

Anaphothrips woodi

Distinguishing features

Both sexes wingless. Body, legs and antennal segments I-II yellow, III-V yellow with pale brown shadings, VI variably yellow at base, VII-IX brown. Head reticulate, weakly so in ocellar region; eyes with no facets pigmented or only weakly indicated; ocellar setae III variable in position. Antennae 9-segmented; sense cone simple on III, forked on IV; IV-VI pedicellate. Pronotum almost without sculpture; with no long setae. Mesonotum and metascutum transverse, campaniform sensilla present. Abdominal tergites transversely reticulate medially, postero-lateral margins smooth; II-VII with all four pairs of setae equally small; VIII with narrow, irregularly lobed, craspedum; spiracles occupying almost half of lateral margins of VIII. Male similar to female; tergite IX with 2 pairs of short stout setae medially; sternites III-VII with weakly C-shaped or curved pore plate.

Related species

Out of a total of 81 species of *Anaphothrips* worldwide, 43 are known from Australia (Mound & Masumoto, 2009) and five from New Zealand. Many of these species have the antennae clearly 9-segmented, others clearly have only 8 segments, but several species have an intermediate condition with segment VI bearing a partial and often oblique transverse suture. The significance of this grass-living species remains in doubt, and it is possibly merely the apterous form of *A. varii*.

Biological data

Feeding on the leaves of unidentified grasses (Poaceae).

Distribution data

Known only from Southeastern Australia and New Zealand (TK / NN, MB, BR, MC, WD, OL, CO, FD). Recorded from November to March.

Family name

THRIPIDAE, THRIPINAE

Species name

Anaphothrips woodi Pitkin

Original name and synonyms

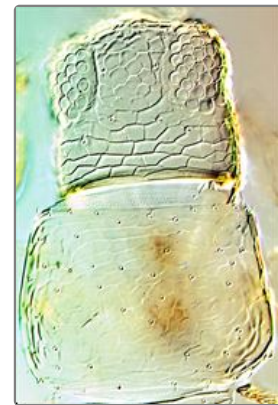
Anaphothrips woodi Pitkin, 1978: 367.

References

Mound LA & Masumoto M (2009) Australian Thripinae of the *Anaphothrips* genus-group (Thysanoptera), with three new genera and thirty-three new species. *Zootaxa* 2042: 1-76.



Antenna



Meso & metathorax, and tergites I-II



Female tergites VII-X



Male sternal pore plates