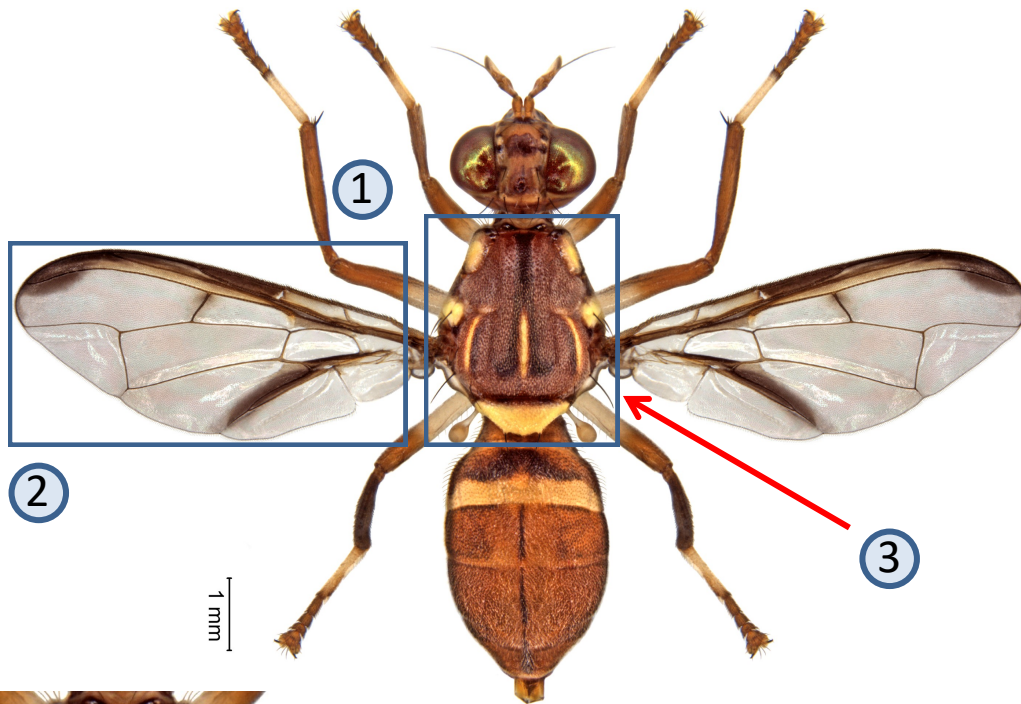


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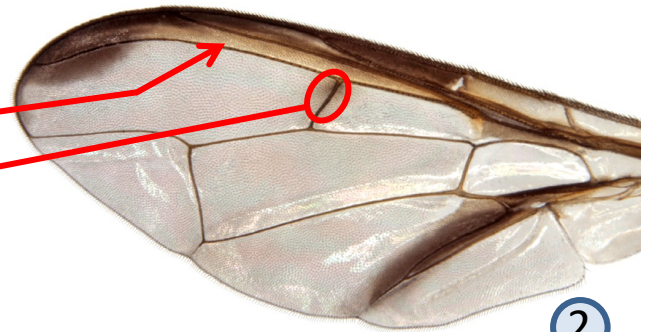


Small semi-circular markings anterior to transverse suture

Median and lateral yellow stripes present

Costal band complete and large

Small crossband often present



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Anatergite and

katatergite both yellow

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Medium sized fruit fly (wing length 4.2-7.7 mm). One of the main fruit fly pests of wild and cultivated Cucurbitaceae. Occasionally also found on Solanaceae crops. The species is found throughout sub-Saharan Africa, however records from southwestern Africa are lacking. Both sexes can be attracted by protein bait products. Males respond to cuelure.

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