

## Supplementary materials

**Table S1. The best model for each partition of the five datasets.**

Datasets	Partition names	Best model
PCG123	CO3_pos1, CO1_pos1, ATP6_pos1, CytB_pos1, CO2_pos1	GTR+I+G
	CO3_pos2, CO2_pos2, CO1_pos2, ATP6_pos2	F81+I
	ATP6_pos3, ND3_pos3, CytB_pos3, CO3_pos3, ATP8_pos3, CO2_pos3	HKY+I+G
	ATP8_pos2, ATP8_pos1, ND6_pos1	HKY+I+G
	CO1_pos3, ND2_pos3, ND6_pos3	HKY+G
	ND4L_pos2, ND4L_pos1, CytB_pos2, ND1_pos2, ND3_pos2, ND4_pos2, ND6_pos2, ND5_pos2, ND2_pos2	GTR+I+G
	ND3_pos1, ND2_pos1, ND1_pos1, ND5_pos1, ND4_pos1	GTR+I+G
PCG12R	ND4L_pos3, ND4_pos3, ND1_pos3, ND5_pos3	GTR+G
	16S, 12S	HKY+G
	ATP6, CO1, CO2, CytB, CO3	GTR+I+G
	ATP8, ND2, ND6	HKY+I+G
PCG123R	ND4L, ND1, ND3, ND5, ND4	GTR+I+G
	16S, 12S	HKY+G
	CO3_pos1, CO1_pos1, ATP6_pos1, CO2_pos1, CytB_pos1	GTR+I+G
	CO2_pos2, CO3_pos2, ATP6_pos2, CO1_pos2	F81+I
	CO3_pos3, CytB_pos3, CO2_pos3, ATP8_pos3, ATP6_pos3, ND2_pos3, ND6_pos3	HKY+I+G
	ATP8_pos2, ATP8_pos1, ND6_pos1	HKY+I+G
	CO1_pos3, ND3_pos3	HKY+G
	ND4L_pos1, ND4L_pos2, CytB_pos2, ND3_pos2, ND1_pos2, ND4_pos2, ND6_pos2, ND2_pos2, ND5_pos2	GTR+I+G
	ND1_pos1, ND5_pos1, ND4_pos1, ND2_pos1, ND3_pos1	GTR+I+G
	ND4L_pos3, ND1_pos3, ND4_pos3, ND5_pos3	GTR+G
AA	CO1, CO2, ND4L, ATP6	MTMAM+I+G
	ATP8, ND6	MTREV+I+G
	CO3, ND2, ND3, ND4, CytB, ND1	MTMAM+I+G
	ND5	MTMAM+I+G

**Table S2. Nucleotide composition of mitochondrial genomes of 15 *Chironomus* species.**

	Species	Whole Genome	Protein Coding Genes	1 <sup>st</sup> Codon Position	2 <sup>nd</sup> Codon Position	3 <sup>rd</sup> Codon Position	tRNA Genes	12S rRNA	16S rRNA	Control Region
A+T %	<i>Chironomus anthracinus</i>	75.31	71.66	66.81	67.69	80.46	78.85	82.89	84.35	91.29
	<i>Chironomus nipponensis</i>	76.13	72.68	67.93	67.80	82.31	79.13	82.95	84.79	92.11
	<i>Chironomus flaviplumus</i>	78.47	76.00	69.13	67.72	91.15	79.21	83.25	84.88	95.38
	<i>Chironomus plumosus</i>	76.20	72.93	67.74	67.66	83.38	79.43	83.99	84.89	92.81
	<i>Chironomus tentans</i>	76.94	74.06	68.17	67.85	86.16	79.44	82.82	85.24	93.57
	<i>Chironomus novosibiricus</i>	76.19	72.72	67.58	67.56	83.03	79.13	82.80	85.18	93.36
	<i>Chironomus annularius</i>	75.56	72.33	67.91	67.75	81.33	79.10	83.07	84.70	91.90
	<i>Chironomus agilis</i>	75.64	72.34	67.44	67.79	81.80	79.17	82.97	85.01	92.40
	<i>Chironomus nippodorsalis</i>	76.40	73.40	68.12	67.85	84.23	79.16	83.54	84.73	92.32
	<i>Chironomus tepperi</i>	76.92	74.33	67.75	67.67	87.58	79.02	82.60	84.30	93.00
	<i>Chironomus claggi</i>	77.83	75.26	68.76	67.88	89.15	79.08	82.74	84.52	94.29
	<i>Chironomus kiiensis</i>	76.94	74.21	71.88	67.99	82.75	79.23	82.72	84.66	90.87
	<i>Chironomus transvaalensis</i>	78.54	75.92	69.24	67.82	90.70	79.88	83.42	85.57	95.96
AT-skew	<i>Chironomus circumdatus</i>	78.44	75.87	69.27	67.72	90.62	79.71	83.15	85.15	94.75
	<i>Chironomus javanus</i>	77.37	74.57	68.04	67.93	87.73	79.59	82.97	85.03	95.15
	<i>Chironomus anthracinus</i>	0.03	-0.20	-0.08	-0.40	-0.14	0.03	-0.01	0.00	-0.09
	<i>Chironomus nipponensis</i>	0.03	-0.20	-0.09	-0.40	-0.13	0.04	0.01	0.01	-0.10
	<i>Chironomus flaviplumus</i>	0.01	-0.20	-0.10	-0.40	-0.11	0.02	0.00	0.03	-0.03
	<i>Chironomus plumosus</i>	0.03	-0.20	-0.08	-0.40	-0.13	0.03	0.02	0.00	-0.06

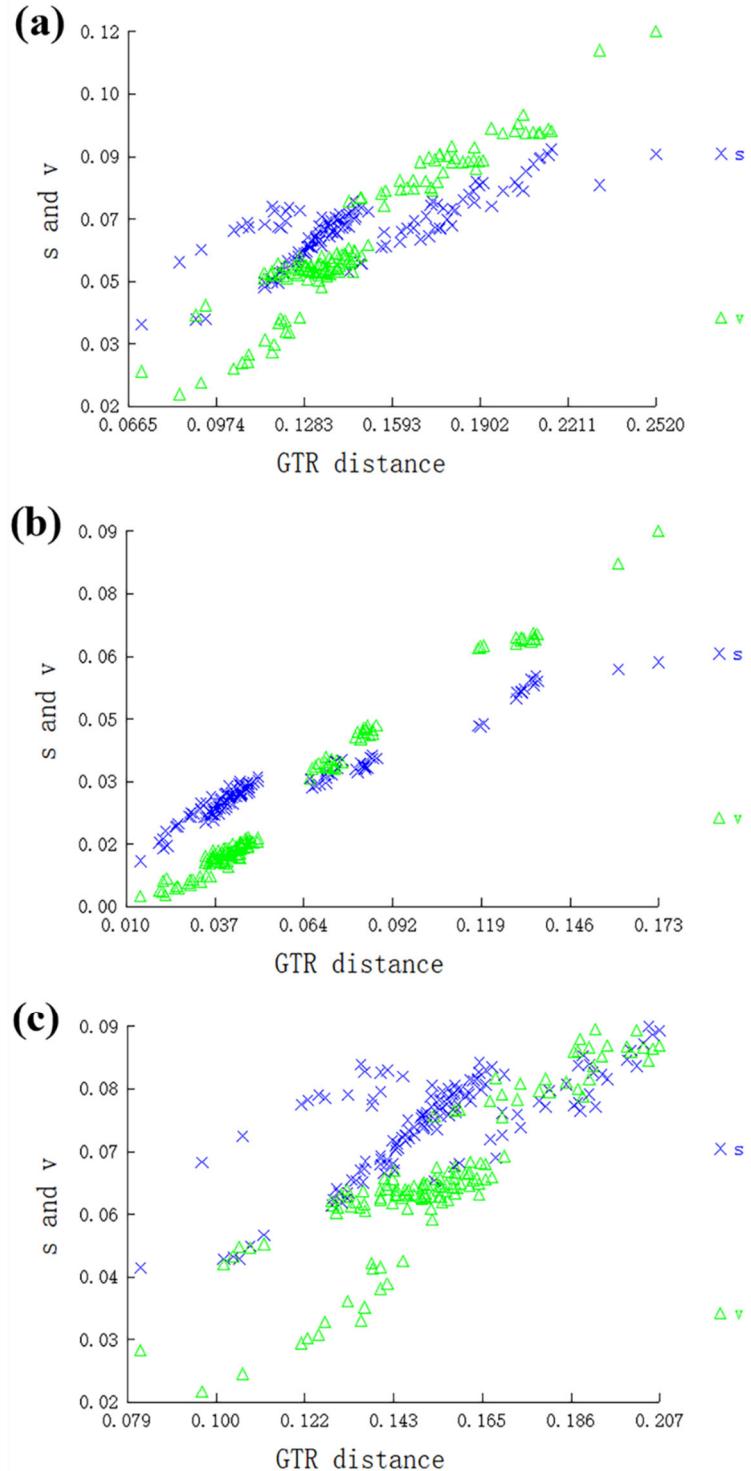
	<i>Chironomus tentans</i>	0.02	-0.19	-0.09	-0.40	-0.10	0.04	0.01	0.02	-0.06
	<i>Chironomus novosibiricus</i>	0.03	-0.20	-0.09	-0.40	-0.13	0.05	0.01	0.01	-0.07
	<i>Chironomus annularius</i>	0.03	-0.20	-0.09	-0.40	-0.12	0.03	0.02	0.01	-0.09
	<i>Chironomus agilis</i>	0.03	-0.20	-0.08	-0.40	-0.12	0.04	0.01	0.01	-0.10
	<i>Chironomus nippodorsalis</i>	0.02	-0.19	-0.09	-0.41	-0.10	0.04	0.02	0.00	-0.06
	<i>Chironomus tepperi</i>	0.02	-0.19	-0.09	-0.40	-0.12	0.04	0.01	0.00	-0.10
	<i>Chironomus claggi</i>	0.01	-0.19	-0.10	-0.40	-0.11	0.03	-0.01	-0.01	-0.10
	<i>Chironomus kiiensis</i>	0.02	-0.18	-0.08	-0.36	-0.13	0.04	0.01	-0.02	-0.10
	<i>Chironomus transvaalensis</i>	0.01	-0.19	-0.10	-0.40	-0.11	0.04	0.00	0.01	-0.12
	<i>Chironomus circumdatus</i>	0.01	-0.20	-0.10	-0.40	-0.13	0.04	0.00	0.01	-0.07
	<i>Chironomus javanus</i>	0.01	-0.20	-0.08	-0.40	-0.14	0.03	0.01	0.00	-0.11
