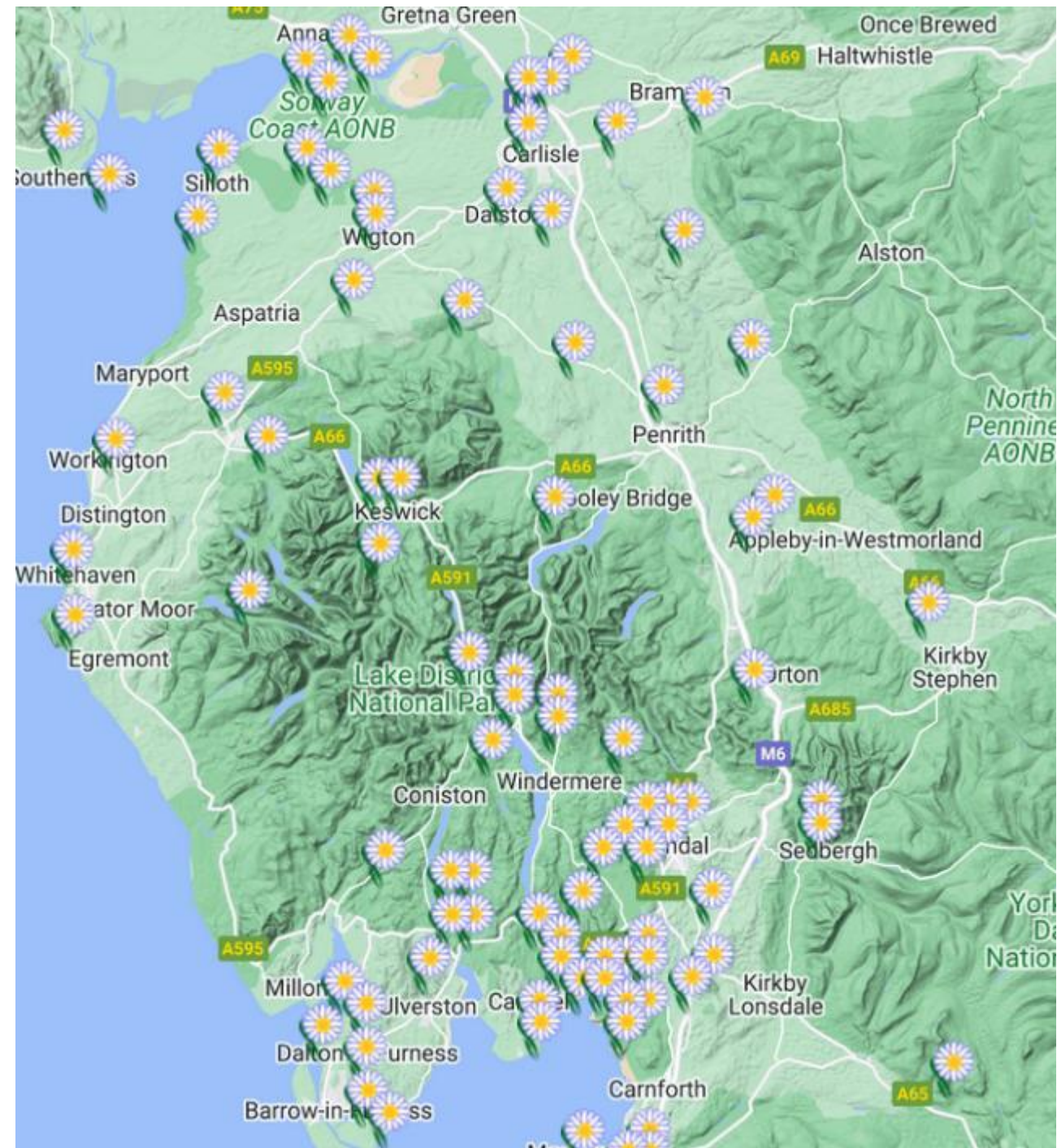


