

Circumtropical distribution and cryptic species of the meiofaunal enteropneust *Meioglossus* (Harrimaniidae, Hemichordata).

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Meioglossus jejuensis sp. nov., light- and confocal microscopy (LM and CLSM) (NIBR). A. Overview of *M. jejuensis* sp. nov., lateral view, LM. B. Whole specimen of *M. jejuensis* sp. nov., single staining, Serotonin-LIR (magenta), lateral view, CLSM. C. Whole specimen of *M. jejuensis* sp. nov., double staining, Acetylated-tyr-tub-LIR (yellow) and Serotonin-LIR (magenta), lateral view, CLSM. D. Anterior part of specimen B., single staining, Acetylated-tyr-tub-LIR (yellow), lateral view, CLSM. E. Anterior part of specimen B., single staining, Serotonin-LIR (magenta), lateral view, CLSM. Abbreviations: asvn; anterior somata of ventral nerve net; cb1, cb2, 1. & 2. ciliary bands; co, collar region; es, esophagus; mg, midgut; msvn, median somata of ventral nerve net; nc, neurochord (collar); pb, proboscis; pc, protocoele; plm, proboscis longitudinal muscles; pln, nerves innervating proboscis longitudinal muscles; scb2, somata of second ciliary band nerves; spb, somata of proboscis; snc, posterior somata of neurochord; vn, ventral nerve net (forms two ventral 'cords').

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Meioglossus maldivensis sp. nov., light- and confocal microscopy (LM and CLSM). A. Overview of *M. maldivensis* sp. nov., dorso-lateral view, LM (NHMD-s). B. Overview of *M. maldivensis* sp. nov., lateral view, LM (bright field). C. Whole specimen of *M. maldivensis* sp. nov., single staining, Serotonin-LIR (magenta), dorso-lateral view, CLSM (NHMD-s). D. Anterior part of specimen C., double staining, Acetylated-tyr-tub-LIR (yellow) and Serotonin-LIR (magenta), dorso-lateral view, CLSM (NHMD-s). E. Section 2. ciliary band of specimen C., double staining, Acetylated-tyr-tub-LIR (yellow) and Serotonin-LIR (magenta), CLSM (NHMD-s). F. Whole specimen of *M. maldivensis* sp. nov., single staining, Acetylated-tyr-tub-LIR (yellow), dorso-lateral view, CLSM (NHMD-s). Abbreviations: asvn; anterior somata of ventral nerve net; cb1, cb2, 1. & 2. ciliary bands; co, collar region; es, esophagus; mg, midgut; msvn, median somata of ventral nerve net; nc, neurochord (collar); pb, proboscis; pc, protocoele; plm, proboscis longitudinal muscles; pln, nerves innervating proboscis longitudinal muscles; psvn, posterior somata of ventral nerve net; scb2, somata of second ciliary band nerves; spb, somata of proboscis; snc, posterior somata of neurochord; vn, ventral nerve net (forms two ventral 'cords').

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Overview of *Meioglossus turkensis* sp. nov., lateral view, LM (bright field).

Supplementary Figure 12.

Haplotype network using the 16S rRNA dataset.

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Haplotype network using the COI dataset.

Supplementary Table 1. Locality and collection of the *Meioglossus* samples used for the molecular study.

Species	ID extraction	<i>Meioglossus</i> specimens	Latitude (°)	Longitude (°)	Depth (m)	Sediment	Date (yyyy-mm-dd)
<i>Meioglossus psammophilus</i>	KW512	Cuba - Northwest - Miramar	19.9829	-75.8665	15-17	Medium sand	2014-01-11
	KW802	Cuba - Northwest - Miramar	19.9829	-75.8665	15-17	Medium sand	2014-01-11
	KW511	Cuba - Southwest - Punta Perdiz	22.1149	-81.1168	15-20	Fine-medium coral sand	2014-01-08
	KW546	Cuba - Southwest - Punta Perdiz	22.1149	-81.1168	15-20	Fine-medium coral sand	2014-01-08
	KW099 A	Belize - East - Carrie Bow Cay st. 9	16.8021	-88.0768	14	Coral sand at reef	2010-01-20
	KW099 B	Belize - East - Carrie Bow Cay st. 9	16.8021	-88.0768	14	Coral sand at reef	2010-01-20
	KW099 C	Belize - East - Carrie Bow Cay st. 9	16.8021	-88.0768	14	Coral sand at reef	2010-01-20
	KW099 D	Belize - East - Carrie Bow Cay st. 9	16.8021	-88.0768	14	Coral sand at reef	2010-01-20
	KW099 E	Belize - East - Carrie Bow Cay st. 9	16.8021	-88.0768	14	Coral sand at reef	2010-01-20
<i>Meioglossus bermudensis</i> sp. nov.	KWB	Bermuda - Northeast - Windsor beach	32.3317	-64.6767	12	Sand patches in middle reef with sheltered part of finer sand	2007-10-18
<i>Meioglossus chiviricoensis</i> sp. nov.	KW096 A	Belize - East - Carrie Bow Cay st. 4	16.8037	-88.0769	15	Coral sand at reef	2010-01-16
	KW096 B	Belize - East - Carrie Bow Cay st. 4	16.8037	-88.0769	15	Coral sand at reef	2010-01-16
	KW702	Cuba - Southeast - Chivirico	19.9686	-76.4084	29	Coralline sand in spur-and-groove biotope	2014-11-23
	KW785	Cuba - Southeast - Chivirico	19.9686	-76.4084	29	Coralline sand in spur-and-groove biotope	2014-11-23
	KW786	Cuba - Southeast - Chivirico	19.9686	-76.4084	29	Coralline sand in spur-and-groove biotope	2014-11-23
<i>Meioglossus curacaoensis</i> sp. nov.	KW795	Curaçao - West - Sint Michiel	12.1479	-68.9990	0.3	Coral sand	2018-04-21
	KW796	Curaçao - West - Sint Michiel	12.1479	-68.9990	0.3	Coral sand	2018-04-21
	KW797	Curaçao - West - Sint Michiel	12.1479	-68.9990	0.3	Coral sand	2018-04-21
	KW798	Curaçao - West - Sint Michiel	12.1479	-68.9990	0.3	Coral sand	2018-04-21
	KW799	Curaçao - West - Sint Michiel	12.1479	-68.9990	0.3	Coral sand	2018-04-21
<i>Meioglossus eilatensis</i> sp. nov.	KW800	Israel - South - Eilat st. 16	29.5164	34.9284	15-18	Medium sand between sea grass <i>Halophila</i>	2014-02-11
	KW801	Israel - South - Eilat st. 16	29.5164	34.9284	15-18	Medium sand between sea grass <i>Halophila</i>	2014-02-11
<i>Meioglossus iuiensis</i> sp. nov.	KW513	Israel - South - Eilat st. 32	29.5059	34.9169	8	Coral sand	2014-02-18
	KW790	Israel - South - Eilat st. 32	29.5059	34.9169	8	Coral sand	2014-02-18
	KW791	Israel - South - Eilat st. 32	29.5059	34.9169	8	Coral sand	2014-02-18
<i>Meioglossus jejuensis</i> sp. nov.	KW718	South Korea - South - Jeju st. 19	33.2294	126.6027	33	Shell gravel	2015-10-19

<i>Meioglossus maldivensis</i> sp. nov.	KW788	South Korea - South - Jeju st. 19	33.2294	126.6027	33	Shell gravel	2015-10-19
	KW789	South Korea - South - Jeju st. 19	33.2294	126.6027	33	Shell gravel	2015-10-19
	KW793	South Korea - South - Jeju st. A	33.2304	126.6015	14	Shell gravel	2018-05-28
	KW794	South Korea - South - Jeju st. A	33.2304	126.6015	14	Shell gravel	2018-05-28
	KW878	Maldives - South - Gaafu Dhaalu	0.1993	73.2304	10-14	Well sorted coarse coral sand	2021-11-22
	KW881	Maldives - South - Gaafu Dhaalu	0.1993	73.2304	10-14	Well sorted coarse coral sand	2021-11-22
	KW882	Maldives - South - Gaafu Dhaalu	0.1993	73.2304	10-14	Well sorted coarse coral sand	2021-11-22
	KW883	Maldives - South - Gaafu Dhaalu	0.1993	73.2304	10-14	Well sorted coarse coral sand	2021-11-22
	KW803	Turks & Caicos - West - Providenciales	21.7898	-72.2273	1.5	Coarse heterogenous coral rubble and sand	2019-01-06
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<i>Meioglossus turkensis</i> sp. nov.	KW804	Turks & Caicos - West - Providenciales	21.7898	-72.2273	1.5	Coarse heterogenous coral rubble and sand	2019-01-06
	KW700	Cuba - Northeast - Gibara	21.2105	-76.2424	18	Medium to coarse sand	2014-11-18
	KW792	Cuba - Northeast - Gibara	21.2105	-76.2424	18	Medium to coarse sand	2014-11-18

Supplementary Table 2. List of primers sequences and annealing temperatures used in PCR.

Primers	Direction	Annealing temperature	Primer sequence (5' → 3')	References
16S				
ar-L	Forward	45°C	CGC CTG TTT ATC AAA AAC AT	Palumbi, 1996 ^[1]
br-H	Reverse		CCG GTC TGA ACT CAG ATC ACG T	Palumbi, 1996 ^[1]
18S 1st fragment				
1F	Forward	49°C	TAC CTG GTT GAT CCT GCC AGT AG	Rousset <i>et al.</i> , 2007 ^[2]
5R	Reverse		CTT GGC AAA TGC TTT CGC	Rousset <i>et al.</i> , 2007 ^[2]
G51	Forward	49°C	GGT TGA TCC TGC CAG TAG	Hillis & Dixon, 1991 ^[3]
G747	Reverse		CGG TAT CTG ATC GTC TTC GA	Hillis & Dixon, 1991 ^[3]
18S 3rd fragment				
18Sa2.0	Forward	55°C	ATG GTT GCA AAG CTG AAA C	Whiting <i>et al.</i> , 1997 ^[4]
9R	Reverse		GAT CCT TCC GCA GGT TCA CCT AC	Giribet <i>et al.</i> , 1996 ^[5]
G952	Forward	49°C	GCC AAA GCA TTT GCC AAG MA	Cohen <i>et al.</i> , 2004 ^[6]
G944	Reverse		TGA TCC TTC TGC AGG TTC ACC TAC	Lovejoy & Potvin, 2011 ^[7]
COI				
19F	Forward	45°C	CWA ATC AYA AAG ATA TTG GAA C	Colgan <i>et al.</i> , 2001 ^[8]
726R	Reverse		AAT ATA WAC TTC WGG GTG ACC	Colgan <i>et al.</i> , 2001 ^[8]
H3				
aF	Forward	53°C	ATG GCT CGT ACC AAG CAG ACV GC	Colgan <i>et al.</i> , 1998 ^[9]
aR	Reverse		ATA TCC TTR GGC ATR ATR GTG AC	Colgan <i>et al.</i> , 1998 ^[9]

Supplementary Table 3. Type specimen and n° of specimens examined with different methods in the presented study and in the Worsaae *et al.*, 2012 paper.

