Contributions to this section are always welcome. Please submit entries to Chris Hitch, The Whin, Wadd Lane, Snape, Saxmundham, Suffolk, IP17 1QY, in the form of species, habitat, locality, VC no., VC name [from 1997, nomenclature to follow that given in the Appendix, see Bulletin 79, which is based on the Biological Records Centre, Instructions for Recorders, ITE, Monks Wood Experimental Station, Abbots Ripton, Huntingdon, PE17 2LS, 1974], Grid Reference (GR), altitude (alt.), where applicable, in metres (m), date, comments and recorder. An authority with date after species is only indicated when the record is new to the British Isles. In the interests of accuracy, typescript is much appreciated. Please use only one side of the paper. Copy should reach the subeditor at least a fortnight before the deadline for the Bulletin. Records of lichens listed in the RDB are particularly welcome, even from previously known localities.

Absconditella lignicola: towards the base of several stands of old and leggy Calluna, frequently with Dimerella pineti, Studland Heath, VC 9, Dorset, GR 40/02-85-, May 1997. Determined by B. J. Coppins. For more details see Bulletin 74 (1994) p.54 (sub ed).

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Acrocordia cavata: on holly in woodland at edge of loch, Loch Rannoch, VC 88, mid-Perthshire, GR 27/6--5--, October 1974.

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Amandinea lecideina: (i) on sheltered, east-facing sea-cliff, Llangranog, VC 46, Cardiganshire, GR 30-54-, alt. 3 m, April 1997; (ii) also frequent on coastal rock faces, Penyrangor, Aberystwyth, VC 46, Cardiganshire, GR 22/58-80-, September 1997. Confirmed by A. Orange. First Cardiganshire records.

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Bryoria fuscescens: on dead, dusty, acidic, Rhus typhina, together with seventeen other epiphytes, including Parmelia soredians, in roadside shrubbery of garden centre, Woodbridge, VC 25, East Suffolk, 62/26-48-, May 1996. Material was collected to allow a determination (TLC) as the plant was too small to have soralia present, and also in view of heavy rotovating machinery, used in close proximity. The shrub is now no longer there.

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M. J. Simms

Caloplaca ruiderum: (i) at the base of dusty south-facing shale wall, beside a minor road, Llangranog, VC 46, Cardiganshire, GR 22/31-54-, April 1997. New to Cardiganshire; (ii) on south-facing limestone by trackway, Great Orme, Llandudno, VC 49, Caernarfonshire, GR 23/77-82-, April 1997. Both records confirmed by J. R. Laundon. This species is probably somewhat overlooked in the sunnier parts of Wales.

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Cecidonia xenophana: on a Porpidia sp. on rocks above Llyn Llygad Rheidol, Plynlimon, VC 46, Cardiganshire, GR 22/79-87-, alt. 550 m, May 1997. New to Cardiganshire.

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Cyphelium notarisii: abundant on the back slats of a seat overlooking the river Deben, Woodbridge, VC 25, East Suffolk, GR 62/27-47-, July 1997. There were virtually no thalli on the seat area; probably due to excessive abrasion.

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Dactylospora purpurescens: on thallus of Pilophorus strumaticus, on vertical Ordovician strata above Llyn Llygad Rheidol, Plynlimon, VC 46, Cardiganshire, GR 22/79-87-, alt. 510-610m, May 1997. Determined by B. J. Coppins. A new host for this species. Previous British specimens are on Amygdalaria pelobotryon, but it is known from Scandinavia on Pilophorus dovrensis.

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Endocarpon sp: on a greensand wall, spreading both along the upper surface and across vertical faces, Iwerne Courtney or Shroton, VC 9, Dorset, GR 31/85-12-, April 1997. New to the British Isles and yet to be named to species level. Look for it on walls composed of blocks of sandstone, where it may be easily overlooked for Verrucaria macrostoma: However, the brown thallus is minutely squamulose, lobed at the edges, and with two or more perithecia per areole. Determined by B. J. Coppins.

V. Giavarini

Fuscidea viridis: (i) on Betula in damp woodland, Hafod, VC 46, Cardiganshire, GR 22/75-72-, alt. 135 m, November 1996; (ii) on Betula west of Pontrhydygroes, VC 46, Cardiganshire, GR 22/73-71-, July 1997. Confirmed by A. Orange. First records for Cardiganshire.

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Halecania spodomela: forming sparsely fertile, dark, scurfy crusts, on vertical shale slabs, erected as edging to an old track, Yr Wyloer, Gilfach, Rhayader, VC 43, Radnorshire, GR 22/96-71-, alt. 200 m, August 1997. Confirmed by A. Orange. New to Radnorshire. This species must be easily overlooked when sterile.

