

PhD thesis by Petra Št'astná: „Ecology of Rumex alpinus: a retrospective studies using annual growth markers on rhizomes “

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Petra started her PhD study already in 2003 and she spends first two field seasons by intensive data collection in Low Tatra Mts. In 2005 she applied for permanent position in Krkonoše National park and her work on the theses become less intensive. However, she collected large dataset in the field, she conducted several experiments and she excerpted literature on ecology of the studied species. Despite limited time she could invest to the study, she prepared three manuscripts on the topic of her theses and submitted them together with introduction for defence. Although she was not able to analyze all collected data, I believe that presented theses fulfil the requirements and I take the liberty to recommend her PhD theses for a defence.

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