

Provisional checklist of terrestrial heterotrophic protists from Antarctica

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Abstract: Heterotrophic soil protists encompass lineages that are both evolutionarily ancient and highly diverse, providing an untapped wealth of scientific insight. Yet the diversity of free-living heterotrophic terrestrial protists is still largely unknown. To contribute to our understanding of this diversity, we present a checklist of heterotrophic protists currently reported from terrestrial Antarctica, for which no comprehensive evaluation currently exists. As a polar continent, Antarctica is especially susceptible to rising temperatures caused by anthropogenic climate change. Establishing a baseline for future conservation efforts of Antarctic protists is therefore important. We performed a literature search and found 236 taxa identified to species and an additional 303 taxa identified to higher taxonomic levels in 54 studies spanning over 100 years of research. Isolated by distance, climate and the circumpolar vortex, Antarctica is the most extreme continent on Earth: it is not unreasonable to think that it may host physiologically and evolutionarily unique species of protists, yet currently most species discovered in Antarctica are considered cosmopolitan. Additional sampling of the more extreme intra-continental zones will probably result in the discovery of more novel and unique taxa.

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Introduction

The global diversity of free-living protists is not known, although estimates range from < 30 000 (Mora *et al.* 2011) to over 1 million species (Adl *et al.* 2007, Cotterill *et al.* 2008, Larsen *et al.* 2017), with many in between (Appeltans *et al.* 2012, Pawlowski *et al.* 2012, de Vargas *et al.* 2015). Improved understanding of protistan diversity of soils in ice-free regions around Antarctica (c. 0.5% of the continent; Burton-Johnson *et al.* 2016) can help to refine these estimates. As the most climatically extreme and isolated continent on Earth, Antarctic soils are home to many phylogenetically and physiologically unique species (Rogers 2007, Vyverman *et al.* 2010, Convey *et al.* 2014). These soil communities are on the verge of experiencing major shifts in the face of climate change (Amesbury *et al.* 2017), and some of the more specialized species may be at risk of extinction (Frenot *et al.* 2005, Hughes *et al.* 2015), including heterotrophic protists (HPs) that play key roles in nutrient cycling and community structure. Conservation of these at-risk, scientifically intriguing species is therefore a high priority (Chown & Convey 2007), yet a checklist of HP species for Antarctica does not exist. Here, we present a comprehensive summary of the diversity of Antarctic HPs in order to establish a baseline for conservation efforts and a framework for future protist biodiversity research in Antarctica's ice-free regions.

As a group, HPs possess a high degree of morphological, physiological, evolutionary and ecological diversity (Doolittle *et al.* 1996, Couteaux & Darbyshire 1998, Geisen *et al.* 2018). They play unique and essential roles in soil ecosystems, including promoting prey diversity and mobilizing nutrients to higher trophic levels (Corliss 2004, Clarholm 2005, Anderson 2012, Rønn *et al.* 2012, Wilkinson *et al.* 2012). In Antarctica, these protists have been studied for over 100 years (Richters 1908, Sudzuki 1979, Roland *et al.* 2017). The most recent review of this diversity listed 50 zooflagellates, 15 gymnamoebae, 60 testate amoeba and 75 ciliates, or 200 total species, yet the studies were heavily biased towards the Antarctic peninsula, South Orkney Islands and other maritime Antarctic islands (Smith 1996).

The Antarctic continent provides a range of environmental conditions that are important to consider when discussing species surveys and management (Terauds *et al.* 2012, Convey *et al.* 2014). Generally, the northern peninsula is warmer and wetter relative to continental sites and hosts large swaths of moss beds and input from seabirds and other marine mammals. This region is more immediately susceptible to anthropogenic climate change and the invasion of non-native species (Hughes & Convey 2010). Coastal continental sites (i.e. East Antarctica, Dronning Maud Land, Enderby Land) are colder and dryer but still experience moisture, chemical and biological input from

the sea. Intra-continental sites (i.e. Transantarctic Mountains, Ellsworth Land and Mountains, south and north Victoria Land, Prince Charles Mountains) host ice-free regions that are among the driest and coldest on Earth and are often used as analogues for other planets (e.g. Mars) (Doran *et al.* 2010, Heldmann *et al.* 2013). Assessing HP diversity in the coldest and driest regions is especially important to the conservation of highly unique ecosystems, which may hold a higher proportion of endemic organisms with unique physiologies.

Here, we do not differentiate between Antarctic regions (Terauds & Lee 2016) since: 1) no checklist exists for the continent as a whole, 2) Antarctica is largely isolated from the rest of the world and its HP diversity may reflect this at the continental scale, and 3) HP biogeography and dispersal rates between regions in Antarctica are unknown and efforts to characterize diversity at smaller scales will benefit from a comprehensive reference. A review that explores HP diversity at the regional scale is in preparation (Thompson *et al.* unpublished).

Methods

This checklist focuses on continental and peninsular Antarctica, but includes the South Shetland Islands and Elephant Island due to their proximity to the northern tip of the peninsula. We reviewed all the studies that our literature search recovered on HPs in these regions since the beginning of formal research in Antarctica. The earliest was published in 1907 (Richters 1907) and the most recent was published in 2018 (Park *et al.* 2018). Searches were performed using variations on the keywords 'Antarctica', 'terrestrial', 'moss' and 'soil' coupled with 'protist', 'protozoa', 'ciliate', 'Ciliophora', 'testate', 'Thecamoebian', 'Rhizopod', 'Arcellacean', 'Testacean', 'amoeba', 'flagellate', 'Cercozoa', 'Excavata', 'Euglenozoa', 'Mycetozoa' and 'slime mould' in Web of Science, SCOPUS and Google Scholar, and by following citation chains in all of the articles found (Ing & Smith 1983, Putzke *et al.* 2004). Although we feel confident that we have captured the vast majority of relevant articles (we found no additional articles cited by the reviewed literature that we were not aware of or could not obtain electronically), this search will have failed to recover any articles that were not readily accessible through digital means.

Where a paper performing original research (e.g. Smith 1992) included taxonomic entries from previous studies, only novel records from the original research were added to the list. Whenever possible, we found the previous studies referenced and pulled their records directly in order to control for unclear sampling origin or other inconsistencies (e.g. Hada 1964; see 'Results' section).

To account for taxonomic changes that have occurred since many of the reviewed studies were published, we

Table I. Taxonomic summary of terrestrial heterotrophic protists in continental and peninsular Antarctica. Records were pulled from the results of a literature review; counts include all reliable records from all publications. Taxa not identified to species may be identified to any other taxonomic level, although most commonly they were identified to genus or phylum. 'Other' includes heterotrophic stramenopiles, non-ciliophoran alveolates and heterotrophic protists of uncertain phylogenetic position.

	Taxa identified to species	Taxa not identified to species	All
Ciliophora	95	113	208
Amoebozoa	84	92	176
Cercozoa	39	47	86
Excavata	13	17	30
Other	5	34	39
Total	236	303	539

include a brief taxonomic history for each species entry. To ensure the accuracy of this taxonomic history, an additional search was performed using Web of Science, SCOPUS and Google Scholar to verify the most recent accepted taxonomic position and list pertinent nomenclatural changes. Resources used to construct the checklist are included as supplementary material. Indented names are not currently considered valid but represent original descriptions, past classifications or misspellings that appear in the literature. The geographical origin and author of each record presented by the checklist will be included in another publication (Thompson *et al.* unpublished).

Results

In our review of 54 studies on HP diversity in Antarctica, we recovered a total of 539 taxa (Table I). Of this total, 236 were identified to species: 95 Ciliophora, 84 Amoebozoa (including 7 species of slime mould), 39 Cercozoa, 13 Excavata, 3 Stramenopiles, 1 Apicomplexan (*Colpodella edax*) and 1 *incertae sedis* (*Polypseudopodius bacteroides*). An additional 303 taxa not identified to species were recorded, 194 of which were identified as far as genus. The 109 remaining include the records from those studies that did not identify specimens past the morphological phylum level (i.e. ciliate, flagellate, testate amoeba), as well as unclassified sequences from molecular studies.

