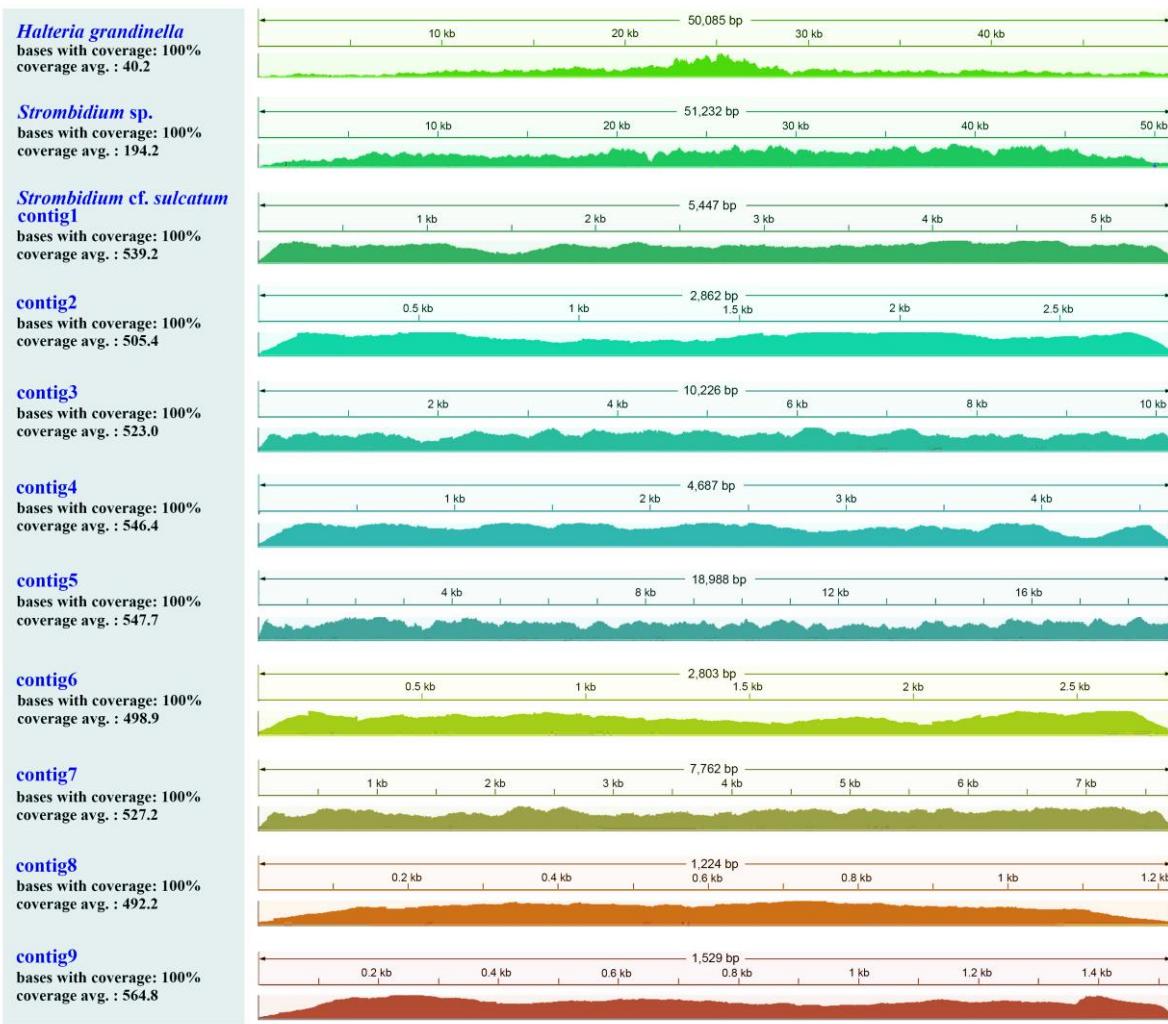


**Figure S1.** Schematic maps demonstrating how whole mitogenome was confirmed in *Strombidium* cf. *sulcatum*. Black lines indicate the mitochondrial contigs recovered from genomic assembly of *Strombidium* cf. *sulcatum*. Red lines represent PCR results used to link mitochondrial contigs. The vertical dashed lines indicate the binding positions of PCR products. Numbers in parentheses suggest the lengths (bp) of the fragments.



**Figure S2.** Coverage plots for mitochondrial contigs of *Halteria grandinella*, *Strombidium* sp. and *Strombidium* cf. *sulcatum*. The horizontal and vertical axes indicate contig length and coverage, respectively.

