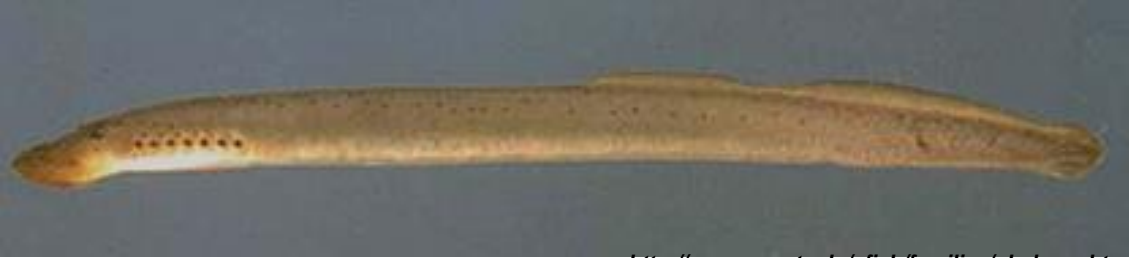


Ohio Lamprey

Ichthyomyzon bdellium



http://www.cnr.vt.edu/efish/families/oh_lamp.html

Characteristics

- one slightly-notched dorsal fin (*American Brook* has two fins)
- at least one 2-pronged tooth of lateral circumoral series
- 55-62 trunk myomeres (including first myomere after last gill-opening to last myomere before anus)
- parasitic w/ expanded oral disc as wide or wider than body

Ecology and Distribution

- adults in small rivers and creeks, ammocoetes live near debris in muddy pools and backwaters
- upstream spawning migration in spring, when water temperature reaches 50°F
- populations hindered by turbidity, siltation, and dams



<http://www.dnr.state.oh.us/dnao/rivfish/ohiolamp.htm>