Species	Type number	Coordinates	Storage medium	Fixation	Preparation	Staining	Sex	Depth (m)	Date (yyyy-mm-dd)	Legit	Paper
<i>M. psammophilus</i>	NHMD-ENP-1	16.8021 -88.0768	WM (holotype)	PFA	CLSM	tyr-tub, ser, dapi	male	14	2010-01-20	KW	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
	NHMD-ENP-2	16.8021 -88.0768	WM	PFA	CLSM	α -tub, FMRF, dapi	male	14	2010-01-20	KW	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
	ZMUC-ENP-3	16.8021 -88.0768	WM	PFA	CLSM	tyr-tub, ser, phal, dapi	male	14	2010-01-20	KW	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
	ZMUC-ENP-4	16.8021 -88.0768	WM	PFA	CLSM	α -tub, FMRF, dapi	male	14	2010-01-20	KW	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
	ZMUC-ENP-5	16.8021 -88.0768	WM	PFA	CLSM	α -tub, FMRF, dapi	male	14	2010-01-20	KW	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
	ZMUC-ENP-6	16.8021 -88.0768	WM	PFA	CLSM	tyr-tub, ser, dapi	male	14	2010-01-20	KW	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
	ZMUC-ENP-7	16.8021 -88.0768	stub	1% OsO4	SEM	none		14	2010-01-20	KW	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
	ZMUC-ENP-8	16.8021 -88.0768	stub	1% OsO4	SEM	none		14	2010-01-20	KW	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
	ZMUC-ENP-9	16.8021 -88.0768	stub	1% OsO4	SEM	none		14	2010-01-20	KW	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
	ZMUC-ENP-10	16.8021 -88.0768	stub	1% OsO4	SEM	none		14	2010-01-20	KW	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
	ZMUC-ENP-11	16.8021 -88.0768	stub	1% OsO4	SEM	none		14	2010-01-20	KW	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
	ZMUC-ENP-12	16.8021 -88.0768	stub	1% OsO4	SEM	none		14	2010-01-20	KW	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
	ZMUC-ENP-13	16.8021 -88.0768	stub	1% OsO4	SEM	none		14	2010-01-20	KW	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
	ZMUC-ENP-14	16.8021 -88.0768	stub	1% OsO4	SEM	none		14	2010-01-20	KW	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
	ZMUC-ENP-15	16.8021 -88.0768	stub	1% OsO4	SEM	none		14	2010-01-20	KW	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
	ZMUC-ENP-16	16.8021 -88.0768	stub	1% OsO4	SEM	none		14	2010-01-20	KW	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
	ZMUC-ENP-17	16.8021 -88.0768	stub	1% OsO4	SEM	none		14	2010-01-20	KW	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
	ZMUC-ENP-18	16.8021 -88.0768	resin	GLU	none	none		14	2010-01-20	KW	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
	ZMUC-ENP-19	16.8021 -88.0768	resin	GLU	none	none		14	2010-01-20	KW	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
	ZMUC-ENP-20	16.8021 -88.0768	resin	GLU	none	none		14	2010-01-20	KW	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
	ZMUC-ENP-21	16.8021 -88.0768	resin	GLU	none	none		14	2010-01-20	KW	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
	ZMUC-ENP-22	16.8021 -88.0768	resin	GLU	none	none		14	2010-01-20	KW	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]

<i>M. bermudensis</i> sp. nov.	ZMUC-ENP-23	16.8021 -88.0768	resin	GLU	none	none		14	2010-01-20	KW	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
	ZMUC-ENP-24	16.8021 -88.0768	resin	GLU	none	none		14	2010-01-20	KW	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
	ZMUC-ENP-25	16.8021 -88.0768	resin	GLU	none	none		14	2010-01-20	KW	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
	ZMUC-ENP-26	16.8021 -88.0768	resin	GLU	none	none		14	2010-01-20	KW	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
	ZMUC-ENP-27	16.8021 -88.0768	resin (slides)	GLU	Hist	none	male	14	2010-01-20	KW	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
	ZMUC-ENP-28	16.8021 -88.0768	resin (slides)	GLU	Hist & TEM	none	male	14	2010-01-20	KW	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
	ZMUC-ENP-29	16.8021 -88.0768	resin (grids and slides)	GLU	Hist	none	male	14	2010-01-20	KW	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
	ZMUC-ENP-30	16.8021 -88.0768	resin (slides)	GLU	Hist & TEM	none	male	14	2010-01-20	KW	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
	ZMUC-ENP-31	16.8021 -88.0768	resin (grids and slides)	GLU	Hist & TEM	none	male	14	2010-01-20	KW	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
	ZMUC-ENP-32	16.8021 -88.0768	resin (grids and slides)	GLU	Hist & TEM	none	male	14	2010-01-20	KW	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
	ZMUC-ENP-33	16.8021 -88.0768	resin (grids and slides)	GLU	Hist & TEM	none	male	14	2010-01-20	KW	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
	ZMUC-ENP-34	16.8021 -88.0768	resin (grids and slides)	GLU	Hist & TEM	none	male	14	2010-01-20	KW	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
	2 further specimens examined	16.8021 -88.0768	grids lost	GLU	TEM	none	male	14	2010-01-20	KW	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
	ZMUC-ENP-36	16.8021 -88.0768	70% EtOH (ca. 1 specimen)	GLU	none	none		14	2010-01-20	KW	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
	ZMUC-ENP-37	16.8021 -88.0768	GLU (ca. 7 specimens)	GLU	none	none		14	2010-01-20	KW	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
	ZMUC-ENP-38	16.8021 -88.0768	PBS+NaN ₃ (ca. 20 specimens)	PFA	none	none		14	2010-01-20	KW	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
	ZMUC-ENP-42	16.8021 -88.0768	96% EtOH (6 specimens)	96% EtOH	none	none		14	2010-01-20	KW	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
	NHMD-a	19.9829 -75.8665	WM	GLU	CLSM	tyr-tub, ser, dapi	male	15-17	2014-04-11	KW	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
	ZMUC-ENP-43	32.3317 -64.6767	WM (holotype)	PFA	CLSM	α -tub, ser, phal, dapi		12	2007-10-18	KW& WS	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
	ZMUC-ENP-44	32.3317 -64.6767	WM	PFA	CLSM	α -tub, FMRF, dapi		12	2007-10-18	KW& WS	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
	ZMUC-ENP-45	32.3317 -64.6767	WM	PFA	CLSM	Phal, dapi		12	2007-10-18	KW& WS	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
	ZMUC-ENP-46	32.3317 -64.6767	WM	PFA	CLSM	α -tub, FMRF, dapi		12	2007-10-18	KW& WS	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
	ZMUC-ENP-47	32.3317 -64.6767	WM	PFA	CLSM	phal, dapi		12	2007-10-18	KW& WS	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
	ZMUC-ENP-48	32.3317 -64.6767	WM	PFA	CLSM	α -tub, FMRF, dapi		12	2007-10-18	KW& WS	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]

ZMUC-ENP-49	32.3317 -64.6767	WM	PFA	CLSM	α -tub, FMRF, dapi	12	2007-10-18	KW& WS	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
ZMUC-ENP-50	32.3317 -64.6767	WM	PFA	CLSM	α -tub, ser, phal, dapi	12	2007-10-18	KW& WS	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
ZMUC-ENP-51	32.3317 -64.6767	WM	PFA	CLSM	α -tub, ser, phal, dapi	12	2007-10-18	KW& WS	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
ZMUC-ENP-52	32.3317 -64.6767	WM	PFA	CLSM	α -tub, ser, phal, dapi	12	2007-10-18	KW& WS	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
ZMUC-ENP-53	32.3317 -64.6767	WM	PFA	CLSM	tyr-tub, ser, phal, dapi	12	2007-10-18	KW& WS	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
ZMUC-ENP-54	32.3317 -64.6767	WM	PFA	CLSM	tyr-tub, ser, phal, dapi	12	2007-10-18	KW& WS	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
ZMUC-ENP-55	32.3317 -64.6767	WM	PFA	CLSM	tyr-tub, ser, phal, dapi	12	2007-10-18	KW& WS	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
ZMUC-ENP-56	32.3317 -64.6767	WM	PFA	CLSM	tyr-tub, ser, phal, dapi	12	2007-10-18	KW& WS	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
ZMUC-ENP-57	32.3317 -64.6767	WM	PFA	CLSM	tyr-tub, ser, phal, dapi	12	2007-10-18	KW& WS	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
ZMUC-ENP-58	32.3317 -64.6767	WM	PFA	CLSM	tyr-tub, ser, phal, dapi	12	2007-10-18	KW& WS	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
ZMUC-ENP-58	32.3317 -64.6767	WM	PFA	CLSM	tyr-tub, ser, phal, dapi	12	2007-10-18	KW& WS	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
ZMUC-ENP-59	32.3317 -64.6767	WM	PFA	CLSM	tyr-tub, ser, phal, dapi	12	2007-10-18	KW& WS	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
ZMUC-ENP-60	32.3317 -64.6767	WM	PFA	CLSM	α -tub, ser, phal, dapi	12	2007-10-18	KW& WS	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
ZMUC-ENP-61	32.3317 -64.6767	WM	PFA	CLSM	α -tub, ser, dapi	12	2007-10-18	KW& WS	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
ZMUC-ENP-62	32.3317 -64.6767	WM	PFA	CLSM	α -tub, ser, phal, dapi	12	2007-10-18	KW& WS	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
ZMUC-ENP-63	32.3317 -64.6767	WM	PFA	CLSM	α -tub, ser, phal, dapi	12	2007-10-18	KW& WS	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
ZMUC-ENP-64	32.3317 -64.6767	WM	PFA	CLSM	α -tub, ser, dapi	12	2007-10-18	KW& WS	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
ZMUC-ENP-65	32.3317 -64.6767	WM	PFA	CLSM	α -tub, FMRF, dapi	12	2007-10-18	KW& WS	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
ZMUC-ENP-66	32.3317 -64.6767	WM	PFA	CLSM	tyr-tub, phal, dapi	12	2007-10-18	KW& WS	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
ZMUC-ENP-67	32.3317 -64.6767	WM	PFA	CLSM	α -tub, FMRF dapi	12	2007-10-18	KW& WS	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
ZMUC-ENP-68	32.3317 -64.6767	stub	1% OsO4	SEM	none	12	2007-10-18	KW& WS	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
ZMUC-ENP-69	32.3317 -64.6767	stub	1% OsO4	SEM	none	12	2007-10-18	KW& WS	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
ZMUC-ENP-70	32.3317 -64.6767	stub	1% OsO4	SEM	none	12	2007-10-18	KW& WS	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]
ZMUC-ENP-71	32.3317 -64.6767	stub	1% OsO4	SEM	none	12	2007-10-18	KW& WS	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]