**Table 1.** Primers for PCR amplification to confirm mitogenome of *Strombidium cf. sulcatum*.

PCR fragments	Primers	Sequences (5'-3')
Scaffold 1_a	413_F1	CAGTAGCCAAGAATATAGCG
	1340_R1	ACTTCTAACTGAGTAGCATC
Scaffold 1_b	423_F1	CAAGACCTATCCATATCTCCCC
	1514_R2	GCCTTTGTAGCAAGCCATCA
Scaffold 2_a	195_F1	ATTTACAGTCTGCCGCTTCG
	1518_R1	TGACTTGGTAAGGCCTAGG
Scaffold 2_b	295_F1	GACTTGAGCAGGTTGATACC
	1250_R1	TACTTCTCGTAGTCGGGAG
Scaffold 2_c	503_F1	TAAGTATTGATTATCCGCAGG
	1926_R1	ACCCGATTACAGAGGTTACG
Scaffold 2_d	1033_F3	CTGCCACATTCAAGTAGAC
	2668_R2	ATGGAATCCCTTATCCTGAA
Scaffold 1+2	51_F1	ACGATAGGGAGTGAATACGG
	1488_R1	ACTCGCCTGTATCAAGTCGG

**Table S2.** GenBank accession numbers of mitochondrial protein sequences used for the phylogenetic trees. Newly characterized sequences are in bold.