SAR: Stramenopile (Chrysophyceae)

Oikomonas mutabilis Kent, 1880

Oikomonas termo (Müller, 1773)

Monas termo Müller, 1773 (*orig.*)

Heterochromulina termo (Ehrenberg) (*syn., no year*)

Oikomonas termo (Müller, 1773) Kent, 1880 (*reclass.*)

Oikomonas termo Ehrenberg, 1838 (*error in authorship*)
Oicomonas termo Ehrenberg, 1838 (*error in authorship, misspelling*)

SAR: Stramenopile (Dictyochophyceae)

Actinomonas mirabilis Kent, 1880

SAR: Alveolata (Apicomplexa)

Colpodella edax (Klebs, 1892)

Bodo edax Klebs, 1892 (*orig.*)
Heteromita angusta Dujardin, 1841 (*syn.*)
Bodo caudatus Stein, 1878 *sensu* Hänel, 1979 (*syn., in part*) see *Parabodo caudatus*
Spiromonas angusta (Dujardin, 1841) Kent, 1881 (*syn.*)
Bodo celer Klebs, 1892 (*syn., no year*)
Colpodella angusta (Dujardin, 1841) Simpson and Patterson, 1996 (*syn.*)
Colpodella edax (Klebs, 1892) Simpson and Patterson, 1996 (*reclass.*)

SAR: Alveolata (Ciliophora)

Acineria uncinata Tucolesco, 1962

Acineria uncinata Dujardin, 1841 (*error in authorship*)

Acuholosticha paranotabilis (Foissner, Agatha and Berger 2002)

Uroleptus paranotabilis Foissner, Agatha and Berger 2002 (*orig.*)
Cuadiholosticha paranotabilis (Foissner, Agatha and Berger, 2002) Berger, 2006 (*reclass.*)
Acuholosticha paranotabilis (Foissner, Agatha and Berger 2002) Li *et al.*, 2017 (*reclass.*)

Anteholosticha rectangular Jung, Park and Kim, 2016

Anteholosticha sigmoidea (Foissner, 1982)

Holosticha sigmoidea Foissner, 1982 (*orig.*)
Anteholostigma sigmoidea (Foissner, 1982) Berger, 2003 (*reclass.*)

Blepharisma hyalinum Perty, 1849

Blepharisma hyalinum Perty, 1852 (*error in year*)

Bryophyllum loxophylliforme Kahl, 1931

Bryophyllum tegularum Kahl, 1931

Adumbratosticha tetracirrata (Buitkamp and Wilbert, 1974)

Holosticha tetracirrata Buitkamp and Wilbert, 1974 (*orig.*)
Caudiholosticha tetracirrata (Buitkamp and Wilbert, 1974) Berger, 2003 (*reclass.*)
Adumbratosticha tetracirrata (Buitkamp and Wilbert, 1974) Li *et al.*, 2017 (*reclass.*)

Cinetochilum margaritaceum (Ehrenberg, 1831)

Cyclidium margaritaceum Ehrenberg, 1831 (*orig.*)

Cinetochilum margaritaceum (Ehrenberg, 1831)

Perty, 1852 (*reclass.*)

Cinetochilum margarclidium (Ehrenberg) (*misspelling*)

Codonella cratera (Leidy, 1877)

Diffflugia crater Leidy, 1877 (*orig.*)

Codonella lacustris Entz, 1885 (*syn.*)

Codonella cratera (Leidy, 1877) Imhof, 1885 (*reclass.*)

Colpoda californica Kahl, 1931

Colpoda cucullus (Müller, 1773)

Kolpoda cucullus Müller, 1773 (*orig.*)

Colpoda cucullus (Müller, 1773) Gmelin, 1790 (*reclass.*)

Colpoda cuculla (Müller, 1773): Hada, 1967 (*misspelling*)

Colpoda ecaudata (Liebmann, 1936)

Cyclidium ecaudatum Liebmann, 1936 (*orig.*)

Balantiophorus minutus Schewiakoff *sensu* Watson, 1945 (*syn.*)

Colpoda ecaudata (Liebmann, 1936) Foissner, Blatterer, Berger and Kohmann, 1991 (*reclass.*)

Colpoda inflata (Stokes, 1884)

Tillina inflata Stokes, 1884 (*orig.*)

Colpoda rouxi Kahl, 1926 (*syn.*)

Colpoda inflata (Stokes, 1884) Kahl, 1931 (*reclass.*)

Colpoda inflata (Stokes, 1885) Kahl, 1931 (*reclass., error in year*)

Colpoda maupasi Enriques, 1908

Colpoda fastigata Kahl, 1931 (*syn.*)

Colpoda matritensis Ocariz, Rico and Munoz, 1965 (*syn.*)

Colpoda steinii Maupas, 1883

Colpoda steini Maupas, 1883: Sudzuki, 1979 (*misspelling*)

Tillina saprophila Stokes, 1884 (*syn.*)

Colpoda saprophila (Stokes, 1884) (*syn.*)

Colpoda duodenaria Taylor and Furgason, 1938 (*syn.*)

Colpoda steni (*misspelling*)

Colpoda dragescoi Chardez, 1981 (*syn.*)

Cyclidium glaucoma Müller, 1786

Cyclidium muscicola Kahl, 1931

Cyrtohymena candens (Kahl, 1932)

Steinia candens Kahl, 1932 (*orig.*)

Steinia simplex Dragesco, 1966 (*syn.*)

Cyrtohymena candens (Kahl, 1932) Foissner, 1989 (*reclass.*)

Cyrtohymena citrina (Berger and Foissner, 1987)

Steinia citrina Foissner, 1985 (*nomen nudum*)

- Steinia citrina* Berger and Foissner, 1987 (*orig.*)
Cyrtolophena citrina (Berger and Foissner, 1987)
 Foissner, 1989 (*reclass.*)
- Cyrtolophosis acuta* Kahl, 1926
Cyrtolophosis mucicola Stokes, 1885
- Dichilum cuneiforme* Schewiakoff, 1889
Dichilum cuneiforme Schewiakoff (*misspelling*)
Dichilum cunciforme (*misspelling*)
Dichilum cuneiforme Schewiakoff, 1892 (*error in year*)
- Drepanomonas revoluta* Penard, 1922
Drepanomonas borzai Lepsi, 1948 (*syn.*)
Drepanomonas sphagni Kahl, 1931
- Enchelys polynucleata* (Foissner, 1984)
Enchelydium polynucleatum Foissner, 1984 (*orig.*)
Enchelys polynucleata (Foissner, 1984) Foissner, Agatha and Berger, 2002 (*reclass.*)
- Epispathidium papilliferum* (Kahl, 1930)
Spathidium papilliferum Kahl, 1930 (*orig.*)
Epispathidium papilliferum (Kahl, 1930) Foissner, 1984 (*reclass.*)
- Fuscheria lacustris* Song and Wilbert, 1989
Fuscheria terricola Berger, Foissner and Adam, 1983
- Gastronauta derouxi* Blatterer and Foissner, 1992
- Gonostomum affine* (Stein, 1859)
Oxytricha affinis Stein, 1859 (*orig.*)
Plagiotricha (*Gonostomum*) *affinis* Stein, 1859 (*syn.*)
Stichochaeta affinis (Stein, 1859) Gourret and Roeser, 1888 (*syn.*)
Gonostomum algicola Gellért, 1942 (*syn.*)
Gonostomum bryonicolum Gellért, 1956 (*syn.*)
Gonostomum ciliophorum Gellért, 1956 (*syn.*)
Gonostomum spirotrichoides Gellért, 1956 (*syn.*)
Gonostomum gelei Gellért, 1957 (*syn.*)
Gastrostyla affine (Stein, 1859) Borror, 1972 (*syn.*)
Trachelostyla bryonicolum (Gellért, 1956) Borror, 1972 (*syn.*)
Trachelostyla ciliophorum (Gellért, 1956) Borror, 1972 (*syn.*)
Trachelostyla gelei (Gellért, 1957) Borror, 1972 (*syn.*)
Trachelostyla spirotrichoides (Gellért, 1956) Borror, 1972 (*syn.*)
Trachelostyla canadensis Buitkamp and Wilbert, 1974 (*syn.*)
- Trachelostyla affine* (Stein, 1859) Small and Lynn, 1985 (*syn.*)
Gonostomum singhii Kamra, Kumar and Sapra, 2008 (*syn.*)
- Grossglockneria acuta* Foissner, 1980
- Halteria grandinella* (Müller, 1773)
Trichoda grandinella Müller, 1773 (*orig.*)
Halteria grandinella (Müller, 1773) Dujardin, 1841 (*reclass.*)
- Hemiurossomoida longa* (Gelei and Szabodos, 1950)
Oxytricha longa Gelei and Szabodos, 1950 (*orig.*)
Urossomoida longa (Gelei and Szabodos, 1950) Foissner *et al.*, 1991 (*reclass.*)
Hemiurossomoida longa (Gelei and Szabodos, 1950) Singh and Kamra, 2015 (*reclass.*)
- Heterourossomoida lanceolata* (Shibuya, 1930)
Oxytricha lanceolata Shibuya, 1930 (*orig.*)
Heterourossomoida lanceolata (Shibuya, 1930) Singh and Kamra, 2015 (*reclass.*)
- Holosticha pullaster* (Müller, 1773)
Trichoda pullaster Müller, 1773 (*orig.*)
Oxytricha pullaster (Müller, 1773) (*syn.*)
Kerona pullaster (Müller, 1773) (*syn.*)
Amphisia micans (Engelmann, 1862) (*syn.*)
Oxytricha micans Engelmann, 1862 (*syn.*)
Holosticha micans (Engelmann, 1862) (*syn.*)
Oxytricha alba Fromentel, 1876 (*syn.*)
Amphisia multiseta Sterki, 1878 (*syn.*)
Holosticha simplicis Wang and Nie, 1932 (*syn.*)
Keronopsis retrovacuolata (Tucolesco, 1952) (*syn.*)
Holosticha kessleri var. *aquae-dulcis* Buchar, 1957 (*syn.*)
Keronopsis litoralis Gellért and Tamas, 1958 (*syn.*)
Holosticha danubialis Kaltenbach, 1960 (*syn.*)
Holosticha retrovacuolata Tucolesco, 1962 (*syn.*)
Holosticha coronata Vuxanovici, 1963 (*syn.*)
Holosticha minima Vuxanovici, 1963 (*syn.*)
Holosticha rhomboedrica Vuxanovici, 1963 (*syn.*)
Holosticha rhomboedrica f. *eliptica* Vuxanovici, 1963 (*syn.*)
Holosticha rhomboedrica f. *lata* Vuxanovici, 1963 (*syn.*)
Holosticha rostrata Vuxanovici, 1963 (*syn.*)
Holosticha rostrata f. *pitica* Vuxanovici, 1963 (*syn.*)
Holosticha rostrata var. *mononucleata* Stiller, 1974 (*syn.*)
Pseudokeronopsis retrovacuolata (Tucolesco, 1962) Borror and Wicklow, 1983 (*syn.*)

