**Ellipsagelosphaera gephyrocapsoides** BLACK, 1971

**Description:**
A species of *Ellipsagelosphaera* with less than 30 rays in each shield and a central opening about two-fifths the length of the coccolith, spanned by an oblique bridge.

Size: Distal shield $5.1 \times 4.2 \mu m$ to $5.6 \times 4.9 \mu m$, 22-26 rays, corona $3.7 \times 2.6 \mu m$ to $3.9 \times 3.2 \mu m$; proximal shield $4.6 \times 3.8 \mu m$ to $5.0 \times 4.4 \mu m$, 22-26 rays; central opening $2.1 \times 1.2 \mu m$ to $2.3 \times 1.2 \mu m$. Specimens measured, 4.

**Remarks:**
In its shape and structure this species resembles *E. lucasi* Noél from the Jurassic but differs in its more oblique bridge and in always having fewer than 30 rays.

**Type level:**
Berriasian.

Occurrence: In the Blue Beds, D6A, at Speeton and in the Berriasian marls at La Faurie, Basses Alpes, France.

**Type locality:**
Bed D6A (Berriasian) of the Speeton Clay at Speeton, England.

**Depository:**

**Author:**
Black M., 1971, p. 399; pl. 30, fig. 7.

**Reference:**

**Farinacci 1975 - VIII/118**