Cephalothrips hesperus

Distinguishing features

This species has not been studied by the present authors, but see Cott, 1956: 31-33

Related species

There are eight species listed under the genus *Cephalothrips* from around the world. Only *C. hesperus* has been described from North America, and this differs from the widespread *C. monilicornis* in having the eyes not prolonged on the ventral surface of the head. Whereas *C. monilicornis* is associated with grasses, *C. hesperus* has been taken in low numbers from various living and dead plants, and possibly should be placed in some other genus.

Biological data

Biology unknown, specimens have been beaten from various plants, living and dead.

Distribution data

Recorded only from California.

Family name

PHLAEOTHRIPIDAE, PHLAEOTHRIPINAE

Species name

Cephalothrips hesperus Hood

Original name and synonyms

Cephalothrips hesperus Hood, 1941: 197.

References

Cott HE (1956) Systematics of the suborder Tubulifera (Thysanoptera) in California. *University of California, Berkeley, Publications in Entomology* **13**: 1–216.