- Holosticha pullaster* (Müller, 1773) Foissner, Blatterer, Berger and Kohmann, 1991 (*reclass.*)
- Homalogastra setosa* Kahl, 1926
- Kahlilembus attenuatus* (Smith, 1897)
Lembus attenuata Smith, 1897 (*orig.*)
Lembus fusiformis Kahl, 1926 (*syn.*)
Cohnilembus fusiformis Kahl 1926 (*syn.*)
Kahlilembus attenuatus (Smith, 1897) Foissner, Berger and Kohmann, 1994 (*reclass.*)
- Keronopsis helluo* Penard, 1922
- Lamtostyla perisincirra* (Hemberger, 1985)
Tachysoma perisincirra Hemberger, 1985 (*orig.*)
Lamtostyla perisincirra (Hemberger 1985) Berger and Foissner 1987 (*reclass.*)
- Lamtostylides edaphoni* (Berger and Foissner, 1987)
Amphisiella edaphoni Berger and Foissner, 1987 (*orig.*)
Lamtostyla edaphoni Berger and Foissner, 1987 (*syn.*)
Lamtostylides edaphoni (Berger and Foissner, 1987) Berger, 2008 (*reclass.*)
- Leptopharynx costatus* Mermoud, 1914
- Leptopharynx sphagnetorum* (Levander, 1900)
Trichopelma sphagnetorum Levander, 1900 (*syn.*)
Trichoderum sphagnetorum (Levander, 1900) Strand, 1942 (*syn.*)
Leptopharynx sphagnetorum (Levander, 1900) Corliss, 1960 (*reclass.*)
- Microdiaphanosoma arcuatum* (Grandori and Grandori, 1934)
Diaphanosoma arcuata Grandori and Grandori, 1934 (*orig.*)
- Microthorax elegans* Giraud, 1863
- Microthorax simulans* (Kahl, 1926)
Microthorax simulans (Kahl, 1926) Kahl, 1931
- Nassula tuberculata* Foissner, Agatha and Berger, 2002
- Nivaliella plana* Foissner, 1980
- Odontochlamys wisconsinensis* (Kahl, 1931)
Chilodonella wisconsinensis Kahl, 1931 (*orig.*)
Odontochlamys wisconsinensis (Kahl, 1931) Petz and Foissner, 1997 (*reclass.*)
- Opercularia curvicaule* (Penard, 1922)
Pyxidium curvicaule Penard, 1922 (*orig.*)
Pyxidium arboricolum Biegel, 1954 (*syn.*)
Pyxidium arboricola Biegel, 1954 (*syn.*)
- Opercularia arboricolum* Biegel, 1954 (*syn.*)
Opercularia arboricola (Biegel, 1954) Foissner, 1981 (*syn.*)
Opercularia curvicaule (Penard, 1922) Foissner, 1998 (*reclass.*)
- Orthamphisiella breviseries* Foissner, Agatha, and Berger, 2002
Orthamphis breviseries Foissner, Agatha, and Berger, 2002; Fell, 2006 (*misspelling*)
- Oxytricha fallax* Stein, 1859
- Oxytricha granulifera* Foissner and Adam, 1983
- Oxytricha opisthomuscorum* Foissner, Blatterer, Berger and Kohmann, 1991
- Oxytricha setigera* Stokes, 1981
- Paradileptus elephantinus* (Svec, 1897)
Dileptus elephantinus Svec, 1897 (*orig.*)
Pelagodileptus elephantinus Svec, 1897 (*syn.*)
Paradileptus elephantinus (Svec, 1897) Kahl, 1931 (*reclass.*)
Amphileptus moniliger Ehrenberg, 1835 (*syn.*)
Amphileptus flagellatus Rousselet, 1890 (*syn.*)
Paradileptus flagellatus (Rousselet, 1890) Wenrich, 1929 (*syn.*)
Paradileptus robustus Wenrich, 1929 (*syn.*)
Paradileptus conicus Wenrich, 1929 (*syn.*)
Paradileptus ovalis Huber-Pestalozzi, 1945 (*syn.*)
Paradileptus estensis Canella, 1951 (*syn.*)
Paradileptus minutus Dragesco, 1972 (*syn.*)
- Paraenchelys terricola* Foissner, 1984
- Paraholosticha muscicola* (Kahl, 1932)
Keronopsis muscicola Kahl, 1932 (*orig.*)
Paraholosticha muscicola (Kahl, 1932) Wenzel, 1953 (*reclass.*)
- Paramecium putrinum* Claparède and Lachmann, 1858
Paramecium trichium Stokes, 1885 (*syn.*)
- Paroxytricha longigranulosa* (Berger and Foissner, 1989)
Oxytricha longigranulosa Berger and Foissner, 1989 (*orig.*)
Paroxytricha longigranulosa (Berger and Foissner, 1989) Foissner, 2016 (*reclass.*)
- Plagiocampa difficilis* Foissner, 1981
- Platyophrya vorax* Kahl, 1926
- Pleuroplitoides smithi* Foissner, 1996
- Pleurotricha lanceolata* (Ehrenberg, 1835)
Stylonychia lanceolata Ehrenberg, 1835 (*orig.*)

