CABIKEY to the Common Thysanoptera of Europe Fact Sheet

- This CABIKEY product has been designed to enable identification to species level of commonly found specimens of economic importance to agriculture in Europe. This includes species found on weeds associated with crops.

- Coverage is restricted to those species of known economic importance, so only 25% of the recorded European thrips are included in this system. However, most specimens collected from crops in Europe, and their associated weeds, are likely to be identifiable with this key.

- Four separate keys are included: one for all Thysanoptera, and three if you know to which family your specimen belongs. In addition, there is a key for immature life stages.

- CABIKEY will run on any IBM compatible PC. The preferred requirements are:
  * 386 processor
  * 640K RAM (ideally with 1MB extended or expanded memory)
  * At least 17.8 MB of hard disk space
  * Super VGA graphics board with 512K of memory

- The user who collects widely on non-economic plants will find species not in this key, and they are likely to be species of Haplothrips or Thrips because each has almost 100 species in Europe.

- The programme also provides a list of selected references, and an illustrated compendium of information about the biology of Thysanoptera and methods for their study.

- The accurate recognition of Thysanoptera species is often difficult. They are small, and thus difficult to study. A quick determination is often necessary for the first steps toward effective control measures. This programme is intended for such situations.

- The single user price for the CABIKEY to Common European Thysanoptera is £195/$320 (excluding VAT) including software and shipping.

- For only £585/$960 (excluding VAT) you could take out a multi-user license and have unlimited usage within your institution (either on the network or on individual PCs).

- The target audience is quarantine officers, agricultural entomologists, plant disease-vector workers and ecologists. The intention is to introduce the non-specialist to the systematic and biological diversity of Thysanoptera.

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