<i>M. chiviricoensis</i> sp. nov.	ZMUC-ENP-72	32.3317 -64.6767	stub	1% OsO4	SEM	none	12	2007-10-18	KW& WS	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]	
	ZMUC-ENP-73	32.3317 -64.6767	PFA (ca. 4 specimens)	PFA	none	none	12	2007-10-18	KW& WS	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]	
	ZMUC-ENP-74	32.3317 -64.6767	PBS+NaN ₃ (ca. 7 specimens)	PFA	none	none	12	2007-10-18	KW& WS	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]	
	ZMUC-ENP-75	32.3317 -64.6767	PBS+NaN ₃ (ca. 5 specimens)	PFA	none	none	12	2007-10-18	KW& WS	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]	
	ZMUC-ENP-76	32.3317 -64.6767	Caco-buffer (10 specimens)	GLU	none	none	12	2007-10-18	KW& WS	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]	
	ZMUC-ENP-77	32.3317 -64.6767	Caco-buffer (7 specimens)	GLU	none	none	12	2007-10-18	KW& WS	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]	
	ZMUC-ENP-78	32.3317 -64.6767	Caco-buffer (5 specimens)	GLU	none	none	12	2007-10-18	KW& WS	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]	
	ZMUC-ENP-79	32.3317 -64.6767	96% EtOH (1 specimen)	96% EtOH	none	none	2-4	2007-10-18	KW& WS	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]	
	ZMUC-ENP-80	32.3317 -64.6767	96% EtOH (5 specimens)	96% EtOH	none	none	12	2007-10-18	KW& WS	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]	
	ZMUC-ENP-81	32.3317 -64.6767	96% EtOH (1 specimen)	96% EtOH	none	none	12	2007-10-18	KW& WS	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]	
	ZMUC-ENP-82	32.3317 -64.6767	96% EtOH (1 specimen)	96% EtOH	none	none	12	2007-10-18	KW& WS	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]	
	ZMUC-ENP-83	32.3317 -64.6767	96% EtOH (1 specimen)	96% EtOH	none	none	12	2007-10-18	KW& WS	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]	
	ZMUC-ENP-35	16.8037 -88.0769	GLU (ca. 5 specimens)	GLU	none	none	15	2010-01-16	KW	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]	
	ZMUC-ENP-39	16.8037 -88.0769	96% EtOH (4 specimens)	96% EtOH	none	none	15	2010-01-16	KW	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]	
	ZMUC-ENP-40	16.8037 -88.0769	96% EtOH (6 specimens)	96% EtOH	none	none	15	2010-01-16	KW	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]	
	ZMUC-ENP-41	16.8037 -88.0769	96% EtOH (5 specimens)	96% EtOH	none	none	15	2010-01-16	KW	Worsaae <i>et al.</i> , 2012 ^[10]	
<i>M. curacaoensis</i> sp. nov.	NHMD-b	16.8037 -88.0769	WM	PFA	CLSM	tyr-tub, ser, dapi	15	2010-01-16	KW	This paper	
	NHMD-c	19.9686 -76.4084	WM	PFA	CLSM	tyr-tub, ser, dapi	male	29	2014-11-23	KW	This paper
	NHMD-d	19.9686 -76.4084	WM (holotype)	PFA	CLSM	α tub, FMRF, dapi	male	29	2014-11-23	KW	This paper
	NHMD-e	19.9686 -76.4084	WM	PFA	CLSM	α tub, FMRF, dapi	male	29	2014-11-23	KW	This paper
	NHMD-f	19.9686 -76.4084	WM	PFA	CLSM	tyr-tub, ser, dapi		29	2014-11-23	KW	This paper
	NHMD-g	19.9686 -76.4084	WM	PFA	CLSM	tyr-tub, ser, dapi		29	2014-11-23	KW	This paper
	NHMD-h	12.1479 -68.9990	96% EtOH (holotype)	96% EtOH	none	none	0.3	2018-04-21	MH	This paper	
	NHMD-i	12.1479 -68.9990	96% EtOH	96% EtOH	none	none	0.3	2018-04-21	MH	This paper	

<i>M. eilatensis</i> sp.nov	NHMD-j	12.1479 -68.9990	96% EtOH	96% EtOH	none	none	0.3	2018-04-21	MH	This paper
	NHMD-k	29.5164 34.9284	96% EtOH (holotype)	96% EtOH	none	none	15-18	2014-02-11	KW	This paper
<i>M. iuiensis</i> sp. nov.	NHMD-l	29.5164 34.9169	WM (holotype)	96% EtOH	CLSM	tyr-tub, ser, dapi	8	2014-02-18	KW	This paper
	NHMD-m	29.5164 34.9169	WM	96% EtOH	CLSM	tyr-tub, ser, dapi	8	2014-02-18	KW	This paper
<i>M. jejuensis</i> sp. nov.	NHMD-n	33.2294 126.6027	WM (holotype)	PFA	CLSM	tyr-tub, ser, dapi	33	2015-05-19	KW	This paper
	NIBR	33.2294 126.6027	96% EtOH	PFA	none	none	15	2015-05-25	KW	This paper
	NHMD-o	33.2294 126.6027	96% EtOH	3% GLU	none	none	33	2015-05-19	KW	This paper
	NHMD-p	33.2304 126.6027	96% EtOH	3% GLU	none	none	14	2018-05-28	KW	This paper
	NHMD-q	33.2304 126.6027	96% EtOH	3% GLU	none	none	14	2018-05-28	KW	This paper
	NHMD-r	33.2304 126.6027	96% EtOH	3% GLU	none	none	14	2018-05-28	KW	This paper
<i>M. maldivensis</i> sp. nov.	NHMD-s	0.1993 73.2204	96% EtOH (holotype)	96% EtOH	none	none	10-14	2021-11-22	KW	This paper
	NHMD-t	0.2275 73.2131	WM	PFA	CLSM	tyr-tub, ser, dapi	12.3	2021-11-30	KW	This paper
<i>M. turkensis</i> sp. nov.	NHMD-u	21.7898 -72.2273	96% EtOH (holotype)	PFA	none	none	1.5	2019-01-06	KW	This paper
	NHMD-v	21.7898 -72.2273	96% EtOH	PFA	one	none	1.5	2019-01-06	KW	This paper

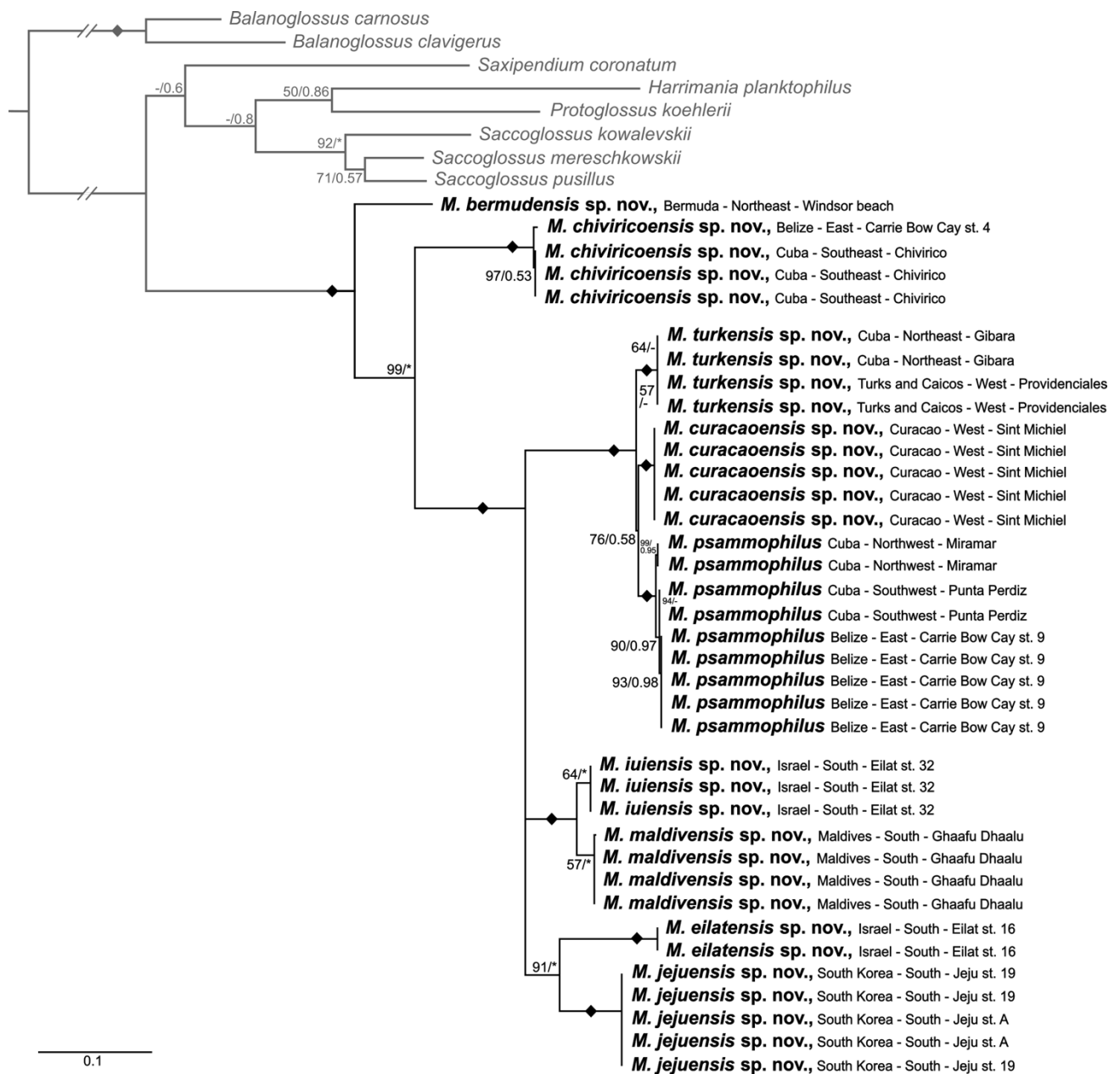
Supplementary Table 4. Similarity matrix using 16S rRNA dataset (values are given in %).

