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ABSTRACT

Foraminiferal assemblages in sediments of the Andaman Sea characterize five faunal provinces, each of which is defined by ecologic factors. Slightly euryhaline conditions and a relatively coarse grained substrate characterize the delta-front faunal province. Extremely high rates of sedimentation, euryhaline conditions, and clay substrate are typical of the Gulf of Martaban province. Extremely slow rates of sedimentation and a coarse-grained substrate characterize the Mergui platform province. Normal salinities and average rates of sedimentation characterize the Andaman-Nicobar Ridge faunal province. Sediments having a high organic content and indicating active solution of calcium carbonate occur in the basin faunal province.

Foraminiferal numbers increase from less than 100 to almost 10,000 with increasing depth to 1,800 meters. Below 1,800 meters solution of calcareous specimens results in greatly reduced for aminiferal numbers (less than 100). Foraminiferal numbers in excess of a million were noted for samples from the Mergui platform; these reflect very slow rates of deposition. Species numbers increase directly with depth from less than 10 at 20 meters to more than 50 at upper bathyal depths and then they decline slightly or remain constant until solution of calcareous species at depths greater than 1,800 meters results in lower numbers. Radiolarian numbers increase with increasing depth from less than 10 at the shelf edge to slightly less than 10,000 at middle and lower bathyal depths. The distribution of radiolarian numbers in the central basin suggests that the rate of deposition is greatest in the western half of the Andaman Sea.

INTRODUCTION

This investigation consists of an analysis of the areal and bathymetric distribution of benthonic foraminifers in surface sediments of the Andaman Sea. A comparable analysis of planktonic foraminifers in the samples is in progress. The area is bounded approximately by latitudes 16°N. and 6°N. and longitudes 93°E. and 98°E. The northern boundary of the sea is Burma, the eastern boundary is the Malay Peninsula, the southern boundary is the island of Sumatra, and the western boundary is the Andaman-Nicobar Ridge (text fig. 1).

The sediment samples used in this study were collected during the 1961 and 1963 cruises of the U.S. Navy Oceanographic Ship Serrano and the 1964 cruise of the U.S. Coast and Geodetic Ship *Pioneer*. These materials include 41 Phleger cores, 39 Kullenberg cores, 9 two-inch piston cores, and 37 grab samples. The samples are from water depths of 13 to 3,778 meters (appendix A), and the bathymetric distribution generally is adequate. Areal distribution of the sediment samples is mostly adequate, although coverage is very scattered in the extreme southern and southwestern parts of the sea (text fig. 1).

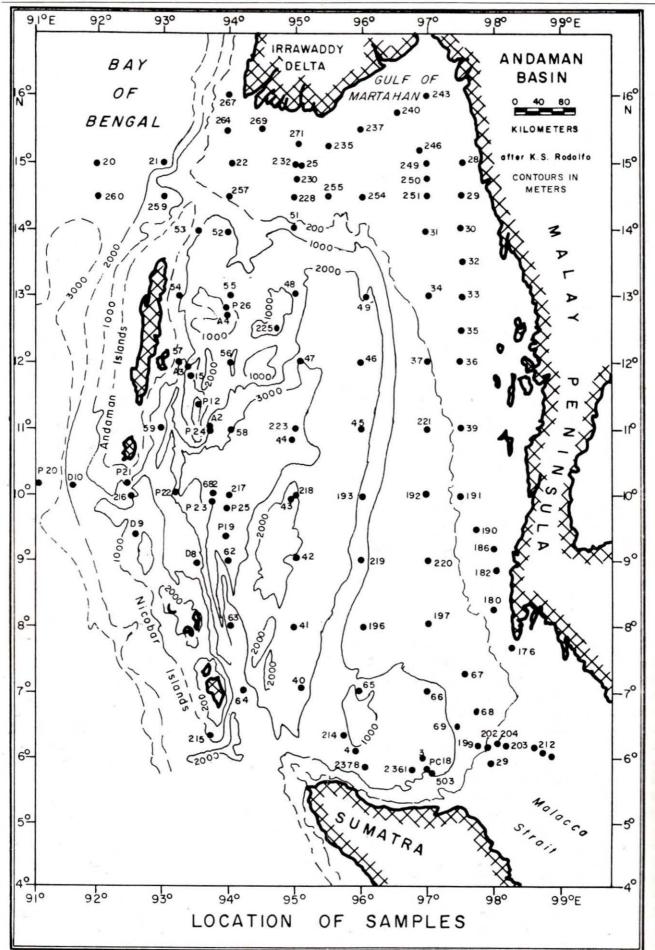
Cores were split routinely in the laboratory, and the upper 5 cm of each was sampled for the faunal analyses. These core sections and representative fractions of the grab samples were dried and weighed and then washed on a 250-mesh Tyler screen (0.061 mm openings).

Samples used to determine the relative abundance of species at the tops of the cores and in the grab samples were split to a convenient size with a modified Otto microsplitter. Frequency counts were made on a representative split of the benthonic foraminifers; insofar as practicable at least 200 specimens were counted. Benthonic species are reported as percentages of the total benthonic population.

Only those samples collected by the *Pioneer*, a small minority of the samples studied, were stained. Consequently, no studies were made of the distribution of living foraminifers.

Hydrographic data are available from the 1961 and 1963 cruises of the U.S. Navy Oceanographic Ship *Serrano* and the 1964 cruise of the U.S. Coast and Geodetic Ship *Pioneer*. Sediment parameters were provided by K. S. Rodolfo, Allan Hancock Foundation, who concurrently studied the marine geology of the Andaman Sea.

Recent foraminifers in the general region of the Andaman Sea have been recorded by a few authors. Millett (1898-1904) described foraminifers from samples taken along a traverse extending from the north coast of Australia to the Malay Peninsula, Cushman (1921) reported on the foraminifers of the Philippine Sea, and LeRoy (1938) studied foraminifers along a traverse across Peper Bay on the west coast of Java. Belyaeva (1964) studied planktonic foraminifers of the Indian Ocean and included a few samples from the Bay of Bengal. The distribution and ecology of foraminifers on the southeastern continental shelf of Asia has been reported by Haga (1964) for the Gulf of Thailand and by Waller (1960) off the south China coast. In addition, the monographic studies of Recent foraminifers in the Pacific Ocean (Cushman 1910-17) and in the Atlantic Ocean (Cushman 1918-31) have been invaluable general references. The taxonomic work by Barker (1960) on species of for-



TEXT FIGURE 1

Stations in the Andaman Sea from which samples were analyzed (after Rodolfo, 1967). Water depths are shown by contour lines. The location, water depth, and source of the samples are tabulated in appendix A.

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aminifers illustrated in the *Challenger* Reports also has been helpful.

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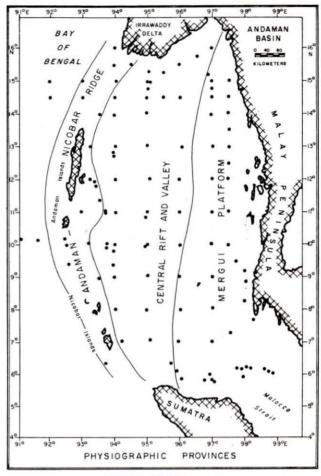
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ANDAMAN SEA General

The Andaman Sea is located in what has been and still is one of the most tectonically active regions of the world (Van Bemmelen, 1949; Jacob, 1954). Topographically the sea is a silled basin with a sill depth of 1,800 meters. The basin is divisible into three distinct physiographic provinces (text fig. 2): the eastern Mergui platform, which is related genetically to the adjacent Malay Peninsula (Alexander, 1962); the Central Rift and Valley province, a region of north-trending linear basins and numerous seamounts; and the Andaman-Nicobar Ridge, which represents a eugeosynclinal complex that has been traced northward into the Arakan Range of Burma and southeastward through Indonesia (Jacob, 1954).

OCEANOGRAPHY AND SEDIMENTOLOGY

In the Andaman Sea, as in the northern Indian Ocean, surface currents reflect the monsoons which, therefore, have an important effect on the local oceanography. From June through August southwest monsoons are prevalent, and eastward-flowing currents enter the sea across the Andaman-Nicobar Ridge and exit through the Malacca Strait (text fig. 3B). A small countercurrent is developed along the northern coast of Sumatra. The current pattern is reversed during the period September through November. The southwest monsoons diminish, and currents flow southwestward across the Andaman-Nicobar Ridge with a countercurrent south of the Nicobar Islands. For the period December through February northeast monsoons



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Physiographic provinces recognized in the Andaman Sea.

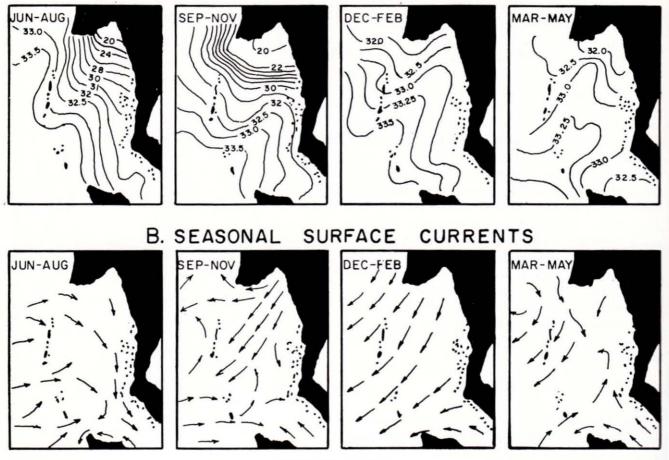
are prevalent, and strong southwesterly flowing currents are developed. During March to May the northeast monsoons begin to dissipate. Southwesterly currents remain prevalent, but easterly flowing currents enter north of the Andaman Islands and south of the Nicobar Islands.

Surface salinities are related indirectly to the monsoons. During the southwest monsoons, moisture-laden air moving inland results in extremely heavy rainfall on land areas drained by the Irrawaddy and Salween Rivers which empty into the head of the Gulf of Martaban at the northern end of the sea (Von Arx, 1962). During the northeast monsoons, however, rainfall is at a minimum on the land drained by the Irrawaddy and Salween Rivers, and the amount of fresh water introduced at the northern end of the sea is greatly curtailed.

Salinities within the Andaman Sea (text fig. 3A) reflect this monsoonal regime. From June to November when southwest monsoons are prevalent, the 32% isohaline retreats southward to a position slightly north of latitude 11°N. During the remainder of the year the 32% isohaline is in the general area of the shelf break in the northern part of the sea.

Salinity variations are greatest in the upper 200 meters, where values range from 31.00% to 34.62%

A. SEASONAL SURFACE SALINITY DISTRIBUTIONS



TEXT FIGURE 3 Seasonal surface currents and salinity distributions in the Andaman Sea.

(text fig. 4). Minimum salinities (31%) were recorded at the shallowest hydrographic station (25 meters). Salinities increase rapidly to a depth of 200 meters (34.62%) and then are essentially constant with increasing depth.

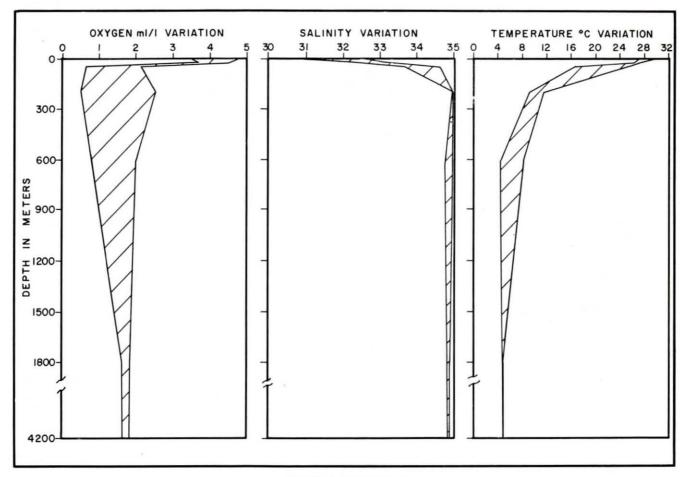
Temperature variations are greatest in the upper 300 meters, where readings range from 8.2° to 27.8°C. (text fig. 4). Below 300 meters temperatures decrease slowly to a minimum of 4.9° C at the sill depth of 1,800 meters and then remain essentially constant with increasing depth.

Variations in the dissolved oxygen content are most pronounced in the upper 50 meters with values decreasing from 4.7 to 0.6 ml/l (text fig. 4) with increasing depth. Below 50 meters values increase down to 1,800 meters, where the dissolved oxygen content is 1.8 ml/l. Values are essentially constant below 1,800 meters.

The concentration of phosphate increases from 10 to 245 ug-at/l with depth in the upper 100 meters of the Andaman Sea (text fig. 5). Below 100 meters phosphate values are essentially constant at 245 ug-at/l.

A marked decrease in pH from 8.26 to 7.85 is noted in the upper 150 meters of the Andaman Sea (text fig. 5). Below 150 meters the pH is essentially constant at 7.85.

Percentages of sand (i.e., materials larger than 62 microns and including foraminifers) in the surface sediments of the Andaman Sea are represented graphically (text fig. 6). Less than one percent of sand is characteristic of the Gulf of Martaban and the continental shelf immediately to the south. Continental shelves and the upper 600 meters of the continental slope in the eastern half of the sea are characterized by values greater than 50 percent as are isolated topographic highs and the Andaman-Nicobar Ridge. Sediments of the central basin of the Andaman Sea contain less than 10 percent sand. The percentages of calcium carbonate and organic carbon in the sediments of the sea (text figs. 7, 8) differ from one another with a general inverse relationship. The low percentages of calcium carbonate in sediments recovered from water depths greater than 1,800 meters are due to the solution of calcium carbonate. Solution may be due to a diagenetic effect related to the high organic content of the sediments at these depths (Frerichs, 1967). The oxygen content of the water (text fig. 4) and the pH values (text fig. 5) determined from water samples taken below 1,800 meters do not



TEXT FIGURE 4

Depth-variations of salinity, temperature and dissolved oxygen in the Andaman Sea. (From hydrographic data collected during the 1961 and 1963 cruises of the U. S. Navy Oceanographic Ship Serrano.)

suggest that solution of calcium carbonate should be occurring; consequently diagenesis within the sediment seems indicated.

GENERAL FAUNAL CHARACTERISTICS

Gross faunal characteristics of sea-bottom samples (such as foraminiferal number, species number, radiolarian number, and relative abundances of arenaceous and porcelaneous foraminifers) have trends which correlate with water depth in many areas. As such indicators, they represent paleoecologic tools not dependent on the specific composition of the foraminiferal or radiolarian populations and thus are applicable also in the analysis of older Cenozoic sections.

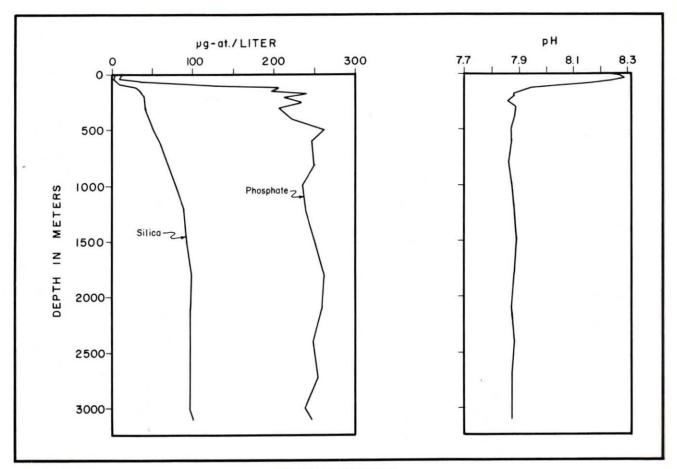
Bathymetric zones given below and used throughout this paper are modifications of those of Hedgpeth (1957).

BATHYMETRIC ZONE	DEPTH OF WATER (meters)
Inner shelf	0-46
Outer shelf	46-200
Upper bathyal	200-610
Middle bathyal	610-2,438
Lower bathyal	2,438-4,000

The foraminiferal number (i.e., the total number of specimens of foraminifers in one gram of dry sediment) increases directly with depth to 1,800 meters. Below this depth, however, solution of calcareous foraminifers results in greatly reduced foraminiferal numbers.

Foraminiferal numbers of 100 or more are common on the upper and middle bathyal depths (text fig. 9). Foraminiferal numbers of more than one million occur in the southeastern portion of the Andaman Sea where sedimentation rates are very slow. Other areas of high foraminiferal numbers are on the Andaman-Nicobar Ridge and isolated seamounts. Extremely low values of less than 100, which are characteristic of the inner shelf, also are found at middle and lower bathyal depths in the central basin and are the direct result of the solution of calcium carbonate. Thus, foraminiferal numbers alone should not be relied upon as a basis for environmental interpretations in ancient deposits. Homeomorphs of recent species of foraminifers and other faunal criteria, such as a high radiolarian number, can be used, however, to determine environments of deposition.

The species number (i.e., the total number of species recorded at a station) defines a complex trend within the Andaman Sea (text fig. 10). In general, the highest numbers occur in the outer



TEXT FIGURE 5

Depth variation in dissolved silica and phosphate and in pH as reported by the U. S. Navy Oceanographic Ship Serrano (1963 cruise) at Station 47, (lat. 10°49'N., long. 94°57'E.), Andaman Sea.

shelf, upper bathyal, and middle bathyal depth zones. Exceptionally low numbers are noted in the central basin where calcareous species are being destroyed by active solution of calcium carbonate and in the southeastern part where current winnowing may partially explain the anomalously low values. In order to maintain a consistent approach, only those species recorded in a representative split of a sample were used to calculate the species number for each sample.

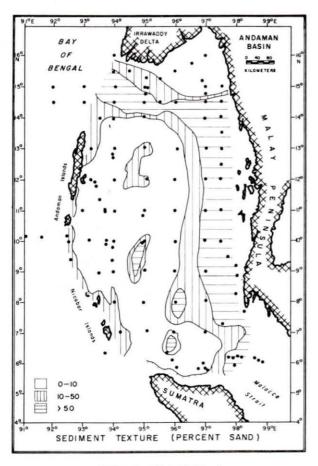
The greatest relative abundance of arenaceous foraminifers occurs in the deepest parts of the central basin of the Andaman Sea (text fig. 11). Surface samples taken at depths greater than 2,790 meters contain assemblages in which arenaceous forms constitute more than half of the benthonic foraminifers. Sample 62 from a depth of 3,675 meters contains an exclusively arenaceous benthonic assemblage. Samples taken at depths between 1,800 and 2,780 meters yield assemblages in which arenaceous specimens range in relative abundance from 10 to 40 percent. Between 20 and 1,800 meters arenaceous foraminifers make up less than 10 percent of the benthonic assemblages except for a few inner-shelf samples such as sample 237 in which arenaceous foraminifers constitute 31 percent of the benthonic assemblages.

