

Supplemental material for

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Table S1: Importance value index (IVI) values, leaf spectra, and life form data of alpine species in 4 pastures (Sankh, Pir Kanthi, Garang Plani, and Ganga) in Bagh District, located near the Line of Control between India and Pakistan in the Pir Panjal subrange of the Himalayas.

| Species | Life form | Leaf spectra | Importance Value Index (IVI) | | | | |
|--|-----------|--------------|------------------------------|-------|--------------|-------|---------|
| | | | Pirkanthi | Sankh | Garang Plani | Ganga | Average |
| <i>Achillea millefolium</i> L. | H | L | 3.31 | 7.03 | + | + | 2.6 |
| <i>Adiantum venustum</i> D.Don | G | L | + | + | + | 3.6 | 0.9 |
| <i>Anemone falconeri</i> T.T. (Thoms) Juz. | CH | Me | 2.85 | + | 4.13 | + | 1.8 |
| <i>Angelica glauca</i> Edgew. | TH | Mi | 5.35 | 8.49 | + | + | 3.5 |
| <i>Arisaema flavum</i> Schott. | G | Me | 4.95 | + | 4.32 | + | 2.4 |
| <i>Artemisia vulgaris</i> L. | H | N | 14.41 | 11.59 | 7.11 | + | 8.3 |
| <i>Asplenium adiantum-nigrum</i> L. | G | L | + | + | + | 3.82 | 0.96 |
| <i>Aster himalaicus</i> C.B. Clarke | H | Mi | 2.85 | + | + | + | 0.72 |
| <i>Astragalus scorpiurus</i> Bunge. | CH | N | + | + | 5.22 | 7.35 | 3.15 |
| <i>Bergenia ciliata</i> (Haw) Sternb. | H | Me | 2.66 | 10.08 | 5.53 | + | 4.6 |
| <i>Bistorta affine</i> D. Don | CH | Mi | 2.66 | | + | + | 0.67 |
| <i>Bistorta amplexicaulis</i> (D.Don) Greene | H | Mi | 4.59 | 7.43 | + | + | 3.01 |
| <i>Caltha alba</i> Jacq. Ex Camb. | CH | Me | 8.3 | 29.44 | 7.43 | 3.86 | 12.3 |
| <i>Cichorium intybus</i> L. | CH | Me | 2.85 | 3.58 | 2.41 | + | 2.3 |
| <i>Corydalis govaniana</i> Wall. | H | N | 2.85 | + | + | + | 0.72 |
| <i>Corydalis stewartii</i> Fedde | H | N | + | + | 6.06 | + | 1.6 |
| <i>Cynoglossum glochidiatum</i> Wallich. ex Benth. | TH | Mi | + | 9.02 | + | + | 2.3 |
| <i>Cyperus compressus</i> L. | G | N | + | + | + | 13.63 | 3.4 |
| <i>Droyopteris stewartii</i> More | H | N | + | 9.02 | + | + | 2.2 |
| <i>Dryopteris juxtaposita</i> Christ. | G | Me | + | 8.57 | + | 4.73 | 3.3 |
| <i>Epilobium laxum</i> Royle | Np | Mi | 5.76 | + | + | 5.74 | 2.9 |
| <i>Euphrasia himalaica</i> Wettst. | TH | Mi | 11.99 | + | 7.6 | + | 4.9 |
| <i>Fragaria nubicola</i> Lindley | H | Mi | 11.11 | + | 9.82 | 5.02 | 6.5 |
| <i>Fritillaria roylei</i> Hook.f | G | Mi | 1.5 | + | 13.27 | | 3.7 |
| <i>Galium aparine</i> L. | TH | N | 4.62 | + | + | 2.22 | 1.7 |
| <i>Gentiana kuroo</i> Royle | TH | N | + | + | 8.51 | + | 2.1 |
| <i>Gentiana olivieri</i> Griseb. | TH | N | + | 10.36 | + | + | 2.6 |
| <i>Geranium rotundifolium</i> L. | H | Me | + | + | 4.48 | + | 1.1 |
| <i>Geranium wallichianum</i> D.Don. ex Sweet. | H | Mi | 11.82 | 16.46 | 8.7 | 10.75 | 11.9 |
| <i>Gerbera gossypina</i> (Royle) Beauv | CH | Me | 2.66 | | + | + | 0.67 |
| <i>Geum elatum</i> Wall. ex G.Don | H | Mi | + | 12.89 | + | + | 3.2 |
| <i>Gnaphalium affine</i> D.Don | TH | N | 4.23 | + | + | 20.51 | 6.2 |
| <i>Hackelia uncinata</i> (Royle. ex Benth) Fischer | TH | Mi | + | + | 8.01 | 5.02 | 3.2 |

