

**Appendix 7.** Canonical discriminant analysis of 51 populations of *Viola suavis* s.l. based on average values of 20 morphological characters. The four groups defined on the basis of AFLP data represent: *V. suavis* 'Spain' from NE Spain (triangles), *V. suavis* subsp. *suavis* from C&SE Europe, including populations 246 and 247 from the province of Trieste (circles), *V. suavis* subsp. *adriatica* from NW Croatia, excluding populations 228, 258, 259, 260 (squares), *V. suavis* subsp. *austrodalmatica* from S Dalmatia (stars). The first three axes explain 63.25 %, 26.14 % and 10.61 % of the variation.