	Belize KW096 B	Chivi, KW702	Chivi, KW785	Chivi, KW786	Berm. KWB	Belize KW099 A	Belize KW099 B	Belize KW099 C	Belize KW099 D	Belize KW099 E	Perdiz KW511	Perdiz KW546	Mira, KW512	Mira, KW802	Cura, KW795	Cura, KW796	Cura, KW797	Cura, KW798	Cura, KW799	Giba, KW700	Giba, KW792	T & C KW803	T & C KW804	Eilat 32 KW513	Eilat 32 KW791	Eilat 32 KW790	Maldi KW878	Maldi KW881	Maldi KW882	Maldi KW883	S. Kor KW718	S. Kor KW793	S. Kor KW788	S. Kor KW789	S. Kor KW794	Eilat 16 KW890	Eilat 16 KW891	
Belize KW096 B		99.49	99.49	99.49	83.98	80.03	80.03	80.03	80.03	80.03	80.34	80.34	80.59	80.67	81.01	81.01	81.01	81.01	81.01	80.92	81.01	80.87	80.87	82.40	82.40	82.40	81.94	81.73	81.73	81.73	81.01	81.01	81.01	81.01	81.01	81.14	81.14	
Chivi, KW702	99.49		100	100	83.89	80.20	80.20	80.20	80.20	80.20	80.89	80.89	81.14	81.22	81.22	81.22	81.22	81.22	81.22	81.14	81.22	81.09	81.09	82.75	82.75	82.72	82.40	82.09	82.09	82.09	81.05	81.05	81.05	81.05	81.05	81.35	81.35	
Chivi, KW785	99.49	100		100	83.89	80.20	80.20	80.20	80.20	80.20	80.89	80.89	81.14	81.22	81.22	81.22	81.22	81.22	81.22	81.14	81.22	81.09	81.09	82.75	82.75	82.72	82.40	82.09	82.09	82.09	81.05	81.05	81.05	81.05	81.05	81.35	81.35	
Chivi, KW786	99.49	100	100		83.89	80.20	80.20	80.20	80.20	80.20	80.89	80.89	81.14	81.22	81.22	81.22	81.22	81.22	81.22	81.14	81.22	81.09	81.09	82.75	82.75	82.72	82.40	82.09	82.09	82.09	81.05	81.05	81.05	81.05	81.05	81.35	81.35	
Berm. KWB	83.98	83.89	83.89	83.89		80.44	80.44	80.44	80.44	80.44	80.84	80.84	80.62	80.70	81.18	81.18	81.18	81.18	81.18	81.18	81.34	81.21	81.21	83.25	83.25	83.25	83.38	83.11	83.11	83.11	82.35	82.35	82.35	82.35	82.35	80.61	80.61	
Belize KW099 A	80.03	80.20	80.20	80.20	80.44		100	100	100	100	99.66	99.66	98.90	98.98	96.44	96.44	96.44	96.44	96.44	95.59	95.76	95.93	95.93	85.76	85.76	85.76	86.09	85.93	85.93	85.93	85.02	85.02	85.02	85.02	85.02	84.63	84.63	
Belize KW099 B	80.03	80.20	80.20	80.20	80.44	100		100	100	100	99.66	99.66	98.90	98.98	96.44	96.44	96.44	96.44	96.44	95.59	95.76	95.93	95.93	85.76	85.76	85.76	86.09	85.93	85.93	85.93	85.02	85.02	85.02	85.02	85.02	84.63	84.63	
Belize KW099 C	80.03	80.20	80.20	80.20	80.44	100	100		100	100	99.66	99.66	98.90	98.98	96.44	96.44	96.44	96.44	96.44	95.59	95.76	95.93	95.93	85.76	85.76	85.76	86.09	85.93	85.93	85.93	85.02	85.02	85.02	85.02	85.02	84.63	84.63	
Belize KW099 D	80.03	80.20	80.20	80.20	80.44	100	100	100		100	99.66	99.66	98.90	98.98	96.44	96.44	96.44	96.44	96.44	95.59	95.76	95.93	95.93	85.76	85.76	85.76	86.09	85.93	85.93	85.93	85.02	85.02	85.02	85.02	85.02	84.63	84.63	
Belize KW099 E	80.03	80.20	80.20	80.20	80.44	100	100	100	100		99.66	99.66	98.90	98.98	96.44	96.44	96.44	96.44	96.44	95.59	95.76	95.93	95.93	85.76	85.76	85.76	86.09	85.93	85.93	85.93	85.02	85.02	85.02	85.02	85.02	84.63	84.63	
Perdiz KW511	80.34	80.89	80.89	80.89	80.84	99.66	99.66	99.66	99.66	99.66		100	99.25	99.34	96.84	96.84	96.84	96.84	96.84	96.01	96.17	96.01	96.01	86.36	86.36	86.33	86.63	86.36	86.36	86.36	85.62	85.62	85.62	85.62	85.62	85.24	85.24	
Perdiz KW546	80.34	80.89	80.89	80.89	80.84	99.66	99.66	99.66	99.66	99.66	100		99.25	99.34	96.84	96.84	96.84	96.84	96.84	96.01	96.17	96.01	96.01	86.36	86.36	86.33	86.63	86.36	86.36	86.36	85.62	85.62	85.62	85.62	85.62	85.24	85.24	
Mira, KW512	80.59	81.14	81.14	81.14	80.62	98.90	98.90	98.90	98.90	98.90	99.25	99.25		99.92	96.76	96.76	96.76	96.76	96.76	96.01	96.10	95.94	95.94	86.30	86.30	86.27	86.57	86.30	86.30	86.30	85.23	85.23	85.23	85.23	85.23	85.18	85.18	
Mira, KW802	80.67	81.22	81.22	81.22	80.70	98.98	98.98	98.98	98.98	98.98	99.34	99.34	99.92		96.84	96.84	96.84	96.84	96.84	96.01	96.18	96.02	96.02	86.38	86.38	86.36	86.65	86.38	86.38	86.38	85.31	85.31	85.31	85.31	85.31	85.26	85.26	
Cura, KW795	81.01	81.22	81.22	81.22	81.18	96.44	96.44	96.44	96.44	96.44	96.84	96.84	96.76	96.84		100	100	100	100	96.51	96.67	96.51	96.51	87.02	87.02	87.00	86.98	86.69	86.69	86.69	85.62	85.62	85.62	85.62	85.62	85.07	85.07	
Cura, KW796	81.01	81.22	81.22	81.22	81.18	96.44	96.44	96.44	96.44	96.44	96.84	96.84	96.76	96.84	100		100	100	100	96.51	96.67	96.51	96.51	87.02	87.02	87.00	86.98	86.69	86.69	86.69	85.62	85.62	85.62	85.62	85.62	85.07	85.07	
Cura, KW797	81.01	81.22	81.22	81.22	81.18	96.44	96.44	96.44	96.44	96.44	96.84	96.84	96.76	96.84	100	100		100	100	96.51	96.67	96.51	96.51	87.02	87.02	87.00	86.98	86.69	86.69	86.69	85.62	85.62	85.62	85.62	85.62	85.07	85.07	
Cura, KW798	81.01	81.22	81.22	81.22	81.18	96.44	96.44	96.44	96.44	96.44	96.84	96.84	96.76	96.84	100	100	100		100	96.51	96.67	96.51	96.51	87.02	87.02	87.00	86.98	86.69	86.69	86.69	85.62	85.62	85.62	85.62	85.62	85.07	85.07	
Cura, KW799	81.01	81.22	81.22	81.22	81.18	96.44	96.44	96.44	96.44	96.44	96.84	96.84	96.76	96.84	100	100	100	100		96.51	96.67	96.51	96.51	87.02	87.02	87.00	86.98	86.69	86.69	86.69	85.62	85.62	85.62	85.62	85.62	85.07	85.07	
Gibara KW700	80.92	81.14	81.14	81.14	81.18	95.59	95.59	95.59	95.59	95.59	96.01	96.01	96.01	96.01	96.51	96.51	96.51	96.51	96.51		99.83	99.67	99.67	86.52	86.52	86.50	86.80	86.52	86.52	86.52	85.29	85.29	85.29	85.29	85.29	85.49	85.49	
Gibara KW792	81.01	81.22	81.22	81.22	81.34	95.76	95.76	95.76	95.76	95.76	96.17	96.17	96.10	96.18	96.67	96.67	96.67	96.67	96.67	99.83		99.83	99.83	86.69	86.69	86.67	86.98	86.69	86.69	86.69	85.45	85.45	85.45	85.45	85.45	85.57	85.57	
T & C KW803	80.87	81.09	81.09	81.09	81.21	95.93	95.93	95.93	95.93	95.93	96.01	96.01	95.94	96.02	96.51	96.51	96.51	96.51	96.51	99.67	99.83		100	86.54	86.54	86.52	86.83	86.54	86.54	86.54	85.31	85.31	85.31	85.31	85.31	85.31	85.43	85.43
T & C KW804	80.87	81.09	81.09	81.09	81.21	95.93	95.93	95.93	95.93	95.93	96.01	96.01	95.94	96.02	96.51	96.51	96.51	96.51	96.51	99.67	99.83	100		86.54	86.54	86.52	86.83	86.54	86.54	86.54	85.31	85.31	85.31	85.31	85.31	85.31	85.43	85.43
Eilat 32 KW513	82.40	82.75	82.75	82.75	83.25	85.76	85.76	85.76	85.76	85.76	86.36	86.36	86.30	86.38	87.02	87.02	87.02	87.02	87.02	86.52	86.69	86.54	86.54		100	100	96.89	96.98	96.98	96.98	87.85	87.85	87.85	87.85	87.85	86.33	86.33	
Eilat 32 KW591	82.40	82.75	82.75	82.75	83.25	85.76	85.76	85.76	85.76	85.76	86.36	86.36	86.30	86.38	87.02	87.02	87.02	87.02	87.02	86.52	86.69	86.54	86.54	100		100	96.89	96.98	96.98	96.98	87.85	87.85	87.85	87.85	87.85	86.33	86.33	
Eilat 32 KW590	82.40	82.72	82.72	82.72	83.25	85.76	85.76	85.76	85.76	85.76	86.33	86.33	86.27	86.36	87.00	87.00	87.00	87.00	87.00	86.50	86.67	86.52	86.52	100	100		96.89	96.97	96.97	96.97	87.83	87.83	87.83	87.83	87.83	86.31	86.31	
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Maldi, KW881	81.73	82.09	82.09	82.09	83.11	85.93	85.93	85.93	85.93	85.93	86.36	86.36	86.30	86.38	86.69	86.69	86.69	86.69	86.69	86.52	86.69	86.54	86.54	96.98	96.98	96.97	99.69		100	100	88.00	88.00	88.00	88.00	88.00	86.83	86.83	
Maldi, KW882	81.73	82.09	82.09	82.09	83.11	85.93	85.93	85.93	85.93	85.93	86.36	86.36	86.30	86.38	86.69	86.69	86.69	86.69	86.69	86.52	86.69	86.54	86.54	96.98	96.98	96.97	99.69	100		100	88.00	88.00	88.00	88.00	88.00	86.83	86.83	
Maldi, KW883	81.73	82.09	82.09	82.09	83.11	85.93	85.93	85.93	85.93	85.93	86.36	86.36	86.30	86.38	86.69	86.69	86.69	86.69	86.69	86.52	86.69	86.54	86.54	96.98	96.98	96.97	99.69	100	100		88.00	88.00	88.00	88.00	88.00	86.83	86.83	
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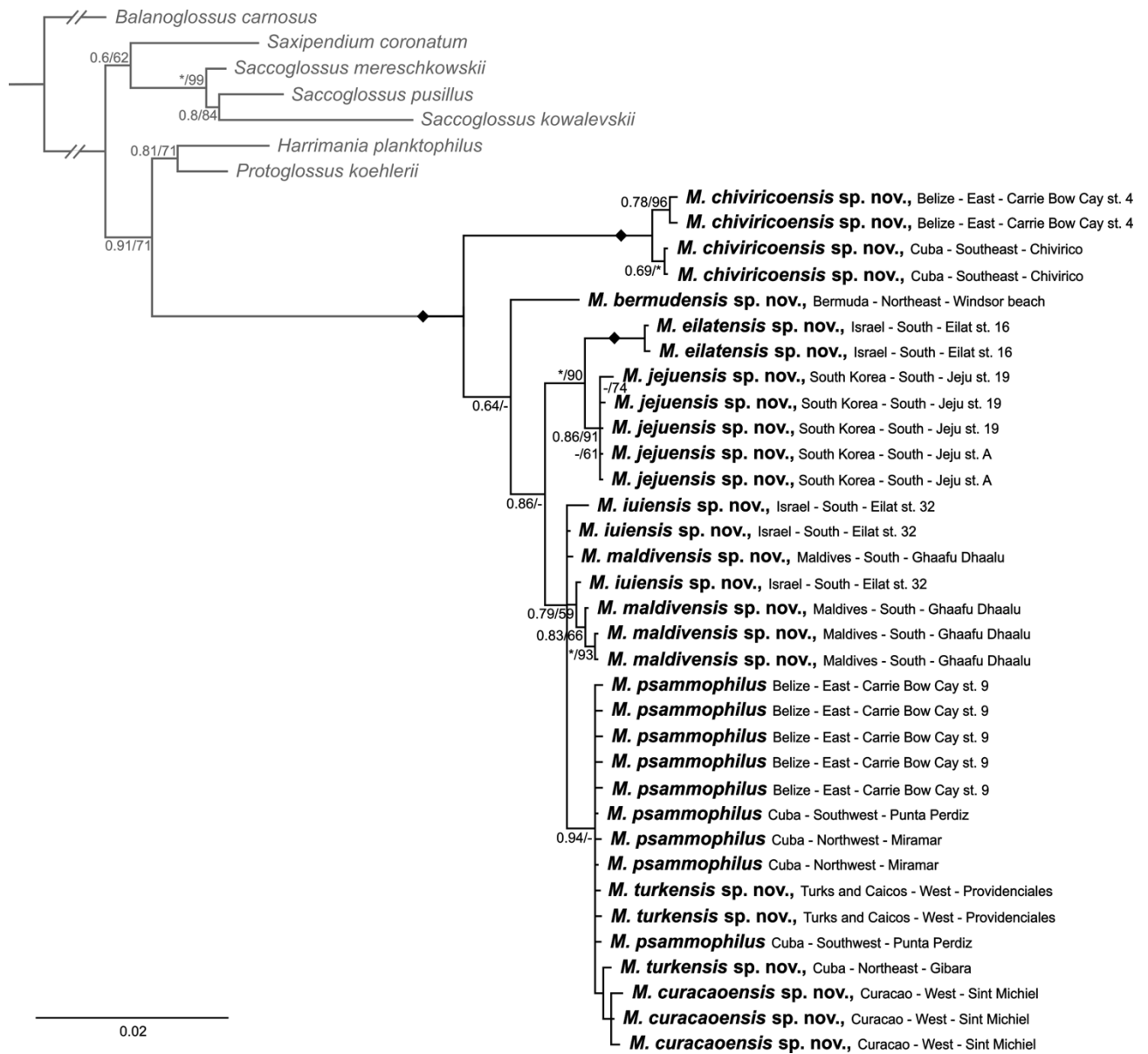
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Eilat 16 KW800	81.14	81.35	81.35	81.35	80.61	84.63	84.63	84.63	84.63	84.63	85.24	85.24	85.18	85.26	85.07	85.07	85.07	85.07	85.49	85.57	85.43	85.43	86.33	86.33	86.31	87.00	86.83	86.83	86.83	87.58	87.58	87.58	87.58	87.58		100	
Eilat 16 KW801	81.14	81.35	81.35	81.35	80.61	84.63	84.63	84.63	84.63	84.63	85.24	85.24	85.18	85.26	85.07	85.07	85.07	85.07	85.49	85.57	85.43	85.43	86.33	86.33	86.31	87.00	86.83	86.83	86.83	87.58	87.58	87.58	87.58	87.58	100		

