

Letter to the editor

NEW GENERA AND SPECIES OF THYSANOPTERA – THRIPIDAE FOR CUBA

Dear Sir:

With de aim of updating the trips faune in the province of Guantánamo, the genera *Cercyothonips* Morgan, *Enneothrips* Moulton, *Stenchaetothrips* Bagnall and *Psectrothrips* Hood are reported for the first time in Cuba as a result of successive samplings at different locations. Among the new species found were *Cercyothonips galbinus* Hood on *Acacea farmeseana* L. Willd in the municipality of El Salvador; *Enneothrips gustativiae* Hood, on *Sambucus canadensis* L. and *Sesuvium portulacastrum* L. in the localities of Arenal and Piedra la Vela respectively, belonging to the municipality of Yateras; *Psectrothrips palmarae* Mound and Marullo on *Tabebuia vibracteolata* Griseb. Britton in Piedra la Vela; *Tabebuia angustata* Britton in the locality of La Mesita, Baracoa; and *Stenchaetothrips minutes* Deventer on *Echinochloa cruz-galli* L. in the locality of Bayate, municipality of El Salvador.

The presence of *S. minutes* on a poacea associated with rice crop is of interest for being related to the species *Stenchaetothrips biformis* Bagnall, which is recognized as a major pest of rice in Asia and Europe.

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