

SEEDS FROM CONDICOTE HENGE, GLOUCESTERSHIRE

The seeds from Condicote were received in a sorted and dry state of preservation. Assessment was made on microscopic details wherever identification was possible.

Little information can be gathered from the collection, it is unfortunate that many of the disseminules are too eroded and damaged. Tentative identification of the Gentianella sp. is based on the very characteristic texturing of the seed coat combined with the extreme variations of size and shape so often found in this genus. The collection of seeds in sample SS 30 Seed cluster is a collection of Juncus sp. stuck together by mucilage which is readily secreted by the genus.

<u>SS 30 Seed cluster:</u>	<u>Juncus sp.</u>	Reeds
<u>SS 30 0.5 mm.:</u>	<u>Veronica hederifolia L.</u>	Ivy-leaved Speedwell
	<u>Plantago lanceolata L.</u>	Plantain
	<u>? Gentianella sp.</u>	Felworts
	<u>Immature Rumex perianth</u>	Dock or sorrel
90-100 cms.:	Not a seed	
101-110 cms.:	Rachis fragment of a grass	
170-180 cms.:	Larger disseminule too eroded, but from the size and shape it is most likely to be a species of <u>Galeopsis</u> (one half of the nutlet) The smaller disseminule is not a seed.	

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