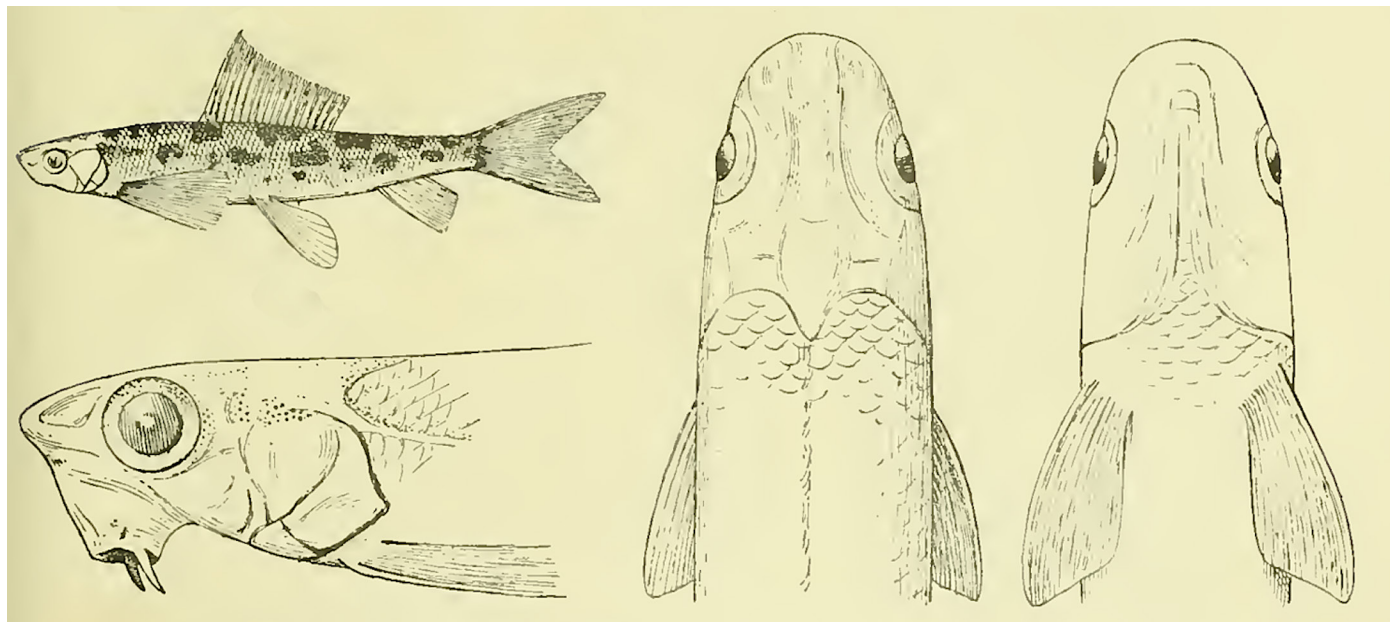


Order CYPRINIFORMES

Squarehead Loaches

## Family ELLOPOSTOMATIDAE

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*Ellopostoma megalomycter*. From: Vaillant, L. L. 1902. Résultats zoologiques de l'expédition scientifique Néerlandaise au Bornéo central. Poissons. Notes from the Leyden Museum 24 (note 1): 1–166, Pls. 1–2.

### ***Ellopostoma***

**Vaillant 1902**

*éllops* (ἔλλοψ), a Greek word (often spelled *helops*) variously defined as meaning dumb, scaly, a fish (in general), and a large, rare and precious fish compared to or identified as a sturgeon;<sup>1</sup> *stóma* (Gr. στόμα), mouth, referring to peculiar sturgeon-like mouth of *E. megalomycter*

***Ellopostoma megalomycter* (Vaillant 1902)** *megalo-*, from *mégas* (Gr. μέγας), big; *myktér* (Gr. μυκτήρ), nostril, referring to its large nasal cavities, diameter  $\sim\frac{1}{2}$  of eye

***Ellopostoma mystax* Tan & Lim 2002** *mýstax* (Gr. μύσταξ), moustache, referring to dark margin over dorsal-anterior edge of snout

<sup>1</sup> Frisk, H. 1960. Griechisches etymologisches wörterbuch. Vol. 1. Heidelberg: Carl Winter Universitätsverlag. xxx + 938 pp. Vaillant indicated sturgeon in the etymology he supplied.