

## Taxonomic note - *Pearsonia ecclesiata* Lees, 2007

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*Paulpearsonia* nom. nov. pro *Pearsonia* Lees, 2007  
non Dümmer, 1912

*Pearsonia* Lees, 2007 (Lees, J.A. 2007. *J. Nannoplankton Res.*, **29**: 50) is a later homonym of *Pearsonia* Dümmer, 1912 (Dümmer, R.A. 1912. *J. Bot.*, **50**: 353). *Paulpearsonia* nom. nov. is thus here proposed as a replacement for *Pearsonia* Lees, 2007, in accordance with the rules of the *International Code of Botanical Nomenclature* (Vienna Code, 2006).

**Type species:** *Paulpearsonia ecclesiata* comb. nov. **Derivation of name:** After Prof. Paul Pearson (Cardiff University), TDP Phase I co-chief and senior Cenozoic micropalaeontologist on the TDP team. **Original diagnosis:** Cavate holococcoliths with thin rims and small spines, which act as a single crystal in cross-polarised light.

*Paulpearsonia ecclesiata* (Lees, 2007) comb. nov.

**Basionym:** *Pearsonia ecclesiata* Lees, 2007, p.50, pl.11, figs 29-42. (Lees, J.A. 2007. *J. Nannoplankton Res.*, **29**: 39-65.)

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