
**Derivation of name:** From the Latin ‘*scapus*’, meaning ‘a scroll’, referring to the scroll-like appearance of the nannolith.

**Diagnosis:** As for the genus. May be medium-sized to very small.

**Differentiation:** The short form of this species bears a slight resemblance to the birefringent blades of *Lithraphidites? charactozorro* Self-Trail, 1999, as seen in XPL. *S. scapus* is distinct, however, in not having the tapering ends possessed by that species, and in being much smaller.

**Holotype:** Pl. 4, figs 11, 12.

**Holotype dimensions:** L = 6.16μm, W = 0.88μm.
Paratype: Pl. 4, figs 7-10, 13-18.

Type locality: TDP9, Nangurukuru junction, SW of Singino Hill, near Kilwa Kivinje, coastal Tanzania. Type level: TDP9/15-1, 21cm; UC17, Early Maastrichtian.

Occurrence: TDP9, Late Campanian-Early Maastrichtian (UC15eTP-UC17).