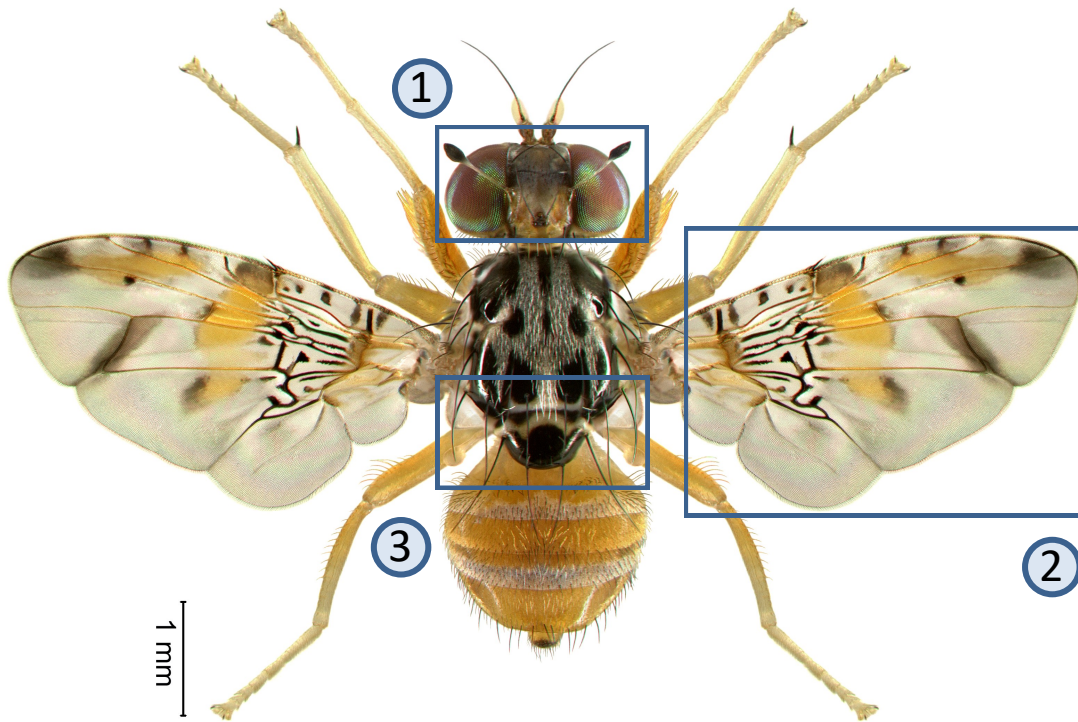
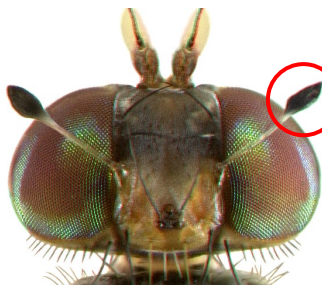




Ceratitis capitata (Wiedemann)

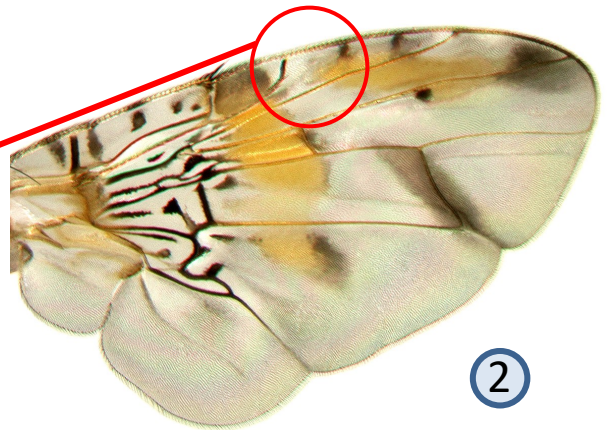


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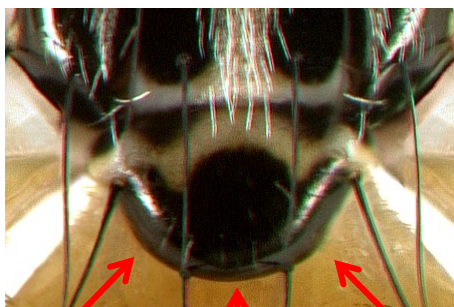


Apex of lower orbital setae of male black and diamond shaped

Marginal band not reaching anterior part of discal band



3



Apical spots on scutellum joined

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Mediterranean fruit fly, medfly. Small to medium size (wing length 3.5-4.6 mm). The most polyphagous fruit fly in Africa and serious pest of several fruits of economic importance. The species is widespread throughout sub-Saharan Africa but prefers dry, hot climate. Both sexes can be attracted by protein bait products. Males respond to trimedlure and enhanced ginger oil (EGO) lure.

Further information see: <http://projects.bebif.be/fruitfly/taxoninfo.html?id=3> Limitation: the species sheets only show differentiation between major pest species but do not take into account similarities/differences between ALL fruit infesting tephritids in West Africa. Copyright: text & images G. Goergen, IITA. Acknowledgements: Thanks are due to M. De Meyer, MRAC for help provided in the conceptualization of the sheets.