Supplementary Table 5. Similarity matrix using COI dataset (values are given in %).

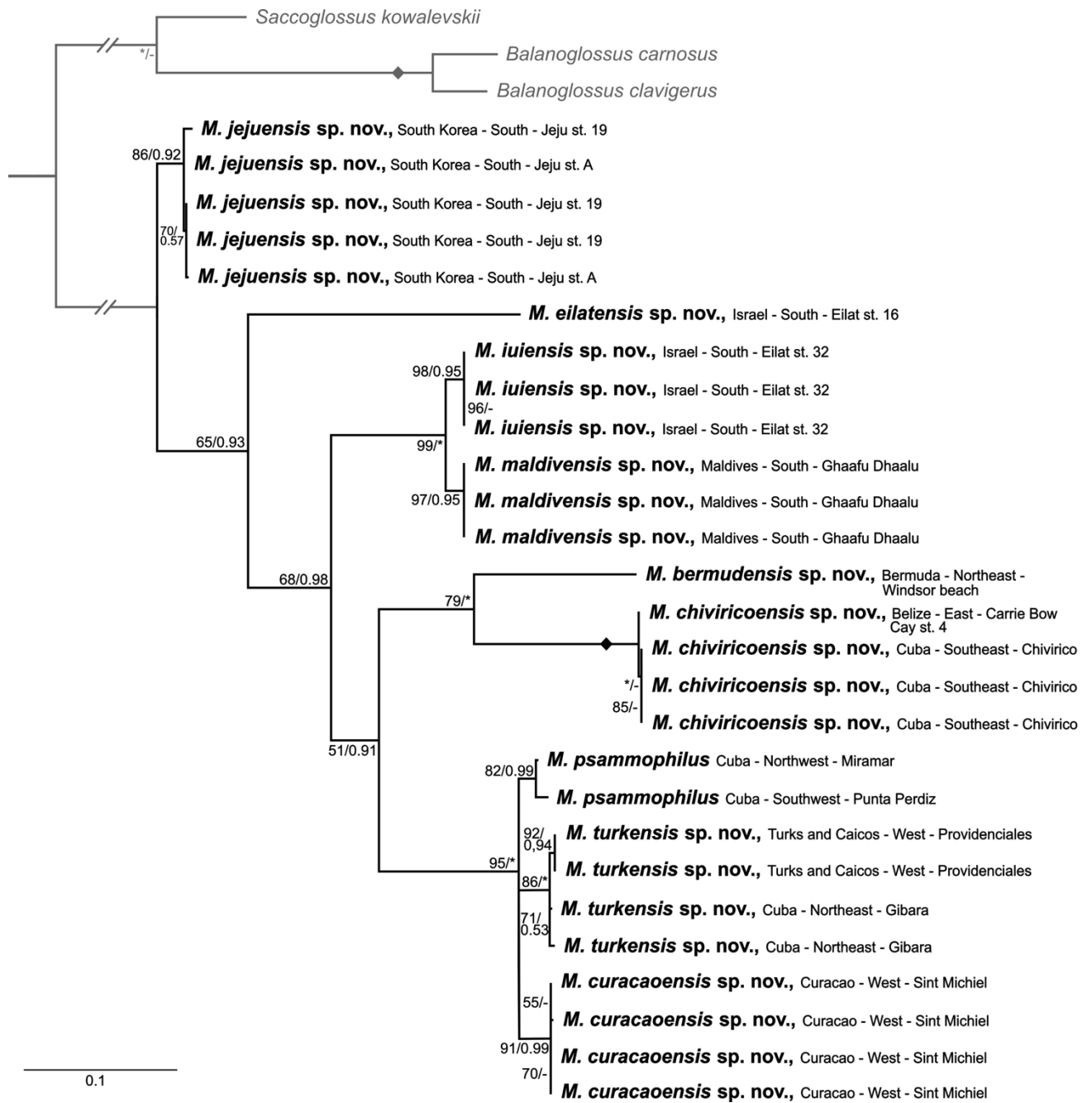
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Belize KW096 B		99.85	99.85	99.85	88.99	87.69	87.61	87.46	87.91	87.91	87.69	84.22	85.78	85.78	85.78	85.78	86.87	86.66	86.85	86.85	86.85	87.31	87.31	87.31	87.31	87.31	86.07
Chivi. KW702	99.85		100	100	88.84	87.89	87.65	87.67	87.91	87.91	87.63	84.21	85.90	85.99	86.05	85.76	86.47	86.70	87.22	87.08	87.08	87.56	87.67	87.52	87.52	87.61	85.55
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Chivi. KW786	99.85	100	100		88.84	87.83	87.65	87.61	87.91	87.91	87.72	84.13	85.99	85.99	85.99	85.99	86.73	86.79	87.17	87.17	87.17	87.56	87.61	87.61	87.61	87.61	85.48
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Maldi. KW883	87.69	87.63	87.63	87.72	87.31	97.78	97.97	97.56	99.93	99.93		87.35	88.67	88.62	88.52	88.52	88.78	88.56	88.67	88.96	88.96	89.61	89.56	89.70	89.70	89.21	87.86
S. Kor. KW718	84.22	84.21	84.21	84.13	83.88	86.57	86.36	86.40	87.35	87.35	87.16		98.56	98.73	98.73	98.40	84.71	85.39	85.56	85.56	85.56	85.07	85.22	85.05	85.05	84.97	86.15
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T & C KW803	86.85	87.08	87.08	87.17	87.95	89.13	89.29	88.99	89.09	89.09	88.96	85.56	87.67	87.61	87.52	87.52	96.53	99.44	99.56		100	97.04	96.92	97.06	97.06	97.35	86.65
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Cura. KW799	87.31	87.52	87.52	87.61	87.80	89.57	89.73	89.43	89.82	89.82	89.70	85.05	87.37	87.32	87.22	87.22	96.62	96.79	97.21	97.06	97.06	100	99.85	100		97.35	86.97
Mira. KW802	87.31	87.61	87.61	87.61	88.54	89.23	89.29	89.09	89.38	89.38	89.21	84.97	87.02	87.02	87.02	87.02	99.00	96.06	97.35	97.35	97.35	97.33	97.35	97.35	97.35		85.79
Eilat 16 KW801	86.07	85.55	85.55	85.48	86.30	87.44	87.74	87.28	87.86	87.86	87.86	86.15	87.28	87.38	87.44	87.12	85.15	86.37	86.65	86.65	86.65	87.32	87.12	86.97	86.97	85.79	