- Pleurotricha lanceolata* (Ehrenberg, 1835) Stein, 1859 (*reclass.*)
- Protospathidium fraterculum* Xu and Foissner, 2005
Protospathidium serpens (Kahl, 1930) Foissner, 1981 (*syn., in part*)
- Protospathidium terricola* Foissner, 1998
- Pseudochilodonopsis mutabilis* Foissner, 1981
- Pseudocohnilembus pusillus* (Quennerstadt, 1869)
Lembus pusillus Quennerstadt, 1869
Pseudocohnilembus pusillus (Quennerstadt, 1869) Foissner and Wilbert, 1981 (*reclass.*)
- Pseudocyrtolophosis alpestris* Foissner, 1980
- Pseudoholophrya terricola* Berger, Foissner, and Adam, 1984
- Pseudonotohymena antarctica* Park, Jung, Min and Kim 2016
- Pseudoplatyophrya nana* (Kahl, 1926)
Platyophrya nana Kahl, 1926 (*orig.*)
Pseudoplatyophrya nana (Kahl, 1926) Foissner, 1980 (*reclass.*)
- Pseudoplatyophrya saltans* Foissner, 1988
- Rigidohymena quadrinucleata* (Dragesco and Njiné, 1971)
Steinia quadrinucleata Dragesco and Njiné, 1971 (*orig.*)
Cyrtohymena quadrinucleata (Dragesco and Njiné, 1971) Foissner, 1989 (*syn.*)
Rigidohymena quadrinucleata (Dragesco and Njiné, 1971) Berger, 2011 (*reclass.*)
- Rurikoplites alpinus* (Kahl, 1932)
Dileptus alpinus Kahl, 1932 (*orig.*)
Rurikoplites alpinus (Kahl, 1932) Vd'ačný and Rajter, 2015 (*reclass.*)
- Sathrophilus muscorum* (Kahl, 1931)
Saprophilus muscorum Kahl, 1931 (*orig.*)
Sathrophilus muscorum (Kahl, 1931) Corliss, 1960 (*reclass.*)
- Spathidium claviforme* Kahl, 1930
Spathidium seppelti Foissner, 1997
- Sphaerophrya terricola* Foissner, 1986
- Sterkiella histriomuscorum* Foissner, Blatterer, Berger, and Kohmann, 1991
Oxytricha trifallax Hunter, Cartinhour, Williams and Herrick, 1989 (*nomen nudum*)
- Parasterkiella thompsoni* (Foissner, 1996)
- Sterkiella thompsoni* Foissner, 1996 (*orig.*)
Parasterkiella thompsoni (Foissner, 1996) Küppers *et al.*, 2011 (*reclass.*)
- Tachysoma pellationum* (Müller, 1773)
Oxytricha pellationella Stein, 1859 (*syn.*)
Tachysoma agilis Stokes, 1887 (*syn.*)
Tachysoma pellationum (Müller, 1773) Borror, 1972 (*reclass.*)
- Tetrahymena rostrata* Kahl, 1926
- Trochilia minuta* (Roux, 1899)
Dysteropsis minuta Roux, 1899 (*orig.*)
Trochilia minuta (Roux, 1901) (*error in year*)
Trochilia minuta (Kahl, 1931) (*error in authorship*)
Trochilia minuta (Roux, 1901) Kahl, 1931 (*reclass.*)
- Uroleptus (Caudiholosticha) antarctica* Park, Min and Kim 2018
- Uronema nigricans* (Müller, 1786)
Cyclidium nigricans Müller, 1786 (*orig.*)
Cryptochilium nigricans (Müller, 1773) Maupas, 1883 (*syn.*)
Uronema nigricans (Müller, 1786) Florentin, 1901 (*reclass.*)
Uronema parduczi Foissner, 1971 (*syn.*)
- Urosomoida antarctica* Foissner, 1996
Urosomoida granulifera Foissner, 1996
- Urotricha agilis* (Stokes, 1886)
Balanitoozon agilis Stokes, 1886 (*orig.*)
Urotricha agilis (Stokes, 1886) Kahl, 1930 (*reclass.*)
- Vorticella astyliformis* Foissner, 1981
Vorticella companula Ehrenberg, 1831
Vorticella aperta Fromental, 1874 (*syn.*)
Vorticella infusioformis Dujardin, 1841
Vorticella microstoma Ehrenberg, 1830
Vorticella striata Dujardin, 1841
- SAR: Rhizaria (Cerczoza)**
Allantion tachyploon Sandon, 1924
- Assulina muscorum* Greeff, 1888
Asculina muscora Greeff: Hada, 1967 (*misspelling both species and genus*)
Assulina seminulum Leidy, 1879 (*syn., in part*)
Assulina minor Penard, 1890 (*syn.*)
Assulina seminulum (Ehrenberg, 1848)
Diffugia seminulum Ehrenberg, 1848 (*orig.*)
Asculina seminulum (Ehrenberg) (*misspelling*)

- Diffugia Assulina seminulum* Ehrenberg, 1871 (syn.)
Diffugia semen Ehrenberg, 1871 (syn.)
Euglypha brunnea Leidy, 1874 (syn.)
Euglypha seminulum Ehrenberg, 1845 (syn., error in year)
Euglypha seminulum Leidy, 1878 (syn.)
Assulina seminulum (Ehrenberg, 1848) Leidy, 1879 (reclass.)
- Biomyxa vagans* Leidy, 1879
- Cavernomonas stercoris* Vickerman, 2009 in Bass *et al.*, 2009
- Cercomonas agilis* (Moroff, 1904)
Dimastigamoeba agilis Moroff, 1904 (orig.)
Cercobodo agilis (Moroff, 1904) Lemmermann, 1914 (reclass.)
Cercobodo agilis Martin (error in authorship)
Cercomonas agilis (Moroff, 1904) Mylnikov and Karpov, 2004 (reclass.)
- Cercomonas longicauda* Dujardin, 1841
Dimorpha longicauda (Dujardin, 1841) Klebs, 1892 (syn.)
Cercobodo longicauda (Dujardin, 1841) Lemmermann, 1913 (syn.)
Cercomonas longicauda Stein (error in authorship)
- Cercomonas plasmodialis* (Mylnikov, 1985)
Cercobodo plasmodialis Mylnikov, 1985 (orig.)
Cercomonas plasmodialis (Mylnikov, 1985) Mylnikov, 1992 (reclass.)
- Cercomonas vibrans* (Sandon, 1927)
Cercobodo vibrans (Sandon, 1927) (orig.)
Cercomonas vibrans (Sandon, 1927) Mylnikov and Karpov, 2004 (reclass.)
- Clathrulina elegans* Cienkowski, 1867
Podosphaera haeckeliana Archer, 1869 (syn.)
Elaster greeffi Grimm, 1872 (syn.)
Clathrulina cienkowskyi Mereshkowsky, 1877 (syn.)
Clathrulina cienkowskyi ssp. *ovalis* von Daday, 1885 (syn.)
Clathrulina stuhlmanni Schaudinn, 1897 (syn.)
Clathrulina cienkowskii Mereshkowsky, 1877: Penard, 1913 (misspelling)
Clathrulina ovalis (von Daday, 1885) Deflandre, 1926 (syn.)
- Corythion aerophila* (Decloitre, 1850)
Trinema enchelys aerophila Decloitre, 1950 (orig.)
- Corythion constricta* (Certes, 1889)
Trinema constricta Certes, 1889 (orig.)
- Corythion constricta* (Certes, 1889) Jung, 1942 (reclass.)
- Corythion dubium* Taránek, 1881
Arcella constricta Ehrenberg, 1841 (syn., in part)
Arcella disphaera Ehrenberg, 1841 (syn., in part)
Trinema acinus Leidy, 1879 (syn., in part)
Trinema constricta Certes, 1889 (syn.)
- Euglypha bryophila* Brown, 1911
Euglypha α Vejdovsky, 1882 (syn.)
Euglypha cristata Penard, 1890 (syn., in part)
- Euglypha ciliata* (Ehrenberg, 1848)
Diffugia ciliata Ehrenberg, 1848 (orig.)
Euglypha setigera Perty, 1852 (syn., in part)
Diffugia pilosa Ehrenberg, 1871 (syn.)
Diffugia ciliata Ehrenberg, 1871 (syn., error in year)
Euglypha ciliata (Ehrenberg, 1848) Leidy, 1878 (reclass.)
- Euglypha ciliata* f. *glabra* Wailes, 1915
Euglypha compressa Carter, 1864
Euglypha ampullacea Hertwig and Lesser, 1874 (syn.)
Euglypha ciliata Leidy, 1879 (syn., in part)
Euglypha α Vejdovsky, 1882 (syn., in part)
- Euglypha compressa* f. *glabra* Cash, 1915
Euglypha cristata Leidy, 1874
Euglypha denticulata Brown, 1912
Euglypha laevis (Ehrenberg, 1845)
Diffugia laevis Ehrenberg, 1845 (orig.)
Euglypha laevis (Ehrenberg, 1845) Perty, 1849 (reclass.)
Euglypha alveolata Leidy, 1879 (syn., in part)
Euglypha γ Vejdovsky, 1882 (syn.)
- Euglypha rotunda* Wailes and Penard, 1911
Euglypha rotunda Wailes (error in authorship)
- Euglypha strigosa* (Ehrenberg, 1871)
Diffugia strigosa Ehrenberg, 1871 (orig.)
Diffugia Setigerella strigosa Ehrenberg, 1871 (syn.)
Euglypha strigosa (Ehrenberg, 1871) Leidy, 1878 (reclass.)
Euglypha ciliata var. *strigosa* Leidy, 1879 (syn., in part)
Euglypha heterospina Penard, 1890 (syn.)
- Euglypha strigosa* f. *glabra* Wailes, 1898
Euglypha tuberculata Dujardin, 1841
Diffugia areolata Ehrenberg, 1841 (syn.)
Euglypha alveolata Dujardin, 1841 (syn., in part)
Euglypha tuberculosa Dujardin, 1841 (syn.)
Diffugia alveolata Pritchard, 1861 (syn.)
Euglypha pusilla Entz, 1877 (syn.)

