*, *Carpinus betulus*, *Melampyrum bihariense*, *Vinca minor*, *Arum maculatum*, *Waldsteinia geoides*, *Silene dubia*

Area: locally frequent (A1, A2, B1, B2, B3, B4, CA, G2, G3, J6)

Carpino-Fagetum Paucă 1941

[Syn.: *Carpino-Fagetum* Vida 1959, *Fagetum sylvaticae radnense* Soó 1944 (art. 34), *Fagetum sylvaticae siculum* Soó 1944 (art. 34)]

Ecol.: submontane and hilly hornbeam-beech mixed woods

Flor.: *Helleborus purpurascens*, *Dentaria bulbifera*, *Galium schultesii*, *Isopyrum thalictroides*

Area: common (C1, C2, CA, D2, D3, D4, E4, G1, G2, G3, H1, H2, I1, I2)

ALNO-FRAXINETALIA Moor 1975

Alnion incanae Pawlowski in Pawl. et Wallisch 1928

Alnion glutinosae-incanae Oberd. 1953

Aegopodio-Alnetum V. Kárpáti, I. Kárpáti et Jurko 1961

Ecol.: riverbanks in hilly region, wet places, brooks

Flor.: *Alnus glutinosa*, *Carpinus betulus*, *Salix alba*, *Aegopodium podagraria*, *Caltha palustris*

Area: frequent alongside the rivers and brooks, small depressions mainly in the hilly region

Telekia speciosae-Alnetum incanae Coldea (1986) 1990

[Syn. *Alnetum incanae* auct. roman. (art. 36)]

Ecol.: mountane riverbanks, damp places and valleys

Flor.: *Telekia speciosa*, *Matteuccia struthiopteris*, *Pulmonaria rubra*, *Petasites hybridus*, *Impatiens noli-tangere*, *Stellaria nemorum*, *Circaea lutetiana*

Area: frequent (D1, D2, D3, D4, D6, E1, E2, E3, F2, F3, G2, G3, H1, I1, I2, J1, J2)

Note: Can be distinguish subassociations with *Ligularia sibirica*, *Spirea salicifolia* etc. bordering wet places and peatbogs, turfy soils, (J3, J4)

ACERETALIA PSEUDOPLATANI Moor 1975

Tilio platyphylli-Acerion pseudoplatani Klíka 1955

Moehringio muscosae-Acerion Boşcaiu et. al. 1982

Scolopendrio-Fraxinetum Schwickerath 1938

(Syn.: *Phyllitidi-Fagetum* Vida (1959) 1963, *Phyllitidi-Aceretum* auct. roman. non Moor 1958, *Acereto-Fagetum* auct. rom., *Fagetum sylvaticae siculum lunarietosum* Soó 1944)

Ecol.: mountain defiles, gorges, rocky valleys with humid soils

Flor.: *Acer pseudoplatanus*, *Fraxinus excelsior*, *Aruncus dioicus*, *Lunaria rediviva*, *Phyllitis scolopendrium*, *Polystichum aculeatum*, *Actaea spicata*

Area: sporadic (C2, H2)

Mercuriali-Tilietum Zólyomi et Jakucs in Zólyomi 1958

Ecol.: deep valleys and slopes on conglomerate, rocky and stony places

Flor.: *Tilia platyphyllos*, *T. cordata*, *Acer platanoides*, *Fraxinus excelsior*, *Mercurialis perennis*, *Melica uniflora*, *Parietaria officinalis*

Area: sporadic (C2, G2, G3, H1, H2)

QUERCETALIA ROBORIS R. Tx. 1931

Hieracio lachenalii-Quercion petraeae Pallas 1996

(*Veronico officinalis-Quercion* I. Pop 1971; *Genisto germanicae-Quercion* Neuhausl et Neuhauslová-Novotná 1967 p.p.)

Genisto tinctoriae-Quercetum petraeae Klika 1932

[Syn.: *Luzulo albidiae-Quercetum petraeae* Hiltzer 1932 (art. 29); *Luzulo albidiae-Quercetum* subass. *transsilvanicum* Gergely 1962, subass. *dacicum* I. Pop 1971 (art. 34); *Festuco heterophyllae-Quercetum petraeae* Neuhäusl 1964 (art. 29)]

Ecol.: acidophilous and sandy substrates, poor soils

Flor.: *Genista tinctoria*, *Luzula luzuloides*, *Vaccinium myrtillus*, *Carex montana*, *Veronica officinalis*, *Deschampsia flexuosa*, *Festuca heterophylla*, *Poa nemoralis* (Subassociations: *vaccinietosum*, *poetosum nemoralis*, *festucetosum heterophyllae* etc.)