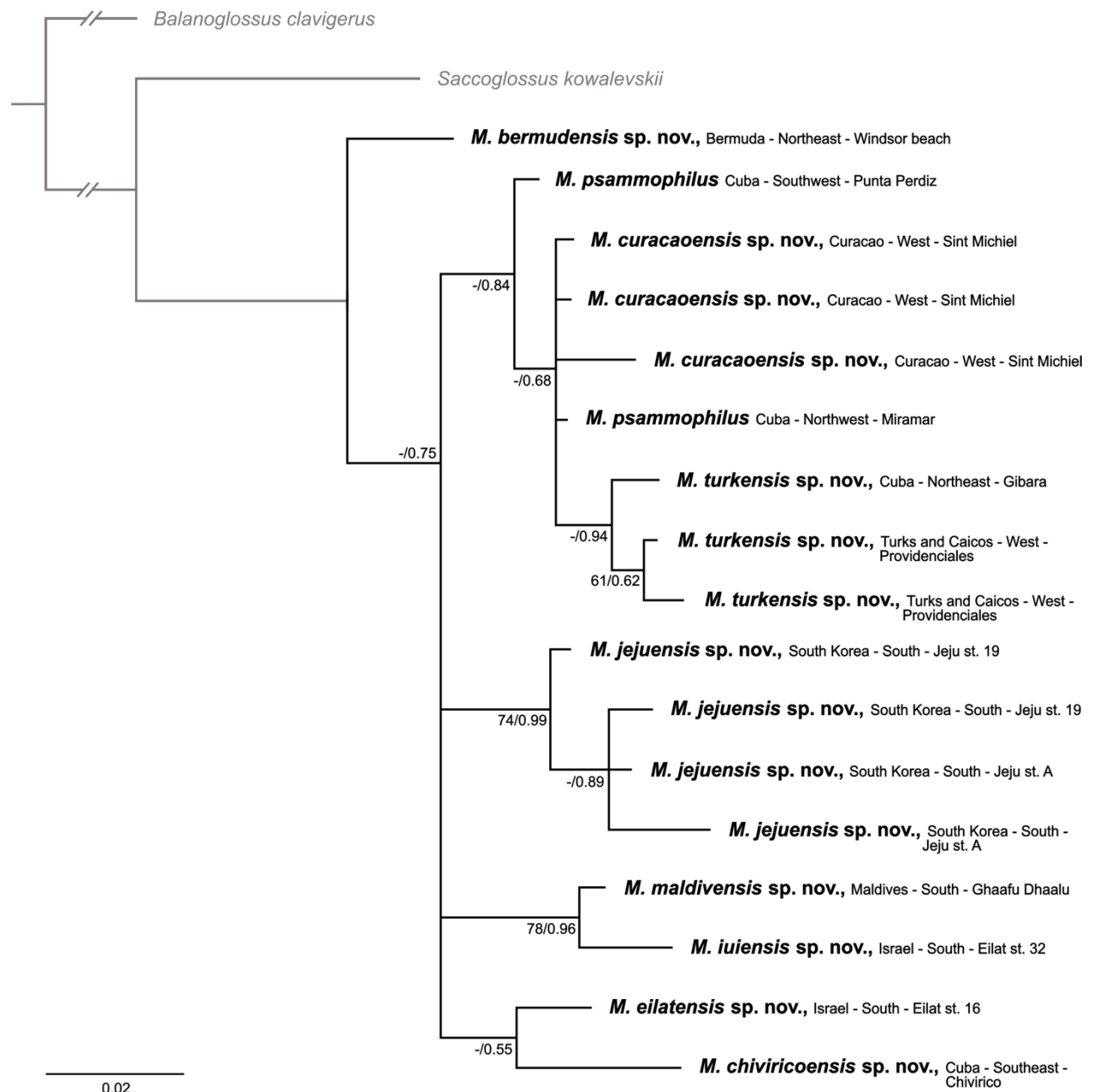
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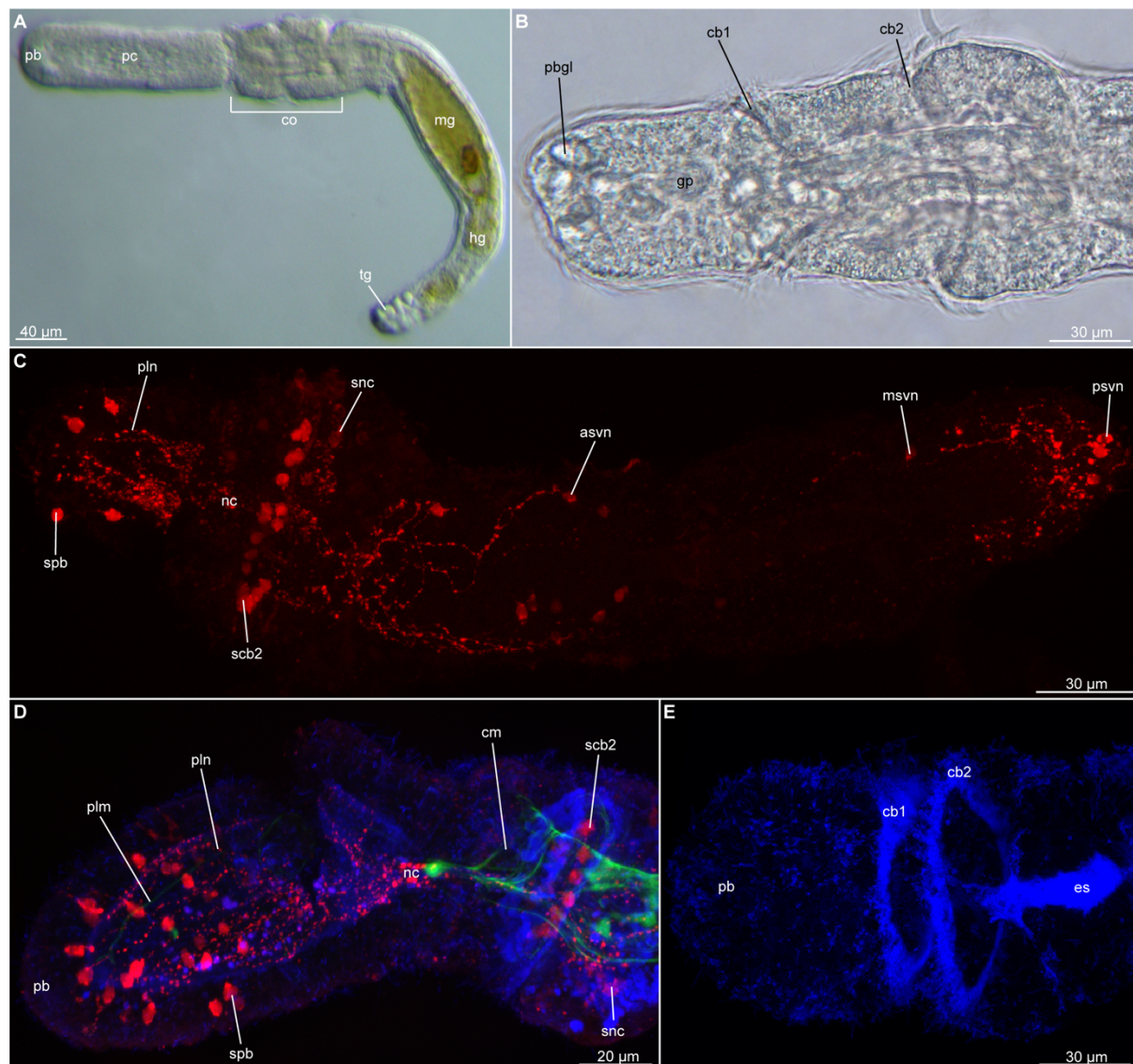
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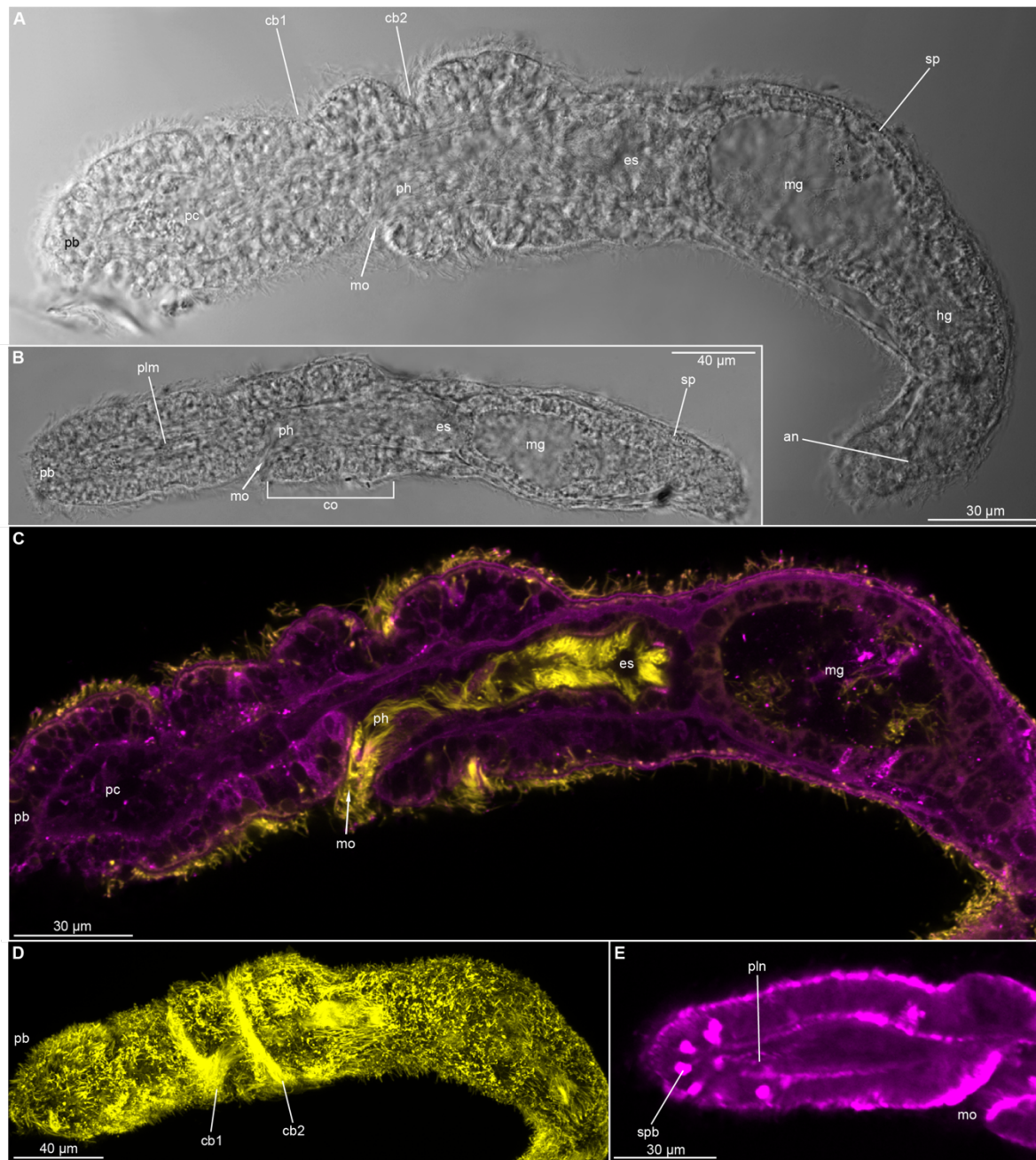
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Supplementary Figure 4. Single gene tree. Phylogenetic relationship of *Meioglossus*, using H3 dataset



