Chiasmolithus HAY, MOHLER & WADE, 1966

Description:
Placoliths having a very large central opening spanned by an "X"-shaped structure. Distal rim wider than the proximal rim.

Remarks:
This genus, like Reticulofenestra n. gen. has features in common with both Coccolithus and Syracosphaera. The diagnostic feature is the large "X"-shaped central structure.

Species: The following species can be tentatively assigned to this genus: Coccolithus bidens Bramlette & Sullivan, Coccolithus consuetus Bramlette & Sullivan, Coccolithus danicus Brotzen, Coccolithus expansus Bramlette & Sullivan, Coccolithus gigas Bramlette & Sullivan, Coccolithus grandis Bramlette & Riedel and Coccolithus solitus Bramlette & Sullivan.

Type species:
Tremalithus oamaruensis Deplandre, 1954.

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