- Euglypha* β Vejdovsky, 1882 (*syn.*)
- Lecythium hyalinum* Hertwig and Lesser, 1874
- Paracercomonas crassicauda* (Dujardin, 1836)
Cercomonas crassicauda Dujardin, 1836 (*orig.*)
Paracercomonas crassicauda (Dujardin, 1836)
 Bass and Cavalier-Smith, 2009 *in* Bass *et al.*,
 2009 (*reclass.*)
Cercomonas crassicauda Alexeieff (*error in*
authorship)
Cercomonas crassicauda Lemmermann (*error in*
authorship)
- Pseudodiffugia gracilis* Schlumberger, 1845
Pleurophrys sphaerica Claparède and
 Lachmann, 1858 (*syn.*)
Pleurophrys angulata Mereschkovsky, 1879
 (*syn.*)
Pseudodiffugia gracilis var. *terricola* Bonnet and Thomas,
 1960
- Sainouron mikroteron* Sandon, 1924
- Spongomonas uvella* Stein, 1878
- Trachelocorythion pulchellum* (Penard, 1890)
Corythion pulchellum Penard, 1890 (*orig.*)
Chorythion pulchellum Awerintzew, 1907 (*syn.*)
Trachelocorythion pulchellum (Penard, 1890)
 Bonnet, 1979 (*reclass.*)
- Trinema contraria* Decloitre, 1961
Trinema complanatum Penard, 1890
Trinema acinus Leidy, 1879 (*syn., in part*)
Trinema enchelys (Ehrenberg, 1838)
Diffugia enchelys Ehrenberg, 1838 (*orig., in*
part)
Trinema acinus Dujardin, 1841 (*syn.*)
Arcella enchelys Ehrenberg, 1844 (*syn.*)
Arcella enchelys Ehrenberg, 1854 (*misspelling,*
error in year)
Euglypha pleurostoma Carter, 1857 (*syn.*)
Euglypha enchelys Wallich, 1864 (*syn.*)
Trinema (*Diffugia*) *enchelli* Crevier, 1870 (*syn.*)
Trinema enchelys (Ehrenberg, 1838) Leidy, 1878
 (*reclass.*)
Trinema enchelys (Ehrenberg, 1938) Leidy, 1878
 (*error in year*)
Trinema enchelys (Ehrenberg, 1838) Leidy, 1879
 (*error in year*)
Trinema enchelys Leidy (*error in authorship*)
Trinema lineare Penard, 1890
- Diffugia enchelys* Ehrenberg, 1838 (*orig., in*
part)
Arcella hyalina Ehrenberg, 1841 (*syn.*)
Arcella enchelys Ehrenberg, 1847 (*syn.*)
Arcella enchelys Ehrenberg, 1854 (*error in year*)
Arcella enchelys alpha Ehrenberg, 1854 (*syn.*)
Trinema acinus Leidy, 1879 (*syn., in part*)
Trinema enchelys f. beta Awerintzew, 1906 (*syn.*)
Trinema lineare var. *truncatum* Chardez, 1964
- Valkanovia elegans* Schönborn, 1964
- Excavata**
Astasia inflata Dujardin, 1841
- Bodo angustus* (Dujardin, 1841)
Bodo angusta Dujardin, 1841 (*orig.*)
Bodo angustus (Dujardin, 1841) Bütschli 1883
Bodo globosus Stein, 1878
Bodo globose Stein, 1878 (*orig.*)
Bodo saltans Ehrenberg, 1831
Bodo jaculans Perty (*syn.*)
- Naegleria gruberi* (Schardinger, 1899)
Amoeba gruberi Schardinger, 1899 (*orig.*)
Naegleria gruberi (Schardinger, 1899) Wilson,
 1916 (*reclass.*)
Naegleria neopolaris De Jonckheere, 2006
- Parabodo caudatus* (Dujardin, 1841)
Amphimonas caudatus Dujardin, 1841 (*orig.*)
Bodo caudatus (Dujardin, 1841) Stein, 1878
 (*reclass.*)
Bodo alexeieffi Lemm. (*syn., no year*)
Bodo asiaticus Castellani and Chalmers (*syn.,*
no year)
Bodo compressus Lemm. (*syn., no year*)
Bodo cruzi Hartm. and Chagas (*syn., no year*)
Bodo josephi Belar (*syn., no year*)
Bodo mutabilis Klebs 1892 (*syn.*)
Bodo obovatus Lemm. (*syn., no year*)
Bodo putrinus (Stokes) Lemm. (*syn., no year*)
Heteronema minima Form. (*syn., no year*)
Bodo caudatus Hollande (*error in authorship*)
Bodo cudatus (*misspelling*)
Parabodo caudatus (Dujardin 1841) Vickerman
in Moreira, López-García and Vickerman
 2004
- Paratrimastix pyriformis* (Klebs, 1893)
Tetramitus pyriformis Klebs, 1893 (*orig.*)
Coelotrichomastix convexa Hollande, 1939
 (*syn.*)
Trimastix convexa (Hollande, 1939) Grassé,
 1952 (*syn.*)

- Percolomonas pyriformis* (Klebs, 1893) Larsen and Patterson, 1990 (syn.)
Trimastix pyriformis (Klebs, 1893) Bernard *et al.* 2000 (reclass.)
Paratrimastix pyriformis (Klebs, 1893) Zhang, Táborsky, Silberman, Pánek, Čepička and Simpson, 2015 (reclass.)
- Paravahlkampfia ustiana* (Page, 1974)
Vahlkampfia ustiana Page, 1974 (orig.)
Paravahlkampfia ustiana (Page, 1974) Brown and De Jonckheere, 1999 (reclass.)
- Peranemopsis trichophora* (Ehrenberg, 1832)
Trachelius trichophorus Ehrenberg, 1832 (orig.)
Peranema trichophora Ehrenberg, 1838 (error in year)
Peranema trichophora (Ehrenberg, 1832) Dujardin, 1841 (reclass.)
Peranema trichophorum (Ehrenberg 1832) Stein, 1859 (syn.)
Paranema trichophorum (Ehrenberg 1832) Stein, 1878 (syn.)
Peranemopsis trichophora (Ehrenberg 1832) Péterfi, 1986 (reclass.)
Peranemopsis trichophora (Ehrenberg 1832) Péterfi, 1988 (error in year)
- Petalomonas angusta* (Klebs, 1893)
Petalomonas mediocanellata var. *angusta* Klebs, 1893 (orig.)
Petalomonas angusta (Klebs, 1893) Lemmermann, 1910 (reclass.)
Petalomonas angusta (Klebs, 1893) Lemmermann, 1910 (misspelling)
- Petalomonas mediocanellata* Stein, 1878
- Tetramitus rostratus* Perty, 1852
- Vahlkampfia limax* (Vahlkampff, 1905)
Amoeba limax Vahlkampff, 1905 (orig.)
Amoeba proteus Dujardin, 1841 (syn., in part)
Vahlkampfia limax (Vahlkampff, 1905) Chatton, 1912 (reclass.)
- Amoebozoa**
- Acanthamoeba castellanii* (Douglas, 1930)
Acanthamoeba castellanii (Douglas, 1930) Volkonsky, 1931 (reclass.)
Acanthamoeba castellanii (Douglas, 1930) (misspelling)
- Acanthamoeba polyphaga* (Puschkarew, 1913)
- Amoeba discoides* Schaeffer, 1916
Amoeba discoides Greeff (error in authorship)
- Amoeba limicola* Rhumbler, 1894
Amoeba limicola Rhumbler, 1894 (orig.)
Pelomyxa limicola (Rhumbler, 1894) Bovee 1951 (syn.)
Pelomyxa limnicola (Rhumbler, 1894) (misspelling)
- Arcella arenaria* Greeff, 1866
Arcella aureola Maggi, 1883 (syn.)
Arcella microstoma Penard, 1890 (syn.)
Arcella arenaria var. *compressa* Chardez, 1965
Arcella arenaria var. *sphagnicola* Deflandre, 1928
Arcella vulgaris Ehrenberg, 1830
Arcella vulgaris Ehr. (abbrev. author)
- Astramoeba radiosa* (Ehrenberg, 1830)
Amoeba radiosa Ehrenberg, 1830 (orig.)
- Calomyxa metallica* (Berk., 1837)
Physarum metallicum Berk., 1837 (orig.)
Cornuvia metallica (Berk.) Rostafinsky, 1876 (reclass.)
Oligonema aeneum P. Karst., 1879 (syn.)
Perichaena krupii Racib., 1889 (syn.)
Perichaena plasmodiocarpa Blytt, Förh., 1892 (syn.)
Margarita metallica (Berk.) Lister, 1894 (reclass.)
Margarita pictoviana Moore, 1902 (syn.)
Margarita metallica var. *intermedia* Meylan, 1910 (syn.)
Margarita metallica var. *plasmodiocarpa* (Blytt) R.E. Fr., 1912 (reclass.)
Cornuvia metallica var. *intermedia* (Meylan, 1910) Sacc. and Trotter, 1913 (reclass.)
Calomyxa metallica (Berk., 1837) Nieuwl., 1916 (reclass.)
Calomyxa metallica var. *megaspora* Yamamoto and Nannenga-Bremekamp 1990, in Nannenga-Bremekamp and Yamamoto, 1990 (syn.)
- Centropyxis aculeata* (Ehrenberg, 1832)
Arcella aculeata Ehrenberg, 1832 (orig.)
Diffugia aculeata Perty, 1852 (syn.)
Echinopyxis aculeata Claparède et Lachmann, 1859 (syn.)
Centropyxis aculeata (Ehrenberg, 1832) Stein, 1859 (reclass.)
Centropyxis aculeata Stein, 1857 (error in authorship, error in year)
- Centropyxis aerophila* Deflandre, 1929
Diffugia constricta Ehrenberg, 1838 (syn., in part)
Arcella artiscion Ehrenberg, 1854 (syn.)
Centropyxis aerophila var. *sphagnicola* Deflandre, 1929
Centropyxis cassis (Wallich, 1864)

