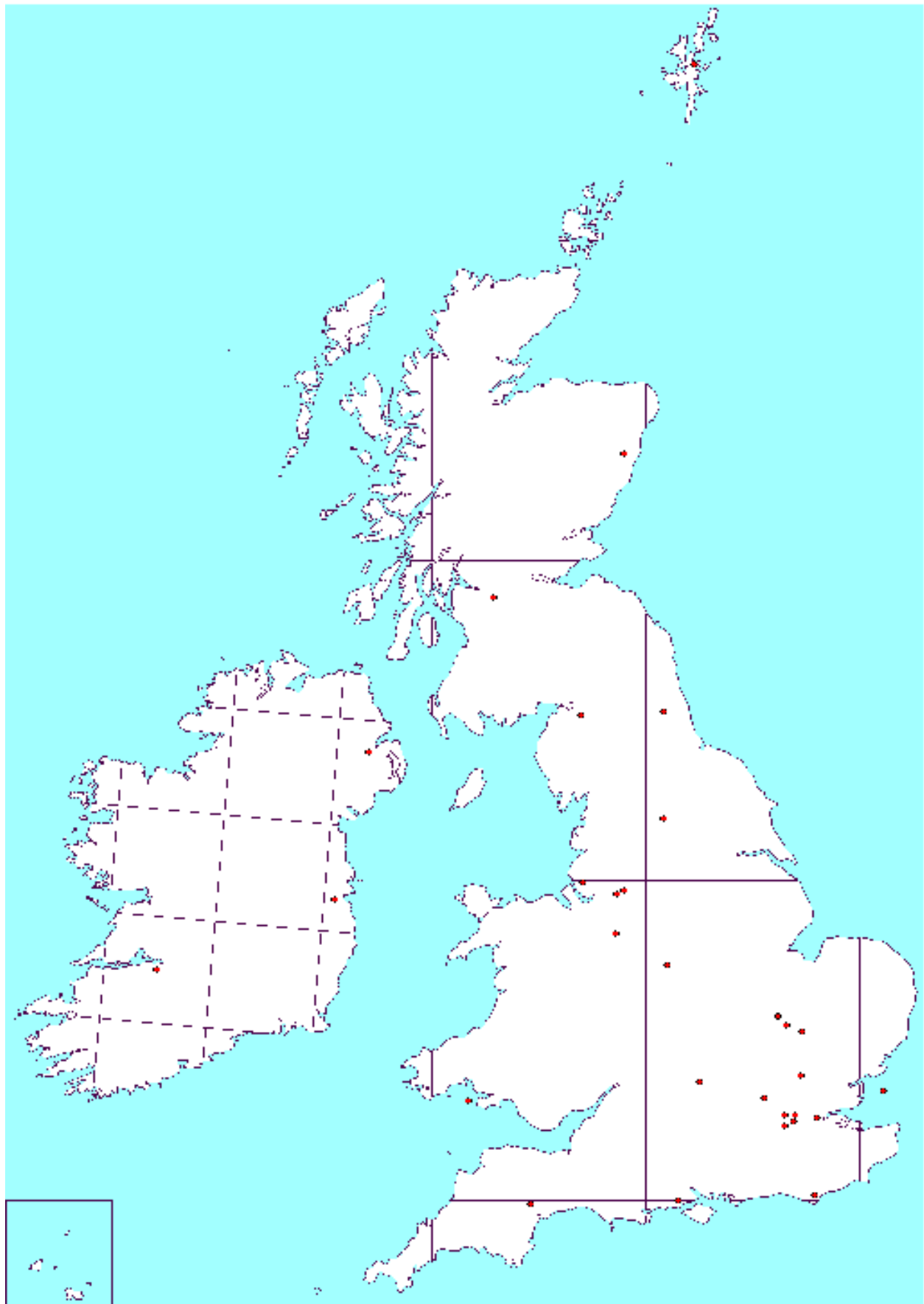


CHELIFER CANCROIDES



The cephalothorax is dark red to olive-brown, the opisthosomal tergites pale brown, olive-green with dark spots and the pedipalps reddish to tawny brown, tinged with olive. Distribution: Throughout most of Europe. It is doubtful whether this is an indigenous species in Britain, but has been established here for a long time, records coming from around London, the south-east, Manchester, Liverpool, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Aberdeen and Carlisle. *Chelifer cancroides* is usually synanthropic being found in stables, barns, grain-stores, flour mills, factories and houses. In 1981/82 specimens of *Larca larta* found in nest material within rotting oaks in Windsor Great Park were misidentified as *Chelifer cancroides*. Length of body: 2. 6-4. 5mm.