Tenothrips californicus

Distinguishing features

This species is discussed under *Tenothrips ehrhornii*, of which it is possibly a synonym. The arrangement of setae on the seventh abdominal sternite is variable in the available specimens, including paratype females.

Related species

This species was described in *Ewartithrips*, a genus proposed for six species from California. However, separation of this Californian genus from the Mediterranean genus *Tenothrips* is doubtful (Bhatti, 2003).

Biological data

Collected from plants in several families, and presumably breeding in flowers.

Distribution data

Known only from California and Mexico.

Family name

THRIPIDAE - THRIPINAE

Species name

Tenothrips californicus (Nakahara)

Original name and synonyms

Ewartithrips californicus Nakahara, 1996: 236

References

Bhatti JS (2003) The genera *Tenothrips* and *Ewartithrips* (Terebrantia: Thripidae) and pigmented facets of eye in some Terebrantia. *Thysanoptera* **2003**: 1–10.