

Spirostomum

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The images below are two different species from the genera *Spirostomum*. A comparison of the images will reveal differences in the body structure and in the macronucleus. In my experience, I have found the *Spirostomum* to be fairly uncommon. I recall getting these specimens from the bottom of a stagnant pond mixed with some sediment. The genera is reported to be tolerant of a low-oxygen environment, The specimens were lively, it was difficult to focus the organism on the focal plane.







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