The large relative abundances of arenaceous foraminifers in water deeper than 1,800 meters are the consequence of calcium carbonate solution. Samples from inner-shelf depths which contain appreciable percentages of arenaceous foraminifers are from areas characterized by large variations in salinity, so that euryhaline conditions are at least one of the controlling ecologic factors.

Porcelaneous foraminifers do not make up more than 15 percent of the benthonic assemblages studied. Relative abundances greater than five percent are restricted to samples from depths of less than 200 meters, and relative abundances greater than 10 percent are restricted to samples from depths of less than 100 meters (text fig. 12).

In general, relative abundances of more than five percent are associated with areas of coarse-grained sediments and low organic content. The salient of large relative abundances extending into the Andaman Sea from the west just south of the Irrawaddy Delta (text fig. 12) reflects an eastward flowing current which effectively prevents deposition of clay-sized material (Rodolfo, 1967). The area of high relative abundances on the Mergui platform is characterized by very slow sedimentation and coarse-grained sediments.

The radiolarian number (i.e., the total number of



TEXT FIGURE 6

Distribution of sand percentages in sediments from the Andaman Sea. Sand includes foraminifers and other particles larger than 0.62 microns.

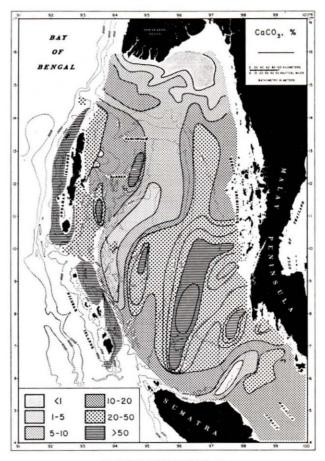
specimens of radiolarians in one gram of dry sediment) as well as the foraminiferal number is an approximate indicator of the rate of deposition. If the biotic productivity is assumed to be constant, higher radiolarian numbers necessarily occur in areas of slower deposition because dilution by sediment decreases the number of radiolarian specimens in a gram of sediment.

In the Andaman Sea the solution of calcareous foraminifers below 1,800 meters makes the foraminiferal number unsuitable as a measure of the rates of sedimentation throughout the sea. The radiolarian number (see text fig. 13), however, is unaffected and, thus, is an approximate measure of the rates of sedimentation within the central basin of the Andaman Sea.

Radiolarians are essentially lacking on the continental shelf, and radiolarian numbers of less than 100 are common in the upper bathyal depth zones of the eastern half of the central basin, suggesting that rates of deposition are greatest in the western half of the Andaman Sea and that little downslope transport of sediment occurs in the northeastern part.

BENTHONIC FORAMINIFERS

The distribution of benthonic foraminifers in bottom sediments of the Andaman Sea is extremely



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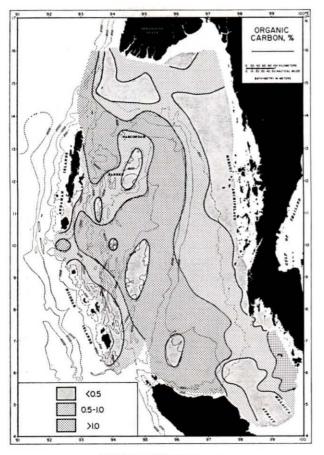
Percentage of calcium carbonate in bottom sediments from the Andaman Sea (after Rodolfo, 1967).

complex. Interrelationships of salinity, temperature, surface currents, chemical and physical parameters are ecological factors affecting distributions.

The diverse environments of the Andaman Sea are grouped rather readily into five geographically restricted faunal provinces (text fig. 14). Each of these provinces is distinguished by a distinctive fauna: delta-front fauna, Gulf of Martaban fauna, Mergui platform fauna, Andaman-Nicobar Ridge fauna, and basin fauna. Each faunal province is characterized also by chemical and physical characteristics (table 1).

Within the Andaman Sea more than 300 benthonic species have been identified, but many of these are rare or have intermittent distributions. Only those species constituting three percent or more of the benthonic assemblage in a single sample, therefore, are included in the bathymetric distribution tables for the five faunal provinces. Distributions of species comprising less than three percent of the benthonic assemblages, however, are indicated in appendix B.

As used in this paper, a dominant species within a biofacies has a relative abundance of 10 percent or more at any sample station. A characteristic species has a relative abundance of three percent or more at any one sample station, is essentially re-



TEXT FIGURE 8 Percentage of organic carbon in bottom samples from the Andaman Sea (after Rodolfo, 1967).

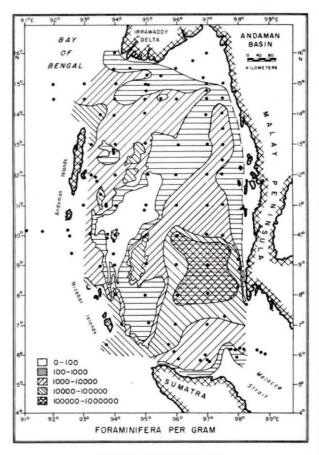
stricted to a particular biofacies, and occurs in a majority of samples within the biofacies. Accessory species have a relative abundance of at least three but less than 10 percent at any one sample station and are not restricted to any one biofacies.

FAUNAL PROVINCES

The fauna of the Gulf of Martaban (table 2) is characteristic of this gulf and the continental shelf to the south. Samples containing the characteristic assemblages are almost lacking in sand and are restricted to depths of less than 46 meters (table 1).

Conspicuous features of the distributions of benthonic foraminifers are the large relative abundances of a few species and the intermittent distributions of the majority of species (table 3). Dominant species are Ammobaculites exiguus, Arenoparella mexicana asiatica, Asterorotalia pulchella, Bolivina spathulata, Florilus scaphus, Hanzawaia nipponica, and Rotorbinella praegeri. Only five other species are recorded at a majority of the stations.

The foraminiferal distributions reflect the severe environmental conditions of the Gulf of Martaban and the adjoining continental shelf. Foremost of these is the marked seasonal fluctuation in salinity (text fig. 3). In addition, the water in the Gulf of Martaban is extremely turbid because this is a

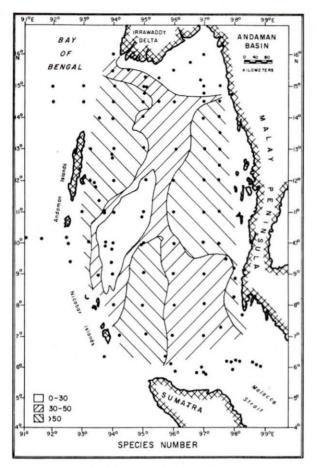


TEXT FIGURE 9 Distribution of foraminiferal numbers in bottom samples from the Andaman Sea.

major site of deposition for the Irrawaddy and Salween Rivers. These factors undoubtedly affect the faunal composition significantly. Sample 246 at the mouth of the gulf, for example, yielded only 11 specimens and samples north of 246 (i.e., 240 and 243) are barren. Evidently 246 is located approximately where conditions become intolerable for foraminifers. At this location the seasonal variation in surface salinity ranges from a low of 20% in June to August to a high of 32% in December to February.

The delta-front fauna comprises more total species and more species having relative abundances of three percent or more in at least one sample than does that of the Gulf of Martaban province (tables 2, 3). Two distinct subprovinces represented by an inner-shelf fauna (35 to 46 m of water) and an outer-shelf fauna (46 to 110 m of water) are recognized.

Sand in the substrate of the inner-shelf subprovince is moderately high (table 1). The dominant species in four samples are Asterorotalia pulchella, Ammonia beccarii, Bolivina subreticulata, Cibicides dorsopustulosus var., Elphidium macellum, and Pseudorotalia inflata. Elphidium macellum is a characteristic species; other abundant species are Ammonia equatoriana, Bolivina spathulata, and Elphidium advenum.



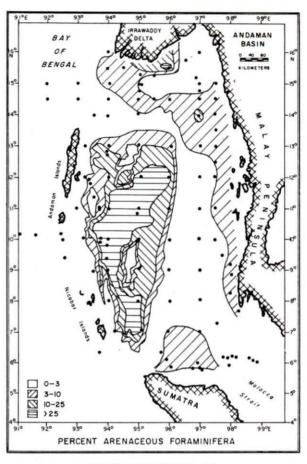
TEXT FIGURE 10 Distribution of species numbers in bottom samples from the Andaman Sea.

The fauna of the outer-shelf subprovince is known from nine stations (table 3). The dominant species are Bolivina spathulata, Cassidulina inflata, Florilus scaphus, and Rotorbinella praegeri. Cassidulina inflata only occurs in the three samples taken at depths greater than 100 meters. Characteristic species distinct from those of the inner-shelf fauna are Cassidulina cushmani, Cassidulina laevigata, Cassidulina minuta, Cibicides bantamensis, Eponides pusillus, Hanzawaia bertheloti, and Uvigerina auberiana. Other abundant species are Ammonia equatoriana, Bulimina marginata, Hanzawaia nipponica, and Sigmoilopsis asperula.

The Mergui platform is characterized by very slow rates of deposition as is shown by high foraminiferal numbers and occurrences of glauconite and/or phosphorite (Emery, 1960) in many of the samples. The plot of foraminiferal numbers (text fig. 9) defines the area of slow sedimentation as a discrete faunal province.

The Mergui platform fauna (table 4) includes three subfaunas that characterize an outer-shelf, upper bathyal, middle bathyal subprovince.

The fauna of the outer shelf (47 to 200 m) consists of a large total number of species with many occurring in relative abundance of greater than three percent in at least one sample (table 4).



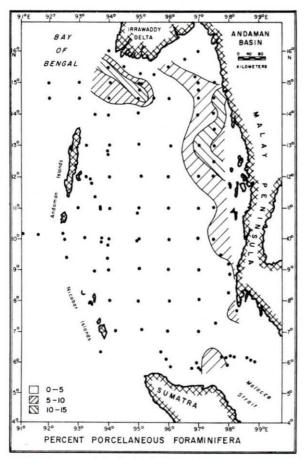
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Distribution of relative abundances of arenaceous foraminifers in bottom samples from the Andaman Sea.

Dominant species are Asterorotalia pulchella, Bolivina spathulata, Cassidulina minuta, Cassidulina subglobosa, Cibicides haidingerii pacificus, Guembelitria vivans, Gyroidina cushmani, Rotorbinella praegeri, and Textularia conica. Other abundant species are Bolivina subreticulata, Cibicides bantamensis, Cibicides soendaensis, and Hanzawaia nipponica. Characteristic species distinct from those elsewhere on the Mergui platform faunal province are Cancris scabra, Miliolinella subrotunda, and Textularia anadenensis.

The upper bathyal subprovince (200 to 610 m) has a relatively sandy substrate (table 1) and the foraminiferal assemblage consists of 205 species, of which 51 species compose more than three percent in any one sample. Dominant species are *Bolivina* robusta, Bolivina spathulata, Cassidulina subglobusa, Eponides pusillus, and Guembelitria vivans. Other abundant species are Bolivina albatrossi, Bolivina pseudoplicata, Cassidulina neocarinata, Hoeglundina elegans, and Uvigerina auberiana. No characteristic species are noted.

The foraminiferal assemblage from the middle bathyal subprovince (610 to 1,440 m) consists of 118 species (table 4). Dominant species are Astrononion schwageri, Bolivina quadrata, Bolivina pusil-



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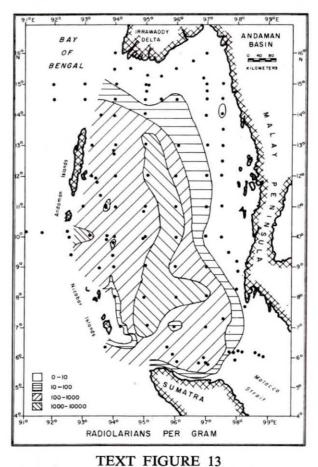
Distribution of percentages of porcelaneous foraminifers in bottom samples from the Andaman Sea.

la, Bulimina aculeata, Cassidulina pacifica, Cassidulina subglobosa, Eponides polius, and Guembelitria vivans. Other abundant species are Bolivina robusta, Cassidulina minuta, Epistominella exigua, Rotorbinella translucens, Sphaeroidina bulloides, and Uvigerina auberiana. Characteristic species are Astrononion schwageri, Bulimina aculeata, Cibicides bradyi, Eponides polius, and Osangularia culter.

The Andaman-Nicobar Ridge province is characterized by foraminifers in samples taken at water depths of less than 1,800 meters on the slopes of the Andaman-Nicobar Ridge and the continental slope south of the Irrawaddy Delta (table 5). Two subprovinces are represented and are distinguished by an upper bathyal fauna (200 to 610 m) and a middle bathyal fauna (610-1800 m).

Only three samples were available from upper bathyal depths in the Andaman-Nicobar Ridge province and a moderate number of species are recorded (table 5). Dominant species are *Bolivina* robusta, Cassidulina minuta, Cassidulina neocarinata, Cassidulina subglobosa, Guembelitria vivans, and Sphaeroidina bulloides.

Only the upper portion of the middle bathyal depth zone is represented by samples studied. The benthonic assemblage consists of 151 species, 32 of



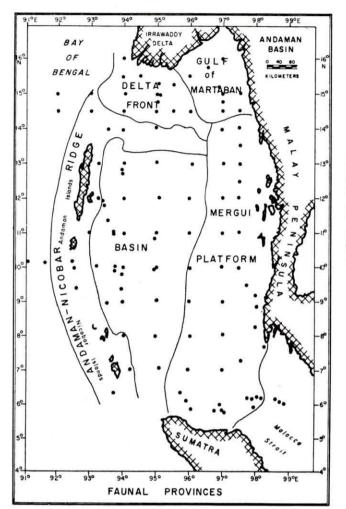
Distribution of radiolarian numbers in bottom samples from the Andaman Sea.

which occur in abundances of three percent or more in any one sample (table 5). Dominant species are *Cassidulina minuta*, *Cassidulina sub*californica, *Cassidulina subglobosa*, and *Epistomin*ella exigua. Other abundant species are *Bulimina* rostrata, *Cassidulina pacifica*, *Cibicides pseudo*ungerianus, and *Guembelitria vivans*.

The basin province is distinguished by foraminifers in samples taken at depths ranging from 1,800 to 3,778 meters.

Of those factors effecting the distribution of foraminifers within the deep central basin, by far the most important is active solution of calcium carbonate. The severity of solution gradually increases with increasing depth and in bottom samples below 2,790 meters of water foraminiferal assemblages are predominantly arenaceous (text fig. 15).

Owing to this solution of foraminiferal tests, a classical depth-biofacies subdivision of the foraminiferal assemblages is inadequate. First appearances of arenaceous foraminifers probably are indicative of the environmental factors favoring their productivity, although the extreme nature of the chemical environment may have altered one or more factors critical in the productivity of individual species. The distribution of the calcareous foraminifers is indicative of their normal distribution, but at depths

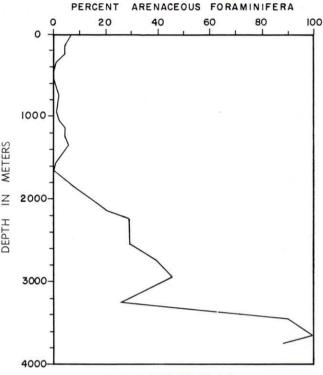


TEXT FIGURE 14 Faunal provinces distinguished for the Andaman Sea using benthonic foraminifers.

greater than 2,790 meters, the percentage of calcareous foraminifers is so small as to be unreliable.

The paucity of individuals in the basin province is another problem in determining foraminiferal distributions inasmuch as fewer than 200 specimens occur in samples from depths greater than 2,790 meters. The most notable break in the distributions occurs at 2,790 meters. Below 2,790 meters solution is almost complete and arenaceous foraminifers compose more than 50 percent of the benthonic population. As a consequence, many of the arenaceous species increase markedly in relative abundance below 2,790 meters. For convenience foraminiferal assemblages from below 2,790 meters are referred to as representing the deep fauna. The foraminiferal assemblages from depths of 1,800 to 2,790 meters are characterized by a gradual increase in arenaceous forms with depth and are referred to as representing the transitional fauna.

Foraminifers of the transitional fauna (table 6) consist of 153 species of which 46 compose three percent or more of the fauna in any one sample. Dominant species are *Cassidulina minuta*, *Cassidulina subcalifornica*, *Cibicides bradyi*, *Cibicides*



TEXT FIGURE 15 Bathymetric distribution of arenaceous foraminifers as percentages of total benthonic foraminifers in bottom samples from the Andaman Sea.

pseudoungerianus, Glomospira charoides, and Guembelitria vivans. Other abundant species are Bolivina pusilla, Cassidulina subglobosa, Oridorsalis umbonatus umbonatus, and Pullenia subsphaerica. Characteristic species include most of the calcareous species. Arenaceous species restricted to the transitional fauna are Cystamina pauciloculata, Eggerella advena, Reophax distans, Trochammina globulosa, Trochammina simplissima, and Hormosina globulifera.

Benthonic foraminifers of the deep fauna (table 6) consist of 50 species, 20 of which comprise three percent or more of the fauna in any one sample. Dominant species are Ammobaculites americanus, Cribrostomoides subglobosum, Eggerella bradyi, Glomospira charoides, Gyroidina lamarckiana, Karreriella apicularis, and Pullenia subsphaerica. Pullenia subsphaerica occurs at three stations but is most abundant in the two shallowest samples; Gyroidina lamarckiana only occurs in the two shallowest samples. Ammobaculites americanus is a characteristic species.