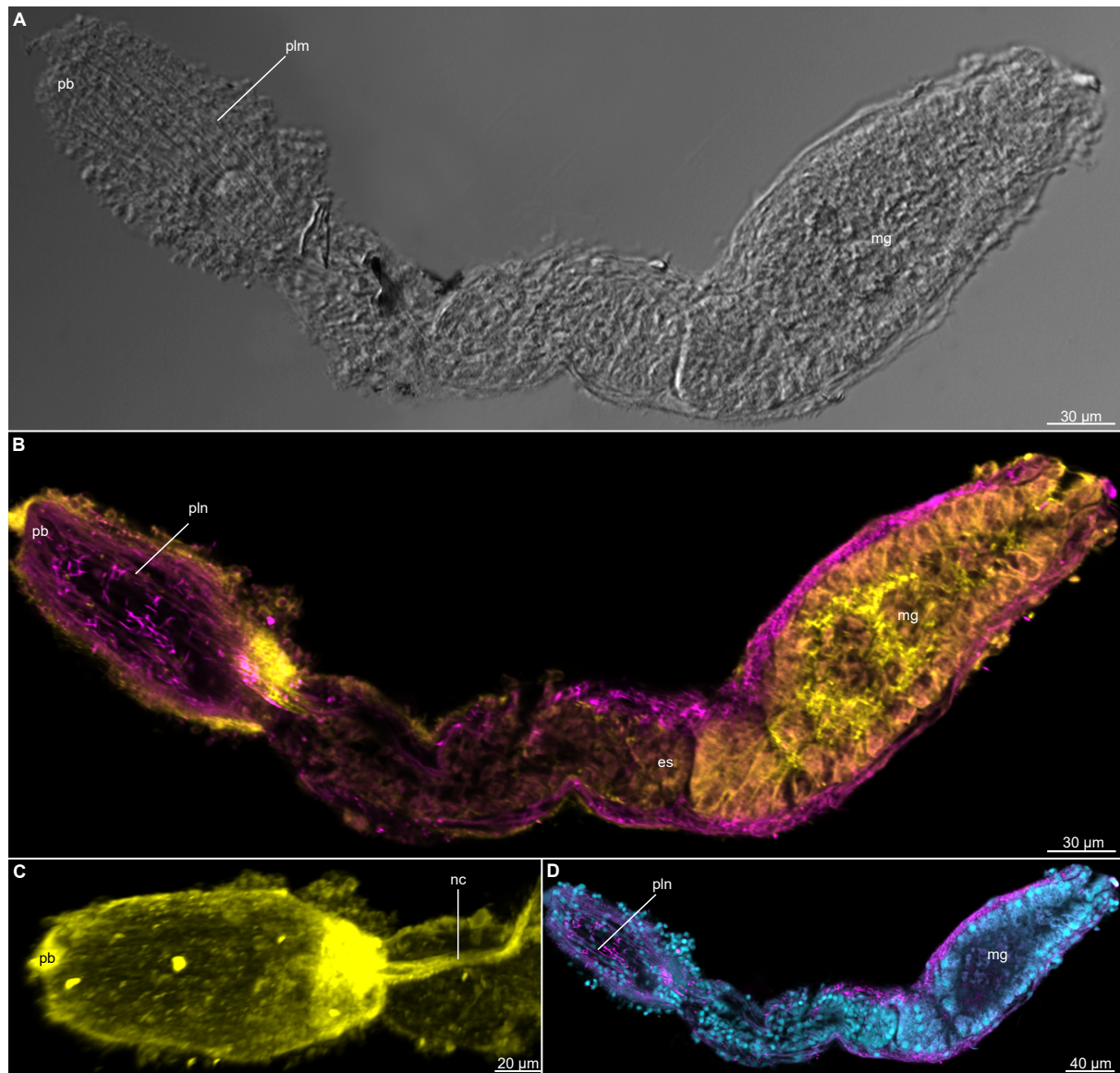
Supplementary Figure 5. *Meioglossus bermudensis* sp. nov., light- and confocal microscopy (LM and CLSM). A. Overview of *M. bermudensis* sp. nov., lateral view, LM (bright field). B. Close up of *M. bermudensis* sp. nov. anterior part, dorsal view, LM (bright field). C. Whole specimen, single staining, Serotonin-LIR (red), lateral view, CLSM (ZMUC-ENP-52). D. Close up of *M. bermudensis* sp. nov. anterior part, triple staining, dorso-lateral view, CLSM (ZMUC-ENP-51). E. Close up of *M. bermudensis* sp. nov. anterior part, single staining, Acetylated- α -tub-LIR (blue), dorsal view, CLSM (ZMUC-ENP-43). Abbreviations: asvn; anterior somata of ventral nerve net; cb1, cb2, 1. & 2. Ciliary bands; co, collar region; es, esophagus; hg, hindgut; mg, midgut; msvn, median somata of ventral nerve net; nc, neurochord (collar); pb, proboscis; pc, protocoele; plm, proboscis longitudinal muscles; pln, nerves innervating proboscis longitudinal muscles; psvn, posterior somata of ventral nerve net; scb2, somata of second ciliary band nerves; spb, somata of proboscis; snc, posterior somata of neurochord; tg, tail glands.



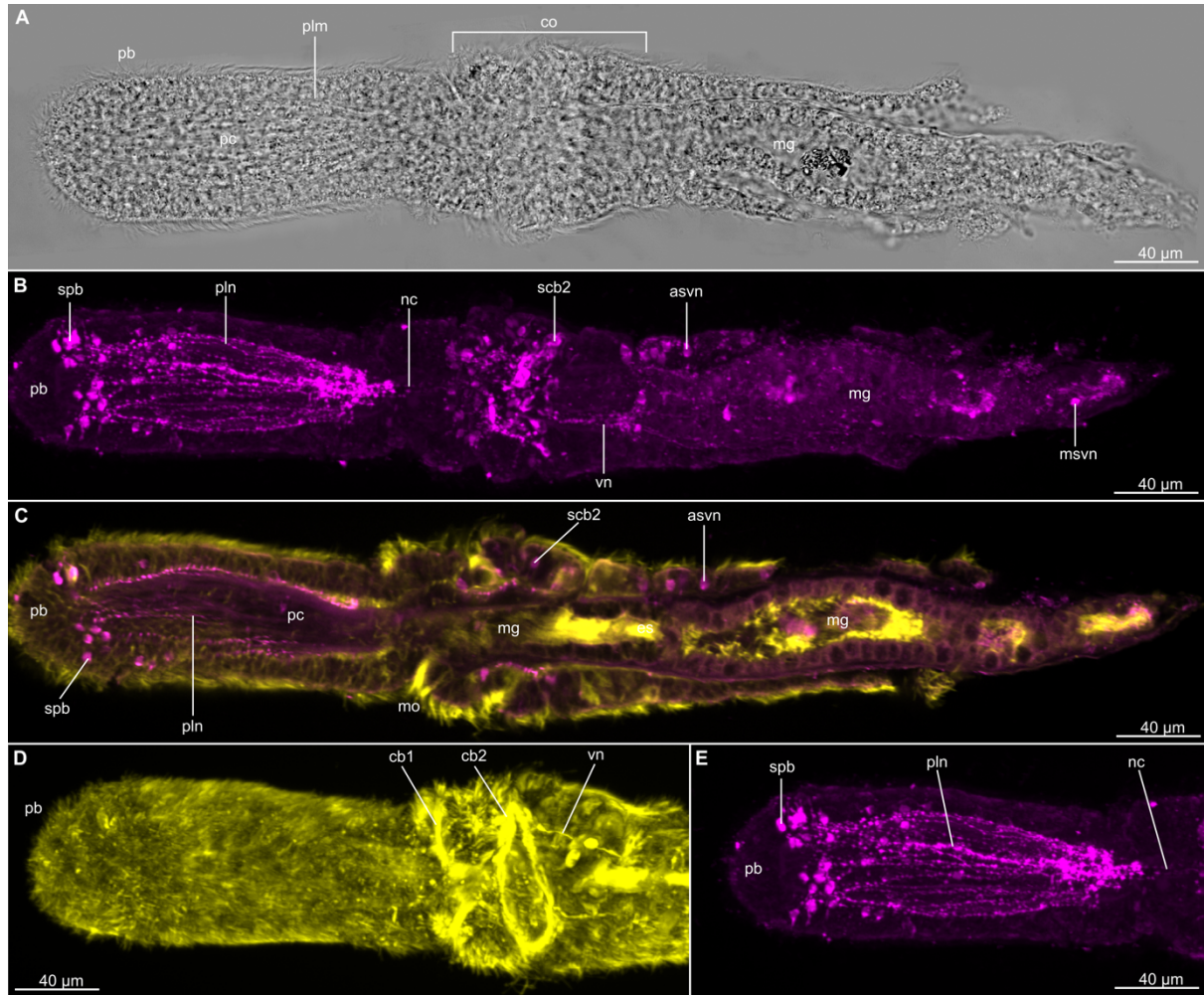
Supplementary Figure 6. *Meioglossus chiviricoensis* sp. nov., light- and confocal microscopy (LM and CLSM). A. Overview of *M. chiviricoensis* sp. nov., lateral view, LM (NHMD-d). B. Overview of *M. chiviricoensis* sp. nov., lateral view, LM (NHMD-e). C. Whole specimen of *M. chiviricoensis* sp. nov., double staining, Acetylated- α -tub-LIR (yellow) and FMRF-LIR (magenta), lateral view, CLSM (NHMD-d). D. Whole specimen of *M. chiviricoensis* sp. nov., single staining, Acetylated- α -tub-LIR (yellow), lateral view, CLSM (NHMD-d). E. Anterior part of specimen B., single staining, FMRF-LIR (magenta), lateral view, CLSM (NHMD-e). Abbreviations: an, anus; cb1, cb2, 1. & 2. Ciliary bands; co, collar region; es, esophagus; hg, hindgut; mg, midgut; mo, mouth opening; pb, proboscis; pc, protoceol; ph, pharynx; plm, proboscis longitudinal muscles; pln, nerves innervating proboscis longitudinal muscles; sp, sperm; spb, somata of proboscis.



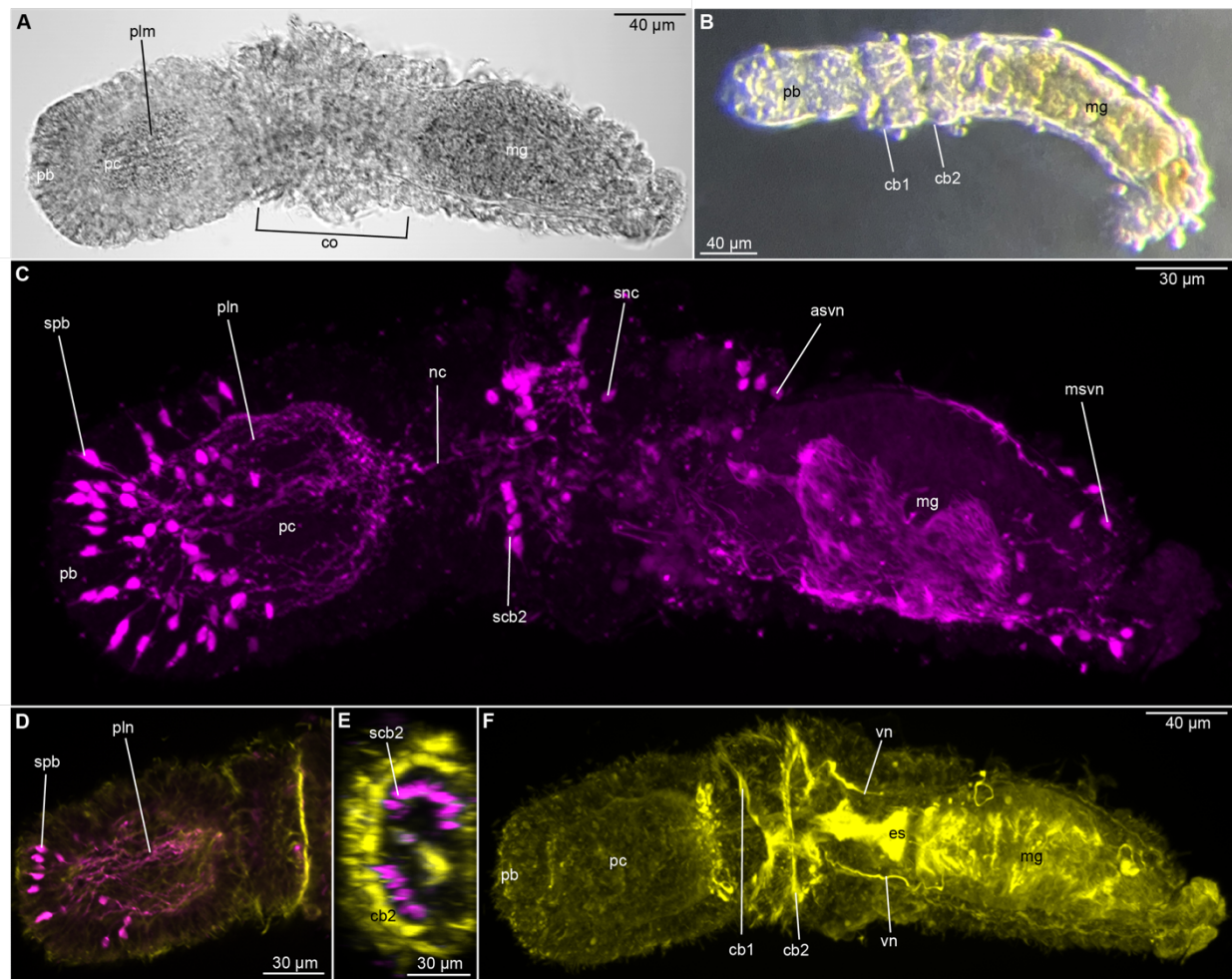
Supplementary Figure 7. Overview of *Meioglossus curacaoensis* sp. nov., lateral view, LM (bright field).



