

## Swamp Beacon

*Mitrula elegans* Berkeley



OVERALL: High Ridge Park, 5/7/2018,  
*J. Solem.*

CLOSEUP: Castleford Drive, 4/8/2010,  
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SIDE: Castleford Drive, 4/8/2010,  
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*Mitrula elegans*  
*Incertae sedis.*

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**ID:** Yellow/orange “match-stick” head on pale stalk in shallow water in woods/bogs.

**Habitat:** Scattered, groups, in shallow water on decaying leaves/needles/twigs/debris in woodlands/ bogs.

**Fruiting body:** 1 – 2” [2 – 5 cm], head and stalk  
Translucent yellow/orange (dull orange in age), somewhat gelatinous, smooth/slightly wrinkled, shiny, spindle-/pear-shaped or elliptic/lobed.

**Stalk:** 0.8 – 1.5” x 1/16 – 1/8” [2 – 4 cm x 1.5 – 3 mm]  
Whitish/pale translucent gray (sometimes pink), smooth/shiny, may taper up.

**Ascospores:** Fusiform, smooth, hyaline.

**Frequency:** Occasional.

**Locations:** CASFD, HIRIP, PIGTL.

**Notes:** Mycobank 172117. All locations were in shallow, barely moving sections of streams/seeps. High Ridge Park specimen identified by examination of spores by R. Solem

**References:** Bar 68. BBB 397. BBF 511, 514. BBH 357. Bni 553. E&S 76. Roo 413fn. Stu 378.



SPORES (13.1-16.9 X 3.0-3.7): High Ridge Park, 5/7/2018, *R. Solem.*  
ASCI (115-6.0 μm); High Ridge Park, 5/7/2018, *R. Solem.*