

Heliopyge troaonensis Morzadec, 1983 → ***Alcaldops troaonensis*** (Morzadec, 1983) (TH623a)

Alcaldops → Phacopida → Phacopina → Acastoidea → Acastidae → Asteropyginae

Provenance : France, Brittany, Rade de Brest, Troan

Formation : ?Fm

Age : Upper Devonian (Frasnian)

Details : Eroded and laterally slightly compressed partial pygidium (detail images made with slightly different positioning and lighting angles). According to van Viersen & Prescher (2007), Lieberman & Kloc (1997) should not have restricted the genus ***Heliopyge*** to species having the third pygidinal spine projecting further posteriorly because the type species, ***H. helios***, has the fourth pygidinal spine projecting further posteriorly.

Previous to the cladistic analysis done by Bignon & Cronier (2013), several species were assigned to ***Heliopyge***...and from that analysis it was concluded that those species either belong to ***Bradocryphaeus*** or ***Alcaldops*** (hence the little name change).

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