- Centropyxis cassis* (Wallich, 1864) Deflandre, 1929 (*reclass.*)
- Centropyxis constricta* (Ehrenberg, 1838)
Diffugia constricta Ehrenberg, 1838 (*orig.*)
Arcella constricta Ehrenberg, 1841 (*syn.*)
Centropyxis constricta (Ehrenberg, 1838) Deflandre, 1929 (*reclass.*)
- Centropyxis elongata* (Penard, 1890)
Diffugia constricta var. *elongata* Penard, 1890 (*orig.*)
Centropyxis elongata (Penard, 1890) Thomas, 1959 (*reclass.*)
- Centropyxis minuta* Deflandre, 1929
Diffugia constricta Leidy, 1879 (*syn.*)
Diffugia constricta Penard, 1902 (*syn.*)
- Centropyxis sylvatica* (Deflandre, 1929)
Centropyxis aerophila var. *sylvatica* Deflandre, 1929 (*orig.*)
Centropyxis sylvatica (Deflandre, 1929) Bonnet and Thomas, 1955 (*reclass.*)
- Cryptodiffugia compressa* Penard, 1902
- Cryptodiffugia sacculus* (Penard, 1902)
Diffugiella sacculus Penard, 1902 (*orig.*)
Cryptodiffugia sacculus (Penard, 1902) Deflandre, 1953 (*reclass.*)
- Cryptodiffugia oviformis* Penard, 1890
Diffugiella oviformis Bonnet and Thomas, 1955 (*syn.*)
Cryptodiffugia operculata Page, 1966 (*syn.*)
- Cyclopyxis eurystoma* Deflandre, 1929
Centropyxis (*Cyclopyxis*) *eurystoma* Deflandre, 1929
- Diderma antarcticolum* Horak, 1966
- Diderma crustaceum* (Peck, 1873)
Diderma crustaceum Peck, 1873 (*orig.*)
Chondrioderma crustaceum (Peck, 1873) Peck., 1878 [1879] (*syn.*)
Chondrioderma crustaceum (Peck, 1873) Berl., 1888 [Comb. Superfl., previously proposed by Peck, 1878]
- Diderma niveum* (Rostafinsky, 1874)
Chondrioderma niveum Rostafinsky, 1874 (*orig.*)
Chondrioderma physaroides Rostafinsky, 1874 (*syn.*)
Diderma albescens Phillips, 1877 (*syn.*)
Chondrioderma albescens (Phillips, 1877) Masee, 1892 (*reclass.*)
Diderma niveum (Rostafinsky, 1874) Sheldon 1895 (*reclass.*)
Diderma niveum (Rostafinsky, 1874) Kuntze, Revis., 1898 (*reclass.*) [Comb. Superfl., previously proposed by Sheldon, 1895]
- Diderma niveum* (Rostafinsky, 1874) Macbride, 1899 [Comb. Superfl., previously proposed by Sheldon, 1895] (*reclass.*)
Diderma niveum f. *pulverulentum* Meylan, 1922 (*syn.*)
Diderma niveum f. *endoleucum* Meylan, 1924 (*syn.*)
Diderma niveum var. *ferrugineum* Meylan, 1924 (*syn.*)
Diderma niveum var. *ferruginea* Meylan, 1924 (*misspelling*)
Diderma subcaeruleum Kowalski, 1968 (*syn.*)
Diderma cristatosporum Sánchez, Moreno and Illana, 2002 (*syn.*)
Diderma niveum var. *cristatosporum* (Sánchez, Moreno and Illana, 2002) Singer, Moreno, Illana and Sánchez, 2003 *in* Moreno, Singer, Illana and Sánchez, 2003 (*reclass.*)
- Diffugia ampullula* Playfair, 1918
- Diffugia bryophila* (Penard, 1902)
Diffugia piriformis var. *bryophila* Penard, 1902 (*orig.*)
Diffugia oblonga var. *longicollis* Gassowsky, 1936 (*syn.*)
Diffugia bryophila (Penard, 1902) Jung, 1942 (*reclass.*)
Diffugia longicollis (Gassowsky, 1936) Ogden and Hedley, 1980 (*syn.*)
Diffugia gassowskii Ogden, 1983 (*syn.*)
- Diffugia globulosa* Dujardin, 1837
Diffugia proteiformis globularis Wallich, 1864 (*syn.*)
Diffugia globularis (Wallich, 1864) Leidy, 1877 (*syn.*)
Diffugia chardezi Godeanu, 1972 (*syn.*)
- Diffugia lanceolata* Penard, 1890
- Diffugia lucida* Penard, 1890
- Diffugia manicata* var. *langhovdensis* Sudzuki, 1964
- Diffugia mica* Frenzel, 1892
- Diffugia pristis* Penard, 1902
- Diffugia pulex* Penard, 1890
Diffugia minuta var. *minor* Godeanu, 1972 (*syn.*)
Diffugia ovalisina Beyens et Chardez, 1994 (*syn.*)
- Certesella certesi* (Penard, 1911)
Nebela certesi Penard, 1911 (*orig.*)
Certesella certesi (Penard, 1911) Loeblich and Tappan, 1961 (*reclass.*)
- Cryptodiffugia apiculata* (Cash, 1904)
Diffugiella apiculata Cash, 1904 (*orig.*)

- Cryptodiffugia apiculata* (Cash, 1904) Page, 1966 (reclass.)
- Diplochlamys gruberi* Penard, 1909
Diplochlamys timida Penard, 1909
Diplochlamys vestita Penard, 1909
Echinamoeba silvestris Page, 1975
- Pyxidicula operculata* (Agardh, 1827)
Frustulia operculata Agardh, 1827 (orig.)
Cymbella operculata (Agardh, 1827) Agardh, 1830 (reclass.)
Galionella operculata (Agardh, 1827) Ehrenberg, 1834 (reclass.)
Pyxidicula operculata (Agardh, 1827) Ehrenberg, 1838 (reclass.)
Pyxidicula operculata Ehrenberg (error in authorship)
- Heleopera petricola* Leidy, 1879
Heleopera sylvatica Penard, 1890
- Hyalosphenia elegans* (Leidy, 1874)
Diffugia elegans Leidy, 1874 (orig.)
Hyalosphenia elegans (Leidy, 1874) Leidy, 1879 (reclass.)
Hyalosphenia turfacea Taránek, 1881 (syn.)
Hyalosphenia elegans Leidy var. *major* Decloitre, 1964
Hyalosphenia minuta Cash, 1891
Hyalosphenia subflava Cash, 1909
Hyalosphenia subflava Cash and Hopkinson (error in authorship)
Hyalosphenia subflava Hopkinson (error in authorship)
- Leptoderma megaspora* Arambarri and Spinedi, 1989
- Mayorella clavabellans* Bovee, 1970
Mayorella vespertilio (Penard, 1902)
Amoeba vespertilio Penard, 1902 (orig.)
Mayorella vespertilio (Penard, 1902) LaPage, 1922 (reclass.)
- Microchlamys patella* (Claparède and Lachmann, 1859)
Pseudochlamys patella Claparède and Lachmann, 1859 (orig.)
Microchlamys patella (Claparède and Lachmann, 1859) Cockerell, 1911 (reclass.)
- Microcorycia tessellata* (Penard, 1917)
Corycia tessellata Penard, 1917 (orig.)
Microcorycia tessellata (Penard, 1917) Chardez, 1965 (reclass.)
Microcorycia bryophila Decloitre, 1974 (syn.)
Microcorycia flava (Greeff, 1866)
Amphizonella flava Greeff, 1866 (orig.)
- Corycia flava* (Greeff, 1866) Penard, 1902 (syn.)
Microcorycia flava (Greeff, 1866) Cockerell, 1911 (reclass.)
Microcorycia radiata (Brown, 1912)
Corycia radiata Brown, 1912 (orig.)
Microcorycia radiata (Brown, 1912) Hopkinson, 1919 (reclass.)
- Nebela bohémica* Taránek 1882 var. *adelia* Decloitre, 1964
Nebela collaris (Ehrenberg, 1848)
Diffugia collaris Ehrenberg, 1848 (orig.)
Diffugia cancellata Ehrenberg, 1848 (syn.)
Diffugia reticulata Ehrenberg, 1848 (syn.)
Diffugia carpio Ehrenberg, 1854 (syn.)
Diffugia laxa Ehrenberg, 1871 (syn.)
Diffugia cellulifera Ehrenberg, 1874 (syn.)
Nebela numata Leidy 1874 (syn.)
Nebela collaris (Ehrenberg 1848) Leidy, 1879 (reclass.)
Nebela bohémica Taránek, 1882 (syn.)
Nebela sphagnophila (Steinecke) Van Oye, 1933 (syn., no year)
Nebela tinctoria var. *major* Deflandre 1936 (syn.)
Nebela tinctoria f. *stenostoma* Jung 1936 (syn.)
Nebela tinctoria (Leidy, 1879)
Hyalosphenia tinctoria Leidy, 1879 (orig.)
Euglypha bursella Veidowsky (syn., no year)
Nebela bursella Vejdovsky, 1882 (syn.)
Nebela minor Penard, 1902 (syn.)
Nebela tinctoria (Leidy, 1879) Awerintzew, 1906 (reclass.)
Nebela parvula Cash, 1909 (syn.)
- Oligonema dancoii* Arambarri and Spinedi, 1989
- Padaungiella lageniformis* (Penard, 1890)
Nebela lageniformis Penard, 1890 (orig.)
Nebela lageniformes Penard, 1890 (misspelling)
Padaungiella lageniformis (Penard, 1890) Lara and Todorov 2012 (reclass.)
Padaungiella wailesi (Deflandre, 1936)
Nebela wailesi Deflandre, 1936 (orig.)
Padaungiella wailesi (Deflandre, 1936) Lara and Todorov, 2012 (reclass.)
- Parmulina cyathus* Penard, 1902
- Phalansterium solitarium* Sandon, 1924
- Phryganella acropodia* (Hertwig and Lesser, 1874)
Diffugia acropodia Hertwig and Lesser, 1874 (orig.)
Phryganella acropodia (Hertwig and Lesser, 1874) Hopkinson, 1909 (reclass.)
Phryganella acropodia Penard (error in authorship)
Phryganella hemisphaerica (Penard, 1890)