Supplementary Figure 8. *Meioglossus iuiensis* sp. nov., light- and confocal microscopy (LM and CLSM) (NHMD-I). A. Overview of *M. iuiensis* sp. nov., lateral view, LM. B. Whole specimen of *M. iuiensis* sp. nov., double staining, Acetylated-tyr-tub-LIR (yellow) and Serotonin-LIR (magenta), lateral view, CLSM. C. Anterior part of specimen B., single staining, Acetylated-tyr-tub-LIR (yellow), lateral view, CLSM. D. Whole specimen of *M. iuiensis* sp. nov., double staining, Serotonin-LIR (magenta) and DAPI (cyan), lateral view, CLSM. Abbreviations: es, esophagus; mg, midgut; nc, neurochord (collar); pb, proboscis; plm, proboscis longitudinal muscles; pln, nerves innervating proboscis longitudinal muscles.



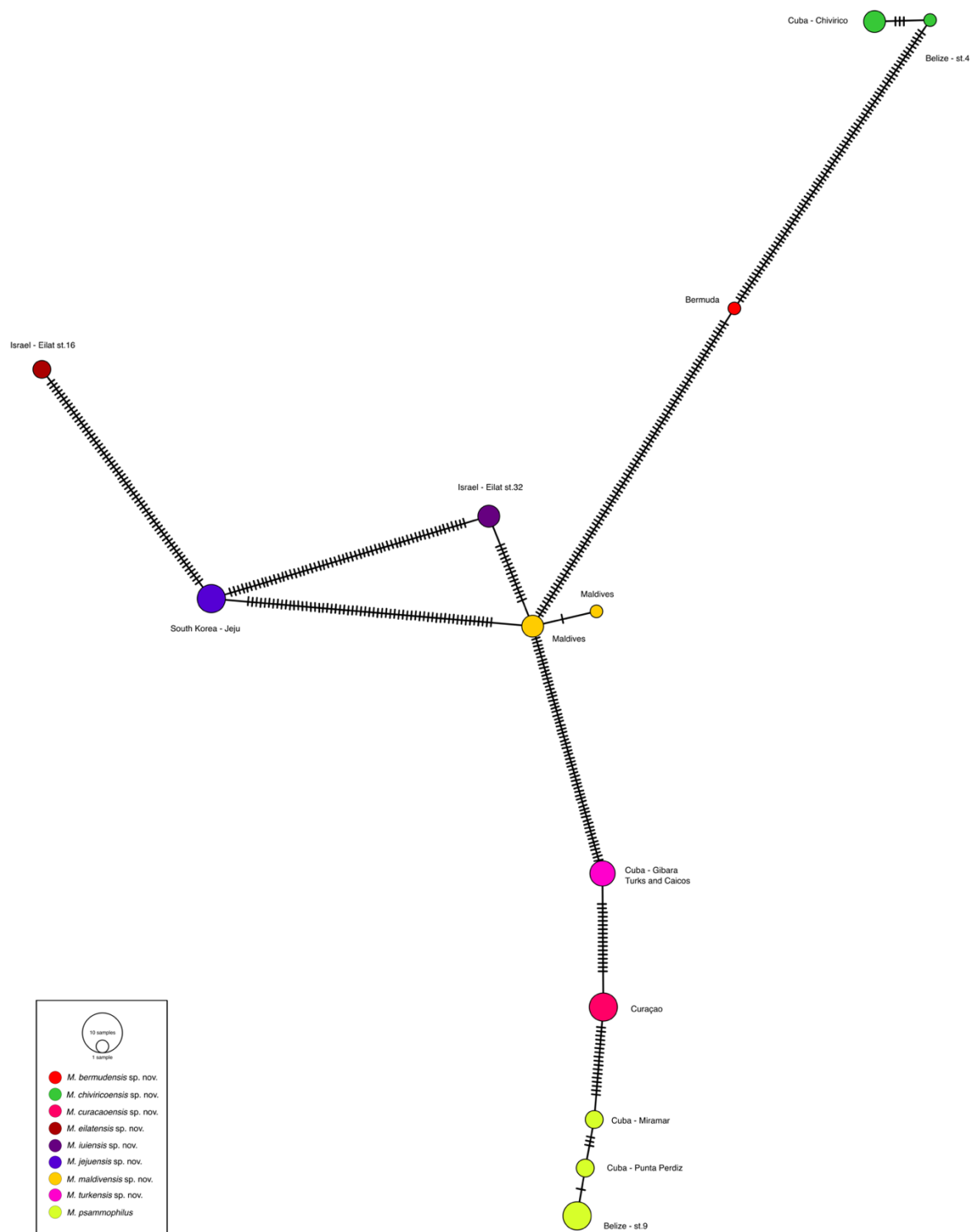
Supplementary Figure 9. *Meioglossus jejuensis* sp. nov., light- and confocal microscopy (LM and CLSM) (NIBR). A. Overview of *M. jejuensis* sp. nov., lateral view, LM. B. Whole specimen of *M. jejuensis* sp. nov., single staining, Serotonin-LIR (magenta), lateral view, CLSM. C. Whole specimen of *M. jejuensis* sp. nov., double staining, Acetylated-tyr-tub-LIR (yellow) and Serotonin-LIR (magenta), lateral view, CLSM. D. Anterior part of specimen B., single staining, Acetylated-tyr-tub-LIR (yellow), lateral view, CLSM. E. Anterior part of specimen B., single staining, Serotonin-LIR (magenta), lateral view, CLSM. Abbreviations: asvn; anterior somata of ventral nerve net; cb1, cb2, 1. & 2. ciliary bands; co, collar region; es, esophagus; mg, midgut; msvn, median somata of ventral nerve net; nc, neurochord (collar); pb, proboscis; pc, protoceol; plm, proboscis longitudinal muscles; pln, nerves innervating proboscis longitudinal muscles; scb2, somata of second ciliary band nerves; spb, somata of proboscis; snc, posterior somata of neurochord; vn, ventral nerve net (forms two ventral ‘cords’).



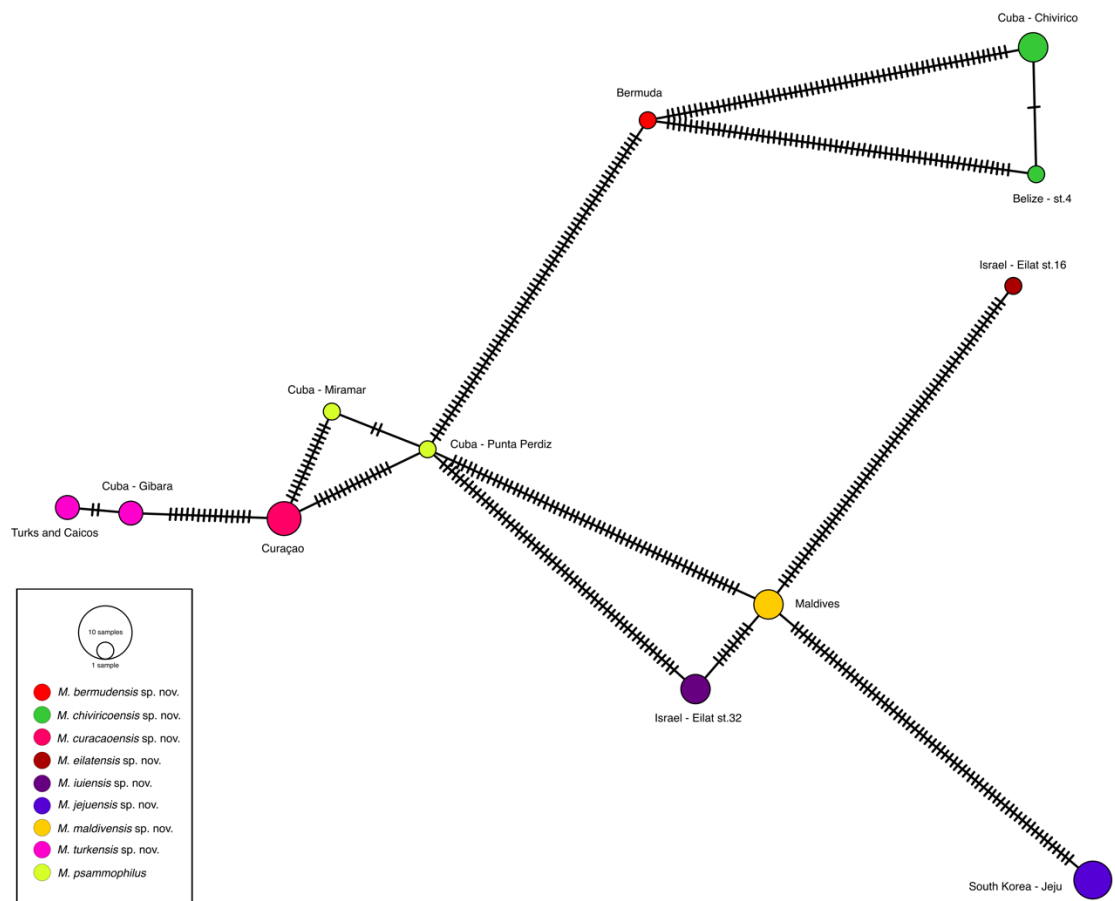
Supplementary Figure 10. *Meioglossus maldivensis* sp. nov., light- and confocal microscopy (LM and CLSM). A. Overview of *M. maldivensis* sp. nov., dorso-lateral view, LM (NHMD-s). B. Overview of *M. maldivensis* sp. nov., lateral view, LM (bright field). C. Whole specimen of *M. maldivensis* sp. nov., single staining, Serotonin-LIR (magenta), dorso-lateral view, CLSM (NHMD-s). D. Anterior part of specimen C., double staining, Acetylated-tyr-tub-LIR (yellow) and Serotonin-LIR (magenta), dorso-lateral view, CLSM (NHMD-s). E. Section 2. ciliary band of specimen C., double staining, Acetylated-tyr-tub-LIR (yellow) and Serotonin-LIR (magenta), CLSM (NHMD-s). F. Whole specimen of *M. maldivensis* sp. nov., single staining, Acetylated-tyr-tub-LIR (yellow), dorso-lateral view, CLSM (NHMD-s). Abbreviations: asvn, anterior somata of ventral nerve net; cb1, cb2, 1. & 2. ciliary bands; co, collar region; es, esophagus; mg, midgut; msvn, median somata of ventral nerve net; nc, neurochord (collar); pb, proboscis; pc, protocoele; plm, proboscis longitudinal muscles; pln, nerves innervating proboscis longitudinal muscles; psvn, posterior somata of ventral nerve net; scb2, somata of second ciliary band nerves; spb, somata of proboscis; snc, posterior somata of neurochord; vn, ventral nerve net (forms two ventral ‘cords’).



Supplementary Figure 11. Overview of *Meioglossus turkensis* sp. nov., lateral view, LM (bright field).



Supplementary Figure 12. Haplotype network using the 16S rRNA dataset.



Supplementary Figure 13. Haplotype network using the COI dataset.

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