# Macroinvertebrate Mania!

Design your own experiment ...



### **Group 1 Taxa**

These organisms are generally pollution intolerant or sensitive and their presence generally signifies good water quality.









#### **Group 2 Taxa**

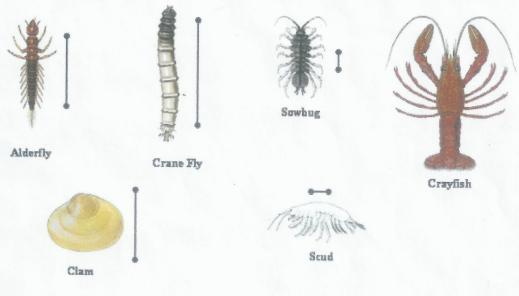
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## More Macroinvertebrate Mania!

The insects and crustaceans in a stream can explain a lot about the ecosystem quality of the watershed. Sensitive organisms cannot tolerate very much pollution or disturbance. Pollution tolerant organisms can withstand much more. Can you find out what is living in a stream near you? These organisms are near the base of most food webs. Why is this important?

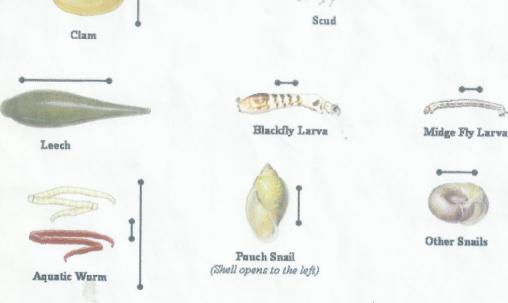


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#### **Group 3 Taxa**

These organisms are generally pollution tolerant and can be found in any quality water.



The bars indicate relative size of these invertebrates.