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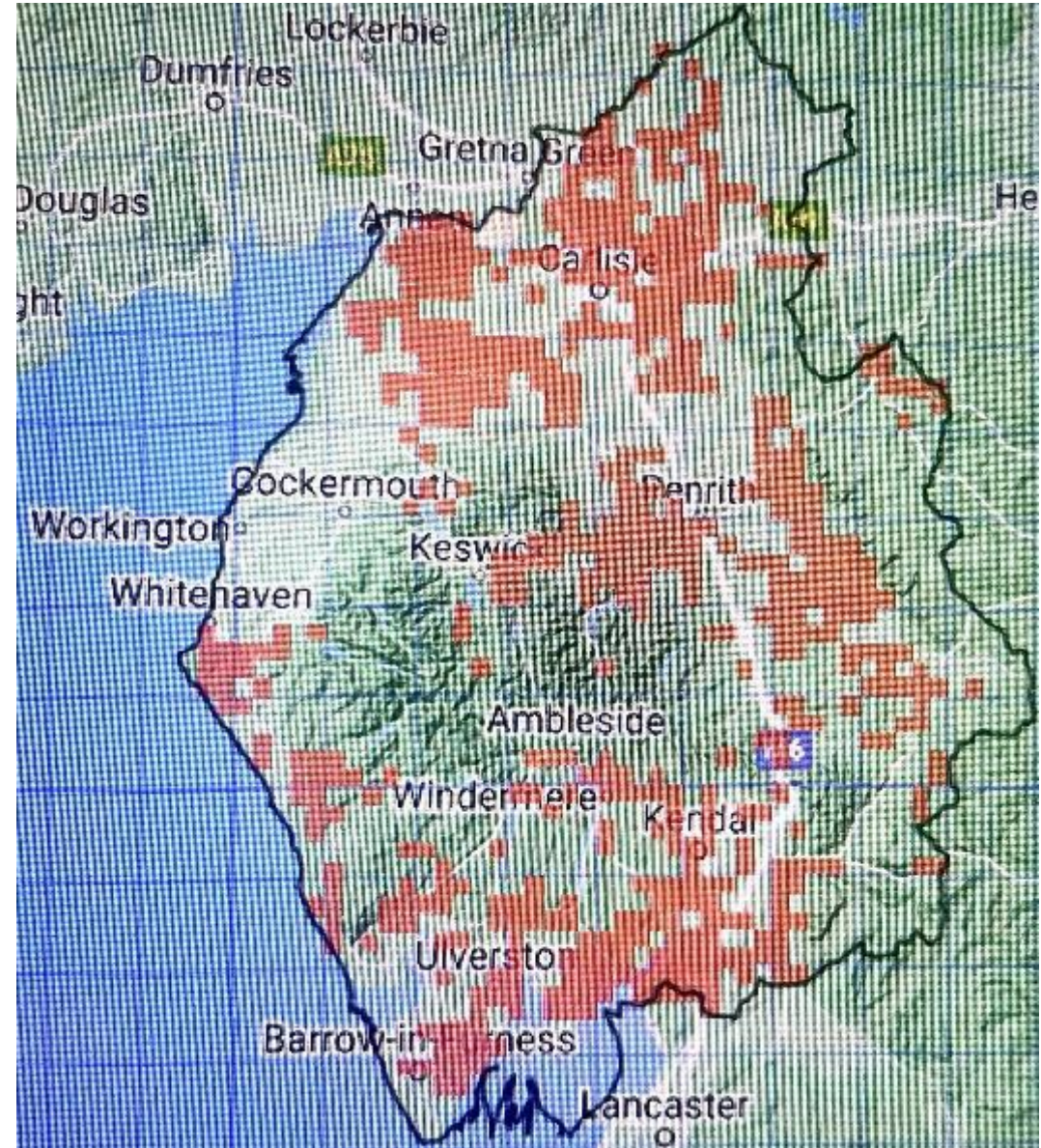
