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*Phenacoccus solenopsis*

## Solenopsis Mealybug

### Field Recognition

Body gray, about 4 mm long, with many lateral wax filaments. Ovisacs not present. Wax on top of body surface appears as a cottony mass, horizontal dark stripes at the tip of the end of the body (i.e., the abdomen opposite of the feeding mouthparts).

### Known Southeastern Distribution

Florida and Mississippi.

### Common Hosts

Most common on *Hibiscus* and other malvaceous hosts.

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