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INNER-SHELF FAUNAS

Inner-shelf faunas occur widely in the delta-front and Gulf of Martaban faunal provinces (tables 2, 3). The provinces are adjacent but differ in two major ecologic factors—turbidity of the water and nature of the substrate (table 1). The Gulf of Martaban and the continental shelf to the south is the major site of deposition within the Andaman

		DELT	A-FRONT	ME	RGUI PLATF	ORM	ANDAMAN-NIC	OBAR RIDGE	BASI	N
1	Gulf of Martaban	Inner Shelf	Outer Shelf	Outer Shelf	Upper Bathyal	Middle Bathyal	Upper Bathyal	Middle Bathyal	Transitional	Deep
Depth of water, range (m)	13-46	35-46	47-110	47-200	200-610	610-1,440	200-610	610-1,800	1,800-2,790	2,790-3,778
Bottom salinity (%)	32.32-33.07	-	33.83-34.50	33.68-34.62	35.00-35.04	34.87-34.90	34.99-35.00	34.79-34.98	34.84-34.84	
Bottom temperature (°C)	26.44-27.16		21.34-25.41	16.77-25.38	9.43-11.58	6.03-6.49	9.28-11.56	4.60-8.30	4.88-5.02	
Bottom oxygen (ml/l)	3.71-4.52	-	0.78-1.30	0.91-2.14	0.52-2.55	1.36-1.57	0.45-0.70	0.85-1.98	1.66-1.83	
Bottom pH	8.26	-	-	-	-		-	7.74-7.79	7.85-7.92	
Sand in substrate, range (%)	0.04-1.0	0.6-98	0.03-91	61-90	3-100	0.5-53	10-14	0.6-94	1-25	
Sand in substrate, mean (%)	0.7	39	55	77	60	11	12	39	5	
Population (no. of species)	103		175	228	205	118	97	151	153	50
No. of species having relative abundance of				1.E 1		×.				
3% or more	39		50	63	51	30	19	32	46	20

TABLE 1											
Chemical and	physical	characteristics	of	the	faunal	provinces	of	the	Andaman	Sea.	

	(Meters)	14	20	20	25	27	28	32	38	45
BENTHONIC SPECIES	STATION STATION	243	246	237	29	28	247	27	250	251
Bolivina spathulata			18	2	6	16	30	24	32	13
B. subspinescens			9							
Bulimina marginata			9	×	5	1	1	1		
Cibicides bantamensis			9							X
Florilus scaphus			45	10		14	21	15	16	
Uvigerina auberiana			9	2	3					1
Ammobaculites exigus				3						
Arenoparrella mexicana as	siatica			14			19	×		
Asterorotalia pulchella				37	2	5	5	32	2	X
Quinqueloculina laevigata				8	×		4	8		
Ammonia hozanensis					1		7		3	1
Bolivina subreticulata					7	3			×	
Cancris scabra					2	3				4
Cassidulina minuta					3				4	
Cibicides haidingerii pacifi	cus				×	5			1	5
C. soendaensis					1					7
Elphidium advenum					×				1	8
Epistominella pulchra					1	3				1
Guembelitria vivans					2				4	
Hanzawaia nipponica					17	11	×		1	8
Rotorbinella praegeri					12	5			3	2
Spiroplectammina floridan	а				×					3 2
T. secasensis					4					2
Ammonia beccarii						3				
A. equatoriana						8		8		
Asterorotalia multispinosa						5				
Cibicides dorsopustulosus	var.					3				
Nonion cf. asterotubercula						3	2	2		
Ammomarginulina foliace	ous						4			
Cassidulina cushmani									3	
Amphistegina radiata										3
Operculina subgranulosa										3

 TABLE 2

 Bathymetric distributions in the Gulf of Martaban faunal province.

Sea. During the southwest monsoons when the rate of deposition is greatest, however, the delta-front province is swept by eastward flowing currents which prevent deposition of much of the clay-sized material (text fig. 3). The average amount of material (sand) greater than 62 microns in the substrate of the inner-shelf subprovince of the deltafront province is 39 percent whereas in the innershelf subprovince of the Gulf of Martaban the average amount of sand is 0.7 percent. Chemical and physical parameters of the water, with the exception of surface salinity, were not available from both provinces. A much greater variation of surface salinity in noted for the Gulf of Martaban (table 1). There are 26 accessory species in the Gulf of Martaban fauna and 12 accessory species in the delta-front inner-shelf fauna; only six are common to both areas (tables 2, 3). In addition to the lack of similarity in species composition, relative abundances of species common to the two provinces differ markedly. Only one species, *Asterorotalia pulchella*, is a dominant species in both provinces, and *Cibicides dorsopustulosus* var. and *Elphidium macellum* which are dominant species of the deltafront inner-shelf fauna are nearly excluded from the Gulf of Martaban fauna. This distributional relationship probably indicates a preference of *Cibicides dorsopustulosus* var. and *Elphidium macellum* for a coarser bottom.

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Bathymetric distribution of benthonic foraminifers in the bottom sediments of the delta-front province, Andaman Sea.

	DEPTH (Meters)	35	38	43	46	49	62	63	68	77	82	106	105	110
BENTHONIC S SPECIES N	TATION	271	235	264	269	25	267	22	230	26	228	254	257	255
Ammonia beccarii		7	10		3	1	×			×	×		1	
A. equatoriana		5		1	9	8	3	1		2	1	3		
Asterorotalia inflata		10		-	6	2		1		-	×		2	
A. pulchella		11	19		4	1				2	×		_	
Bolivina attica		1			3	-	×	×			~			
B. spathulata		4	1		6	5	15	6	6	82	2	- 7	4	5
B. subreticulata		11	5		13	17	3	2	×		3	6	1	1
Bulimina marginata		1	2			3	5	1	2		1	6	1	3
Cibicides dorsopustulo	sus var		15		16	2	5	1	-	1	×		-	
Elphidium advenum	sus fui.	2	10	8	1	2	1	1		-	î	5	1	
E. macellum		4	13		4									
Sigmoilopsis asperula		1			2	1	2	1	6		1	4	1	4
Textularia foliacea oce	anica	7	2		3	1		×			1	×		
Asterorotalia multispin			17			2	×			5	2	1		
Cassidulina minuta			×			4	4	×	4	3				2
C. subglobosa			×					×	×	3	3			3
Nonionellina labrodor	icus		6			3								
Quinqueloculina semin			2			4	×	2			\times	1	1	×
Rotorbinella praegeri			×	2	3	14	13	10	5	ð	4	4	2	3
Amphistegina papilosa				27										
Cibicides haidingerii p	acificus			6	3		2	3	3		×	1	4	×
C. soendaensis				9		2		4	2	*	3	- 1	8 <u>2</u>	
Hanzawaia nipponica				2	1		1	5	4		3	2	4	3
Operculina subgranulo	sa			4					×			2		
Textularia candeina				5										
Florilus turgidus					5							×	× × ×	
Cibicides bantamensis						2	1	5	5		1	×	1	1
Eponides pusilus						1	1	2	3	×	2	1	1	4
Florilus scaphus						10		X		3			1	
Hanzawaia bertheloti						×	×	1			3	- 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1.	1	2
Uvigerina auberiana						3	6	4	2	2		×	÷.	
Cassidulina cushmani							1		1	1.00.3	- 1	3	- 3	2
Scutularis procerus							1	2	4		6			
Cassidulina laevigata								1	×		×	1	5	×
C. tortuosa								5						
Cibicides pseudounger	ianus							6					3	
Trifarina bradyi			-45					1	2		4			2
Bolivina albatrossi			×						5				1	5
Cibicides margaritiferi	lS		100020		•						1		3	×
Coryphostoma "hentyd											5			
Angulogerina angulosa	ı											3		
Cassidulina inflata												13	1	1
Melonis barleeanum							4	×						3

A greater similarity exists between the Gulf of Martaban fauna and the delta-front outer-shelf fauna. The latter has 28 accessory species, 12 of which are common to the former. The dominant species of the three faunas, tabulated below, demonstrate the closer relationship between the Gulf of Martaban fauna and the delta-front outer-shelf fauna biofacies. Delta-front inner-shelf fauna Ammonia beccarii Asterorotalia pulchella Bolivina subreticulata Cibicides dorsopustulosus var. Elphidium macellum Asterorotalia inflata Delta-front outer-shelf fauna Bolivina spathulata Cassidulina inflata Florilus scaphus Rotorbinella praegeri

Gulf of Martaban inner-shelf fauna

Ammobaculites exigus Arenoparella mexicana asiatica Asterorotalia pulchella Bolivina spathulata Florilus scaphus Hanzawaia nipponica Rotorbinella praegeri

Bolivina spathulata, Florilus scaphus, and Rotorbinella praegeri occur in the inner-shelf fauna of the delta-front province but become dominant species only in the outer-shelf fauna; these are dominant species in the Gulf of Martaban fauna. The different depths at which the same species reach peak development may be due to the exclusion of those species having a preference for a stenohaline environment from the Gulf of Martaban province and the consequent increased abundance of those species capable of withstanding euryhaline conditions. In a brief discussion of the distribution of Ammonia tepida in the Gulf of California and Gulf of Mexico, Bandy (1961) indicates Ammonia tepida is a minor constituent of inner-shelf faunas except in areas subject to large variation of salinity where it becomes a dominant constituent of benthonic populations. Negative selection resulting from euryhaline conditions appears to occur commonly at inner-shelf depths.

OUTER-SHELF FAUNAS

Outer-shelf faunas occur in the delta-front and Mergui platform provinces. The extremely low rate of sedimentation on the Mergui platform is a major ecologic difference between these provinces (table 1). The outer-shelf faunas of delta-front and Mergui platform provinces include 46 and 28 accessory species, respectively; 15 species occur in both (tables 3, 4). The dominant species are:

> Delta-front outer-shelf fauna Bolivina spathulata Cassidulina inflata Florilus scaphus Rotorbinella praegeri

Mergui platform outer-shelf fauna

Bolivina spathulata Cassidulina minuta Cassidulina subglobosa Gyroidina cushmani Rotorbinella praegeri Textularia conica

Dominant species occurring in only one of the subprovinces are *Cassidulina inflata*, *Gyroidina cushmani*, and *Textularia conica*.

Only a general agreement of faunas is indicated by the common occurrence of accessory and dominant species but the actual agreement seems substantially better than shown because some relict species on the Mergui platform probably have been included in the calculations. Also, only the shallowest 60 meters of the outer-shelf subprovinces of the delta-front province have been sampled whereas data are available for essentially all the outer-shelf subprovince of the Mergui platform province. These two factors are regarded as responsible for much or all of the dissimilarity between the two faunas because ecologic conditions are so similar that agreement in faunas should be expected. The major differences in chemical and physical parameters of the water (table 1) are minimum temperature (delta-front = 21.34° C; Mergui platform = 16.77° C) and maximum oxygen content (deltafront = 1.30 ml/l; Mergui platform = 2:14 ml/l),

UPPER BATHYAL FAUNAS

Upper bathyal faunas in the Mergui platform and Andaman-Nicobar Ridge provinces are notably similar (tables 4, 5). There are 16 accessory species (only three samples were available) in the Andaman-Nicobar Ridge fauna and 38 accessory species in the Mergui platform fauna, 7 of which are common to the two areas. Dominant species for the two areas are quite similar; they are:

Andaman-Nicobar Ridge upper bathyal fauna

Bolivina robusta Cassidulina minuta Cassidulina neocarinata Cassidulina subglobosa Guembelitria vivans Sphaeroidina bulloides

Mergui platform upper bathyal fauna Bolivina robusta Bolivina spathulata

Cassidulina subglobosa Eponides pusillus Guembelitria vivans

Ecological conditions are quite similar for the two areas (table 1). The major difference in chem-

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Bolivina pseudoplic			1	X		1			3	X				2									1	3					1	7	3	9	Х	X	5				
Cassidulina cushma	ni		1	2	2	1	1	1	1	5		X	4	3	8	1		2	1			2	1	9		1			2		1							2	
C. subcalifornica			1						8		4														1				1		1	1		1	3				1
Eponides pusillus			1	6	2	2	1		1	1		1		2		~	2	1	2				1		3		1		2	10	8	3		1	8				
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TABLE 4

FRERICHS—ANDAMAN SEA BENTHONIC FORAMINIFERA

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Gaudryina wrightiana Gyroidina cushmani Sigmoilopsis asperula Sphaeroidina bulloides Spiroplectammina atrata Textularia conica Trifarina bradyi Eponides procerus Miliolinella subrotunda Uvigerina bifurcata	$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	$\begin{array}{cccc} \times & & 1 & & 2 \\ 3 & \times & 2 & 1 & & \\ & 3 & & & \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	$\begin{array}{c} \times \\ \times \\ \times \\ \times \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ \times \\ 1 \\ \times \end{array}$	2 2 1 1 1 1
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CONTRIBUTIONS FROM THE CUSHMAN FOUNDATION FOR FORAMINIFERAL RESEARCH

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Bathymetric distribution of benthonic foraminifers in bottom samples from the Andaman-Nicobar province, Andaman Sea.

i i	DEPTH ☆ (Meters) ∾	342	556	720	016	1080	1296	1350	1390	1530	1600
BENTHONIC SPECIES	STATION S NUMBER	51	54	53	215	52	48	63	A-3	64	259
Bolivina attica	2		×	3					2		X
B. pseudoplicata	2		1	6	X	1	×	2	×	1	3
B. robusta	14	5	×	1		2	1	1			2
B. scabrata	3								1	X	
B. spathulata	×		1	6		1	×	2	5		3
Bolivinita quadrilatera	3			1					X		×
Cassidulina braziliensis	7			1		×			1		
C. cushmani	4			1		×	×				
C. inflata	2		3	4	X		×				
C. minuta	12		3	1	2	4	4	3	3	×	5
C. neocarinata	12		×	1				1	2	1	6
Epistominella exigua	×	X	3	2	1	11	1	6	6		16
Eponides pusilus	1		3	2	×	3	1		2		
Guembelitria vivans	1	×	18	6	2	1	2	2	9		2
Hanzawaia bertheloti	×		1	3	×	1	X	1	X	×	
Oridorsalis umbonatus tener	1							4		×	
Uvigerina auberiana	×	1	3	3	4	2	1	3	2	2	3
U. bifurcata	3	1				2			1		
Angulogerina angulosa		×	8	2		6			3		1
Astrononion schwageri		6				8	4			1	
Bolivina albatrossi		1	2	3	×		×	3	2	×	1
Bulimina rostrata		×	3	1		1	3	2	4	×	8
Cassidulina pacifica		×	1		5	2		2	1	6	2
C. subcalifornica		×	6	3	6	5	2	11	7	4	5
C. subglobosa		1	11	15	20	7	7	12	7	8	4
Cibicides bradyi		6			1	3	2	2	5	1	4
C. pseudoungerianus		2		4	9	×			6	3	
C. wuellerstorfi		3	×			2	1			4	1
Nuttalides rugosus		1	2		5		1	2	1		2
Oridorsalis umbonatus umbonatus	ĩ	\times	×			3	1		1	3	2
Amphistegina lessoni (juv)			1	6	9						
Pullenia quinqueloba			×				3	3	×		×
Rosalina floridana			$\frac{\times}{3}$						1		
Sphaeroidina bulloides			×	1		1	20	3		3	×
Gyroidina lamarckiana					\times		1	3		1	
Osangularia culter	1				1	3	4			2	1
Ehrenbergina pacifica								4		1	1
Cibicides marlboroughensis										4	

ical and physical parameters of the water is the maximum oxygen content (Andaman-Nicobar Ridge = 0.70 ml/l, Mergui platform = 2.55 ml/l).

MIDDLE BATHYAL FAUNAS

Samples from the middle bathyal depth zone have been studied from both the Andaman-Nicobar Ridge and Mergui platform provinces. In general the two faunas are quite similar (tables 4, 5). There are 27 accessory species in the AndamanNicobar Ridge fauna and 21 accessory species in the Mergui platform fauna, 13 of which are common to the two biofacies. The dominant species in the Andaman-Nicobar Ridge middle bathyal fauna are:

> Cassidulina minuta Cassidulina subglobosa Cassidulina subcalifornica Epistominella exigua

TABLE 6

Bathymetric distribution of benthonic foraminifers in bottom samples from the basin province, Andaman Sea.

	DEPTH (Meters)	1800	1890	2142	2151	2286	2286	2520	2565	2590	2790	2793	2970	3240	3420	3618	3778
	STATION	49	56	42	A-4	46	45	40	41	22	47	58	44	23	223	62	25
BENTHONIC SPECIES	NUMBER				V					ΡT				\mathbf{PT}	63		PT
Astrononion schwageri		4		2	1	1			×	1		1					
Bulimina aculeata		4				1	1				3						
B. rostrata		8		1	×	1		2		1							
Cassidulina subcalifornica		1	1	10	2	2		1		8		2	1.21				
C. subglobosa		6	5	1	4	2	5	5	7	9			1	2			2
Cibicides bradyi		3	4	1	6	10	3	9	7	2	9	7	3	7			1
C. pseudoungerianus		14	4		1			1		1							1
C. wuellerstorfi		3	2	2	2	3	3	2	3	1		3	1	5			1
Eggerella bradyi		4	2	2	1	2	1	1	2	1		1	1	1	18		
Epistominella exigua		1	7	3	1		1	1		7				1			
Gyroidina altiformis acuta		5	1			1			×	\times							
G. broeckhiana		3	1			2	1			1							
Melonis barleeanus		4		- 1.11	2	1	1	1		2	3			13			
Oridorsalis umbonatus umbon	atus	6	2	2	1	2	5	1	3	1	3	1		5			1
Osangularia culter		6	2	1	1	1		1	×	2							
Pseudoeponides japonicus		5			3	3	6		1	×							
Pullenia bulloides		6	4	1	2	1	1	2	\times	1							
P. quinqueloba		1	2	4	\times		5	3	1	2			1	2			
Sphaeroidina bulloides		1	1	2	×					×				1			
Ammobaculoides cylindroides	•		2	3	2	1		2	2	×			3				,
Tolypammina frigida			1	2	2			2	3			2	1	2			
Bolivina pseudoplicata			2	1	×	1	1	1		4							
B. pusilla			4	7	\times	2	6	2	2	2		1					
Cassidulina minuta			1	2	2												
Cibicides robertsonianus			1	1				2	3	1	3						
Cribrostomoides subglobosum	1		2					1		×		2	X	5	27	2	6
C. umbilicatulum			1			1		1			3						4
Cyclammina cancellata			1			2		2	1		3					4	
Eponides polius			2	3	2	4	3		1	4		7	7				1
Glomospira charoides			4	5	11	7	5	8	9			18	20	9		84	
Guembelitria vivans			3	10	2	1	5	7	3	12			1				1
Pullenia subsphaericus			1	3	4	7	4	7	6	5		12	13				4
Gyroidina lamarckiana				6	2	5	5	1	5	3		9	18				
Karreriella apicularis				1	4	5		2	3		10	4	10	10	45	10	64
Nodellum membranaceum				3		1		3	2			1	6				
Glomospira gordialis					1		1	1	\times		9		Х				3
Hormosina globulifera					3	6	-	4	3				1				
Trochammina globulosa					3	5		3	1			1					
T. simplissima						1		1			6						1
Pyrgo murrhina							2	1	1	1	3						
Reophax distans							1	3	×								
Cystammina pauciloculata								×			3						
Eggerella advena								4									
Reophax nodulosus								2			3		1	1			3
Ammobaculites americanus												10		-			2

	TABLE 7		
Generalized bathymetric	distribution of benthonic	foraminifers in th	e Andaman Sea.

