

**Prediscosphaera** VEKSHINA, 1959

**Description:**

Fossil genus. Contains original coccoliths of the rhabdolith type. Their chief feature is the presence on the distal end of a long protuberance of the second plate, which is actually less developed than the proximal plate. The specificity of the coccolith is emphasized by the structure of the plates, which have the shape of a ring. The rhabdolith described is similar to rhabdoliths of the genus *Discosphaera*, which it resembles through the presence of a distal plate, which is analogous to the funnel-shaped widening found in coccoliths of this genus.

**Type species:**

*Prediscosphaera decorata* VEKSHINA, 1959.

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Vekshina V. N., 1959, p. 73.

**Reference:**

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