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dryfly's sewer fly sounds a lot like my midge, just a post instead of spent wings. I mostly use the spent wing style because I make trico's like that, so I just make a bunch of tricos in 24-26, then cut the tail off when I need a midge!

But the point is the same. Hackle makes it float high. You want it NOT to float high.

When I fish my 24-26's, I typically use 6x tippet. I do own and have gone to 7x on occasion, and would if I was going smaller than 26. But I don't think I'd ever go to 8x.

One thing that gains importance when using tiny flies is the brand of tippet. You want it as supple as you can get it. Fluoro is not good for this application. I generally recommend Rio, Powerflex is very good, Suppleflex a touch better if you can find it. But whatever brand you use, copolymers are generally more supple than fluoro or straight mono.

In those fluoro vs. mono and brand vs. brand arguments, everything has it's place. What's important is to understand your situation and what you're looking for.