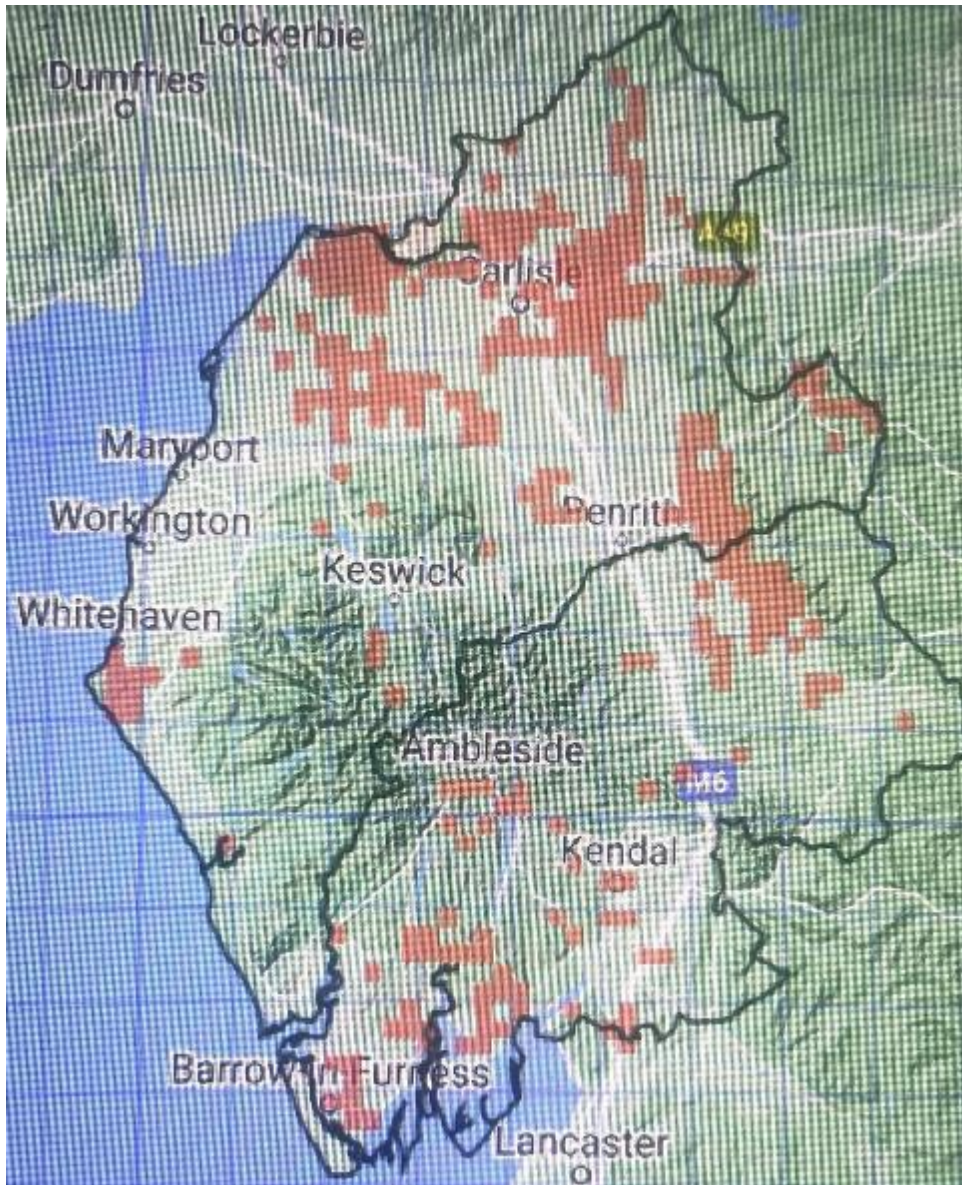


