

# Chalk Biozone 10 - *Cannosphaeropsis utinensis*

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**Age:** Mid Santonian.

**Macrofaunal correlation:** The lower *U. socialis* Zone.

**Definition:** The interval between the LAD of *Endoscrinium campanula* to the FAD of *Cannosphaeropsis utinensis*.

**Comments:** The FAD of *Cannosphaeropsis utinensis* occurs within the *U. socialis* Zone and is a reliable biomarker for the mid Santonian (Foucher, 1979; Foucher & Monteil, 1998). Alternative indices for the top of this biozone are the FAD of *Canningia senonica* and the LAD of *Heterosphaeridium difficile* (see Foucher, 1979; Haq *et al.*, 1987; Costa & Davey, 1992; Wilkinson *et al.*, 1993).

**Lithostratigraphical correlation:** The lowermost Newhaven Chalk Formation (Southern Province), the Flamborough Chalk Formation (Northern Province) and the Mackerel Formation (North Sea).

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