Species	nad4	nad4L	nad5	nad7	nad9	nad10	cob	cox1	cox2	rps3	rps12	rpl2	rpl14	rpl16
<i>Strombidium</i> sp.	<b>XXX</b>	<b>XXX</b>	<b>XXX</b>	<b>XXX</b>	<b>XXX</b>	<b>XXX</b>	<b>XXX</b>							
<i>Strombidium</i> cf. <i>sulcatum</i>	<b>XXX</b>	<b>XXX</b>	<b>XXX</b>	<b>XXX</b>	<b>XXX</b>	<b>XXX</b>	<b>XXX</b>							
<i>Halteria</i> <i>grandinella</i>	<b>XXX</b>	<b>XXX</b>	<b>XXX</b>	<b>XXX</b>	<b>XXX</b>	<b>XXX</b>	<b>XXX</b>							
<i>Oxytricha trifallax</i>	AEV666 79	AEV666 97	AEV666 39	AEV666 67	AEV666 86	AEV666 77	AEV666 49	AEV669 8	AEV6670 1	AEV6694 6694	AEV666 78	AEV666 75	AEV666 00	AEV666 81
<i>Styloynchia lemnae</i>	ASY957 23	ASY957 40	KX5241 44	ASY957 33	ASY957 48	ASY957 52	ASY957 41	ASY9574 4	ASY9574 7	KX52 4144	ASY957 28	ASY957 27	ASY957 31	ASY957 46
<i>Laurentiella</i> <i>strenua</i>	APW824 05	APW824 22	APW824 24	APW824 02	APW824 06	APW824 35	APW824 41	APW8241 1	APW8242 8	APW824 2425	APW824 431	APW824 23	APW824 12	APW824 20
<i>Paraurostyla</i> sp.	ASY957 11	ASY957 17	ASY957 10	ASY956 98	ASY956 90	ASY956 19	ASY957 13	KX52 4143	ASY9571 8	KX52 4143	ASY957 04	ASY957 06	ASY957 00	ASY957 94
<i>Urostyla grandis</i>	APW823 89	APW823 97	APW823 73	APW823 88	APW823 96	APW823 72	APW823 84	APW8238 1	APW8239 2	APW823 2394	APW823 386	APW823 80	APW823 82	APW823 85
<i>Pseudourostyla</i> <i>cristata</i>	QCU826 14	QCU826 04	QCU826 36	QCU826 22	QCU826 09	QCU826 16	QCU826 31	QCU8260 3	QCU8260 1	QCU826 2607	QCU826 15	QCU826 18	QCU826 02	QCU826 13
<i>Euplates minuta</i>	ACX309 58	ACX309 50	ACX309 40	ACX309 66	ACX309 54	ACX309 60	ACX309 45	ACX3094 9	ACX3094 7	ACX309 0952	ACX309 59	ACX309 62	ACX309 48	ACX309 57
<i>Euplates crassus</i>	ACX309 96	ACX309 85	ACX309 76	ACX310 04	ACX309 90	ACX309 98	ACX309 80	ACX3098 4	ACX3098 2	ACX309 0988	ACX309 97	ACX309 00	ACX309 83	ACX309 95
<i>Tetrahymena</i> <i>pyriformis</i>	AAD419 55	AAD419 40	AAD419 44	AAD419 24	AAD419 41	AAD419 21	AAD419 43	AAD4195 0	AAD4194 5	AAD419 1917	AAD419 22	AAD419 19	AAD419 53	AAD419 35
<i>Tetrahymena</i> <i>thermophila</i>	AAK776 03	AAK775 88	AAK775 93	AAK775 72	AAK775 89	AAK775 69	AAK775 92	AAK7759 9	AAK7759 4	AAK776 7565	AAK776 70	AAK776 67	AAK776 02	AAK776 83
<i>Tetrahymena</i> <i>malaccensis</i>	ABI5166 8	ABI5165 2	ABI5165 7	ABI5163 6	ABI5165 3	ABI5163 3	ABI5165 6	ABI5163 1663	ABI5163 1658	ABI5163 629	ABI5163 34	ABI5163 1	ABI5163 6	ABI5163 7
<i>Tetrahymena</i> <i>paravorax</i>	ABI5171 2	ABI5169 7	ABI5170 1	ABI5168 1	ABI5169 8	ABI5169 8	ABI5169 0	ABI5169 1707	ABI5169 1702	ABI5169 674	ABI5169 79	ABI5169 6	ABI5169 0	ABI5169 2
<i>Tetrahymena</i> <i>pigmentosa</i>	ABI5175 6	ABI5174 1	ABI5174 5	ABI5174 5	ABI5172 2	ABI5174 1	ABI5174 4	ABI5174 1751	ABI5174 1746	ABI5174 718	ABI5174 22	ABI5174 0	ABI5174 4	ABI5174 6
<i>Tetrahymena</i> <i>rostrata</i>	QGS652 90	QGS652 75	QGS652 79	QGS652 59	QGS652 76	QGS652 56	QGS652 78	QGS652 5	QGS652 0	QGS652 5252	QGS652 57	QGS652 54	QGS652 88	QGS652 70
<i>Ichthyophthirius</i> <i>multifiliis</i>	AEL892 89	AEL892 74	AEL892 79	AEL892 61	AEL892 75	AEL892 58	AEL892 78	AEL892 9284	AEL892 9280	AEL892 9254	AEL892 59	AEL892 56	AEL892 87	AEL892 70
<i>Uronema marinum</i>	AXJ9333 1	AXJ9333 7	AXJ9335 0	AXJ9335 3	AXJ9336 8	AXJ9334 0	AXJ9335 9	AXJ9335 3326	AXJ9335 3361	AXJ9335 336	AXJ9335 41	AXJ9335 8	AXJ9335 9	AXJ9335 53
<i>Paramecium</i> <i>caudatum</i>	CAZ667 98	CAZ668 36	CAZ668 08	CAZ668 19	CAZ668 37	CAZ668 16	CAZ668 09	CAZ668 6680	CAZ668 6680	CAZ668 6812	CAZ668 17	CAZ668 14	CAZ668 00	CAZ668 32
<i>Paramecium</i> <i>aurelia</i>	NP_0394 96	NP_0394 68	NP_0394 86	NP_0394 75	NP_0394 67	NP_0394 78	NP_0394 85	NP_0394 3949	NP_0394 3948	NP_0394 9481	NP_0394 477	NP_0394 80	NP_0394 95	NP_0394 **
<i>Paramecium</i> <i>tetraurelia</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Paramecium</i> <i>sexaurelia</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Paramecium</i> <i>multimicronucleat</i> <i>um</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Paramecium</i> <i>biaurelia</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

<i>Paramecium octaurelia</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Paramecium novaurelia</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Paramecium decaurelia</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Paramecium dodecaurelia</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Paramecium quadecaurelia</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Paramecium jenningsi</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Nyctotherus ovalis</i>	ADN858	ADN858	ADN858	ADN858	ADN858	ADN858	*	*	*	*	ADN858	ADN858	ADN858	**
	77	81	87	92	69	79					97	90	84	
<i>Stentor coeruleus</i>	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	*	**	**	**	*
<i>Gruberia lanceolata</i>	QIB7198	QIB7197	QIB7196	QIB7198	QIB7197	QIB7197	QIB7198	QIB7	QIB7	QIB71	QIB719	QIB7198	QIB7199	QIB7199
	3	0	6	8	7	6	2	1965	1967	978	72	0	6	3

**Note:** - indicates the mitogenome data of ten *Paramecium* species are not available on NCBI database but can be accessed on Zenodo (<https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.2539699>); \* indicates absent; \*\* indicates mitochondrial proteins of *Stentor coeruleus* (acc. no. MPUH01000652) and rpl16 of *Paramecium aurelia* (acc. no. NC001324) and *Nyctotherus ovalis* (acc. no. GU057832) are not available on NCBI database but annotated in the present work based on mitogenome data.