GC-skew	<i>Chironomus anthracinus</i>	-0.20	-0.04	0.15	-0.17	-0.18	0.13	0.36	0.39	-0.23
	<i>Chironomus nipponensis</i>	-0.21	-0.02	0.19	-0.18	-0.13	0.12	0.37	0.37	-0.35
	<i>Chironomus flaviplumus</i>	-0.17	0.01	0.23	-0.18	-0.03	0.15	0.36	0.36	-0.25
	<i>Chironomus plumosus</i>	-0.23	-0.04	0.17	-0.18	-0.18	0.14	0.33	0.39	-0.55
	<i>Chironomus tentans</i>	-0.21	-0.04	0.18	-0.18	-0.22	0.12	0.36	0.38	-0.50
	<i>Chironomus novosibiricus</i>	-0.19	-0.03	0.18	-0.17	-0.15	0.11	0.35	0.36	-0.29
	<i>Chironomus annularius</i>	-0.22	-0.02	0.19	-0.18	-0.10	0.13	0.35	0.39	-0.32
	<i>Chironomus agilis</i>	-0.22	-0.05	0.15	-0.18	-0.18	0.12	0.37	0.39	-0.33
	<i>Chironomus nippodorsalis</i>	-0.20	-0.03	0.18	-0.18	-0.13	0.13	0.34	0.37	-0.15
	<i>Chironomus tepperi</i>	-0.18	-0.01	0.19	-0.18	-0.12	0.14	0.37	0.36	-0.43
	<i>Chironomus claggi</i>	-0.18	-0.01	0.22	-0.18	-0.13	0.06	-0.36	-0.35	-0.31

