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Classification from Mound and Heming (1991), in *Insects of Australia*

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## Introduction

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thysanos - fringe; pteron -wing.

## Characteristics

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Derived characteristics:

- asymmetrical mouthparts with right mandible lost
- pretarsus with protrusible "bladder", which balloons out as leg makes contact with the ground.
- wing linear with long marginal setae
- two or three quiescent, pre-imaginal instars

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## Information on the Internet


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- [CSIRO Entomology - Thysanoptera](#)
- [Laurence Mound's Research](#)
- [ThripsNet](#)

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 *Scientific Name* Frankliniella occidentalis

*Location* Northern Sierra Nevada, California, USA

*Comments* Western flower thrips

*Specimen Condition* Live Specimen

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*Scientific Name* Ceratothrips frici

*Location* San Mateo County

*Comments* Dandelio thrips intercepted by John Nelson on grasses

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*Specimen Condition* Dead Specimen

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