

WAASLANDIA

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MARINE INCERTAE SEDIS
Genus WAASLANDIA new genus

Diagnosis.—Large, cavate, broadly ellipsoidal palynomorph, whose outer body encloses two smaller, hollow thin-walled bodies. Wall surface smooth or weakly ornamented.

Etymology.—Named after the Flemish region *Land van Waas* or *Waasland*, where samples were collected for this study. From the medieval Flemish word *waes*, which referred to the inhospitable clayey soils in the tidal flat environments of the region, which have since been cultivated and are now fertile fields.

Type.—Holotype of *Waaslandia geminifera* n. gen. and sp. Figure 14.1, 14.2.

Discussion.—*Waaslandia* differs from *Cyclopsiella* (Drugg and Loeblich, 1967) Head, Norris, and Mudie, 1989b in having two inner bodies and in lacking a circular pylome with a thickened or raised rim.