	<i>Chironomus kiiensis</i>	-0.17	-0.02	0.15	-0.10	-0.13	0.13	0.35	0.35	-0.25
	<i>Chironomus transvaalensis</i>	-0.17	0.01	0.22	-0.18	-0.03	0.15	0.35	0.36	-0.14
	<i>Chironomus circumdatus</i>	-0.18	0.01	0.22	-0.18	-0.03	0.14	0.36	0.38	-0.41
	<i>Chironomus javanus</i>	-0.19	-0.01	0.18	-0.17	-0.08	0.15	0.37	0.34	-0.36

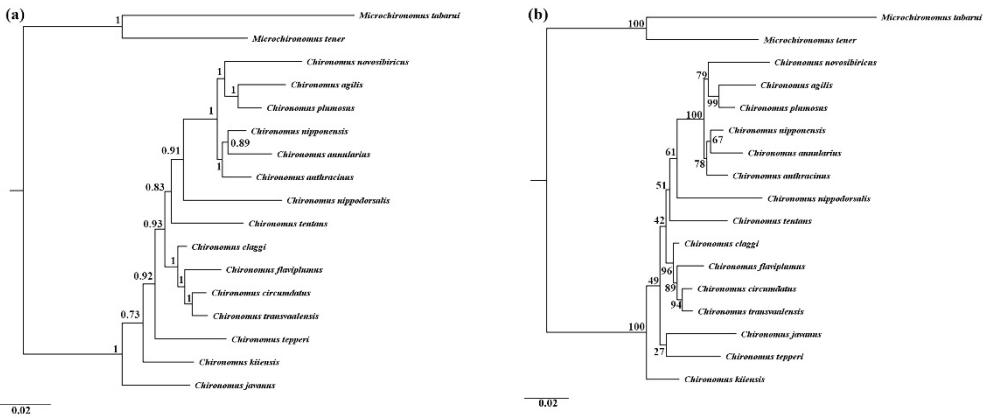
**Table S3 Start and stop codons of 13 PCGs in the mitogenomes of 15 *Chironomus* species.**

Feature	Start/Stop codon												
	ATP8	ATP6	CO1	CO2	CO3	CytB	ND1	ND2	ND3	ND4	ND4L	ND5	ND6
<i>Chironomus tepperi</i>	ATC/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	TTG/ TAG	ATG/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	ATT/ TAA	ATT/ TAA	ATT/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	GTG/ TAA	ATT/ TAA
<i>Chironomus flaviplumus</i>	ATT/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	ATA/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	ATG/ TAG	ATT/ TAA	ATT/ TAA	ATT/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	GTG/ TAA	ATT/ TAA
<i>Chironomus kiiensis</i>	ATC/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	TTG/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	ATT/ TAA	ATT/ TAA	ATT/ TAA	ATG/ TAG	ATG/ TAA	GTG/ TAA	ATT/ TAA
<i>Chironomus transvaalensis</i>	ATT/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	TTG/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	TTG/ TAA	ATT/ TAA	ATT/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	GTG/ TAA	ATT/ TAA
<i>Chironomus circumdatus</i>	ATC/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	TTG/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	TTG/ TAA	ATT/ TAA	ATT/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	GTG/ TAA	ATT/ TAA
<i>Chironomus javanus</i>	ATT/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	TTG/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	TTG/ TAA	ATT/ TAA	ATT/ TAA	ATG/ TAG	ATG/ TAA	GTG/ TAA	ATT/ TAA
<i>Chironomus anthracinus</i>	ATC/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	TTG/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	TTG/ TAA	ATT/ TAA	ATT/ TAA	ATG/ TAG	ATG/ TAA	GTG/ TAA	ATT/ TAA
<i>Chironomus nipponensis</i>	ATT/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	TTG/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	TTG/ TA-	ATT/ TAA	ATT/ TAA	ATG/ TAG	ATG/ TAA	GTG/ TAA	ATT/ TAA
<i>Chironomus claggi</i>	ATT/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	TTG/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	TTG/ TAA	ATT/ TAA	ATT/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	GTG/ TAA	ATT/ TAA
<i>Chironomus plumosus</i>	ATT/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	TTG/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	TTG/ TAA	ATT/ TAA	ATT/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	GTG/ TAA	ATT/ TAA
<i>Chironomus tentans</i>	ATT/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	TTG/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	TTG/ TAA	ATT/ TAA	ATT/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	GTG/ TAA	ATT/ TAA
<i>Chironomus novosibiricus</i>	ATC/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	TTG/ TAA	ATG/ TAG	ATG/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	TTG/ TAA	ATT/ TAA	ATT/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	GTG/ TAA	ATT/ TAA
<i>Chironomus annularius</i>	ATC/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	TTG/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	TTG/ TAA	ATT/ TAA	ATT/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	GTG/ TAA	ATT/ TAA

