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## BOTANICAL SOCIETY OF THE BRITISH ISLES in association with the BIOLOGY CURATORS GROUP

A conference to be held in Liverpool on September 12th & 13th, 1985.

The conference will be based at the Merseyside County Museums and the University of Liverpool Halls of Residence.

Topics include: LOCAL FLORAS: THE CRITICAL ELEMENT

BSBI HANDBOOKS: WORK IN PROGRESS

CURRENT RESEARCH INTO CRITICAL GROUPS

HYBRIDISATION IN CRITICAL GROUPS

THE USES OF CRITICAL RECORDS

OPERATION GROUNDWORK NORTH-WEST.

A key feature of the conference will be workshop sessions covering a selection of particularly difficult groups, and a session on the use of computers in producing local floras.

Speakers and workshop session leaders include:

J. Akeroyd, H. Ash, R. Bateman, I.R. Brown, D. Doogue, Revd. G.G. Graham, A. Gunn, J. Handley, C. Howarth, D. McClintock, J. Moore, D. Parker, F. Perring, J. Ravest, A.J. Richards, T. Rich, J. Rodwell, P. Smith, C. Stace and S. Webster.

The large herbarium of the Museums, in which critical groups are well represented, will be used during the conference.

Further details and booking arrangements will be available shortly, and enquiries should be made to either J.R. Edmondson or E.F. Greenwood at Merseyside County Museums, William Brown St, Liverpool L3 8EN. Tel: 051-207 0001.