Ottavianus giannus

Risatti, 1973

Description:

Diagnosis: A species of *Ottavianus* exhibiting a relatively smooth peripheral outline. Description: An oval shaped coccolith made up of approximately 10-11 large elements. There are two circular perforations lying in the major axis. The species is characterized by smooth outline in plan view and wavy sutures at the junction of the elements. The "bridge" lying in the minor axis which forms the two perforations, appears to have a suture across its width suggesting it may have been formed by two elements growing from opposite sides.

Dimensions: Approximately 5.2 μ.

Remarks:

This species is larger than *O. terrazetus* and is characterized by a lack of peripheral serrations.

Type level:

Upper Cretaceous.

Occurrence: This species was found in samples 179 and 186 from the Chapel Hill section and in samples 226 to 242 from the Rock Hill section.

Type locality:

Mississippi, U.S.A.

Depository:

Mississippi State University, Geology Department.

Holotype: No M.S.U. 2115.

Author:

Risatti J.B., 1973, p. 30; pl. 8, figs. 10-11.
Reference: