

BIPATINELLA

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Bipatinella Zheng gen. nov.

Etymology: From bi-, patin- and -ella, Latin, "two little discs", referring to the marked bidisc structure.

Type species: *Bipatinella cervicalis* Zheng gen. et sp. nov.

Description: Carbonaceous films compressed, looking like sausage, pillow or short stick in shape, millimeters long and wide, with very narrow marginal zones and smooth outer fringes, bended inward or toward the same side. Two flanks sometimes parallel to each other or slightly converging at one end. Both ends perfectly round, containing little disc structures with their sizes close to the width of the fossil body. Wrinkles and ringed striae existing within the disc.

Discussion: This new genus is similar to *Tawuia* Hofmann, *Pumilibaxa* Zheng and *Nephroformia* Zheng in shape, but it is easily differentiated from the latter three genera by the little disc structures at both ends and their relatively small sizes.

Stratigraphic and geographical distribution: Late Proterozoic Qingbaikou Period; Bagong Mountain and east side of Dawangshan reservoir, Suxian, Anhui.

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