	DEPTH Meters)	0- 25	26- 50	51- 76	76- 100	101-200	201- 300	301-400	401- 600	601- 800	801-1000	1001-1200	201-1400	1401-1600	1601-1800	1801-2200	2201-2600	2601-3000	3001-3400	
BENTHONIC SPECIES													-	14	16	18	53	26	30	
Cibicides bantamensis Bolivina spathulata		9 18	2 10	4 9	2 19	$\frac{\times}{5}$	2 3	0 19	02	1 6	1	0 0	1 2	3	0	2	1	3		
B. subreticulata		9	6	4	3	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	U	-	1	5		
Bulimina marginata		9	2	2	1	3	2	3	1	1	0	0	$\stackrel{\times}{_1}$	0	•					
Eponides pusillus		1 45	2 13	2	1 2	1 0	1 3	3 0	5 0	2 0	$\stackrel{\times}{0}$	8 0		0	0	1	1			
Florilus scaphus Uvigerina auberiana		45 9	2	$\frac{\times}{2}$	1	õ	1	1	3	3	4	1	$\frac{\times}{2}$	2	1	1	×	0	1	
Ammonia beccarii		-	4	X		0	4	1	0	0	0	Õ	ō	õ	õ	Ô	x			
4. equatoriana			7	3	$\stackrel{\times}{1}$	3	7	2	1	0	0	1								
Anomalina colligera			2	1	3	1	1	×							-					-
Asterorotalia multispinosa 4. pulchella			5 14	1 2	1 1	1 1	32													
Bolivina quadrata			5	1	2	2	2 1	0	5	0	0	4	0	1	1	1	1			
Cassidulina subglobosa			1		-	•		•		•	•	•			0	•	•			
Cassidulina minuta Cibicides dorsopustulosus var			4 6	4 3	5 1	0	8	3	X	2	0	0	1	X	0	0	0	Х		
Cibicides pseudoungerianus	•		2	3	22	2	2	2	1	4	9	3	1	3	8	4	x			
C. soendaensis			1	4	2	2 1	2 3	2 0	0	1	1									
Elphidium macellum Guembelitria vivans			7	1	2	2	1.	~	12	6	2	1	4	2	0	6	6	1	•	
Gyroidina (juv)		_	4	1	2	2	1· 2	×	12	6 0	2	$\frac{4}{1}$	4	2	0	6	6	1	0	_
Hanzawaia nipponica			7	3	3	2	ĩ	$\frac{\times}{3}$	0	1	Ő	1	õ	0	0	0	1			
Quinqueloculina laevigata			3	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	$\stackrel{\times}{_1}$							
Rotorbinella praegeri			6	10	6	2 0	3 0	9 0	0	2 1	$\stackrel{\times}{_0}$	0	1 0	0	00	0	Х			
Scutularis procerus Bolivina albatrossi			2	$^{1}_{\times}$	3	5	1	3	4	3	×	1	3	0 1	0	1 1				
3. pseudoplicata			××	î	×2 2	×	2	0	4	6	x	2	1	2	1	2				
Cassidulina cushmani				1		$\frac{\times}{2}$	3	0	1	1	$\stackrel{\times}{_0}$	0	0	0	0	0	1			
C. inflata				1	1	7 0	20	1	23	43	$\frac{\times}{6}$	13	1 6	1 4	2	5	4	2		
C. subcalifornica C. tortuosa				1 3	4	0	0	1	3	3	0		0	4	1	3	4	2		_
Hoeglundina elegans				3		1	4	1	2	0	1	1	1	2	0	0	1			
Angulogerina angulosa					$\stackrel{\times}{_{1}}$	3	1	0	3	2	0	5	0	1	0	2				
Bolivina robusta					1	0	6	5 50	1 0	1 0	0 0	4 10	1 1	2 1	0 4	1 1	13	2		
Bulimina aculeata 3. rostrata									2	1	0	1	3	4	8	4	1	3		
Cassidulina minuta			1	Х	0	0	0	×27	2 4	Ô	2	6	4	3	0	1	-			
C. neocarinata					1	0	12		2	1	0	1	1	3	0	0	1			
C. braziliensis C. pacifica				1	X	$\frac{\times}{2}$	7 0	3	0 2	1 0	0 5	$\stackrel{1}{\times}$	0 3	0 4	1 1	1	1			
Cibicides bradyi			_	Х	××	0	0	× 6	1	0	1	$\frac{2}{2}$	4	3	3	3	6	6	7	_
C. wuellerstorfi					^	U	U	2	1	ŏ	Ô	ĩ	ī	2	3	2	2	2	5	
Epistominella exigua				1	×	0	$\stackrel{\times}{_0}$	0	2	2	1	2	13	16	1	5	3	0	1	
Melonis barleeanus Astrononion schwageri					×	0	0	1 6	1 0	0	0	1 4	42	1 1	4	02	1 1	3 1	13	
Nonion cf. Asterotuberculatus							5	0	3	0	0	-	4	1	4	4	1	T		
Nuttalides rugosa				X	0	0	Ō	X	3	0	5	3	1	2	0	2	$\stackrel{\times}{_2}$			
Pseudoeponides japonicus								•	1	2	0	0	1	1	5	0	2			
Pullenia bulloides P. subsphaerica							1	2	2 1	0 1	0	3	$^{1}_{\times}$	$^2_{\times}$	6 0	2 2	1 6	12	0	
rochammina globigeriniform	nis							-	1	1	-	-	~	^	•	-	2	1	0	-
Bolivina pusilla				Х	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	41	1	1	0	5	3	î		
Gyroidina lamarckiana								•	1	0	$\overset{\times}{0}$	1	2 1	1	0	6	4	13		
Eggerella bradyi Glomospira charoides							X	0	0	0	0	2	1	1 0	4 0	2 4	1 7	1 19	1 9	
G. gordialis				3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	×	ŏ	Ő	0	í	9	0	
Gyroidina altiformis acuta				-	•		0					2	2	1	5	1	1	× 7		
Eponides polius								1	0	1	0	3	1	1	0	2	3		0	
lormosina globulifera Carreriella apicularis													×	0	0	1	0 3	1 4	8	
Ielonis pompilioides											-		~	0	0		1		0	_
Nodellum membranaceum																	2	× 3 2		
Oridorsalis umbonatus umbon	atus							×	1	0	0	3	2	2 1	6 6	2 1	22	2	5	
Osangularia culter					~	•		0		•	1	3 2 1	2 3 4	1	6	1	1		-	
Pullenia quinqueloba Cribrostomoides subglobosum				1	0	0	×	0	1	0	0	1	4	×	1	3	3	1	2 5	
Eggerella advena							×	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	$\overset{\times}{0}$	$\overset{\times}{0}$	0	
Veoconorbina patelliformis							~			1	1		1	<u> </u>			1		12	
rochammina simplissima																		6		

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and dominant species of the Mergui platform middle bathyal fauna are:

Astrononion schwageri Bolivina quadrata Bolivina pusilla Bulimina aculeata Cassidulina pacifica Cassidulina subglobosa Eponides polius Guembelitria vivans

Dominant species occurring in only one province are Bolivina quadrata, Bolivina pusilla, Bulimina aculeata, and Eponides polius. Bolivina quadrata was not noted west of the Mergui platform, and Bolivina pusilla, Bulimina aculeata, and Eponides polius occur in the central basin of the Andaman Sea but at depths greater than occurrences on the Mergui platform. The different upper-depth occurrences may be due to differences in sedimentation rates or factors associated with different rates of sedimentation, because little variation is evident in the chemical and physical parameters of the water in the two provinces (table 1).

GENERAL BATHYMETRIC DISTRIBUTION

A general bathymetric distribution of selected foraminiferal species from the Andaman Sea was constructed using dominant and characteristic species of each faunal province and other bathymetrically significant species (table 7). Percentages have been reported as averages of relative abundances for specific depth intervals. At shelf depths, where more stations were available for examination and physical and chemical gradients are most pronounced, the depth intervals are smaller.

Two major breaks are evident in the bathymetric distributions. The shallower break coincides with the shelf edge and major changes in chemical and physical parameters of the water. The deeper break is transitional and results from the solution of the calcareous foraminifers.

Shelf faunas are characterized by species of *Ammonia, Asterorotalia,* and *Pseudorotalia;* these genera are found exclusively at shelf depths, irrespective of sediment type. Areas of coarse-grained sediments and inner-shelf depths are characterized by abundances of *Cibicides dorsopustulosus* var. and species of *Elphidium*.

Upper-bathyal faunas have affinities with the lower parts of the outer-shelf faunas but are characterized by the first appearance of the distinctive species *Bolivina robusta*. A change in the general morphologic characteristics of the genera *Bolivina* and *Angulogerina* approximates the biofacies boundary. Specimens of *Bolivina* having sinuate sutures (*Bolivina albatrossi*, *B. pseudoplicata*, and *B. robusta*) constitute a significant percentage of foraminiferal assemblages at depths greater than 200 meters, whereas specimens having straight sutures are dominant at depths less than 200 meters. Ornamentation on specimens of *Angulogerina* decreases with depth. *Angulogerina cuyleri*, characterized by coarse costae, occurs at outer shelf and upper bathyal depths, whereas *Angulogerina angulosa*, characterized by fine costae, is found at depths greater than 225 meters.

A change in ornamentation of uvigerinids occurs at the upper bathyal and middle bathyal boundary. At outer-shelf and upper-bathyal depths uvigerinids are characterized by costate species (Uvigerina bifurcata, Uvigerina schwageri, and Uvigerina schencki). Below 600 meters, however, uvigerinids are represented by the hispid species Uvigerina auberiana.

The middle bathyal depth zone lacks a unique foraminiferal assemblage. The significance of the middle bathyal biofacies lies in the graduate appearance of deep-water benthonics, such as Astrononion schwageri, Bolivina pusilla, Bulimina rostrata, Cibicides wuellerstorfi, Eponides polius, Melonis barleeanus, and Pullenia subsphaerica.

The lower bathyal fauna of the Andaman Sea is a unique environmental niche. Calcareous foraminifers have been almost completely destroyed by solution of calcium carbonate and residual assemblages are characterized by the dominance of *Glomospira charoides* and *Karreriella apicularis*.

Certain generalizations are suggested concerning the effects of the chemical and physical parameters invested in this study. Direct effects on the foraminiferal distributions on the shelf can be attributed to variations in salinity, grain size of the substrate and turbidity, and possibly organic content. Foraminiferal distributions in the bathyal and abyssal zones may be influenced by rates of deposition, but otherwise appear to be influenced solely by pressure (depth).

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Sta. No.	Lat. North	Long. East	Depth in m	Sta. No.	Lat. North	Long. East	Depth in m	Sta. No.	Lat. North	Long. East	Depth in m	Sta. No.	Lat. North	Long. East	Depth in m
US	S Serrano sa	mples colle	ected	230	14 45.8	95 00.0	68	25	14 57.0	95 05.0	49	58	10 58.0	94 00.0	2837
	in 1	961		235	15 13.7	95 30.7	38	26	14 54.0	95 54.0	79	60	11 00.0	90 54.5	3180
176	7°48.0′	98°08.5′	77	237	15 29.5	96 00.0	20	27	15 00.0	97 00.0	33	62	8 59.0	93 58.0	3675
180	8 14.9	98 00.0	78	240	15 45.0	96 30.0	13	28	15 00.0	97 30.0	27	63	8 00.0	94 00.0	1372
182	8 45.5	98 00.0	57	243	16 00.0	97 00.0	14	29	14 30.0	97 30.0	25	64	7 00.0	94 14.0	1555
186	9 11.0	98 00.0	50	246	15 26.2	96 53.1	20	30	14 00.0	97 30.0	64	65	7 00.0	96 00.0	1440
190	9 27.7	97 45.9	32	247	15 12.3	96 56.7	28	31	14 00.0	97 00.0	62	66	7 00.0	97 00.0	1024
191	10 00.0	97 30.0	30	249	15 00.0	97 00.0	30	32	13 30.0	97 30.0	62	67	7 16.5	97 33.5	494
192	10 00.0	97 00.0	320	250	14 46.1	97 00.0	38	33	13 00.0	97 30.0	79	68	6 50.0	97 41.0	308
193	9 56.0	95 55.0	2377	251	14 30.0	97 00.0	45	34	13 00.0	97 00.0	95	69	6 30.0	97 30.0	585
196	8 00.0	96 00.0	555	254	14 30.0	96 00.0	105	35	12 30.0	97 30.0	82				
197	8 03.4	96 59.2	512	255	14 30.0	95 30.0	110	36	12 00.0	97 30.0	79				
199	6 10.0	97 39.0	210	257	14 30.0	94 00.0	105	37	12 00.0	97 00.0	228	US	S Pioneer sa	amples colle	ected
201	6 10.0	97 45.0	122	259	14 30.0	93 00.0	1600	39	11 00.0	97 30.0	82		in	1965	
202	6 10.0	97 45.0	122	264	15 28.5	93 58.1	43	40	7 03.5	95 06.5	2562	P-18	5°46.5'	97°00.7′	1123
203	6 12.8	97 55.2	120	267	16 00.0	94 00.0	62	41	8 00.0	95 00.0	2605	P-19	9 21.3	93 56.2	3175
204	6 12.5	98 05.5	110	269	15 30.0	94 30.0	46	42	9 01.0	95 01.0	2175	P-20	10 09.4	91 06.9	3415
205	6 13.3	98 10.2	110	271	15 16.7	95 01.5	35	43	9 54.0	94 55.0	1281	P-21	10 09.8	92 27.0	1116
209	6 07.7	98 36.9	110					44	10 49.0	94 57.0	3020	P-22	10 02.6	93 12.3	2590
210	6 04.8	98 45.2	104					45	11 00.0	96 00.0	2324	P-23	9 54.1	93 44.7	3240
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215	6 21.0	93 34.0	970		in	1963		47	12 03.0	95 06.0	2837	P-25	9 47.6	93 55.7	3778
217	10 00.0	94 00.0	1373	2A	5° 55.0'	97°56.0'	82	48	13 02.0	95 00.5	1370	P-26	12 48.6	93 57.3	2151
218	10 00.0	95 00.0		3	6 00.0	96 55.0	1170	49	12 54.0	96 04.0	1830	A-2	11 01.0	93 42.0	2562
219	9 00.0	96 00.0	1100	4	6 03.0	95 58.0	1272	51	14 02.0	94 59.0	348	A-3	11 56.0	93 22.0	1390
220	9 00.0	97 00.0	390	9	5 57.0	81 56.0	3916	52	13 59.0	93 59.0	1098	A-4	12 48.6	93 57.3	2151
221	11 00.0	97 00.0	335	17	14 57.0	85 59.0	3532	53	14 00.0	93 30.0	731	503	5 49.0	96 58.0	1123
223	11 00.0	95 00.0	3477	20	15 00.0	92 00.0	2562	54	13 00.0	93 17.0	565	682	10 01.0	93 45.0	4206
225	12 31.1	94 48.5	100	21	15 00.0	93 00.0	2630	56	12 00.0	94 00.0	1922	2361	5 48.0	96 52.0	1225
228	14 30.0	95 00.0	82	22	15 00.0	94 02.0	64	57	12 00.0	93 15.0	256	2378	5 52.0	96 29.0	1296

