Retecapsa **Black**, 1971

**Description:**
Elliptical coccoliths with two marginal shields constructed as in *Podorhabdus* and a large central opening divided into 8 windows by four massive striated principal buttresses following the axes of the ellipse and two pairs of unstriated lateral buttresses; centre elevated, solid, with or without a short solid spine.

**Remarks:**
Most species of this genus, including *R. brightoni*, *R. angustiforata* and *R. levis* have an appearance rather like *Octopodorhabdus* from which they differ in having a solid spine. *R. neocomiana* in some respects is intermediate between these forms and some species of *Cretarhabdus*, which differ from it in having more than one cycle of windows.

**Type species:**

**Author:**

**Reference:**