Area: sporadic (D4, F2, F3, G2, G3, H1, I1, I2)

Junipero-Betuletum Gergely et al. in Rácz et Fűzi 1973

Ecol.: sandy-stony places, semi-open habitats

Flor.: *Betula pendula*, *Juniperus communis*, *Populus tremula*, *Festuca valesiaca*, *Luzula luzuloides*, *Camptothecium lutescens*, *Pteridium aquilinum*

Area: sporadic (G2, J6) [Kovacsok-brook, Bodok-Mts.; Rétyi Nyír (Reci), Zágón (Zagon)]

Note: The differential taxa for the all. *Hieracio lachenalii-Quercion*: *Hieracium lachenalii*, *H. sylvaticum*, *H. sabaudum*, *Poa nemoralis*, *Festuca heterophylla*, *Campanula rotundifolia*. According to the studies of J. Pallas (1996, 2000) the middle and south-east european acidophilous oak woods belong to the alliances: *Hieracio lachenalii-Quercion petraeae* Pallas 1996 and *Agrostio capillaris-Quercion petraeae* Scamoni et Passarge 1959.

Montane heaths and coniferous forests

ERICO-PINETEA I. Horvat 1959

(Calcareous relict montane pine woods)

ERICO-PINETALIA I. Horvat 1959

Erico-Pinion sylvestris Br.-Bl. in Br.-Bl. et al. 1939

(Syn.: *Seslerio rigidae-Pinion* Coldea 1991)

Seslerio rigidae-Pinetum sylvestris Csűrös et al. 1988

[Syn.: *Pineta sylvestris-iridosa* Guşuleac 1932; *Pinetum sylvestris seslerietosum* Soó 1944; *Pinetum sylvestris seslerietosum* Csűrös et Spârchez 1963; *Poëto-Pinetum sylvestris* Borza 1959 (art. 36)]

Ecol.: calcareous rocky places, relict pine woods, habitats of rocky limestone

Flor.: *Pinus sylvestris*, *Iris ruthenica*, *Cotoneaster integerrima*, *Juniperus sabina*, *Teucrium chamaedrys*

Area: rare (E3)

Note: The calcareous relict pine woods of the Carpathians can not be included in the communities of the alliances *Pino-Quercion*, *Dicrano-Pinion* or *Vaccinio-Pinion sylvestris*. But the stands with mosses (*Hylocomium splendens*, *Hypnum cupressiforme* etc.) indicate the transition to the *Piceion excelsae* woods.

Juniperetum sabinæ Csürös 1958

Ecol.: calcareous rocky places, relict juniper bushes

Flor.: *Juniperus sabinæ*, *Pinus sylvestris*, *Silene zawadskii*, *Daphne cneorum*

Area: rare (E3)

VACCINIO-PICEETEA Br.-Bl. in Br.-Bl. et al. 1939

(Coniferous forest vegetation and heaths of more acid soils)

PICEETALIA EXCELSAE Pawlowski in Pawl. et al. 1928

Piceion excelsae Pawlowski in Pawl. et al. 1928

Hieracio transsilvanici-Piceetum Pawl. et Br.-Bl. 1939

[Syn. *Piceetum carpaticum* Soó 1930, *Piceetum excelsae transsilvanicum* Soó 1944 (art. 34); *Hieracio rotundati-Piceetum* Pawl. et Br.-Bl. 1939 (nom. mut. propos. Coldea 1990); *Piceetum montanum* auct. roman. (art. 36)]

Ecol.: slopes and ridges in the mountainous region with scheletic soils

Flor.: *Hieracium transsilvanicum*, *Senecio fuchsii*, *Huperzia selago*, *Calamagrostis villosa*, *Vaccinium myrtillus*, *Luzula sylvatica*, *L. luzuloides*, *Melampyrum sylvaticum*

Area: frequent (D1, D2, D3, D4, D5, D6, E1, E2, E3, F1, F2, F3, I1, I2, J3, J4)

