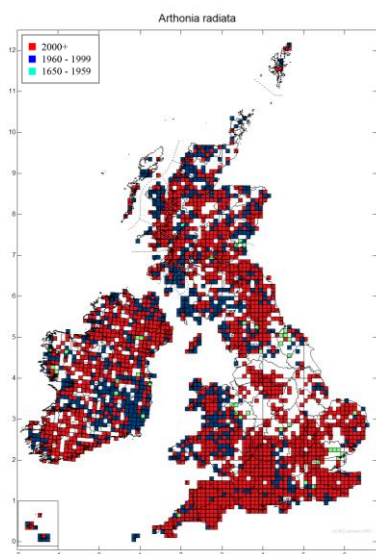


Arthonia radiata



Identification: Thallus, white to pale grey, sometimes tinged brown. Often found in mosaics when it is surrounded by a thin black line. Apothecia black, crowded together and often star-shaped.

Chemistry: All reactions are negative.

Similar species: Often confused with *Arthonia punctiformis* which has a less obvious thallus and more linear apothecia and is not lichenised (does not scratch orange like *A. radiata*).

Habitat: A common pioneer species on twigs of smooth barked trees and shrubs. Often growing with *Lecidella elaeochroma* and *Lecanora chlarotera*.

Distribution: Throughout Britain and Ireland.