APPENDIX A. Location, water depth, and source for samples

Species	Occurrence (No. of Samples)	Depth Range (Meters)	Species	Occurrence (No. of Samples)	Depth Range (Meters)
Spiroloculina serrulata	2	25- 77	Spirillina decorata	1	63
Quinqueloculina curta	5	25- 82	Spiroloculina lucida	2	63- 77
Textularia schencki	6	25- 94	Planulina italica	5	63- 94
Cancris carinatus	5	25- 94	Pseudorotalia schroeteriana	2	63- 105
Triloculina contorta	6	25- 94	Coryphostoma amygdalaeform		63- 207
Siphotextularia affinis	9	25- 100	Coryphostoma laevigatum	7	63- 72
Spiroplectamina floridana	8	25- 122	Sigmavirgulina tortuosa	5	63-2565
Quinqueloculina kerimbatica			Amphicoryna scalaris	1	77
philippiensis	5	25-210	Triloculina terguemiana	1	77
Eponides repandus	9	25- 210	Haplophragmoides canariensis	1	77
Quinqueloculina sabulosa	15	25- 225	Planorbulinella larvata	3	77- 94
Quinqueloculina bicarinata	4	25- 225	Spiroloculina orbis	2	77- 94
Cancris auriculus	12	25- 225	Lamarckina vertricosa	4	77- 207
Triloculina tricarinata	13	25- 252	Textularia abbreviata	5	77- 225
Spiroloculina communis	20	25- 512	Sigmoidella elegantissima	4	77- 225
Quinqueloculina tropicalis	7	25- 512	Elphidium crispum	3	77- 225
Quinqueloculina lamarckiana	5	25-2286	Coryphostoma strigosum	2	77- 970
Pyrgoella sphaera	5	25-2520	Coryphostoma limbatum	3	77- 970
Triloculina cultrata	1	25-2520	Geminaricta pacifica	3	77-1260
Textularia agglutinans	3	30- 80	Robulus calcar	14	77-1440
Elphidium asiaticum	8	32- 302	Chilostomella oolina	12	77-2565
Nonionella turgida	7	32-1170	Cibicides fletcheri	1	78
Quinqueloculina parkeri	1	43	Siphogenerina indicus	1	80
Ophthalmidium acutimargo	8	43 49- 555	Nodosaria scalaris separans	4	80- 105
Bolivina abbreviata	11	49- 333	Uvigerina schencki	4	80- 252
Bigenerina nodosaria		49-1330 50	Bolivina argentea	2	80- 302
Cassidulina orientale	1 5	50-1530	Bolivinita quadrilatera	4	80-2590
Coryphostoma convallarum	7	50-1530	Cancris peroblonga	3	81- 110
	4	50-1550	Bolivinita subangularis	2	81- 225
Cassidella subdepressa Bulimina striata mexicana	4	50-2585	Bolivina semicostata	3	81- 225
		50-2590	Siphonina reticulata	7	81- 223
Reusella aculeata	16	CELE VERSIONE	Cassidulina angulosa	2	81- 970
Biloculinella subglobula	5	51- 252	Trochammina rotaliformis		81-2286
Reussella checchiarispoli	1	57	Bulimina subornata	3	81-2266
Stainforthia texturata	5	57-302	Allomorphina trigona	2 3	82- 342
Glandulina laevigata	4	57-1530	Cyclammina bradyi	1	82- 342 94
Coryphostoma lobatum	6	57-2520			94
Ammobaculites agglutinans	1	59	Cymbaloporetta squammosa	1 2	
Reophax scorpiurus	1	59	Cassidulinoides campactus		100- 252
Heterostegina depressa	5	59- 82	Cassidulinoides tenuis Pararotalia ozawaia	3	117-1530
Baggina indicus	8	50-100		1	122
Angulogerina cuyleri	10	59- 302	Elphidium indicum	1	122
Coryphostoma labatulum	17	59-1260	Elphidium craticulatum	2	100- 210
Ceratobulimina pacifica	7	59-1440	Calcarina spengleri	2	122- 555
Pyrgo lucernula	7	59-2970	Cassidella schreibersiana	9	207-2970
Siphotextularia obesa	1	61	Uvigerina schwageri	4	210- 576
Gaudryina atlantica pacifica	8	61-105	Chilostominella ovoidea	1	225
Pyrgo sarsii	5	61-252	Globobulimina affinis	4	252-720
Robulus coloratus	10	61-1890	Bolivina seminuda humilis	1	252
Bolivinita minuta	5	61-2590	Uvigerina peregrina dirupta	1	252
Bolivina aenariensis	4	62-252	Patellinella inconspicua	2	252-720
Coryphostoma karrerianum			Dentalina translucens	2	252-1260
carinatum	4	62- 555	Globobulimina pyrula	4	252-2286

APPENDIX B. Bathymetric occurrence of benthonic foraminifers comprising less than three percent of benthonic assemblages

Species	Occurrence (No. of Samples)	Depth Range (Meters)	Species	Occurrence (No. of Samples)	Depth Range (Meters)
Gaudryina robusta	1	342	Stilostomella lepidula	1	1530
Valvulineria laevigata	6	342-2565	Suggrunda kleinpelli	1	1530
Vaginulina subelegans	1	556	Laticarinina pauperata	4	1600-2565
Coryphostoma karrerianum			Gyroidina altiformis	2	1800-2286
karrerianum	3	556-1260	Cribrostomoides ringens	1	2151
Stainforthia complanata	2	576-1170	Hormosina ovicula	1	2151
Buliminella curta	1	720	Reophax pilulifer	1	2151
Bulimina subtenuis	1	970	Pandaglandulina dinapolii	1	2286
Heronallenia lingulata	6	970-2590	Gyroidina orbicularis	2	2286-2970
Alabamina decorata	3	1100-2590	Ammodiscus tenuis	1	2520
Cribrostomoides subglobosus	13	1170-2590	Haplophragmoides sphaerilocul	us 1	2520
Rupertia stabilis	1	1296	Trochammina nitida	1	2520
Trochammina tasmanica	3	1296-2286	Recurvoides contortus	2	2520-2970
Cassidulina alternans	1	1530	Pseudotrochammina triloba	3	2520-3778
Ehrenbergina hystrix glabra	1	1530	Pleurostomella alternans	1	2565
Stilostomella antilla	1	1530	Melonis pompilioides	3	2790-3210

APPENDIX B.-(continued)

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ABSTRACT

The foraminiferal fauna of Puerto Deseado Creek has been discussed in four previous papers in which 76 species of benthonic foraminifera were reported. With additional study of very rich material in recent years this list was extended to 130 species. Taking into account the smallness of the area, the foraminiferal fauna of Puerto Deseado Creek is qualitatively the best known in the world. This study shows that in order to understand a foraminiferal fauna in detail, it is necessary to study a really large collection of material, as many species are very rare and/or live in isolated small biotopes. Because it is not generally possible to study a given area so exhaustively, the foraminiferal lists prepared for most areas should be considered as very incomplete.

INTRODUCTION

In 1963 Boltovskoy published a paper on the foraminiferal biocoenosis of Puerto Deseado. For this study 42 bottom samples gathered during 1961 in the intertidal zone in the vicinity of the Deseado Harbor were examined and 44 foraminiferal species, all benthonic, were identified. Twenty-eight were presumably alive when collected as they contained protoplasm.

In subsequent years very rich material was collected from Puerto Deseado Creek in the area of the new Marine Biological Station. This material consisted of: a) samples obtained weekly to study seasonal variations, b) fifty-eight short cores collected to study the depth to which foraminifera can survive, and c) a large collection of material gathered all over the area by numerous students who came every year during the month of February to participate in a course of marine biology. The study of this material resulted in three additional papers on the foraminifera (Boltovskoy, 1964, 1966; and Boltovskoy & Lena, 1966). In the latter paper 32 previously unrecorded species were reported. All species were rare, and eight of them contained protoplasm. In this way, the number of benthonic foraminifera found in the littoral zone of Puerto Deseado increased to 76.

We did not think that this number could be considerably enlarged by the study of supplemental material. However, technicians of the Marine Biological Station of Puerto Deseado continued to collect weekly samples from different locations for our studies on seasonal occurrences, and students continued to gather samples during their stay in Puerto Deseado every February. We decided to examine all this material systematically to try to find some foraminiferal species previously unrecorded in this area.

To our surprise we identified 44 more species of benthonic foraminifera in addition to the 76 which were already known. Nine other foraminifers were put in *nomenclatura aperta* and one was considered as another *forma* of an already known species. All of the new additions were extremely rare and although in some cases there were sufficient specimens for identification, they occurred only in quite distinctive small biotopes. Thus, the total number of benthonic foraminifera known from the area of Deseado Harbor reached 130.

During the present study, besides unrecorded species, some specimens of the species previously recorded as "dead" (without protoplasm) were found with protoplasm and the percentage of "living" species increased to somewhat more than 50%.

Taking into account the volume of material examined as well as its distribution, and the relatively small size of the area under study, we can consider this area as qualitatively the best studied in the world. The description of the area is given in the previous paper by Boltovskoy (1963) and there is no reason to repeat it. We would like to state, however, that sampling covered the littoral zone of Deseado Creek corresponding to approximately 12 km of its northern shore line and 6 km of its southern shore line. We do not know of any other littoral area which has been covered as intensively by sampling during so many years.

The main aim of this study was to complete the enumeration of foraminiferal species found in the vicinity of Deseado Harbor and thus to try to achieve a complete foraminiferal fauna list of this area. At the same time we would like to point out that in order to understand a foraminiferal benthonic fauna qualitatively and in detail, it is necessary to examine a very large collection of material gathered at closely located points over several years. Many species are so sparsely distributed that they can only be found by chance if sampling density is

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low. The first 42 samples yielded only 44 species. Due to the several thousand additional samples gathered during the following seven years this number gradually was increased to 130. This experience reveals that the majority of the faunal lists of benthonic foraminifera prepared for different areas of the world are probably very incomplete. They consist of the most common species and some rare ones collected by chance, but they do not include many species which are very rare and/or live on isolated biotopes and therefore could be included only after a study of vast material, such as we had in the area of Deseado Creek.

SYSTEMATICS

To save space we usually give the original reference in the synonymy of each species. Other references are included in a few cases, and brief notes have been added where necessary. Several specimens were compared by Lena (November, 1968) with the specimens stored in the Foraminiferal Collection of the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D.C. To be consistent with the previous papers on the foraminifera of Puerto Deseado, all generic and specific names are given alphabetically and the references are cited in the same style.

The relatively large number of species put in *nomenclature aperta* is due to many species which are represented by very few, sometimes young, specimens.

The following species have been found since publishing the previous lists of benthonic foraminifera of Deseado Creek (Boltovskoy, 1963; Boltovskoy & Lena, 1966).

- 1. Allogromia flexibilis (Wiesner), 1931. Pl. 18, figs. 1-4.
 - 1931 Technitella flexibilis WIESNER, Sudpolar Exp., p. 85, pl. 7, fig. 75.

This species was described by Wiesner in Antarctic waters as *Technitella* and was later found in Antarctic and subantarctic waters by Earland (1933, p. 68) and Parr (1950, p. 258), who considered it as *Hippocrepina flexibilis*. However, the authors cited did not section any specimens and their interpretation of the aperture was therefore incorrect. Our sections (see plate 18, fig. 4) show that the aperture has a well pronounced entosolenian tube, so this species belongs to *Allogromia*. This species is common in some very restricted localities.

- 2. Ammodiscus plicatus Terquem, 1886. Pl. 18, fig. 5.
 - 1886 Ammodiscus plicatus TERQUEM, Fuller's Earth Varsovie, p. 9, pl. 1, figs. 16-17.

A single specimen was found which seems to be identical to the type.

 Asterigerinata pacifica Uchio, 1960. Pl. 18, fig. 13.
 1960 Asterigerinata pacifica UCHIO, San

Diego, p. 67, pl. 10, figs. 26-31.

Several very typical specimens were found.

 Astrononion stelligerum (d'Orbigny), 1839. Pl. 18, fig. 6.

1839 Nonionina stelligera D'ORBIGNY, Canaries, p. 128, pl. 3, figs. 1-2.

One rather typical specimen was found.

- 5. Bolivina aff. B. doniezi Cushman and Wickenden, 1929. Pl. 18, figs. 7-8.
- Aff. 1929 Bolivina doniezi CUSHMAN and WICK-ENDEN, Juan Fernández, p. 9, pl. 4, fig. 3.

Some living and dead specimens occur. None are typical and are therefore only tentatively identified.

- Bolivina paula Cushman and Cahill, 1932. Pl. 18, fig. 9.
 - 1932 Bolivina paula CUSHMAN and PON-TON, Foram. Mioc. Florida, p. 84, pl. 12, fig. 6.

This species varies greatly in its morphological features. Some specimens were found near Quinta Island.

- Bolivina tarchanensis Subbotina and Khutsieva, 1950. Pl. 18, fig. 10.
 - 1950 Bolivina tarchanensis SUBBOTINA and KHUTSIEVA, Chokrak Foram., p. 171, pl. 9, fig. 4a-b.

One specimen, found alive, was not very typical of this species.

- 8. Bolivina translucens Phleger and Parker, 1951. Pl. 19, fig. 26.
 - 1951 Bolivina translucens PHLEGER and PARKER, Ecol. Foram. Gulf Mexico, p. 15, pl. 7, figs. 13-14a-b.

Very rare specimens were found.

- 9. Bolivina variabilis (Williamson), 1858. Pl. 18, fig. 12.
 - 1858 Textularia variabilis WILLIAMSON, British Isles, p. 76, pl. 6, figs. 162-163.

Surprisingly, this species is present in considerable numbers (living and dead) in an area east of Quinta Island.

10. Bolivina sp. "A." Pl. 18, fig. 11.

Isolated specimens of this unknown species were found near Quinta Island.

11. Bulimina gibba Fornasini, 1900. Pl. 18, fig. 15.

1900 Bulimina gibba FORNASINI, Foram. Adriat., p. 378, figs. 32, 34.

The specimens found are typical.

- 12. Bulimina patagonica d'Orbigny, forma typica, 1839. Pl. 18, fig. 14.
 - 1839 Bulimina patagonica D'ORBIGNY, Amér. Mérid., p. 50, pl. 1, figs. 8, 9.

Very rare specimens were found downstream of Quinta Island.

- Buliminella auricula (Heron-Allen and Earland), 1932. Pl. 18, fig. 30.
 - 1932 Bulimina auricula HERON-ALLEN and EARLAND, Discovery, p. 351, pl. 9, figs. 1-2.

Very rare specimens from one locality (Quinta Island) are referred to this species.

- Cassidulina laevigata d'Orbigny, 1826. PL 18, fig. 21.
 - 1826 Cassidulina laevigata D'ORBIGNY, Tabl. Méth., p. 282, no. 1, pl. 15, figs. 4-5.

This species was very rare in the material studied, and represented only by small, poorly developed tests.

- 15. Cibicides bertheloti (d'Orbigny), forma boueana, 1846. Pl. 19, fig. 1.
 - 1846 Trucantulina boueana D'ORBIGNY, Vienna Basin, p. 160, pl. 9, figs. 24-26.

Very rare, undersized, but typical specimens were found. One test showed the presence of protoplasm.

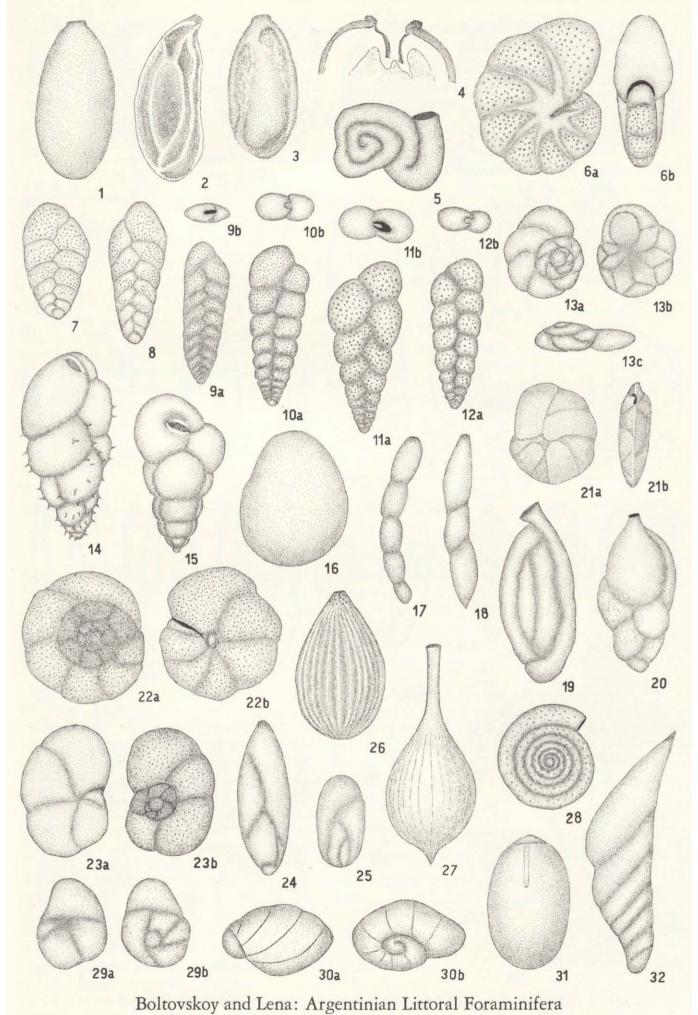
 Dentalina communis (d'Orbigny), 1826. Pl. 18, fig. 18.

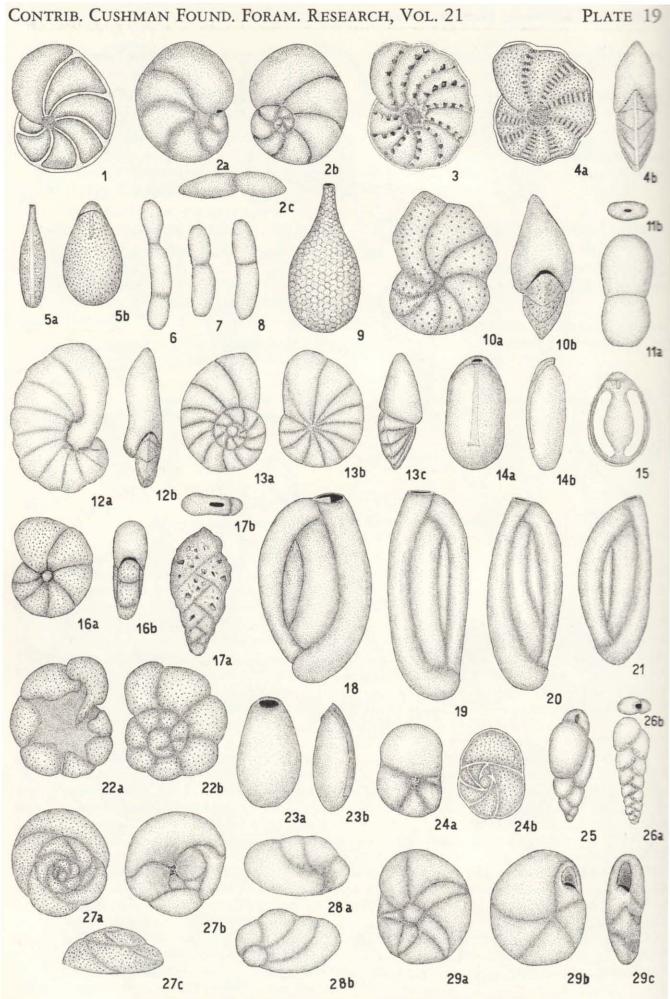
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9.	Bolivina paula Cushman and Cahill (0.36 mm).	149
10.	Bolivina tarchanensis Subbotina and Khutsieva (0.40 mm).	149
11.	Bolivina sp. "A" (0.42 mm).	149
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13.	Asterigerina pacifica Uchio (0.13 mm).	149
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15.	Bulimina gibba Fornasini (0.38 mm).	150
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17.	Dentalina filiformis (d'Orbigny) (0.37 mm).	151
18.	Dentalina communis (d'Orbigny) (0.56 mm).	150
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20.	Uvigerina striata d'Orbigny (0.40 mm).	154
21.	Cassidulina laevigata d'Orbigny (0.19 mm).	150
22.	Discorbis williamsoni (Chapman and Parr), forma praegeri Heron-Allen and Earland (0.31 mm).	
23.	Discorbis peruvianus (d'Orbigny) (0.24 mm).	
24.	Guttulina lactea (Walker and Jacob) (0.36 mm).	
25.	Sigmomorphina williamsoni (Terquem) (0.22 mm).	
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29.	Discorbis chasteri Heron-Allen and Earland (0.21 mm).	
30.	Buliminella auricula (Heron-Allen and Earland) (0.16 mm).	
31.	Fissurina elliptica Seguenza (0.32 mm).	
32.	Vaginulinopsis pacifica (Cushman and Hanzawa) (0.68 mm).	

