Speetonia Black, 1971

Description:
Elliptical coccoliths with two shields, a peripheral auxiliary ring on the distal shield and a large central opening spanned by a bridge without a spine.

Type species:

Remarks:
The auxiliary ring forms a narrow selvage to the distal shield, and is visible from both sides of the coccolith. At first sight, these coccoliths look rather, like some Ellipsagelesspheraeraceae, for example, E. lucasi, but the presence of the auxiliary ring excludes them from that family. In this respect they are closer to the Podorhabdaceae but the architecture of the central area is quite different and they have no spine. There is no other family to which they show any close resemblance and they appear to represent a small family of their own.

Author:
Black M., 1971, p. 413.

Reference: