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INTRODUCTION

Following on from the very successful “Crop Protection in Northern Britain” conferences organised by the Association for Crop Protection in Northern Britain (which brings together SCRI, SAC, SASA, SNH, SEPA and the agricultural trade in Scotland), the Association of Applied Biologists is organising a biennial conference to be held in the years between these conferences in southern Britain. We will be following a similar format to the Crop Protection in Northern Britain conference as this seems to be a tried and tested successful formula.

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