NEW YEAR PLANT HUNT 2023/2024

- The New Year Plant Hunt covers the whole of Britain and Ireland and records plants **in flower in the wild – not planted in gardens** – at the turn of the year.
- In Cumbria far more people took part than in previous years (about 90) but the number of different species recorded this year (and last year) was lower than that of the best years.
- The reason? The cold snap in December.
- Most commonly recorded: Daisy, Dandelion, Gorse, Groundsel and Annual Meadow-grass.



Snowdrops - *Galanthus* species 2022 and 2023



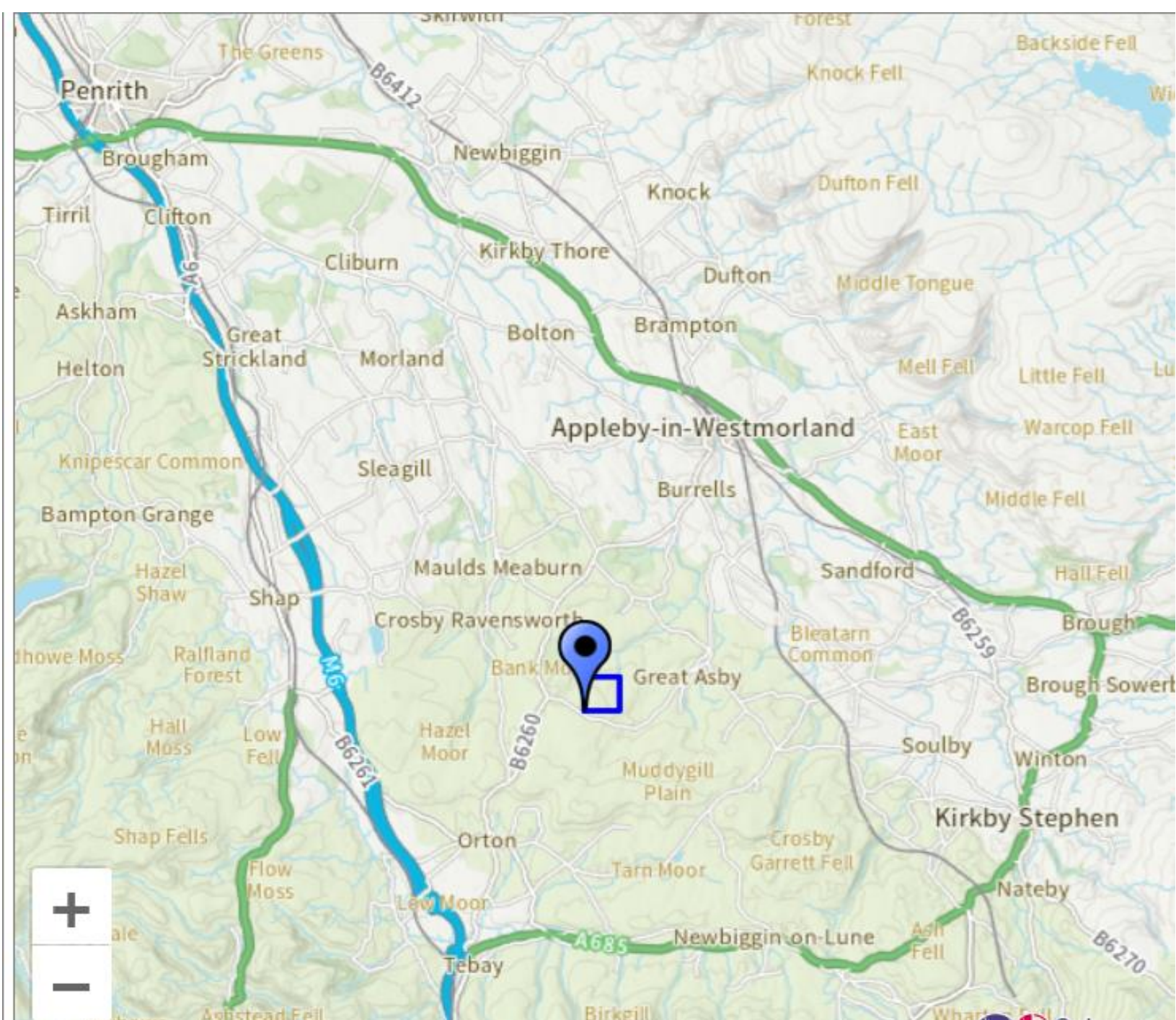
Corallorhiza trifida
Coralroot Orchid at
Hay Bridge Reserve
May 2023



