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Anaphothrips newmani



Distinguishing features

Female macroptera. None of the five original female specimens is in a suitable condition for critical study. The tergites of one female with pale brown shading medially, the other females apparently entirely yellow. Antennae 9-segmented, segments shrunken, suture between VI–VII apparently oblique; ocellar setae pair III just anterolateral to triangle; metascutum reticulate medially, campaniform sensilla not visible on any of the specimens; fore wing with at least one seta on second vein basal to vein fork; tergites laterally with 9–10 lines of sculpture bearing many fine microtrichia, lines do not extend mesad of setae S2.

Male macroptera. Tergite IX with two pairs of stout setae medially; sternal pore plates appear to be very weakly curved rather than transverse.

Related species

There are 43 species of *Anaphothrips* known from Australia (Mound & Masumoto, 2009), out of a total of 86 species worldwide (ThripsWiki, 2020). 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. *A. atriplicis* and *A. cobari* are probably the most closely related species to *A. newmani*, but neither of these has such closely spaced microtrichiate sculpture lines on the tergites, and the males of both have different pore plates.

Biological data

Adults taken on an unidentified Acacia sp. [Fabaceae].

Distribution data

Recorded only from Western Australia.

Family name

THRIPIDAE - THRIPINAE

Species name

Anaphothrips newmani Moulton

Original name and synonyms

Anaphothrips newmani Moulton, in Moulton & Newman, 1935: 99.

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. http://www.mapress.com/zootaxa/2009/f/zt02042p076.pdf