**Table S3.** Overlapped mitochondrial genes of three newly sequenced species in the present work.

Species	Overlapped Genes	Overlapped Length (bp)
<i>Strombidium</i> sp.	<i>nad1_a + orf_s2</i>	14
	<i>rps8 + tRNA_Gln</i>	15
	<i>rpl2 + orf_s4</i>	10
	<i>orf_s4 + nad10</i>	25
	<i>nad4 + rpl16</i>	19
	<i>rps10 + tRNA_Glu</i>	42
	<i>rps3_b + tRNA_Trp</i>	46
	<i>rps2 + nad5</i>	25
	<i>rps8 + tRNA_Gln</i>	43
	<i>orf_s3 + rps14</i>	7
<i>Strombidium cf. sulcatum</i>	<i>rps4 + rps13</i>	62
	<i>nad9 + tRNA_Phe</i>	82
	<i>orf578 + tRNA_Tyr</i>	81
	<i>rps3_b + tRNA_Trp</i>	25
	<i>orf192 + ccmf_ii</i>	43
	<i>orf535 + tRNA_His</i>	73
	<i>orf535 + cob</i>	11
	<i>cob + tRNA_His</i>	4
	<i>rps8 + tRNA_Gln</i>	43
	<i>rps14 + nad7</i>	4
<i>Halteria grandinella</i>	<i>rps4 + rps13</i>	10
	<i>rps13 + rps19</i>	25
	<i>rps19 + rpl2</i>	4
	<i>rpl2 + orf561</i>	32
	<i>orf561 + nad10</i>	190
	<i>rps10 + tRNA_Glu</i>	58
	<i>nad9 + tRNA_Phe</i>	8
	<i>rps3_b + tRNA_Trp</i>	60
	<i>nad4L + cox1</i>	13

**Table 4.** ORFs with unknown function encoded in mitogenomes of the class Spirotrichea.

Group	ORFs	<i>Strombidium sp.</i>	<i>Strombidium cf. sulcatum</i>	<i>Halteria grandinella</i>	<i>Oxytricha trifallax</i>	<i>Styloynchia lemnae</i>	<i>Laurentiella strenua</i>	<i>Paraurostyela sp.</i>	<i>Urostyla grandis</i>	<i>Pseudourostyla cristata</i>	<i>Euplates minuta</i>	<i>Euplates crassus</i>
Homologous ORFs	<i>orf535</i>	+	+	+	+	*	+	*	*	*	*	*
	<i>orf546</i>	+	+	+	+	+	+	*	+	<i>orf393</i>	<i>orf380</i>	*
	<i>orf578</i>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	*	<i>orf439</i>	*	*
	<i>orf583</i>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	<i>orf373</i>	<i>orf268</i>	<i>orf311</i>
	<i>orf592</i>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	*	<i>orf262</i>	<i>orf78</i>	<i>orf129</i>
	<i>orf192</i>	*	*	+	*	*	*	*	*	*	+	*
	<i>orf549</i>	*	*	+	+	+	*	*	*	*	*	*
	<i>orf561</i>	*	*	+	+	+	+	+	*	<i>orf256</i>	<i>orf267</i>	<i>orf297</i>
	<i>orf584</i>	*	*	+	+	+	+	+	*	<i>orf178</i>	*	*
	<i>orf547</i>	*	*	+	*	*	*	+	+	*	*	*
	<i>orf_s1</i>	+	+	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	<i>orf_s3</i>	+	+	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	<i>orf_s4</i>	+	+	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	<i>orf_s5</i>	+	+	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	<i>orf_s6</i>	+	+	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	<i>orf_s7</i>	+	+	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	<i>orf259</i>	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	+	<i>orf449</i>
	<i>orf163</i>	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	+	<i>orf197</i>
	<i>orf187</i>	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	+	<i>orf134</i>
	<i>orf96</i>	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	+	<i>orf101</i>
	<i>orf111</i>	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	+	<i>orf175</i>
	<i>orf155</i>	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	+	<i>orf156</i>
Non-homologous ORFs		1	0	0	50	0	0	0	0	14	6	3

**Note:** + denotes present; \* denotes absent; numbers indicate the number of non-homologous ORFs. Homologous ORFs identified according to blastp searches and gene position on mitogenome are shown in the same row.