Yaobinthrips

Generic diagnosis

Female macropterous. Head wider than long, ocellar region without sculpture; maxillary palps 3-segmented; eyes large with 5 weakly pigmented facets; ocellar setae pair I present, pair III posterior to tangent joining posterior margins of hind ocelli; five pairs of small postocular setae. Antennae 8-segmented, segment I without paired dorso-apical setae; III and IV with sense cones forked, IV with additional simple sense cone dorso-laterally; III–VI with rows of microtrichia on both surfaces. Pronotum trapezoidal, almost without sculpture lines and setae minute; four pairs of posteromarginal setae, two pairs of long posteroangulars. Mesonotum anterior campaniform sensilla present; median setal pair minute and close to posterior margin. Metanotum reticulate; median pair of setae at anterior margin; campaniform sensilla present near posterior margin. Fore wing first vein with setal row almost complete, distal four setae widely spaced; second vein setal row complete; clavus with five marginal and one discal setae;









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posterior cilia wavy. Prosternal ferna robust, complete medially; basantra rugose membranous, without setae; prospinasternum broad and transverse; endofurca with prominent spinula; mesosternal sternopleural sutures complete. Metasternal furca without spinula. Tarsi 2-segmented; fore femora inner margin angulate, with pointed tubercle near base; fore tibiae each with two short, broadly rounded, bulbous modified setae. Tergites V–VIII with narrow craspeda; VIII with paired ctenidia anterolateral to spiracles, VI–VII with ctenidia terminating at median lateral marginal seta, IX with two pairs of campaniform sensilla. Sternites without discal setae, III–VII with 3 pairs of marginal setae, II with two pairs; sternite VI with pair of small circular pore plates.

Male sternites III–VII each with a large transverse pore plate, tergite IX without drepanae.

Relationship data

Thripidae sub-family Thripinae: this is a diverse group involving more than 230 genera. *Yaobinthrips* is one of nine genera in the *Frankliniella*-group (Mound, 2002), and is probably related to *Parabaliothrips*. The single species is unique in the group in the presence of tergal craspeda, and for the presence on each fore tibia of a curious stout, bulbous seta.

Biological data

Collected from the flowers of *Dalbergia yunnanensis* [Fabaceae] (Zhang et al, 2010).

Distribution data

Known only from the type series collected in Sichuan, China.

Nomenclatural data

Yaobinthrips Zhang, Mound & Xie, 2010: 65. Type species Yaobinthrips yangtzei Zhang, Mound & Xie, 2010, by monotypy.

Only one species is known in this genus (ThripsWiki, 2018), and this was collected in southern China:

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