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Blank sheet

BOFFINS investigating the mysterious circles which appear in Britain's fields from time to time have a new phenomenon to explore.

A 50 sq mile area of Queensland, Australia, has fallen victim to an inexplicable swarm of clear plastic sheeting which was first spotted drifting over the horizon six months ago.

With everyone denying responsibility and the Australian Army, Air Force and weathermen baffled, the police have called in a local UFO research group while samples have been despatched to James Cook University. "It looks like someone's had a big picnic," chuckles police spokesman Greg McPaul.