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Lecanora epanora: for details see under Miriquidica lulensis.

Lecanora pannonica: on stonework of church, Iwerne Courtney or Shroton, VC 9, Dorset, GR 31/85-12-, 1997. Seen only at this church, despite an extensive survey of Dorset churchyards.

Lecanora pruinosa: on stonework of church, Hilton, VC 9, Dorset, GR 31/78-03-, January 1997. It is now known from at least six Dorset sites, since that date.


Lepraria elobata: (i) on soil in south-facing hollow on roadside bank, Loch Shandra, VC 90, Angus (Forfar), GR 37/2161-, November 1994; (ii) on soil in west-facing hollow on roadside bank, Tulloch Hill, Glen Prosen, VC 90, Angus (Forfar), GR 37/37-60-, June 1997. Determined by C. J. B. Hitch.


B. J. Coppins

Lithographa tesserata: very sparse on rocks above Llyn Llygad Rheidol, below Plynlimon Fawr, VC 46, Cardiganshire, GR 22/79-87-, alt. 650 m, May 1997. New to Cardiganshire.

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Milospium graphideorurrv: for details see under Lecanactis lyncea.

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Miriquidica lulensis: on west-facing, iron-rich, shale wall of adit, with a good complement of metallophytes, including Lecanora epanora and fertile Rhizocarpon furfurosus, Level Fawr, Pontrydgyroes, VC 46, Cardiganshire, GR 22/73-72-, alt. 150 m, September 1997. Second Welsh record.

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Parmelia soredians: on well-weathered churchyard seat, with Parmelia saxatilis, Ashtead, VC 17, Surrey; GR 51/19-58-, July 1997. Supposedly new to the county.

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Parmelia tinctina: Abundant on slates on north, east and south pitches of large outbuilding roof of the church rectory, and probably the rectory as well - no longer used as such. Somersham, VC 25, East Suffolk, GR 62/09-48-, September 1995. Collections and subsequent TLC analysis confirmed this red data book species which was first suspected in Suffolk in 1995.

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Placynthium flabellosum: fertile on marginal boulders, Brown Cove Tarn, Helvellyn, VC 69, Westmorland with North Lancashire, GR 35/34-16-, alt. 620 m, August 1996. First fertile British material.

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Polyblastia cruenta: for details see under Thelidium zwackhii.

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Polysporina lapponica: (i) occasional on horizontal boulder tops, Yr Wyloer, Gilfach, Rhayader, VC 43, Radnorshire, GR 22/96-71-, alt. 250 m, August 1997; (ii) also sparse on coastal shale outcrops, Penyrangôr, Aberystwyth, VC 46, Cardiganshire, GR 22/58-80-, September 1997. First vice-county records.

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R. C. Munro
Protoparmelia atriseda: on moribund Rhizocarpon geographicum on vertical, sheltered Ordovician outcrops, Gilfach, near Rhayader, VC 43, Radnorshire, GR 22/96-71, alt. 360 m, August 1997. New to Radnorshire.


Rhizocarpon furfurosum: for details see under Miriquidica lulensis.

Rhizocarpon viridiatrum: on south-facing coastal rocks, Afon Drywi, near Aberaeron, VC 46, Cardiganshire, GR 22/42-60, alt. 40 m, March 1997. New to Cardiganshire.


Rinodina pityrea: good fertile material on southwest side of decorticated tree stump (?Fraxinus), sheltered by bushes at edge of pastureland, Pettistree, VC 25, East Suffolk, GR 62/29-54, April 1997.

Sclerococcum montagnei Hafellner (1997): (i) on thallus of Lecanora rupicola: Breiddon Hill, VC 47, Montgomeryshire, GR 33/2-1, August 1985, collected B. J. Coppins & R. G. Woods; (ii) also at Hareheugh Craigs, VC 81, Berwickshire, GR 36/6-3, June 1991, collected B. J. Coppins, A. M. O'Dare & D. G. Long; (iii) and at Harelaw Burn, Lammermuir Hills, VC 82, East Lothian (Haddington), GR 36/54-63, March 1991, collected B. J. Coppins & A. M. O'Dare. Specimens in E. New to Britain. This species is similar in appearance to S. sphaerale on Pertusaria corallina, but has smaller, mainly 2-celled conidia. See Hafellner (1997) in 'Literature Pertaining', in this issue.

Thelidium zwackhii: (i) on mortar-rich wall-footing of old mine building, Ceunant mine, VC 46, Cardiganshire, GR 22/70-82, alt. 260 m, March 1993; (ii) on little stones with Polyblastia cruenta, in streamlet, Plynlimon Fawr, VC 46, Cardiganshire, GR 22/79-87, alt. 570 m, May 1997. Confirmed by A. Orange. First Cardiganshire records.

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