Sphagno-Piceetum abietis (Tx. 1937) Hartman 1942

Ecol.: border of peatbogs, turfy soils

Flor.: *Picea abies*, *Vaccinium myrtillus*, *Sphagnum palustris*, *Sph. russowii*

Area: rare: (D4) Ördögtó, (F2) Uz valley, (F3) Veresvíz (Apa Roşie)

Chrysanthemo rotundifolii-Piceion (Krajina 1933) Březina et Hadač in Hadač 1962

Chrysanthemo rotundifolii-Piceetum Krajina 1933

(Syn.: *Piceetum transsilvanicum altheherbosum* Soó 1944 (art. 34)

Ecol.: herb-rich spruce forests on wet places, mountainous valleys and brooks

Flor.: *Leucanthemum waldsteinii*, *Adenostyles alliariae*, *Stellaria nemorum*, *Senecio nemorensis*, *Athyrium filix-femina*, *Gentiana ascepiadea*

Area: sporadic (D3, D4)

Eriophoro-Pinion sylvestris Passarge et Hoffmann 1968

Eriophoro-Pinetum sylvestris Hueck 1925 em. Passarge et Hoffmann 1968

(Syn.: *Pinetum sylvestris eriophoretosum vaginati* Zólyomi 1934; *Vaccinio-Pinetum sylvestris* Kleist 1929 p. p.)

Ecol.: raised bogs, peaty sites

Flor.: *Eriophorum vaginatum*, *Vaccinium oxycoccos*, *Empetrum nigrum*, *Pinus sylvestris*, *Betula pubescens*, *Sphagnum magellanicum*, *Andromeda polyfolia*

Area: rare (D4) Lucs, Ördögtó, (D5) Mohos, (F3) Veresvíz (Apa Roşie)

JUNIPERO-PINETALIA MUGO Boscaiu 1971

(Syn.: Vaccinio-Juniperetalia Passarge et Hoffmann 1968 p.p.)

Pinion mugo Pawlowski et al. 1928

Campanulo abietinae-Juniperetum sibiricae Simon 1966 corr. Gergely et al. 1973
(Syn.: Juniperetum nanae Soó 1928, Campanulo-Juniperetum nanae Simon 1966)

Ecol.: slopes and plateaux, juniper bushes in the montane and subalpine region
Flor.: *Juniperus sibirica*, *Campanula abietina*, *Bruckenthalia spiculifolia*,
Vaccinium myrtilus, *Campanula serrata*, *Melampyrum sylvaticum*, *Cladonia islandica*

Area: sporadic (D1, D3, D4, E1, E2, E3, F3, I1, I2)

Campanulo abietinae-Vaccinietum Boşcaiu 1971

(Syn.: Vaccinietum myrtilli Buia et al. 1962)

Ecol.: open places in the mountainous forests area, forest borders in subalpine belt
Flor.: *Vaccinium myrtilus*, *Vaccinium vitis-idaea*, *Campanula abietina*,
Homogyne alpina, *Potentilla ternata*, *Soldanella montana*, *Deschampsia flexuosa*

Area: common (D1, D3, D4, E1, E2, E3, F2, F3, I1)

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**SZÉKELYFÖLD NÖVÉNYTÁRSULÁSAINAK SZÜNTAXONÓMIAI
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A Kárpát-medence legkeletibb peremvidékén, a tulajdonképpeni Erdélyi-medence és a Keleti-Kárpátok találkozásánál, annak középső és részben DK-i részét magába foglaló történelmi-néprajzi területet a középkor óta a latin nyelvű dokumentumokban nevezik „Terra Sicularum”-nak azaz Székelyföldnek (magyarul), majd Secuimea ill. Țara Secuilor (románul), Seklerland-nak (németül) és Szeklerland-nak

(angolul). A Székelyföld és a történelmi székely székek (Udvarhely, Csík, Háromszék, Maros) határai a századok során többször is módosultak, míg területe a 19. sz. végén a vármegye rendszerbe szerveződött (Maros-Torda, Udvarhely, Csík, Háromszék, amelyet e tanulmány is követ) illetve a 20. század második felében és jelenleg a Maros, Hargita és Kovászna megyék területére illeszthetőek.

