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Data Request Form

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Project title:

Plants at the margin: the present and future role of microrefugia in biodiversity conservation.

Brief description of the aims and methods of the study:

We are working on microrefugia (group Gregor Kozlowski, university of Fribourg) and I start a PhD on this topic. We want to make something about "isolated cliffs", in particular the cliffs present in the molassic basin (canyons), in the swiss plateau and eventually south Germany. These area are the last wild places of a region densly populated, and are very interesting microrefugia for species occurring normally in the mountains or in more continental situations, and are totally isolated in this context. We want to make a description of these particular types of small forests, and their importance for local biodiversity.

We request the data to have a kind of "background" fo the studied region, the "zonal climax", and to compare with our studied plots (in terms of beta diversity, the role of environmental variables, ...).

We are starting, so everything is not clear yet, but I need to obtain already the data to know what is possible to obtain over the studied region, in order to determine the method.

- Will someone else be involved in data editing or analysis in addition to the applicant?
 Probably no
- Estimated time of delivery of results (e.g. manuscript submission):

3 years

• Geographic area needed (e.g. countries or range of geographic coordinates):

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At least the swiss plateau (or if possible entire Switzerland), if available, south Germany (Baden Württemberg, Bavaria) and east France (Savoie) and nortwest Austria (molassic basin).

•	Do you need plots to be georeferenced? If so, what is the minimum accuracy of plot
	location (in metres or kilometres) needed for your project?

Yes, min 1 km accuracy. If nothing exist, lower accuracy also possible.

•	Vegetation types needed (syntaxa):	
	Forests, all types.	

•	Other data selection criteria:

•	Envisaged	publications:
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Peer reviewed and for local authorities

• Plant trait data from the TRY consortium. If you plan to combine your analysis of vegetation-plot data with plant trait data, you can also request for a dataset of 18 gap-filled traits for a large number of plant taxa prepared by the TRY consortium. These traits include Leaf area, Specific leaf area, Leaf fresh mass, Leaf dry matter content, Leaf C, Leaf N, Leaf P, Leaf N per area, Leaf N:P ratio, Leaf delta15N, Seed mass, Seed length, Seed number per reproductive unit, Dispersal unit length, Plant height, Stem specific density, Stem conduit density, and Conduit element length. This dataset can be provided to you from the EVA manager together with the vegetation-plot data. If you use this dataset, you must inform about your project the TRY data contributors who might be potentially interested and invite them as potential coauthors, assuming they will make an intellectual contribution to your paper. The list of the TRY data contributors will be sent to you together with the gap-filled trait dataset.

No

• Specification of the co-authorship arrangements in publications based on the requested data. Note that the EVA Rules recommend that co-authorship is offered to a representative of each database providing data that are particularly important for the project (e.g. relatively large proportion of the final dataset used in the analyses or data from unique vegetation types or under-represented geographic areas). This database representative should be an expert in the topic of the project (not necessarily the custodian or deputy custodian), and this person should contribute to the project more than just by providing the existing data, e.g. by intellectual contribution to the concept of the paper, preparation of new data, or helping with data analysis, interpretation of the results or writing parts of the paper (see the IAVS Code of Professional Ethics: http://iavs.org/Governance/Code-of-Professional-Ethics.aspx). The project leader should enable active participation by regularly informing potential co-authors about the progress of the project from its early stage. The project leader should also make final co-authorship arrangements based on the real input of the individual contributors.

Maybe Dr. Thomas Wohlgemuth WSL Swiss Federal Research Institute

• Eligibility of the applicant to receive EVA data. Specify to which EVA database the applicant has contributed; if the applicant is not the custodian or deputy custodian of an EVA database, give a name of a custodian or deputy custodian who supports this data request.

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Thomas Wohlgemuth, custodian of EU-CH-005 Swiss Forest Vegetation Database

- I agree with the terms of EVA Data Property and Governance Rules as approved on 26 May 2012 (http://euroveg.org/download/eva-rules.pdf).
- In any result obtained based on this data, I will cite the EVA report paper (Chytrý et al. 2016; https://doi.org/10.1111/avsc.12191). In addition, I will cite individual source databases used in my project (if possible, in the list of References; if not possible, at least as a list of databases in the electronic supplementary material).
- If I ask for the plant trait data from TRY, I agree to invite to my project the TRY data contributors following the list received from the EVA database manager.

Fribourg, the 11.09.2020

Fragnière Yann, University of Fribourg