

Petrarhabdus WIND & WISE, 1983

Description:

Diagnosis: A nannolith with a placolith base surmounted by a distal structure consisting of a rosette of angular rhombs. The rosette may be developed into a tetralith-like structure.

Description: The round to elliptical placolith base is composed of imbricate elements which overlap in a counterclockwise direction in distal view. The size of the rosette is variable. It may occupy the central area only or may extend beyond the width of the shield.

The name is derived from the Greek, *petra* (pronounced "Peter"), meaning stone.

Type species:

Tetralithus copulatus DEFLANDRE, 1959.

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Wind F.H. & Wise S.W. in Wise S.W., 1983, p. 508.

Reference:

Mesozoic and Cenozoic Calcareous Nannofossils recovered by Deep Sea Drilling Project Leg 71 in the Falkland Plateau Region, Southwest Atlantic Ocean. Initial Reports of the Deep Sea Drilling Project, vol. 71, pp. 481-550, 35 pls.