A székelyföldi növénytakaró kialakulását, fejlődését, a növénytársulások szerveződését, elterjedését alapvetően befolyásolta a természeti környezet (Erdélyi-medence, Keleti Kárpátok), az ökológiai tényezők (földtani felépítés, domborzat, vízrajz, talajok, éghajlat) ill. az évszázados antropogén hatások (hagyományos területhasználati, mezőgazdasági és erdő-kitermelési rendszerek) fennmaradása, megannyi tényező mely összességében igen sokszínű kistájak (pl. Sóvidék, Erdővidék, Felcsík, Alcsík, Nyárádmente stb.) sorozatát eredményezte, ezen belül a természetes- és az emberhatású növénytakaró (növénytársulások) megannyi sajátosságával. Jól felismerhető a vegetáció zonalitása is: tölgyesek-, bükkösök- lucosok öve, alhavas-havas törpecserjések és gyepek, melyeket intra-zonálisan érdekes ártéri-, sziklai-, halofíl-, lápi stb. vegetációs egységek egészítenek ki.

A vegetáció tudományos megismerését a növényföldrajzi kutatások indították el a 20. század elején (PAX 1908, MOESZ 1910) majd a század első felében születtek meg a fitoszociológiai módszerekkel készült feltárások (Soó 1930, GUŞULEAC 1932, etc.) amelyek első áttekintő összefoglalását hatvan évvel ezelőtt tette közzé Soó (1944). A legnagyobb feltáró munka viszont a múlt század második feléhez kötődik, amikor szerzők sokasága, disszertációk, elméleti és gyakorlati kutató-programokon keresztül több mint 60 dolgozatban jelenítik meg a terület változatos vegetációegységeit ill. azok gazdasági, ipari, környezet- és természetvédelmi alkalmazásait. Elmondható, hogy közel egy évszázadi kutatási tevékenység során óriási mennyiségű és értékes tudományos anyag halmozódott fel, mely azonban a módszerek, elemzések, értékelések rendszerezésében, használatában nem egységes, sőt egyes csoportoknál olyannyira heterogén, hogy igen nehezíti a cönológiai összehasonlításokat, a további feldolgozásokat és a kooperációt.

Igazodva az aktuális európai cönológiai feldolgozások szelleméhez, felhasználva a Nemzetközi Fitoszociológiai Nomenklátúra Kód-ajánlásait és szabályait, kiegészítve a modern monográfiák, publikációk és a saját évtizedes kutatásaink eredményeivel, jelen dolgozatunkban a székelyföldi növénytársulások cönológiai rendszerének összefoglaló áttekintését adjuk. Ebben a munkában a listába felvett cönológiai egységeket igyekeztünk előzetesen kritikailag értékelni, minden felvett növénytársulást egységes kritériumok alapján szemléltetni: a *társulás tudományos neve* (latin nyelven) az aktuális fitocönológiai rendszerben; ezt követi az esetleges szinonima (*Syn.*) név és nevek megadása, felsorolása és ahol szükséges kritikai értékelése a Kód cikkelyei alapján; majd a növénytársulás rövid, tömör jellemzése: termőhelyi-élőhelyi preferenciák alapján (*Ecol.*), utalva florisztikai összetételükre, a felismerő, diagnosztikus ill. gyakori fajok segítségével (*Flor.*), a növénytársulás székelyföldi elterjedésére, chorológiájára, táji megjelenésére vonatkozó adatok (*Area*), valamint ott ahol

szükségesnek éreztük megjegyzéseket, kiegészítéseket tettünk a használatos cönológiai rendszer vagy a nomenklatúra problémáiról (*Note*).

Az áttekintés anyagát összegezve megállapítható, hogy a területen igen jelentős a növénytársulások diverzitása (kb. 290 tétel), egyesek kiterjedtsége, de a sajátos (síklápok, tőzegmoha-lápok, láprétek, kaszálórétek, hegyi rétek, sziklagyepek, dombvidéki- és kárpáti erdők) cönológiai egységein kívül is általában még pozitív természetességi állapotokat tapasztalunk. Jelzésértékű azonban, hogy a területen is észlelhetők a rohamos környezeti változások, a tájökölógiai átalakulások, az emberi hatások mélyülése, az inváziós állományok (pl. *Fallopia x bohemica*, *Rudbeckia laciniata*, *Impatiens glandulifera*, *Solidago gigantea*, *Helianthus tuberosus*, stb.) terjedése, tényezők melyek fokozzák a természeti növényzeti örökség sebezhetőségét, befolyásolják az eredeti cönológiai struktúrákat, új kihívások elé állítva a tudomány és a gyakorlat embereit.