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1826 Nodosaria (s. g. Dentalina) communis D'ORBIGNY, Tabl. Méth., p. 254, no. 35.

Two undersized specimens were found.

 Dentalina filiformis (d'Orbigny), 1826. Pl. 18, fig. 17.

> 1826 Nodosaria filiformis D'ORBIGNY, Tabl. Méth., p. 253, no. 14.

One typical but dead specimen was found.

- Dentalina ittai Loeblich and Tappan, 1953. Pl. 19, fig. 6-8.
 - 1953 Dentalina ittai LOEBLICH and TAP-PAN, Arctic Foram., p. 56, pl. 10, figs. 10-12.

This species was found in only one small area near Quinta Island. We are uncertain of this identification because according to Loeblich and Tappan, *D. ittai* "consists of two to six . . . chambers" and has a "radiate aperture." Our specimens have only 2-3 chambers and their aperture is not typically radiate.

 Discorbis bembridgensis Bhatia, 1955. Pl. 19, fig. 22. 1955 Discorbis bembridgensis BHATIA, Isle Wight, p. 682, pl. 66, fig. 26.

The specimens found compare favorably with the original description and figures of D. bembridgensis given by Bhatia.

- Discorbis chasteri Heron-Allen and Earland, 1913. Pl. 18, fig. 29.
 - 1892 Discorbis minutissima CHASTER, First Rep. Southport, p. 65, pl. 1, fig. 15.
 - 1913 Discorbis chasteri HERON-ALLEN and EARLAND, Clare I-d, p. 128.

A total of about 40 specimens of this species were found. However, all were from a small area east of the Isla de los Leones.

- 21. Discorbis malovensis Heron-Allen and Earland, 1932.
 - 1932 Discorbis malovensis HERON-ALLEN and EARLAND, Discovery, p. 415, pl. 14, figs. 22-24.

One rather typical but broken specimen was found.

22. Discorbis peruvianus (d'Orbigny), 1839. Pl. 18, fig. 23.

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4.	Elphidium advenum depressulum Cushman (0.26 mm).	152
5.	Fissurina sp. "A" (0.22 mm).	
6-8.	Dentalina ittai Loeblich and Tappan (0.34, 0.28, 0.30 mm).	151
9.	Lagena digitale Heron-Allen and Earland (0.34 mm).	153
10.	Nonion pauperatum (Balkwill and Wright) (0.28 mm).	153
11.	? Lingulina biloculi Wright (0.34 mm).	153
12.	Nonionella pulchella Hada (0.33 mm).	
13.	Nonionella chiliensis Cushman and Kellet (0.27 mm).	153
14.	Parafissurina quadrata Parr (0.26 mm).	153
15.	Fissurina lucida (Williamson) (0.16 mm).	152
16.	Nonion affine (Reuss) (0.25 mm).	153
17.	Pseudobolivina antarctica Wiesner (0.25 mm).	
18.	Quinqueloculina sp. "A" (0.60 mm).	153
19-21.	Quinqueloculina laevigata d'Orbigny (0.47, 0.51, 0.61 mm).	153
22.	Discorbis bembridgensis Bhatia (0.28 mm).	151
23.	Parafissurina sp. "A" (0.27 mm).	153
24.	Discorbis sp. "B" (0.20 mm).	152
25.	Virgulina riggii Boltovskoy (0.24 mm).	
26.	Bolivina translucens Phleger and Parker (0.21 mm).	
27.	Discorbis sp. "D" (0.24 mm).	
28.	Discorbis sp. "A" (0.15 mm).	
29.	Gen. et sp. indet. (0.17 mm).	152

- 1823 Rosalina peruviana D'ORBIGNY, Amér. 30. Fissurina el
- Mérid., p. 41, pl. 1, figs. 12-14. Rare, undersized specimens were found.
- Discorbis williamsoni (Chapman and Parr), forma praegeri Heron-Allen and Earland. Pl. 18, fig. 22.
 - 1913 Discorbis praegeri HERON-ALLEN and EARLAND, Clare I-d, p. 122, pl. 10, figs. 8-10.
 - 1957 Discorbis nitidus (Williamson), BOLтоvsкоч, Rio de la Plata, p. 55, pl. 9, figs. 1-6.
 - 1959 Discorbis williamsoni (Chapman and Parr), forma praegeri Heron-Allen and Earland, Вогтоvsкоу, S. Brasil, p. 86.

A large report on this species and its relatives can be found in the paper by Boltovskoy cited in the synonymy. Rare specimens were found.

24. Discorbis sp. "A." Pl. 19, fig. 28.

About 45 specimens (almost all of them alive) of this unknown species were found in the same area where *Discorbis chasteri* was observed. Undoubtedly both species are closely related; however, the precise relationship between them is not clear to us.

25. Discorbis sp. "B." Pl. 19, fig. 24.

Some rare tests were encountered. Its taxonomic position is not clear as we could not find any species which would compare with our specimens. However, the small number of specimens found was insufficient to warrant description of this probably new species.

26. Discorbis sp. "C." Pl. 19, fig. 2.

Several diminutive specimens were found, but as in the previous species, we prefer not to describe them because of their very limited number.

27. Discorbis sp. "D." Pl. 19, fig. 27.

Rare specimens were found. Their taxonomic position is not clear to us.

- 28. Elphidium advenum var. depressulum Cushman, 1933. Pl. 19, fig. 4.
 - 1933 Elphidium advenum (Cushman), var. depressulum Cushman, Tropical Pacific, p. 51, pl. 12, fig. 4.

Some isolated, good specimens were found.

- 29. Elphidium margaritaceum Cushman. Pl. 19, fig. 3.
 - 1930 Elphidium advenum (Cushman), var. margaritaceum CUSHMAN, Atlantic Ocean, 7, p. 25, pl. 10, fig. 3.
 - A few good specimens were found.

 Fissurina elliptica Seguenze, 1862. Pl. 18, fig. 31.

> 1862 Fissurina elliptica SEGUENZA, Messina, p. 60, pl. 2, fig. 3.

Very rare specimens were found.

 Fissurina lucida (Williamson), 1858. Pl. 19, fig. 15.

> 1858 Entosolenia marginata, var. lucida WILLIAMSON, British Isles, p. 10, pl. 1, figs. 22-23.

Undersized, isolated specimens were found.

32. Fissurina sp. "A." Pl. 19, fig. 5.

A single, rather peculiar specimen was found with an acuminated shape and very large pores scattered all over the walls, except on the peripheral band.

33. Gen. et sp. indet. Pl. 19, fig. 29.

Test diminutive (greatest diameter 0.21 mm), very low and in many cases almost involute trochospiral, periphery broadly rounded, outline irregularly oval or circular; dorsal side flat or slightly convex, ventral side very slightly concave; dorsal side with the following visible: primordial chamber, four or five chambers of the last coil, and secondary chambers located between the principal ones which form an irregular star with curved rays, pattern of star easily visible since walls of the secondary chambers are brilliant and transparent, whereas those of the principal chambers, owing to their fine and dense porosity, are opaque, some specimens with parts of the chambers of the penultimate whorl also visible on dorsal side; ventral side with only four (or rarely five) chambers of the last coil visible; sutures strongly curved; aperture small, loop-shaped, situated in a broad depression formed by the last chamber; wall calcareous, with smooth surface, microstructure not known.

It is very probable that this foraminifer represents a new species belonging to a genus not yet described. We could not find any described species (or even genus) which would fit well with its characteristics. Lena tried to find comparable specimens in collections of the Smithsonian Institution, but she was also unsuccessful. In addition we asked several colleagues working on Recent foraminifera about the taxonomic position of the foraminifer in question, and they were unable to determine it.

For the present we choose not to establish a new taxon but to leave this species in *nomenclatura aperta*. In order to state categorically that it is new and, accordingly, to give it a name, we would prefer to have more specimens to see its intraspecific variations and to encounter it elsewhere. As yet we have only found 69 specimens all from a very small area near Quinta Island. It is quite probable that this species has not been encountered until now because of its diminutive size and very limited geographical distribution.

- Guttulina lactea (Walker and Jacob), 1798. Pl. 18, fig. 24.
 - 1798 Serpula lactea WALKER and JACOB, p. 634, pl. 14, fig. 4.
 - A few quite typical specimens were found.
- Lagena digitale Heron-Allen and Earland, 1932. Pl. 19, fig. 9.
 - 1932 Lagena digitale HERON-ALLEN and EARLAND, Discovery, p. 371, pl. 10, figs. 28-30.
 - A single specimen was found.
- Lagena sulcata (Walker and Jacob), forma lyellii (Seguenza), 1862. Pl. 18, fig. 27.
 1862 Amphorina lyellii SEGUENZA, Messina, p. 52, fig. 40.

Three dead specimens were found. The remarks on this foraminifer are made in Boltovskoy, 1959, p. 66.

- Lagena vilardeboana (d'Orbigny), 1839.
 Pl. 18, fig. 26.
 - 1839 Oolina vilardeboana D'ORBIGNY, Amér. Mérid., p. 19, pl. 5, figs. 4-5.

Three specimens were encountered.

- 38. ? Lingulina biloculi Wright, 1911. Pl. 19, fig. 11.
 - ? 1911 Lingulina carinata, var. biloculi WRIGHT, Magheramorne, p. 13, pl. 2, fig. 10a-b.

The isolated, very rare specimens encountered do not correspond very well to the types. Therefore this determination is tentative.

- Nonion affine (Reuss), 1851. Pl. 19, fig. 16.
 - 1851 Nonionina affinis REUSS, Septarienthone, p. 72, pl. 5, fig. 32.

Several very small, but otherwise rather typical specimens were found.

- 40. Nonion pauperatum (Balkwill and Wright), 1885. Pl. 19, fig. 10.
 - 1885 Nonionina pauperata BALKWILL and WRIGHT, Foram. Dublin, p. 353, pl. 13, figs. 25-26.

Very few, undersized specimens were found.

41. Nonionella chiliensis Cushman and Kellet, 1929. Pl. 19, fig. 13.

1929 Nonionella chiliensis CUSHMAN and KELLET, W. Coast S. Amer., p. 6, pl. 2, fig. 4a-b.

Three very small, dead but otherwise typical specimens were found.

42. Nonionella pulchella Hada, 1931. Pl. 19, fig. 12.

1931 Nonionella pulchella HADA, Mutsu Bay, p. 120, fig. 79.

Three specimens were found.

43. Parafissurina quadrata Parr, 1950. Pl. 19, fig. 14.

1950 Parafissurina quadrata PARR, Antarctic Exp., p. 361, pl. 9, fig. 20.

Three small but typical specimens were found.

44. Parafissurina sp. "A." Pl. 19, fig. 23.

This unknown and perhaps new species is represented by a single dead specimen.

- 45. Pseudobolivina antarctica Wiesner, 1931. Pl. 19, fig. 17.
 - 1922 Bolivina punctata var. arenacea HERON-ALLEN and EARLAND, "Terra Nova," p. 133, pl. 4, figs. 21-22.
 - 1931 Pseudobolivina antarctica WIESNER, Sudpolar Exp., p. 99.

A few quite characteristic specimens of this rather variable species were encountered in a small area east of Quinta Island.

- *Quinqueloculina laevigata* d'Orbigny, 1839.
 Pl. 19, figs. 19-21.
 - 1839 Quinqueloculina laevigata D'ORBIGNY, Canaries, p. 143, pl. 3, figs. 31-33.

This species was encountered in different localities, but always as isolated specimens.

- 47. Quinqueloculina stalkeri Loeblich and Tappan, 1953. Pl. 18, fig. 19.
 - 1953 Quinqueloculina stalkeri LOEBLICH and TAPPAN, Arctic Foram., p. 40, pl. 5, figs. 5-9.

This species is very rare.

48. Quinqueloculina sp. "A." Pl. 19, fig. 18.

Our specimens could not be ascribed to any species in the bibliography reviewed or in the Collection of the Smithsonian Institution. The eleven specimens found were insufficient to establish a new species. They range from small to medium size, with chambers arranged in quinqueloculine plan and with finely arenaceous, white and smoothly finished walls. Morphologically they are similar to Miliammina lata Heron-Allen and Earland (which is widely known in Antarctic and subantarctic waters); however, according to Heron-Allen and Earland (1930, p. 43) that species has a "wall... containing fine mineral particles in an excess of siliceous cement," whereas our specimens are easily soluble in hydrochloric acid and thus should be considered as *Quinqueloculina*. We temporarily put the specimens encountered in nomenclatura aperta.

- 49. Sigmomorphina williamsoni (Terquem), 1878. Pl. 18, fig. 25.
 - 1858 Polymorphina lactea, var. oblonga WILLIAMSON, British Isles, p. 71, pl. 6, fig. 149a.
 - 1878 Polymorphina williamsoni TERQUEM, Plioc. Rhodes, p. 37.

One typical, live specimen was found in the area near Quinta Island.

- 50. Spirillina vivipara Ehrenberg, 1843. Pl. 18, fig. 28.
 - 1843 Spirillina vivipara EHRENBERG, Micr. Lebens Amer., p. 422, pl. 3, fig. 41.

Two specimens were found.

51. Storthosphaera "A." Pl. 18, fig. 16.

This foraminifer has a subspherical test with finely arenaceous and loosely cemented walls which are not soluble in hydrochloric acid. No pseudochitinous inner layer was observed. Aperture is indefinite. According to these characters it should be considered as a representative of *Storthosphaera*. We were unable to find any species which corresponds well with our specimens. We prefer to put it in *nomenclatura aperta* rather than describe a new species inasmuch as the number of specimens found (15) is insufficient to assess the intraspecific variations.

- Uvigerina striata d'Orbigny, 1839. Pl. 18, fig. 20.
 - 1839 Uvigerina striata D'ORBIGNY, Amér. Mérid., p. 53, pl. 7, fig. 16.

One single specimen with poorly developed *costae* was found.

- 53. Vaginulinopsis pacifica (Cushman and Hanzawa), 1936. Pl. 18, fig. 32.
 - 1936 Polymorphinella pacifica CUSHMAN and HANZAWA, Foram. Late Tert. Pacific, p. 47.
 - 1936 Polymorphinella vaginulinaeformis CUSHMAN and HANZAWA, ibid, p. 47, pl. 8, fig. 5a-d.

- 1936 Polymorphinella compressa CUSH-MAN and HANZAWA, *ibid*, p. 47, pl. 8, fig. 6a-d.
- 1950 Vaginulinopsis pacifica (Cushman and Hanzawa), PARR, Antarctic Exp., p. 325, pl. 11, figs. 16a-b, 17a-b.
- A single quite typical specimen was found.
- Virgulina riggii Boltovskoy. 1954. Pl. 19, fig. 25.
 - 1954 Virgulina riggii Воlтоvsкоу, San Jorge, p. 186, pl. 11, fig. 15; pl. 12, figs. 7-11.

About fifty specimens, almost all of them alive, were found in a small area between the Muelle Municipal and Isla de los Leones on the left side of the Deseado Creek.

The following species from the above list were found living (contained protoplasm) at the time of collection:

Allogromia flexibilis Asterigerina pacifica Bolivina aff. B. doniezi B. paula B. tarchanensis B. translucens B. variabilis Bulimina gibba B. patagonica (forma typica) Cassidulina laevigata *Cibicides bertheloti (forma boueana)* Dentalina communis D. ittai Discorbis bembridgensis D. chasteri D. sp. "A" D. sp. "B" Elphidium advenum depressulum E. margaritaceum Fissurina lucida Gen. et sp. indet. Guttulina lactea Nonion affine N. pauperatum Nonionella pulchella Parafissurina quadrata Pseudobolivina antarctica Quinqueloculina laevigata Q. stalkeri Q. sp. "A" Sigmomorphina williamsoni Spirillina vivipara Storthosphaera sp. "A" Vaginulinopsis pacifica Virgulina riggii

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ABSTRACT

The Marina beach sands, Madras, have yielded fifteen species of foraminifera, including four indeterminate species. Of these, four species are recorded for the first time from Indian waters. The species are very low in frequency. The foraminifers do not appear to be indigenous but have probably been swept in by strong tidal currents and surf-action—a characteristic feature of the Marina beach.

The foraminiferal assemblage is typical of tropical waters and includes seven cosmopolitan and four provincial species. The Indo-Pacific element dominates over the East African one. The intermixing of the foraminifera of the two realms suggests that the "mixed zone" of Cushman should be extended south to Madras.

INTRODUCTION

Following James Hutton's time-honored principle that "the present is the key to the past," more and more attention is now being paid to the study of the Recent so that the knowledge thus gained may be applied in understanding the history of the earth. In India, marine formations are fairly well-developed along coasts and the main aim of the present study is to advance our knowledge of the Recent foraminifera from Indian shores which would contribute towards our understanding of the coastal formations of the sub-continent.

The foraminifera from Indian waters have been studied only in a cursory way. From the Madras area, apparently the only record of foraminifera is by Ganapati and Satyavati (1958), who recorded twenty-two species from two stations off Madras.

The Marina beach of Madras is an open sea beach facing the Bay of Bengal (text fig. 1). Marina is a coarse sand beach with a comparatively steep slope and is noted for the surging waves which constantly attack it. It is about three and a half miles long and is flanked by Cooum River in the north and Adayar River in the south. Both the rivers are rather small and empty into the Bay of The detailed hydrological conditions Bengal. around Marina are not known. However, Rao and Murty (1968) studied the shelf sediments off the Madras coast and observed that while the calcium carbonate content at 6 fathoms depth near Madras is 1.75%, it increases progressively with depth and, at 90 fathoms off Madras, it is 37%.

The present work is based on four samples collected in January, 1968 from the exposed part of Marina beach. It is of a qualitative nature and all the species, whether rare or abundant, have been identified and illustrated. The assemblage is characteristic of warm waters and includes cosmopolitan as well as provincial species of foraminifera. It consists of a total of fifteen species which are very low in frequency—generally represented by a few, or solitary, specimens. Following is a checklist of the species recovered; of these, only *Quinqueloculina vulgaris* and *Elphidium crispum* were earlier reported from the Madras area.

