

Aulacopleura konincki (Hawle & Corda, 1847) (TH97h-i)

Aulacopleura → Aulacopleurida → Aulacopleuroidea → Aulacopleuridae

Provenance : Czechia, 'Lavenitz'

Formation : ? Fm

Age : Silurian

Details : (From an old collection) Complete specimen (as internal mould) plus a smaller cephalon, sold to me as *Arethusina konincki*. Barrande (1946) originally described the species under the name *Arethusia*, but this was preoccupied by De Montfort (1808) for . He tried to correct the mistake by proposing *Arethusia*, but by that time Hawle & Corda had already suggested ***Aulacopleura*** in their historical 1847 work, and therefore the latter has seniority (details I was unaware of while being in a buying frenzy to add species to the collection – and I thus found myself with the most expensive specimen of the species in my collection). If only the specimen had been better preserved, I would've found the courage to place more than just this one image. Additional note : the Aulacopleuridae were transferred from the Proetida into their own Order Aulacopleurida, in 2021.

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