

New, small-scale Delta Smelt culture system is effective in producing early-stage larvae, but not late-stage larvae.



New early-larval (0–40 dph) rearing system.



New late-larval (41–80 dph) rearing system.

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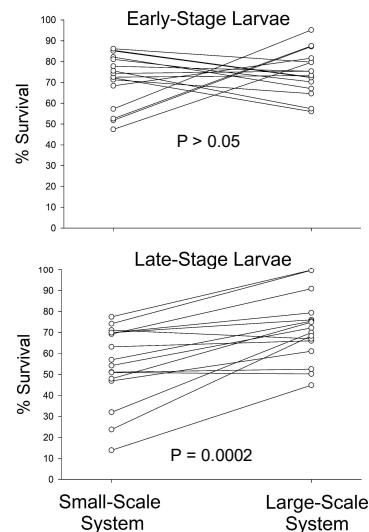
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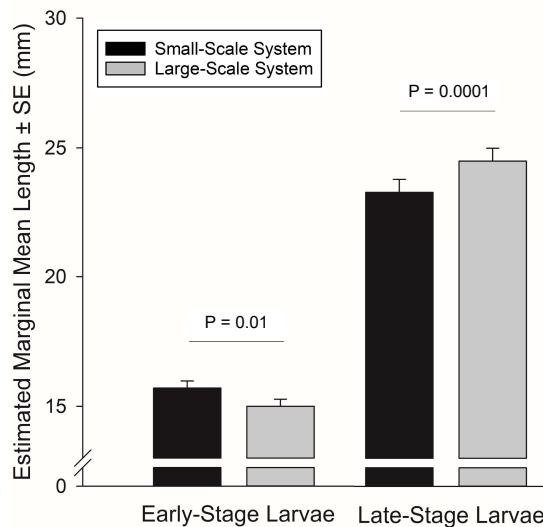
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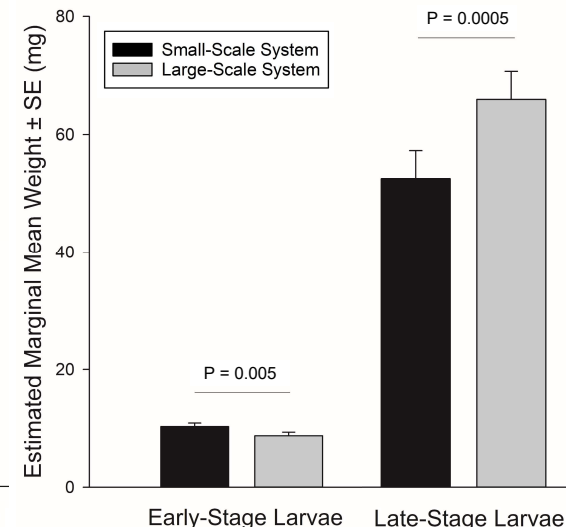
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LENGTH



WEIGHT



- The same Delta Smelt family groups were reared in two culture systems:
 - 1) a new system for rearing larvae in small numbers, and
 - 2) an existing, large-scale system used for rearing the refuge population.
- Larvae reared in each system were compared at 40 and 80 dph.