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Scientific Name: -*Ammocoete* larva

Family: Petromyzonidae

Common Name: Lamprey

Physical Characteristics:

Ammocoete larvae have a slender, elongated body with smooth skin and no paired fins. They lack jaws and instead have a circular, sucker-like mouth surrounded by small teeth used for feeding. Their bodies are typically translucent or pale.

Geographical Distribution:

Present in river systems across Russia, Japan, and parts of China. Also found in regions of South America, particularly in Argentina and Chile, and in some parts of Australia and New Zealand.

Economic Importance:

It may not be directly economically significant; however, the broader context of lampreys encompasses a range of economic impacts, including commercial fisheries, invasive species control, conservation, and research efforts.



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