

Lesser snow scale (*Pinnaspis strachani*)

- ❑ Intercepted in shipments from HI & FL; occasionally found in LA nurseries.
- ❑ Hosts: Polyphagous; found on various palms and foliage.
 - Some common hosts are: Ti (*Cordyline terminalis*); Ginger; *Heliconia*; Curry; Bamboo; Queen palm (*Syagrus romanzoffianum*); Sago palm (*Cycas revoluta*); Bay leaves; *Anthurium*; Orchids; Coconut palm (*Cocos nucifera*); Areca palm (*Dyopsis lutescens*); Kentia palm (*Howea*); Lady palm (*Rhapis*); *Ficus*; Taro; *Dracaena*; Lemon; Parlor palm (*Chamaedorea elegans*).
- ❑ Field ID: Adult female 2-3 mm long, with pyriform **opaque-white** cover; body yellowish-orange, **lacking apical cleft**. Immature male scale cover white, elongated and **tricarinate**.



Tricarinate
immature
male scale



Adult female with cover



Female body (cover removed)