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| <i>Leucas cephalotes</i> Spreng. | H | Me | 5.96 | + | + | 1.76 | 1.9 |
| <i>Malva neglecta</i> Wall. | CH | Mi | + | + | 2.64 | + | 0.66 |
| <i>Nepeta erecta</i> Benth | CH | Mi | 5.59 | + | + | + | 1.4 |
| <i>Nepeta govaniana</i> (Benth.) Benth | CH | Mi | + | + | + | 4.19 | 1.04 |
| <i>Onopordum acanthium</i> L. | TH | Mi | + | 4.86 | + | + | 1.2 |
| <i>Oxyria digyna</i> (L) Hill | CH | Mi | 5.44 | + | + | + | 1.36 |
| <i>Pimpinella diversifolia</i> (Wall.) DC. | TH | Mi | 4.83 | + | 7.48 | + | 3.01 |
| <i>Plantago major</i> L. | H | Me | 2.85 | 3.58 | + | 5.08 | 2.9 |
| <i>Pleurospermum brunonis</i> (DC.) Clarke | H | N | + | 11.59 | + | + | 2.9 |
| <i>Poa alpina</i> L. | H | N | 33.04 | + | 27.28 | 34.32 | 23.6 |
| <i>Poa stewartii</i> L. | H | N | 9.77 | | 24.04 | 22.57 | 14.1 |
| <i>Polygonatum verticillatum</i> (L.) All. | H | L | + | 6.37 | + | + | 1.6 |
| <i>Polygonum nepalensis</i> Meissn. | H | L | + | + | + | 3.24 | 0.81 |
| <i>Primula denticulata</i> Smith | H | Mi | 15.79 | 34.04 | 13.94 | 7.42 | 17.8 |
| <i>Primula macrophylla</i> D.Don | H | Me | 4.04 | 24.93 | 12.96 | 3.62 | 11.4 |
| <i>Prunella vulgaris</i> L. | TH | Mi | 24.85 | + | 10.18 | 13.57 | 12.1 |
| <i>Pteris nepalensis</i> H. Ito | G | Me | + | + | + | 1.56 | 0.39 |
| <i>Ranunculus muricatus</i> L. | CH | Me | 2.85 | + | + | 4.42 | 1.9 |
| <i>Rumex nepalensis</i> Sprenge | CH | Mi | 5.16 | + | 9.01 | 4.55 | 4.7 |
| <i>Sambucus wightiana</i> Wall. ex Wight & Arn. | CH | Me | + | 7.74 | + | + | 1.9 |
| <i>Saussurea fastuosa</i> (Decne.) Sch.Bip. | H | Me | + | 9.77 | + | + | 2.4 |
| <i>Scirpus</i> sp. | H | N | 19.75 | + | 19.89 | 28.13 | 16.9 |
| <i>Sedum ewersii</i> Ledeb. | G | Mi | 6.31 | + | + | + | 1.6 |
| <i>Senecio chrysanthemoides</i> DC. | G | Mi | 2.3 | + | 8.76 | + | 2.76 |
| <i>Sibbaldia cuneata</i> O.kunz | H | N | 23.02 | 33.59 | 18.27 | 41.03 | 28.9 |
| <i>Stachys emodi</i> Hedge | Np | Mi | + | + | + | 2.62 | 0.66 |
| <i>Strobilanthes glutinosus</i> Nees | H | Me | 4.03 | 2.62 | 9.26 | 5.11 | 5.2 |
| <i>Taraxacum officinale</i> Weber | H | Mi | 2.85 | + | 7.28 | 7.47 | 4.4 |
| <i>Thlaspi andersonii</i> (Hook.f.&thoms) schulz | TH | Mi | + | 6.87 | + | + | 1.7 |
| <i>Thymus linearis</i> Benth | CH | Mi | + | + | 4.91 | + | 1.2 |
| <i>Trifolium repens</i> L. | H | N | + | + | 12.67 | 9.61 | 5.57 |
| <i>Trollius acaulis</i> Lindley | CH | Mi | + | + | + | 4.55 | 1.13 |
| <i>Tussilago farfara</i> L. | TH | Ma | 2.85 | 9.77 | 2.82 | + | 3.8 |
| <i>Valeriana jatamansi</i> Jones | G | Mi | + | + | 5.38 | + | 1.35 |
| <i>Valeriana pyrolifolia</i> Decne | G | Mi | + | + | + | 2.46 | 0.62 |
| <i>Viola canescens</i> Wall. Ex Roxb. | H | Mi | 2.7 | + | + | 5.89 | 2.15 |

Life form: TH Therophytes CH Chamaphaetes H Hemicryptophytes G Geophytes Np Nanophanerophytes

Leaf spectra: Ma Megaphyll Me Mesophyll Mi Microphyll N Nanophyll L Leptophyll