Discoaster extensus Bramlette & Wilcoxon, 1967

Fig. 7 — Discoaster extensus Bramlette & Wilcoxon, n. sp. From TTOC 206264, holotype, U.S.N.M. 650 686. x 2700.

Figs. 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8 — Discoaster extensus Bramlette & Wilcoxon, n. sp. From TTOC 206264, paratype, U.S.N.M. 650 687, 650 688, 650 689, 650 690, 650 691, 650 692. x 2700.
Description:
Asterolith large and varying greatly in peripheral outline, with six rays that may be bluntly rounded, truncated, or notched at the tips. The central area is broad and nearly flat or complanate. Specimens are distinctly rugose, and commonly show indistinct sutures, extending from the center to the margin between the rays. Diameter 15-22 μ, usually about 18 μ.

Remarks:
Despite much variation in outline illustrated by the seven specimens, all gradations occur in this character in the single sample where the species is common, making any subdivision difficult and of questionable value.

Type level:
Middle Tertiary.
Distribution — Common in the Catapsydrax dissimilis Zone and very rare in the Catapsydrax stainforthi Zone of the Cipero section.

Type locality:
Cipero section, Trinidad.

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