Quinqueloculina cf. Q. seminulum (Linnaeus) Q. vulgaris d'Orbigny Q. sp. indet. Triloculina trigonula (Lamarck) Glabratella sp. indet. Ammonia annectens (Parker and Jones) Ammonia cf. A. hozanensis (Nakamura) Pararotalia nipponica (Asano) Elphidium crispum (Linné) E. minutum (Reuss) Elphidium sp. A Elphidium sp. B Poroeponides lateralis (Terquem) Amphistegina madagascariensis d'Orbigny

Florilus scaphum (Fichtel and Moll)

In the present paper, the classification of foraminifera as proposed by Loeblich and Tappan (1964) has been followed. Synonymies have been considerably cut and the words *et syn*. follow those references in which satisfactory synonymies have already appeared. However, important shifts in the generic names and all possible references from Indian waters have been included. The species are alphabetically arranged and brief taxonomic as well as ecological remarks have been added. Plate figures were drawn by the author.

SYSTEMATIC DESCRIPTIONS

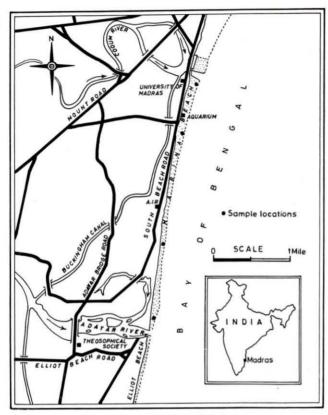
Order FORAMINIFERIDA Eichwald, 1830 Suborder MILIOLINA Delage and Hérouard, 1896 Superfamily MILIOLACEA Ehrenberg, 1839

Family MILIOLIDAE Ehrenberg, 1839

- Subfamily QUINQUELOCULININAE Cushman, 1917
 - Genus Quinqueloculina d'Orbigny, 1826

Quinqueloculina cf. Q. seminulum (Linné) Plate 20, figures 1a, b

Serpula seminulum LINNÉ, 1767, Systema Naturae, ed. 12, p. 1264.



TEXT FIGURE 1 Index map showing sample localities.

Quinqueloculina seminulum (Linné) D'ORBIGNY, 1826, p. 303. BHATIA, 1956, p. 17, Pl. 2, fig. 9. BHATIA and BHALLA, 1959, p. 79, Pl. 1, figs. 1a, b. BHALLA, 1968, pp. 380-381, Pl. 1, figs. 1a, b.

A solitary, slightly broken, specimen referable to Q. seminulum was found in the material from Marina beach. On its four-chambered side, the present specimen shows some resemblance to Q. suborbicularis d'Orbigny, described from the Recent of the Mediterranean Sea but, unlike Q. suborbicularis, the tip of its last-formed chamber is rounded.

Q. seminulum is a cosmopolitan species ranging from Eocene to Recent. It has been frequently reported from near-shore waters where it is found in association with other thick-walled foraminifers. It tolerates wide range of salinity and temperature fluctuations. Kane (1967) recorded it from estuarine to truly marine conditions.

Quinqueloculina vulgaris d'Orbigny, 1826 Plate 20, figures 3a, b

Quinqueloculina vulgaris d'Orbigny, 1826, p. 302. CUSHMAN, 1929 (1918 etc.), p. 25, et syn. SETHULEKSHMI AMMA, 1958, pp. 4-5, Pl. 1, fig. 5. GANAPATI and SATYAVATI, 1958, Pl. 1, figs. 24, 26.

Only two specimens of this small and rather broad species of *Quinqueloculina* were found. They somewhat resemble *Q. triloculiniforma* McLean, 1956, except that the middle chamber on the threechambered side is easily visible.

Q. vulgaris is a cosmopolitan species and has been recorded from cold as well as warm waters at various depths ranging from beach to several fathoms. From Indian waters, it has been reported by Sethulekshmi Amma (1958) from the Travancore coast and by Ganapati and Satyavati (1958) from off the coast of Madras in a 12-97 fathoms depth and 71°-80°F, temperature range.

Quinqueloculina sp. indet.

Plate 20, figures 2a, b

A solitary, rather worn, specimen having a smooth, porcelaneous, long oval test with slightly depressed sutures, bifid tooth, and bluntly triangular outline was found which could not be referred to any known species of *Quinqueloculina*. More well-preserved specimens are required before a trivial name can be assigned.

Genus Triloculina d'Orbigny, 1826 Triloculina trigonula (Lamarck)

Plate 20, figures 4a, b

Miliolites trigonula LAMARCK, 1804, p. 351, Pl. 17, fig. 4.

- Miliolina trigonula Williamson. BRADY, 1884, p. 164, Pl. 3, figs. 14-16.
- Triloculina trigonula (Lamarck). D'ORBIGNY, 1826, p. 229, Pl. 16, figs. 5-9. BHATIA and BHALLA, 1959, p. 79, Pl. 1, figs. 5a, b. BHALLA, 1968, p. 382, Pl. 1, figs. 2a, b.

Two tests with a bluntly angled periphery were found in the material from Marina beach. Originally described by Lamarck from the Eocene of France, this species was later recorded from Eocene to Recent elsewhere. *T. trigonula* has been recorded from the Recent sediments of both the east and west coasts of India.

Suborder ROTALIINA Delage and Hérouard, 1896 Superfamily DISCORBACEA Ehrenberg, 1838 Family GLABRATELLIDAE Loeblich and Tappan, 1964 Genus Glabratella Dorreen, 1948 Glabratella sp. indet.

Plate 20, figures 7a, b

Test high-spired with flat umbilical side; umbilical surface ornamented with minute beads arranged in radial rows; sutures acute on dorsal side but radial on ventral side; aperture a small crescentic opening on umbilical side.

A solitary, broken, specimen of *Glabratella* was found which could not be referred to any known species. This is the first record of *Glabratella* from Indian waters.

- Superfamily ROTALIACEA Ehrenberg, 1839
- Family ROTALIIDAE Ehrenberg, 1839 Subfamily ROTALIINAE Ehrenberg, 1839 Genus Ammonia Brünnich, 1772

Ammonia annectens (Parker and Jones)

Plate 20, figures 8a-c

- Rotalia becarii (Linné) var. annectens PARKER and JONES, 1865, p. 387, 422, Pl. 19, figs. 11a-c.
- Streblus annectens (Parker and Jones). ISHIZAKI, 1940, p. 58, Pl. 3, figs. 12, 13. BHATIA, 1956, p. 22, Pl. 3, figs. 1, 2. BHATIA and BHALLA, 1959, p. 79, Pl. 2, figs. 1a-c.
- Ammonia annectens (Parker and Jones). HUANG, 1964, pp. 50-52, Pl. 2, fig. 3; Pl. 3, figs. 1, 2, text-fig. 3.

Only two, slightly broken but well-developed, specimens of this species were found. Both are sinistrally coiled.

Ammonia annectens is a characteristic Indo-Pacific species and has been described from different areas in the Pacific. From the Indian region, it has been recorded from the west coast by Bhatia (1956) and from the east coast by Bhatia and Bhalla (1959). The known geological range of this species is from Miocene to Recent.

Ammonia cf. A. hozanensis (Nakamura)

Plate 20, figures 5a-c

- Rotalia hozanensis NAKAMURA, 1937, p. 141, Pl. 12, fig. 4.
- Ammonia hozanensis (Nakamura). HUANG, 1964, p. 53, Pl. 1, fig. 4.

A few specimens which may be questionably referred to Ammonia hozanensis were found. Our specimens with a low spire and characteristic apertural view are similar to those figured and described by Huang (1964) and apparently come well within the range of variation of A. hozanensis. However, the Indian specimens have a slightly greater number of chambers in the last whorl and their periphery is comparatively smooth. This difference may possibly be due to dimorphism which has not yet

FIGS.

been studied in this species, or it may be due to geographical variation of the species.

A. hozanensis has previously been recorded only from the Indo-Pacific realm and this is its first record from the Indian region. It is known to range from Miocene to Recent.

> Genus Pararotalia Y. Le Calvez, 1949, emend. Ujiié, 1966 Pararotalia nipponica (Asano)

Plate 20, figures 6a-c

Rotalia nipponica ASANO, 1936, p. 614, Pl. 31, figs. 2a-c.

Pararotalia ozawai (Asano). HUANG, 1964, p. 56, Pl. 1, figs. 14a-c.

Pararotalia taiwanica (Nakamura). HUANG, 1964, pp. 56-58, Pl. 2, figs. 2a-c.

Pararotalia nipponica (Asano). UJIIÉ, 1966, pp. 191-200, Pls. 24, 25. et syn.

Two specimens of P. nipponica were found. Our specimens with equally biconvex test, deeply incised sutures on ventral side, and a large umbonal plug compare well with those figured by Huang (1964) under P. taiwanica. The Indian forms have slightly more developed carina and the periphery is comparatively more lobulate but these features come within the range of variation of the species.

P. nipponica has been reported from Japan, Taiwan, Philippines, and other areas in the Pacific but not previously from Indian waters. The known range of this species is from Miocene to Recent.

Family ELPHIDIIDAE Galloway, 1933 Subfamily ELPHIDIINAE Galloway, 1933 Genus Elphidium de Montfort, 1808

Elphidium crispum (Linné) Cushman and Grant

Plate 21, figures 1a, b

Nautilus crispus LINNÉ, 1758, Systema Naturae, ed. 10, p. 709; ed. 13 (Gmelin's), 1788, p. 3370; FICHTEL and MOLL, 1798, p. 40, Pl. 4, figs. d-f.

Polystomella crispa (Linné). LAMARCK, 1822, p. 625.

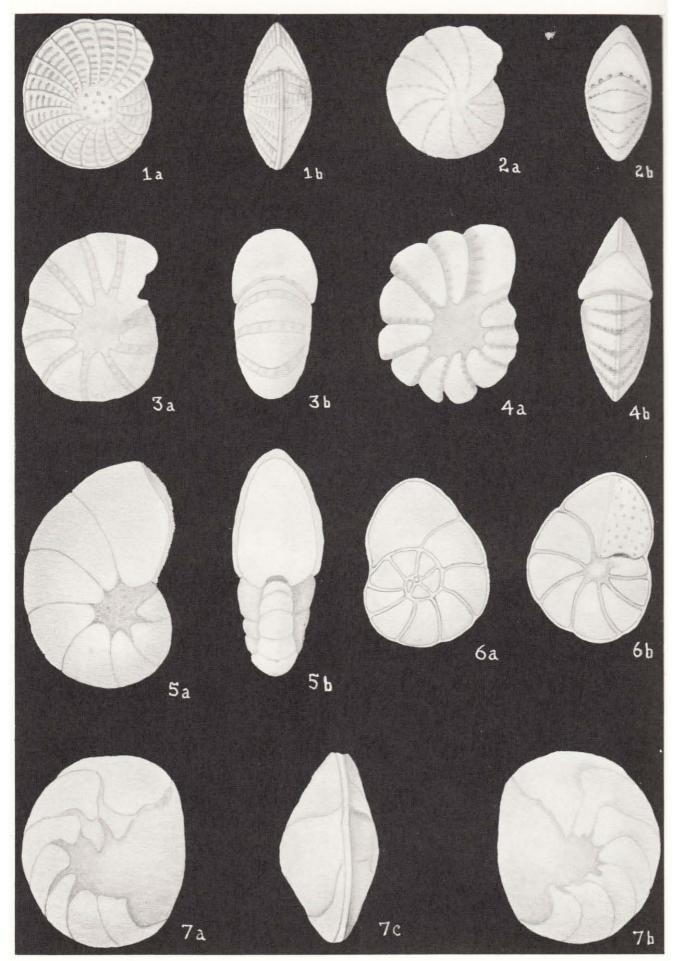
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Elphidium crispum (Linné). CUSHMAN and GRANT, 1927, p. 73, Pl. 7, figs. 3a, b. CUSHMAN, 1939, pp. 50-51, Pl. 13, figs. 17-21 et syn. BHATIA, 1956, Pl. 5, figs. 11a, b. SETHULEKSHMI AMMA, 1958, p. 22, Pl. 1, fig. 33. BHALLA, 1968, pp. 385-386, Pl. 2, figs. 4a, b.

A few specimens of this well-known, cosmopolitan species of *Elphidium* were found. Of all the species of *Elphidium*, this is, perhaps, the best studied species. It is known to tolerate a wide range of salinity and temperature variations and is commonly found in shallow, turbulent waters. Cushman and McCulloch (1940), however, recorded it from a depth of 2 to 130 fathoms. The range of this species is from Miocene to Recent.

E. crispum has been recorded from the west coast of India by Bhatia (1956) and Sethulekshmi Amma (1958) and from the east coast by Bhalla (1968). An indeterminate species of Elphidium was recorded by Ganapati and Satyavati (1958) off Madras from 39 to 50 fathoms depth and 71° to 80° F. temperature range, appears to be E. crispum. However, the types were not seen and, as such, no conclusions can be drawn.

Elphidium minutum (Reuss) Cushman

Plate 21, figures 2a, b

- Polystomella minuta REUSS, 1864, p. 478, Pl. 4, figs. 6a, b.
- Polystomella discrepans REUSS, 1864, p. 478, Pl. 4, figs. 7a, b.
- Elphidium minutum (Reuss). CUSHMAN, 1939, p. 40, Pl. 10, figs. 22-25. BHALLA, 1968, p. 386, Pl. 2, figs. 6a, b.

This species was represented by only three specimens. It was recorded from Indian waters by Bhalla (1968) from the beach sands at Vishakhapatnam, facing the Bay of Bengal.

The types of *Elphidium minutum* are from the Late Oligocene of Germany. Its known range is from Oligocene to Recent.

Elphidium sp. A

Plate 21, figures 3a, b

Test somewhat compressed; umbilicus depressed; periphery broadly rounded; margin slightly lobulate in later chambers; sides nearly parallel in apertural view; eleven chambers in last whorl, gradually increasing in size as added; sutures slightly curved, a little depressed, limbate, with a few, rather indistinct, retral processes.

A solitary, broken, specimen of *Elphidium* was found which could not be referred to any known species. It resembles *Elphidium incertum* (Williamson) (= *Elphidium florentinae* Shupak) described by Shupak (1934) from the Recent and Pleistocene of Long Island and New York Harbor, U. S. A., but differs in having a more rounded periphery and in the nature of sutures and retral processes. More specimens are needed before it can be identified at the species level.

Elphidium sp. B

Plate 21, figures 4a, b

Test compressed; umbilical regions flat with clear shell material extending slightly towards aperture; periphery sharply angular, strongly lobulate; chambers distinct, thirteen in last whorl, increasing gradually with growth, last chamber broken; sutures distinct, slightly curved, deeply excavated with a few, rather transverse, retral processes.

A single specimen was found. The striking character of the specimen is its deeply excavated sutures and incised margin. The present specimen somewhat resembles *Elphidium argenteum*, originally described by Parr (1945) from the Victoria shore sands, but differs in having a strongly lobulate margin, fewer chambers in the last whorl, less curved but deeply cut sutures, and in lacking the beaded surface and parallel sides. It is likely that the present specimen represents a new species of *Elphidium* but more, well-preserved, specimens are required before a new name can be assigned.

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Superfamily ORBITOIDACEA Schwager, 1876 Family EPONIDIDAE Hofker, 1951 Genus Poroeponides Cushman, 1944 Poroeponides lateralis (Terquem)

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- Rosalina lateralis TERQUEM, 1878, p. 25, Pl. 2, fig. 11.
- Pulvinulina lateralis (Terquem). BRADY, 1884, p. 689, Pl. 106, figs. 2, 3. HERON-ALLEN and EARLAND, 1915, p. 714, Pl. 53, figs. 6-11.
- Eponides lateralis (Terquem). CUSHMAN, 1931 (1918 etc.), p. 47, Pl. 10, fig. 5.
- Eponides repandus (Fichtel and Moll). TODD, 1965, pp. 20-21, Pl. 7, figs. 3, 4.
- Poroeponides lateralis (Terquem). CUSHMAN, 1944,
 p. 34, Pl. 4, fig. 23. BHATIA, 1956, p. 23, Pl. 3, figs. 3-5. BHATIA and BHALLA, 1959, p. 80,
 Pl. 2, figs. 3a, b. BHALLA, 1968, p. 387, Pl. 2, figs. 8a, b.

Only one specimen belonging to *Poroeponides lateralis* was found. This species has been recorded in the Recent sediments of both the east and west coasts of India.

P. lateralis is a well-known species with a worldwide distribution. It has been commonly recorded from shallow, warm waters. By virtue of its thick test, it is able to withstand abrasion and, consequently, it frequently occurs in shore sands. However, it is also found rather sporadically in deep waters. Said (1949) recorded it from a depth of 24 to 400 m in the Gulf of Suez and the Red Sea. Its known range is from Miocene to Recent.

P. lateralis shows a wide range of variation. Resig (1962) observed that Eponides repandus is a juvenile stage in the ontogenetic development of Sestronophora Loeblich and Tappan, with Poroeponides as an intermediate stage. On the basis of priority, Resig (op. cit.) suggested the suppression of Poroeponides and Sestronophora in favor of E. repandus (= Nautilus repandus Fichtel and Moll, 1798)—the type-species of Eponides DeMontfort, 1808. Cushman et al. (1954) were also of the view that the basis of differentiating Poroeponides from Eponides is not sound but, in the absence of adequate data, continued to recognise both genera. However, McLean (1956) is of the view that Eponides and Poroeponides should be distinguished.

Closs and Barberena (1962) noted that *P. lateralis* exhibits considerable variation, especially in the shape of its last-formed chamber and umbilical region and preferred to include *Eponides repandus* in *Poroeponides lateralis*. Todd (1965), following Resig (1962), suppressed *Poroeponides lateralis* in favor of *Eponides repandus*. Loeblich and Tappan (1964, p. C684), however, maintain *Eponides, Poroeponides*, and *Sestronophora* as distinct genera

and their main argument is that the ". . . adult stages must be used in classification, and as the type-species of *Eponides* and *Poroeponides* do not have a *Sestronophora*-like adult, the three genera are regarded as distinct." If Resig (1962) is followed, then, there will be far reaching implications in the systematics of foraminifera as several foraminiferal genera show biformed stages in their ontogenetic growth. The author agrees with Loeblich and Tappan (1964) and, therefore, *Poroeponides* has been maintained as a distinct genus in the present work.