- Pseudodiffugia hemisphaerica* Penard, 1890 (*orig.*)
Diffugia globulosa Leidy, 1879 (*syn., in part*)
Phryganella hemisphaerica (Penard, 1890)
 Penard, 1902 (*reclass.*)
- Plagiopyxis callida* var. *grandis* Thomas, 1958
Plagiopyxis declivis Thomas, 1955
Plagiopyxis labiata Penard, 1910
 Centropyxia labiata Bartoš, 1947
- Stenamoeba stenopodia* (Page, 1969)
 Platyamoeba stenopodia Page, 1969 (*orig.*)
 Stenamoeba stenopodia (Page, 1969) Smirnov,
 Nassonova, Chao and Cavalier-Smith, 2007
 (*reclass.*)
- Saccamoeba limax* (Dujardin, 1841)
 Amoeba limax Dujardin, 1841 (*orig.*)
 Saccamoeba limax (Penard, 1902) (*error in*
 authorship)
Saccamoeba stagnicola Page, 1974
- Schoenbornia viscicula* Schönborn, 1964
- Thecamoeba striata* (Penard, 1890)
 Thecamoeba striata (Penard, 1890) Schaeffer,
 1926 (*reclass.*)
- Thecamoeba terricola* (Greeff, 1866)
 Amoeba terricola Greeff, 1866 (*orig.*)
 Thecamoeba terricola (Greeff, 1866) Lepši, 1960
 (*reclass.*)
- Thecamoeba verrucosa* (Ehrenberg, 1838)
 Thecamoeba verrucosa (Ehrenberg, 1838)
 Schaeffer, 1926 (*reclass.*)
- Trichamoeba osseosaccus* Schaeffer, 1926
 Trichamoeba osseocuccus Schaeffer (*misspelling*)
- Trichia antarctica* Arambarri and Spinedi, 1989
Trichia varia (Pers., 1792)
 Stemonitis varia Pers., 1792 (*orig.*)
 Trichia varia (Pers., 1792) Pers., 1794 (*reclass.*)
 Trichia olivacea Pers., 1796 (*syn.*)
 Trichia cordata Pers., 1800 (*syn.*)
 Trichia nigripes var. *cordata* (Pers., 1800) Pers.,
 1801 (*syn.*)
 Trichia nigripes var. *cordata* (Pers., 1800) Alb.
 and Schwein., 1805 (*syn.*)
 Trichia cylindrica Pers., 1800 (*syn.*)
 Trichia nigripes var. *cylindrica* (Pers., 1800)
 Pers., 1801 (*syn.*)
 Trichia nigripes Pers., 1801 (*syn.*)
 Trichia varia var. *diluta* Pers., 1801 (*syn.*)
 Trichia varia var. *subrufescens* Pers., 1801 (*syn.*)
 Trichia varia var. *nigripes* (Pers., 1792)
 Rostafinsky, 1875 (*syn.*)
 Lycoperdon luridum Hedw., 1802 (*syn.*)
- Trichia varia* var. *sessilis* Rostafinsky, 1875 (*syn.*)
Trichia aculeata Celak., 1893 (*syn.*)
Trichia varia var. *aurata* Meylan, 1908 (*syn.*)
Trichia varia var. *irregularis* Meylan, 1908 (*syn.*)
Trichia varia var. *olivacea* Brândza, 1928 (*syn.*)
Trichia synspora Kowalski and McNichols in
 Kowalski, 1974 (*syn.*)
- Trigonopyxis arcula* (Leidy, 1879)
 Diffugia arcula Leidy, 1879 (*orig.*)
 Trigonopyxis arcula (Leidy, 1879) Penard, 1912
 (*reclass.*)
 Cystidina arcula (Leidy, 1879) Volz, 1929 (*syn.*)
- Vannella contorta* (Moran and Anderson 2007)
 Platyamoeba contorta Moran and Anderson
 2007 (*orig.*)
 Vannella contorta (Moran and Anderson 2007)
 Smirnov, Nassonova, Chao and Cavalier-
 Smith, 2007 (*reclass.*)
- Vannella mira* (Schaeffer, 1926)
 Flabellula mira Schaeffer, 1926 (*orig.*)
 Vannella mira (Schaeffer, 1926) Bovee, 1965
 (*reclass.*)
- Vannella simplex* (Wohlfarth-Bottermann, 1960)
 Hyalodiscus simplex Wohlfarth-Bottermann,
 1960 (*orig.*)
 Vannella simplex (Wohlfarth-Bottermann, 1960)
 Bovee, 1965 (*reclass.*)
- Vermamoeba vermiformis* (Page, 1967)
 Hartmannella vermiformis Page, 1967 (*orig.*)
 Hartmannella vermiformes Page, 1967 (*misspelling*)
 Hartmannella vermiformes Page, 1967
 (*misspelling*)
 Vermamoeba vermiformis (Page, 1967) Smirnov
 and Cavalier-Smith, 2011 (*reclass.*)
- Uncertain status***
- Uncertain status***
Polypseudopodium bacterioides Puschkarew, 1913
- Incomplete records**
Cochliopodium tentaculatus
Stylonychia mytilus complex
Bodo terricolus Martin
Heteromita globosa (Stein, 1878)
 Heteromita globosa (Stein, 1878) Kent, 1881
 (*reclass.*)
- Discussion**
Taxonomic changes and discrepancies
 A number of taxonomic designations for the taxa recovered
 have changed since the original record was published or were

ambiguous. Dillon *et al.* (1968) reported *Pelomyxa* (or *Amoeba*) *limnicola* (a probable misspelling), though a search of the literature failed to find this species. Bovee (1951) proposed to move *Amoeba limicola* to *Pelomyxa limicola*, and the latter designation was used in several ecological papers in subsequent decades (Bovee 1965, Dillon *et al.* 1968); however, *A. limicola* is still considered accepted in online databases (www.itis.gov). The numerous species added to the genus *Pelomyxa* in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries were later reduced to a single valid species (Griffin 1988, Whatley & Chapman 1990), *Pelomyxa palustris*, although no mention of *Pelomyxa limicola* was made in this move (Goodkov *et al.* 2004). Thus, we retain *A. limicola* and its associated synonyms in this checklist. Due to the difficulty in distinguishing between some *Stylonychia* species (Haentzsch *et al.* 2006), Mieczan and Tarkowska-Kukuryk (2014) reported a *Stylonychia* species as *Stylonychia mytilus* complex, which includes *Stylonychia lemnae*, *Stylonychia mytilus*, *Stylonychia ammermanni* and *Stylonychia harbinensis*. We include this record due to its ecological significance, even though it is taxonomically incomplete. We placed *Euglypha bursella* Vejdovsky under *Nebela bursella* Vejdovsky, 1882, as the authors are similar and no occurrence of *E. bursella* was found in database searches beyond the ecological paper we reviewed (Richters 1908). No further taxonomic information could be found than what was given for *Cochliopodium tentaculatus* from Sudzuki (1979) and *Bodo terricolus* Martin from Smith (1972), and these are included as incomplete taxonomic records. *B. terricolus* may be an erroneous entry, as it was not included by the same author in a later, more comprehensive publication (Smith 1978). *Centropyxis aerophila* var. *sphagnicola* from Golemansky and Todorov (2004) is now treated as part of the *C. aerophila* complex (Foissner & Korganova 2000), but as this would have resulted in a loss of potentially valuable ecological information, we retain its original nomenclature in this checklist. Howe *et al.* (2009) split *Heteromita globosa*, a very common soil flagellate, into 5 new genera and 29 new species, rendering the original name invalid. However, as the records of *H. globosa* from the Antarctic literature predated this change and provided no taxonomic diagnoses, pictures or sequence information for their identifications of their organisms, we retain *H. globosa* in our checklist in order to avoid confusion (Sandon & Cutler 1924, Lawley *et al.* 2004, Bamforth *et al.* 2005). *Microcorycia bryophila* from Sudzuki (1979), synonymized with *Microcorycia tessellata* in Badewitz (2004), was considered by the latter author as a suspicious record because the species was listed with a '?' in the paper's checklist. We retain it here because there are in fact two records of it in that paper (Sudzuki 1979), one of which was not considered ambiguous by Sudzuki. *Mayorella clavabellans* and *Mayorella vespertilio* may now be

