

longicauda) feeding in a field. It was feeding over green grass and then went to a patch of dead grass and hunkered down to blend in (Figure 1). When I looked up to see what it was watching, I saw a Swallow-tailed Kite flying low above.



Figure 1. Upland Sandpiper foraging in green grass (A), and seeking camouflage while crouching in alert position in dead grass (B), Kiln, Mississippi.

LEUCISTIC SEMIPALMATED SANDPIPER

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On 5-6 August 2016 I found an almost all-white sandpiper (Figure 1) at the Tupelo Water Treatment Ponds, Lee County, Mississippi. Some of the bird's feathers showed tan to light brown edging, and it appeared larger than nearby Least Sandpipers (*Calidris minutilla*). The bird's rounded head and short, stubby bill indicated it was a probable Semipalmated Sandpiper (*Calidris pusilla*). A second photo (Figure 2) showing webbing between its toes confirmed the bird was a Semipalmated Sandpiper.



Figure 1. Leucistic Semipalmated Sandpiper with Least Sandpipers. Tupelo Water Treatment Ponds, Mississippi, early August 2016.



Figure 2. Leucistic Semipalmated Sandpiper showing webbing between toes. Tupelo Water Treatment Ponds, Mississippi, early August 2016.