Family AMPHISTEGINIDAE Cushman, 1927 Genus Amphistegina d'Orbigny, 1826 Amphistegina madagascariensis d'Orbigny

Plate 21, figures 7a-c

Amphistegina madagascariensis D'ORBIGNY, 1826, p. 304. TODD, 1965, p. 34, Pl. 11, fig. 3; Pl. 12, figs. 1, 2. et syn.

Only two, rather worn, specimens were found. This is the first record of *Amphistegina madagascariensis* from the Indian waters. Our specimens with reflex but rather obscure sutures and thick tests come well within the range of variation of the species. However, ours exhibit slightly raised umbilical knobs and the periphery is abraded due to intensive surf-action at the beach.

A. madagascariensis is considered to be an Indo-Pacific species. It prefers a shallow, warm water, environment and shows considerable variation. According to Todd (1965), A. madagascariensis varies with the environment. In beach and near-shore environments, the tests are generally thicker, sutures are rather obscure, and more abundant than in deep waters. However, in lagoonal environments, the test is large and compressed, and has better marked sutures. The types of this species are from off Madagascar.

Superfamily CASSIDULINACEA d'Orbigny, 1839 Family NONIONNIDAE Schultze, 1854 Subfamily NONIONINAE Schultze, 1854 Genus Florilus de Montfort, 1808 Florilus scaphum (Fichtel and Moll) Plate 21, figures 5a, b

- Nautilus scapha FICHTEL and MOLL, 1798, p. 105, Pl. 19, figs. d-f.
- Nonionina scapha (Fichtel and Moll). BRADY, 1865 (1867), p. 106, Pl. 12, figs. 10a, b.
- Nonion scaphum (Fichtel and Moll). CUSHMAN, 1930 (1918 etc.), p. 5, Pl. 2, figs. 3, 4. BHATIA, 1956, Pl. 5, fig. 15. BHATIA and BHALLA, 1959, p. 79, Pl. 1, figs. 6a, b.

The present specimens show flaring tests with depressed umbonal regions filled with calcite granules and have been, therefore, put under the genus *Florilus* de Montfort.

Only three broken specimens of this widely distributed species were found. *Florilus scaphum* is found in shallow as well as deep waters. From the west coast of India, it has been recorded by Bhatia (1956), and from the east coast, by Bhatia and Bhalla (1959). The known geological range of this species is from Eocene to Recent.

DISCUSSION

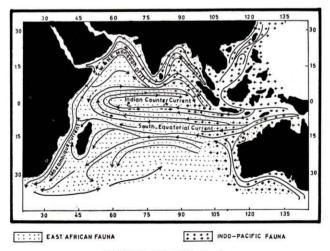
Foraminifera are rare in Marina beach sands. The reasons for this paucity of foraminifera are not known but some indirect evidence may help solve this problem.

Marina beach is bounded by rivers on its northern and southern extremities. These rivers appear to play a decisive role in controlling the growth of local foraminiferal populations. The fresh-water brought in by the rivers intermingles freely with the marine-water of the bay resulting in the decrease of salinity of the water around Marina. This blending also locally lowers the concentration of calcium carbonate of the sea-water. Rao and Murty (1968) noted that the percentage of calcium carbonate is low near Madras. Although these authors did not offer any reason for this low percentage, the influence of fresh-water may well be one of the causes for it. In addition, the detritus brought in by the rivers dilutes the foraminiferal population in the locality. Under such conditions, the growth of algae and other water plants which supply food to foraminifers, is also checked. The sediments of Marina beach are coarse-grained and poor in organic matter, and this, combined with great surf-action, provides an inhospitable site for the foraminifers to thrive. It is believed that beach foraminifera do not live on the beach itself but reside very near to the shore-line and are washed into the beach region by waves. According to Dietz and Menard (1951), the waves are normally effective down to a depth of about 30 feet. The studies of McMaster (1954) on the New Jersey coast, Logvinenko and Remizov (1964) along the Sea of Azov, Thompson (1937) in California, Nanz (1955) and Miling and Behrens (1966) in Texas, and others, show that the beach sediments are derived from the continental shelf. This may hold true for foraminifers also. In view of the foregoing, it is surmised that the foraminifera of the present assemblage are not indigenous but were washed in from nearby shallow depths by strong waves. This would also, perhaps, explain the presence of normal foraminifers in an environment which is low in salinity and deficient in calcium carbonate content.

Prolific foraminiferal assemblages have been described from the west coast of India by Bhatia

(1956) and Sethulekshmi Amma (1958). Bhalla (1968) pointed out that the east coast for a miniferal assemblage is different from that of the west coast and surmised that the Bay of Bengal and the Arabian Sea are two distinct faunal realms. A comparison of the foraminiferal fauna from the Marina beach with that from the west coast of India reveals that Q. seminulum, Q. vulgaris, T. trigonula, A. annectens, E. crispum, P. lateralis, and F. scaphum are common to both. Except for A. annectens, all these species have a world-wide distribution. The well-known Indo-Pacific species in the Marina assemblage are: Ammonia annectens, Ammonia cf. A. hozanensis, Pararotalia nipponica, and Amphistegina madagascariensis. Except for A. annectens, none of these species have previously been recorded from the west coast of India. The present study, therefore, gives credence to the contention of the author (Bhalla, 1968) that the Bay of Bengal and the Arabian Sea represent two faunal provinces. The occurrence of A. annectens, A. cf. A. hozanensis, P. nipponica, and A. madagascariensis is of considerable interest in relating the Marina assemblage with the known foram-geographical provinces in the Indian Ocean (see text fig. 2).

The Recent warm water foraminiferal assemblages of the world have been grouped by Cushman (1950) into four main provinces, viz., Mediterranean, West Indian, Indo-Pacific, and East African. The Madras assemblage contains the elements of Indo-Pacific as well as East African realm. Of the fifteen species of foraminifera from Marina beach, *A. annectens*, *A.* cf. *A. hozanensis*, and *P. nipponica* are characteristic Indo-Pacific forms. The types of *A. madagascariensis* are from Madagascar but the species has also been reported from the Indo-Pacific realm. Prolific foraminiferal assemblages have been reported from the east coast of Africa. *Q. seminulum*, *E. crispum*, and *P. lateralis* are common to



TEXT FIGURE 2

Major warm currents in the Indian Ocean and distribution of warm-water foraminiferal faunas.

Marina and East African assemblages. However, the elements of Indo-Pacific province dominate the foraminiferal fauna of the Marina beach. The Marina assemblage does not seem to be a true representative of this portion of the eastern coast line of India because several characteristic species which were recorded by Ganapati and Satyavati (1958) from off Madras, are absent in the present assemblage. This is mainly due to the prevailing ecological conditions which inhibit the growth of foraminiferal species in the area.

According to Cushman (1950), the entire west coast of India and a small portion of the southern part of the east coast fall under the East African province. The rest of the east coast and almost all the Bay of Bengal are covered by a zone formed by the blending of East African and Indo-Pacific provinces. This 'mixed zone' extends from the Bay of Bengal to the Great Australian Bight and forms the boundary between the two provinces. Bhalla (1968) discussed the formation of the 'mixed zone' and opined that the major warm-water currents in the Indian Ocean are instrumental in its development. In the Madras assemblage, representatives of Indo-Pacific and East African provinces are present and it would be reasonable to extend the 'mixed zone' of Cushman south at least to Madras.

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ABSTRACT

Plankton tows taken off Bodega Head, Sonoma County, California, collected 12 species of benthonic foraminifera in the water column. All 12 species were found alive. The assemblage was compared by cluster analysis to that of the intertidal community and found to be similar. Major elements are **Glabratella ornatissima** (Cushman), **Elphidium lene** (Cushman) and **Rosalina globularis** d'Orbigny. Adaptations such as shell thickening and substrate conforming permit survival or prevent transport by turbulence. Turbulent transport is proposed as an important distributional mechanism for intertidal communities and a possible cause for mixed and anomalous populations.

INTRODUCTION

During the months of July and August 1968, in the course of studying the intertidal foraminiferal community of Bodega Head, Sonoma County, California, plankton tows were taken to determine the flora and fauna of the water column. Benthonic species of foraminifera were a part of the assemblage collected. Previously documented observations of benthonic species in the water column are few. Myers (1936) and Arnold (1964) consider turbulence a mechanism for dispersing algae and debris which have foraminifera attached to them. Myers suggested that some foraminifera adapt themselves to a pelagic stage in their life cycle. Murray (1965) reported 27 species taken in plankton tows from the English Channel after a storm. These were all empty tests of small size (0.15 mm to 0.20 mm). Water ranged in depth from 78-107 meters. Lidz (1966) found Bolivina vaughani Natland in plankton tows taken off Newport Beach, California, but assumed it to have a planktonic stage in its life cycle.

METHODS

Plankton tows were taken in waters off Bodega Head, Sonoma County, California, up to onefourth mile from shore in depths to 75 feet. The surface conditions were normal for summer, the swell running 5-8 feet and winds generally onshore 10-15 mph, conditions calm in comparison to those of winter (swell 10-20 feet and winds 15-25 mph). The conditions under which the tows were made probably represent a near minimum for energy and turbulence.

The tows were taken with a net of 72μ mesh, having a mouth diameter of one foot. It was towed at or within 2 feet of the surface by a swimmer or from a small boat. The collected material was preserved in formalin and stained with Rose Bengal in order to detect living organisms. The material was allowed to settle, washed to remove excess Rose Bengal, and picked wet. Only relative abundances were noted.

RESULTS

Twelve species of foraminifera were identified (table 1), all of which were found both living and dead, indicating that it is not only empty tests which are subject to transport. Relatively equal numbers of foraminifera were collected in each tow. No planktonic species of foraminifera were observed in the samples. Cluster analysis was done using Jaccard's coefficient comparing intertidal samples with the collected assemblage. Text figure 1, which shows the results, was constructed using the techniques of Valentine and Peddicord (1967) and Mello and Buzas (1968). The plankton assemblage is shown to be indistinguishable from the intertidal community (Loose, 1969), both in species and relative abundance. The most common species are: Glabratella ornatissima (Cushman), Elphidium lene (Cushman) and Rosalina globularis d'Orbigny.

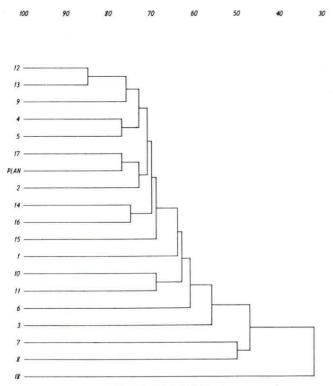
The specimens found have a normal size between 0.25 mm and 0.50 mm diameter, smaller than those in normal intertidal samples. This indicates either that there was only sufficient energy available to suspend and carry small tests; or that smaller fo-

TABLE 1 Foraminifera from Plankton Tows

Buccella tenerrima (Bandy)	C
Cibicides lobatus (Walker & Jacobs)	R
Elphidium frigidum Cushman	С
E. lene (Cushman)	Α
E. translucens Natland	R
Fissurina marginata (Montagu)	R
Glabratella ornatissima (Cushman)	Α
Haplophragmoides columbiensis Cushman	R
Oolina melo d'Orbigny	R
Quinqueloculina sp.	R
Rosalina globularis d'Orbigny	Α
Rotorbinella campanulata (Galloway & Wissler)	С

 $\begin{array}{ll} A = Abundant > 20\% \\ C = Common & 5\% \text{ to } 20\% \end{array}$

R = Rare < 5%



TEXT FIGURE 1

Dendrogram showing results of cluster analysis of plankton assemblage (plan) and various intertidal samples (numbers) from Bodega area. Techniques after Valentine & Peddicord (1967) and Mello & Buzas (1968).

raminifera are less well attached or living in more exposed areas.

DISCUSSION

Although the relative numbers of foraminifera found in the plankton are small when compared to the rest of the flora and fauna, which consists chiefly of diatoms with lesser numbers of tintinnids, dinoflagellates and crustaceans, the absolute numbers are still sizable because of the large amount of material being constantly moved (approximately 100 foraminifera per 50 cubic foot sample). Because this particular assemblage represents the animals disturbed during minimum or near minimum energy conditions its numbers surely increase during storms and higher energy conditions of winter months; thus great numbers of foraminifera could be transported.

The fact that the planktonic assemblages are similar to the intertidal populations, and that the foraminifera are still alive in the water column is proof that the mechanism of wave transport distributes the intertidal population widely. This agrees in part with the suggestion made by Cooper (1961) that the tidepool fauna is composed of individuals which are transported into the pools by wave action; however I believe that there are individuals being transported both into and out of the tidepools. This would account for the similarity between the intertidal population and plankton tow assemblage. The ecologic effect of this transportation would be a smoothing of boundaries between communities since this would provide a continuous vertical and horizontal intermixing of intertidal communities which would produce a fairly homogeneous intertidal fauna, instead of one made up of many communities.

There could possibly be a mixing of subtidal and intertidal faunas since some subtidal foraminifera may be disturbed by waves and currents and put into suspension. These too may be transported to the intertidal zone, but would not survive unless they could adapt to the daily fluctuations of temperature, salinity, oxygen and pH found in the tidepools (Loose, 1969). This would place strong selective pressures on adaptation to the rapid fluctuations of the physical and chemical environment, producing an intertidal community distinct from the subtidal one.

When foraminifera are transported by wave action they are subjected to much physical stress. Adaptations selected to survive or to avoid turbulent transport may be seen in the intertidal fauna. Many species have very thick tests which would act to prevent breakage during transport (*Glabratella* ornatissima, Quinqueloculina sp., Rotorbinella campanulata, Buccella tenerrima). Rosalina globularis attaches and molds itself to the substrate so as to prevent disturbance. None of the intertidal foraminifera have ornamentation in the form of spines or other protrusions which may be broken during transport.

Waves breaking upon tidepools apparently place the intertidal foraminifera in suspension. Continued turbulence suspends them and currents sweep them offshore and downshore with longshore transport. Most foraminifera are transported within the white "foam" formed by breaking waves; this "foam" has the capacity to buoy the tests up for long periods of time and over great distances. The transport of "foam" is controlled not only by water currents but also by winds and it may, depending upon wind direction, be blown into lagoons, estuaries or out to sea. Benthonic foraminifera are found in plankton tows as much as several hundred miles offshore above very deep water (Wolfgang Berger, personal communication). This mechanism of transport, and not turbidity currents, could possibly explain some occurrences of shallow water benthonic foraminifera in sediments from deep offshore waters. Transport in this fashion could account for mixed populations as in the case of rocky shore and lagoon or estuary assemblages found together.

The relative numbers of intertidal foraminifera in sediments would be a possible shore-line indicator in ancient strata. The relative number of intertidal forms should increase with proximity to shore. This criterion would be usable even if depth zonation could not be worked out.

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CHANGES IN REPOSITORY OF ANTARCTIC BENTHONIC FORAMINIFERAL TYPES

Holotypes of three species of Antarctic benthonic Foraminifera described by Kennett (1967) have been transferred from the U. S. National Museum to the New Zealand Oceanographic Institute, Wellington. Paratypes now replace the holotypes previously stored at the U. S. National Museum. Repository locations and catalogue numbers are now as follows:

Miliolinella antarctica Kennett

Types: Holotype (N.Z.O.I. TM 6/1) and 2 figured paratypes (U.S.C. MFS 307). Two additional paratypes (N.Z.O.I. TM 6/2) and (U.S.N.M. 686794) from A468, and one (N.Z. Geological Survey Cat. No. TF 1556) from A468.

Globocassidulina crassa rossensis Kennett

Types: Holotype (N.Z.O.I. TM 7/1) and 2 figured paratypes (U.S.C. MFS 309). Two additional paratypes (U.S.C. MFS 310), four (N.Z.O.I. TM 7/2), four (U.S.N.M. 686795), and two (N.Z. Geological Survey Cat. No. TF 1557) from A533.

Astrononion echolsi Kennett

Types: Holotype (N.Z.O.I. TM 8/1) and figured paratype (U.S.C. MFS 311). One additional paratype (U.S.C. MFS 312), four N.Z.O.I. TM 8/2), and two (U.S.N.M. 686793) from A450, two (U.S.C. MFS 313) from A449 and two (N.Z. Geological Survey Cat. No. TF1558) from A449.

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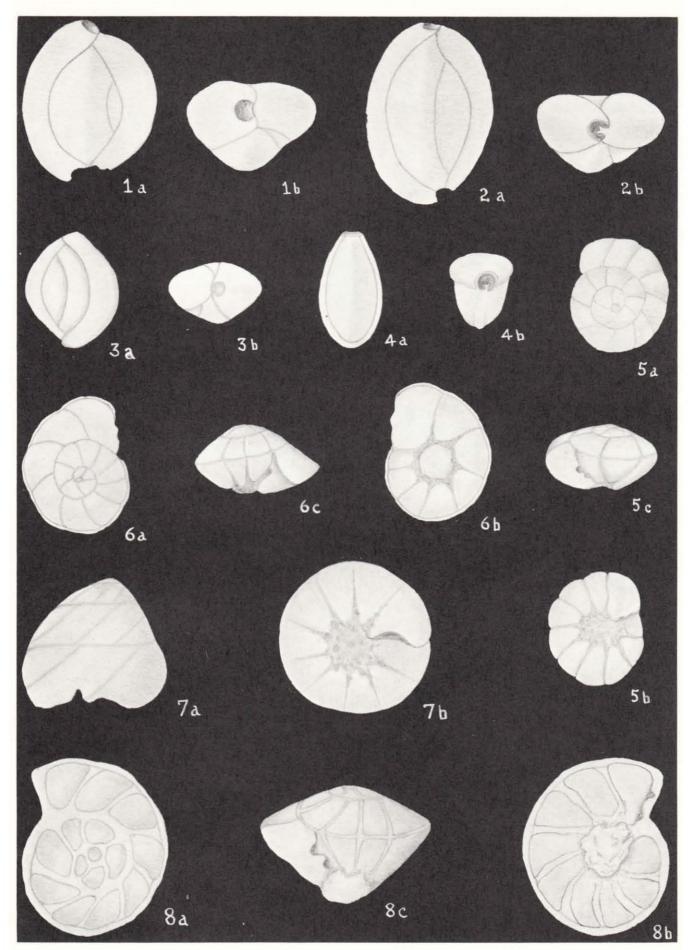
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