



Monopterus albus

Swamp eel

General

1. Predaceous, saline tolerant

Geography and Habitat

1. Species found in
2. Native: Central and South America, Africa, Australia, India, China
3. Introduced: North America
4. Climate: broad salinity tolerance provides capability of infiltrating estuarine systems and coastal waters to invade new freshwater systems, wide range of temperatures
5. North America: Hawai'i, Florida, Georgia, New Jersey
6. Found in muddy ponds, swamps, canals, rice fields



Invasion Pathways

1. Live food trade and local escape from confinement

Sources

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