Andromeda
polifolia
Bog
Rosemary, at
Hay Bridge
Nature
Reserve

May 2023





Primula farinosa
Bird's-eye Primrose
at Gaythorne
June 2023



*Epipactis
palustris*
Marsh
Helleborine
at
Gaythorne
2023

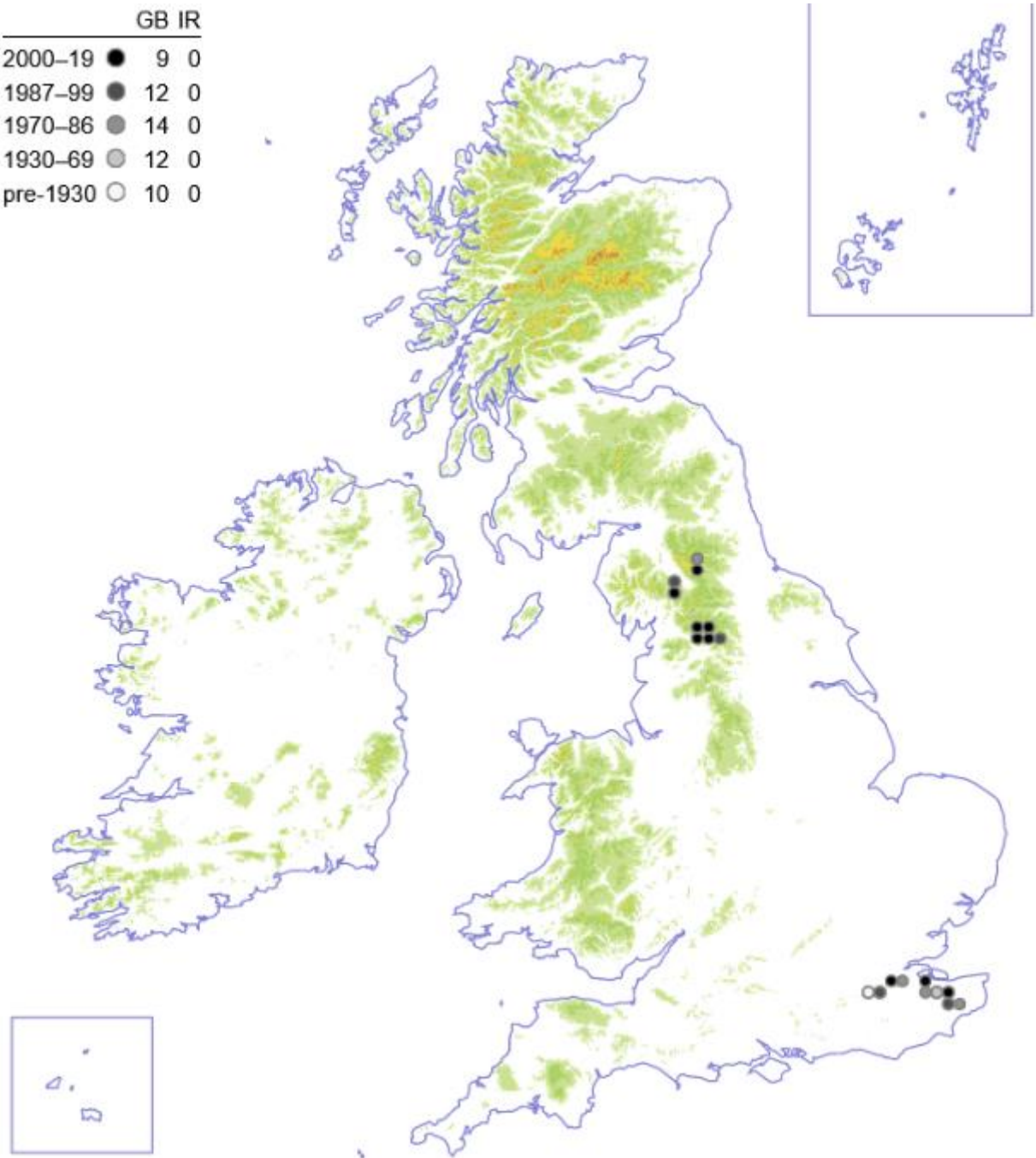


Polygala amarella Dwarf Milkwort at Gaythorne



Distribution
of *Polygala
amarella*
Dwarf
Milkwort in
Britain

		GB	IR
2000–19	●	9	0
1987–99	●	12	0
1970–86	●	14	0
1930–69	●	12	0
pre-1930	○	10	0



Polygala amarella Dwarf Milkwort



Crithmum maritimum Rock Samphire at
Walney.



Allium oleraceum Field Garlic by the River Eden



Datura stramonium Thorn Apple at Walney



*Orobanche
minor*
Common
Broomrape at
Workington
Harbour –
mid-October!

