Trichromothrips xanthius

Distinguishing features
This orchid-living species has not been studied by the present authors.

Related species
The genus *Trichromothrips*, together with its synonym *Dorcadothrips*, currently includes 38 species (Masumoto & Okajima, 2005; Li et al., 2019). These species apparently originated in the area between Southeast Asia and Australia, but several of them are now more widespread around the world (Bhatti, 2000). *T. xanthius* is reported to be unique within this genus in having coarse-grained dark areas on either side of abdominal sternites V & VI (Nakahara, 1993).

Biological data
Recorded from *Cattleya* sp., *Cypripedium* sp., *Laelia* sp., and *Odontoglossum* sp. [Orchidaceae].

Distribution data
Presumably originally from Southeast Asia, but taken in greenhouses widely around the world (Nakahara, 1993: 408).

Family name
THRIPIDAE - THRIPINAE

Species name
*Trichromothrips xanthius* (Williams)

Original name and synonyms
*Taeniorthrips xanthius* Williams, 1917: 59
*Dorcadothrips xanthius* (Williams); Nakahara, 1993: 407.

References