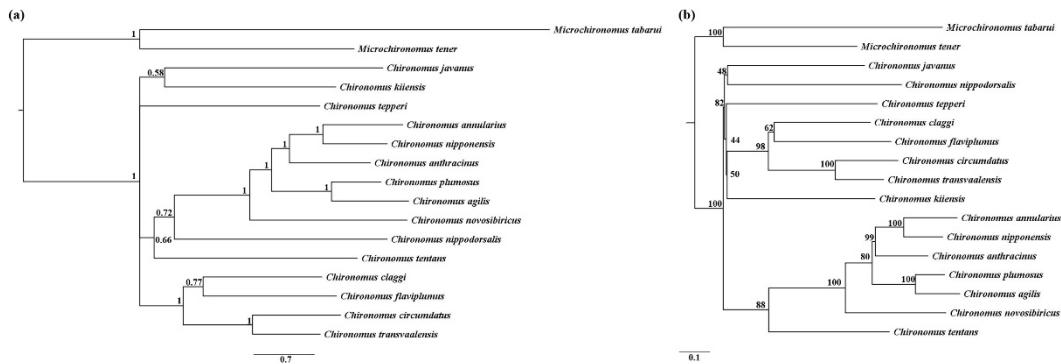
<i>Chironomus agilis</i>	ATT/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	TTG/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	TTG/ TAA	ATT/ TAA	ATT/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	GTG/ TAA	ATT/ TAA
<i>Chironomus nippodorsalis</i>	ATT/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	TTG/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	TTG/ TAA	ATT/ TAA	ATT/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	ATG/ TAA	GTG/ TAA	ATT/ TAA



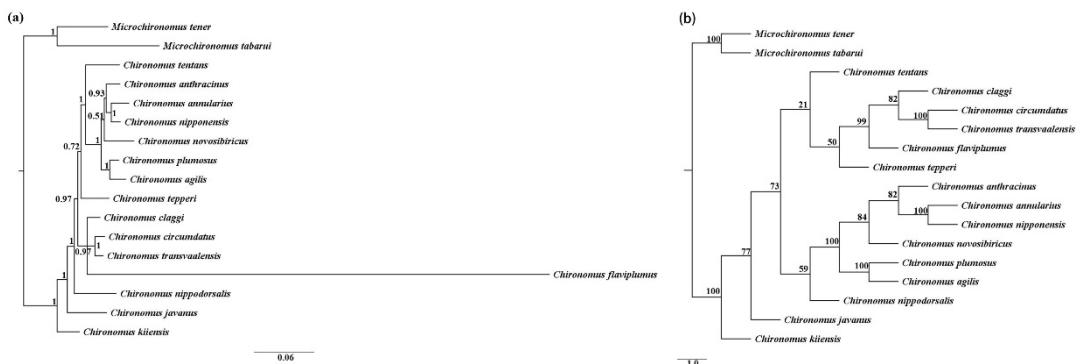
**Figure S1.** Substitution patterns of the PCG123R (a), PCG12R (b) and PCG123 (c) datasets. The graphs represent the increase in GTR distance.



**Figure S2.** Phylogenetic trees of *Chironomus* inferred from the AA dataset. (a) BI tree. Numbers at the nodes are BI posterior probabilities. (b) ML tree. Numbers at the nodes are ML bootstrap values.



**Figure S3.** Phylogenetic trees of *Chironomus* inferred from the PCG123 dataset. (a) BI tree. Numbers at the nodes are BI posterior probabilities. (b) ML tree. Numbers at the nodes are ML bootstrap values.



**Figure S4.** Phylogenetic trees of *Chironomus* inferred from the PCG12R dataset. (a) BI tree. Numbers at the nodes are BI posterior probabilities. (b) ML tree. Numbers at the nodes are ML bootstrap values.