

APECTOSPHERIDIUM

Turner 1991

Diagnosis: Vesicle originally spherical, hollow wall bilayered. The inner layer is thick and featureless. The outer layer is thinner and bears on its outer surface a complex ornament of interconnecting, anastomosing cylindrical, solid processes. Excystment was via a median slit.

Remarks: The dense network of interconnecting processes imparts a ragged untidy appearance. The outer wall layer has a tendency to separate from the inner wall and break away, exposing the smooth surface of the inner wall layer below.

Comparison: *Dasyopilula* Loeblich & Wicander 1976 (p. 9) is similar but its processes are described as "matted". This implies that the processes of *Dasyopilula* were originally free-standing, rather than interconnecting as in *Apectosphaeridium*.

Type species: *A. apoplantium*