considered invalid (Smirnov & Brown 2004, Glotova *et al.* 2018); however, we were unable to find confirmation of this, so we retained these records in this list. Dumack *et al.* (2017) split the genus *Lecythium* into two, but retained *Lecythium hyalinum*, reported in Smith (1972), as a valid species. As no taxonomic information was reported in the latter paper, we cannot determine whether *L. hyalinum* sensu Smith, 1972 belongs to the new genus, *Fisculla*, and thus we retain it as it was originally reported. Foissner *et al.* (2002) retroactively reassigned the *Paruroleptus notabilis* Foissner, 1982 and *Nassula picta* Greeff, 1888 reported in Foissner (1996) as *Uroleptus paranotabilis* (now *Acuholosticha paranotabilis*) and *Nassula tuberculata*, respectively, on the grounds that the original isolates had been misidentified. Finally, Hada (1966) reported a total of 37 protists, yet due to ambiguity over the source of the moss used for analysis (freshwater or terrestrial), we did not include these species in our checklist. Sudzuki (1979) attributes some of the species from Hada's 1966 study to 'Antarctic moss', potentially implying their terrestrial origin; however, it is still not clear from this latter study whether these species were in fact terrestrial or aquatic in origin.

Estimate of taxonomic diversity

The numbers presented here reflect the most comprehensive taxonomic summary of HPs in continental and peninsular Antarctica to date. Climate change has probably already impacted this diversity, especially as recorded in the earliest studies from the peninsular zone (Richters 1907, 1908, Penard 1911, Sandon & Cutler 1924, Smith 1972, 1974, 1978, Sudzuki 1979). Early surveys probably represent different communities from those that exist at the same sites today (Royles *et al.* 2016) due to invasions (Hughes *et al.* 2015) or warming (Nielsen & Wall 2013).

How many species of terrestrial protists, if any, in Antarctica remain to be discovered is difficult to estimate. Foissner (1996) estimated an order of magnitude difference between soil ciliate diversity in the Antarctic and in alpine and temperate zones. Chao *et al.* (2006) reported 644 described and 320 undescribed soil ciliate species from five continents (not including Antarctica or North America), with no less than 400 and no more than 1000 species from any single continent. Additionally, they estimated global soil ciliate diversity at a minimum of 1900 species. Our review of the literature found 208 terrestrial ciliate taxa (95 identified to species and 113 additional records), which suggests that a significant proportion of terrestrial Antarctic ciliate species may have been recovered, although an unknown degree of overlap between described and undescribed species confounds this conclusion. Specific estimates for the diversity of other HP groups in soils are scarce, but Adl *et al.* (2007)

predicted total richness by group (not only from soils) at c. 17 000 Amoebozoa, 5000 Cercozoa, 30 000 Ciliophora and 3000 Excavata species. The relative proportion of protist groups in these global estimates is mirrored by that of our list of Antarctic protists - ciliates (55% of the total of these groups globally *vs* 41% in Antarctica), Amoebozoa (31% *vs* 36%), Cercozoa (9% *vs* 17%) and Excavata (5% *vs* 6%). However, this pattern might only reflect the past sampling bias towards ciliates and testate amoeba (an unofficial term that includes members of the Amoebozoa and Cercozoa) and misrepresents the potential diversity of underexplored flagellate groups (e.g. other Cercozoa). Additionally, of the 180 total genera found, 42 were recorded without being identified to species, indicating that there may be at least as many additional species not included in this checklist. Additional ciliate genera account for the majority of these genera (28), but Amoebozoa (7), Cercozoa (3), Excavata (2), an opisthokont and a stramenopile are also represented. Moreover, of the 147 remaining genera, 48 were reported without an associated species identification at least once in addition to being reported elsewhere to species. Therefore, this current list greatly underestimates the total diversity of terrestrial Antarctic protists, highlighting the fact that establishing an appropriate baseline for conservation management requires additional effort.

Endemicity of Antarctic heterotrophic protists

There seems to be a trend among early studies to declare a complete lack of endemicity among Antarctic fauna after finding that most communities were similar to those found elsewhere (Sandon & Cutler 1924, Janetschek 1963, Sudzuki 1964, Todorov & Golemansky 1996). In fact, the majority of taxa found by morphological studies have been described as non-endemic (Todorov & Golemansky 1996, Petz 1997, Petz & Foissner 1997) and include such widespread species as *Colpoda cucullus*, *Colpoda inflata*, *Colpoda steinii*, *Centropyxis aerophila*, *Assulina muscorum*, *Euglypha rotunda*, *Euglypha laevis* and *Heteromita globosa*. Possible explanations for this pattern could be: 1) that culturing techniques are biased towards generalist, r-selected taxa that are indeed more cosmopolitan, 2) that examination of samples involved accidental inoculation with local species (as many of these studies were undertaken at their authors' home institutions), or 3) that the observations reflected reality. The latter undermines the assumption that Antarctic protists are specially adapted to uniquely harsh environmental conditions. Conversely, mounting evidence suggests that many Antarctic microbial species are not recent transplants, but are instead native fauna that arrived long before the most recent glacial maxima (Chown & Convey 2007, Vyverman *et al.* 2010) or are

demonstrably distinct from their non-Antarctic relatives (Boenigk *et al.* 2006). Moreover, cryptic species are common in protists (Adl *et al.* 2007, Venter *et al.* 2018), and distinguishing species in some groups (i.e. naked amoeba (Amoebozoa) and flagellates (e.g. Cercozoa, Amoebozoa and Excavata)) is notoriously difficult using morphological analysis alone (Smirnov & Brown 2004, Venter *et al.* 2018).

Thus far, sampling appears to be skewed towards areas that are more likely to experience invasion and to host cosmopolitan taxa due to their higher latitudes and milder climates, such as peninsular and coastal Antarctic sites. Additional sampling of more extreme intra-continental sites (e.g. Ellsworth Land and the Ellsworth, Transantarctic and Prince Charles Mountains) could yield a greater number of uniquely Antarctic species. There have been species found that appear to be restricted to the Antarctic, including three of the reported slime moulds: *Leptoderma megaspora*, *Oligonema dancoii* and *Trichia antarctica* (Stephenson *et al.* 2007). *Urosomoida antarctica* possesses numerous unique characteristics (Foissner 1996), while *Pseudonotohymena antarctica*, *Spathidium seppelti* and *Urosomoida granulifera* have yet to be found outside Antarctica (Petz *et al.* 2007, Park *et al.* 2017). Tysl *et al.* (2016) reported two strains of *Naegleria neopolaris* that matched Arctic 18S sequences exactly (from Greenland and Svalbard), a taxon apparently exclusive to the poles. Moreover, certain populations of Antarctic species otherwise indistinguishable from their more temperate counterparts exhibit different growth preferences (Bamforth *et al.* 2005) and body sizes (Roland *et al.* 2017). Whether these differences are indicative of cryptic species or are only physiological responses to the extremes of the environment remains unexplored. Thus, Antarctica appears to host both cosmopolitan and endemic species of terrestrial HPs, although the relative amounts may differ by geographical region.

Conclusions

The checklist provided here is a first step towards better management of HP biodiversity in the Antarctic, and it provides a baseline for future efforts. Additional research assessing HP diversity in the Antarctic is clearly needed, as many species remain to be incorporated into a comprehensive checklist. Future research should focus especially on regions most sensitive to anthropogenic climate change, on regions that are most likely to host species with unique physiologies (e.g. endemic extremophiles) and on accurate taxonomic identification. Beyond benefitting conservation efforts, an improved understanding of HP biodiversity will also contribute to our understanding of ecosystem-level processes in Antarctica and protistology generally.

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Supplemental material

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