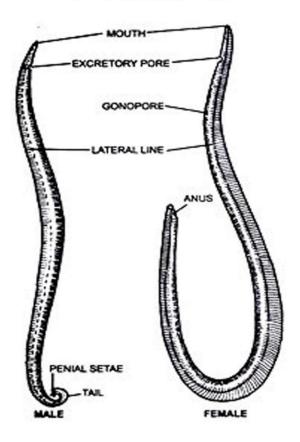
1. Ascaris



Identification Points

- 1. Body Shape: Ascaris has a long, cylindrical body, tapering at both ends.
- 2. **Size**: The female Ascaris is usually larger than the male. Females can be up to 30 cm, while males are around 15-20 cm.
- 3. Color: The body of Ascaris is typically pale or creamy-white in color.
- 4. Sexual Dimorphism: The male Ascaris has a curved tail (ventrally), while the female's tail is straight.
- 5. Mouth: Both male and female have a three-lobed mouth at the anterior end.
- Genital Opening: The female has a single genital opening located towards the posterior end, while the male has a genital pore near the posterior end but is slightly curved.
- 7. Esophagus: Ascaris has a long, cylindrical esophagus that connects the mouth to the intestine.

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Ascaris lumbricoides

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