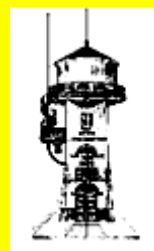


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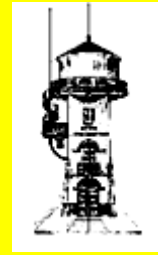


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**Front cover:** The photograph on the front cover exhibit plants of *Lotus creticus* (L.) growing in natural conditions in Tunisia. Mokhtar *et al* (pp. 34-53) studied its adaptation to saline conditions.

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