

## 12. CALCAREOUS NANNOPLANKTON BIOSTRATIGRAPHY OF THE SOUTHERN CORAL SEA, TASMAN SEA, AND SOUTHWESTERN PACIFIC OCEAN, DEEP SEA DRILLING PROJECT LEG 90: NEOGENE AND QUATERNARY<sup>1</sup>

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### ABSTRACT

Leg 90 of the Deep Sea Drilling Project drilled 18 holes at eight sites (Sites 587-594) on several shallow-water platforms in the southern Coral Sea, Tasman Sea, and southwestern Pacific Ocean. The results from an additional hole (Hole 586B) drilled at Site 586 during Leg 89 are included in this report. Together, these sites form a latitudinal traverse which extends from the equator (Site 586) to 45°S (Site 594) and includes all the major water masses from tropical to subantarctic. Samples recovered at these sites range in age from middle Eocene to late Quaternary. The calcareous nannoplankton biostratigraphy for Leg 90 has divided into two parts: part 1, the Neogene and Quaternary of Sites 586-594 (this chapter); and part 2, the Paleogene of Sites 588, 592, and 593 (Martini, this volume). A slightly modified version of the Martini (1971) standard Tertiary and Quaternary zonation scheme was used to make age determinations on over 700 samples. All of the relevant Neogene and Quaternary zone-defining nannoplankton are present at Sites 586-591 (0°-30°S) but become increasingly rare or are absent at Sites 592-594 (35°-45°S). Species diversity increases southward from the equator (Site 586) and reaches a peak at 20°S (Site 587). A decrease at 25°S (Site 588) and 30°S (Sites 589-591) is followed by an increase in species diversity at 35°S (Site 592). South of 35°S, species diversity again decreases and reaches a low at 45°S (Site 594). Species diversity for all sites as a group generally increases through the early, middle, and late Miocene, reaches a peak in the early Pliocene, then gradually decreases through the late Pliocene and Quaternary.

### INTRODUCTION

The southwest Pacific, unlike most other oceanic regions, contains numerous submarine topographic features. These bathymetric highs, or platforms, extend latitudinally over vast distances and are overlain by relatively uncomplicated middle to upper Cenozoic calcareous ooze and chalk, free of terrigenous content. One of the major platforms in the region, the Lord Howe Rise, is approximately 300 km wide and extends some 2000 km northward from central western New Zealand to about 20°S. The crest lies at water depths ranging from 750 to 1200 m.

Leg 90 of the Deep Sea Drilling Project (Noumea, New Caledonia, to Wellington, New Zealand) occupied eight sites (Fig. 1) in the southern Coral Sea, Tasman Sea, and southwestern Pacific east of New Zealand's South Island during December, 1982, and January, 1983. The sites are located on shallow-water platforms extending south from the southern slope of Lansdowne Bank (Site 587), northern to southern Lord Howe Rise (Sites 588-592), Challenger Plateau (Site 593), and the southern margin of the Chatham Rise (Site 594). Two methods of drilling, the hydraulic piston corer (HPC) and the extended core barrel (XCB), were used during Leg 90 to drill 18 holes in water depths ranging from 1068 m (from sea level) at Site 593 to 2131 m at Site 591. The XCB, first successfully used during Leg 90, is a core

barrel that extends several centimeters ahead of the main rotary drill pipe bit and is used to core sediments after they have become too consolidated for coring with the HPC. The use of the HPC and XCB methods permitted greater core recovery with much less disturbance than with standard rotary coring and, as a result, a record 495 high-quality cores representing over 3700 m of sediment were recovered. An additional equatorial site (Site 586), located on the Ontong-Java Plateau at a water depth of 2207 m (from sea level), was drilled during Leg 89, and the 25 cores recovered from Hole 586B were set aside for study by Leg 90 scientists. The results from Hole 586B are included in the Leg 90 report. Samples recovered at these sites range in age from middle Eocene to late Quaternary. Only three sites (Sites 588, 592, and 593) penetrated pre-Miocene sediment.

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<sup>1</sup> Kennett, J. P., von der Borch, C. C., et al., *Init. Repts. DSDP*, 90: Washington (U.S. Govt. Printing Office).

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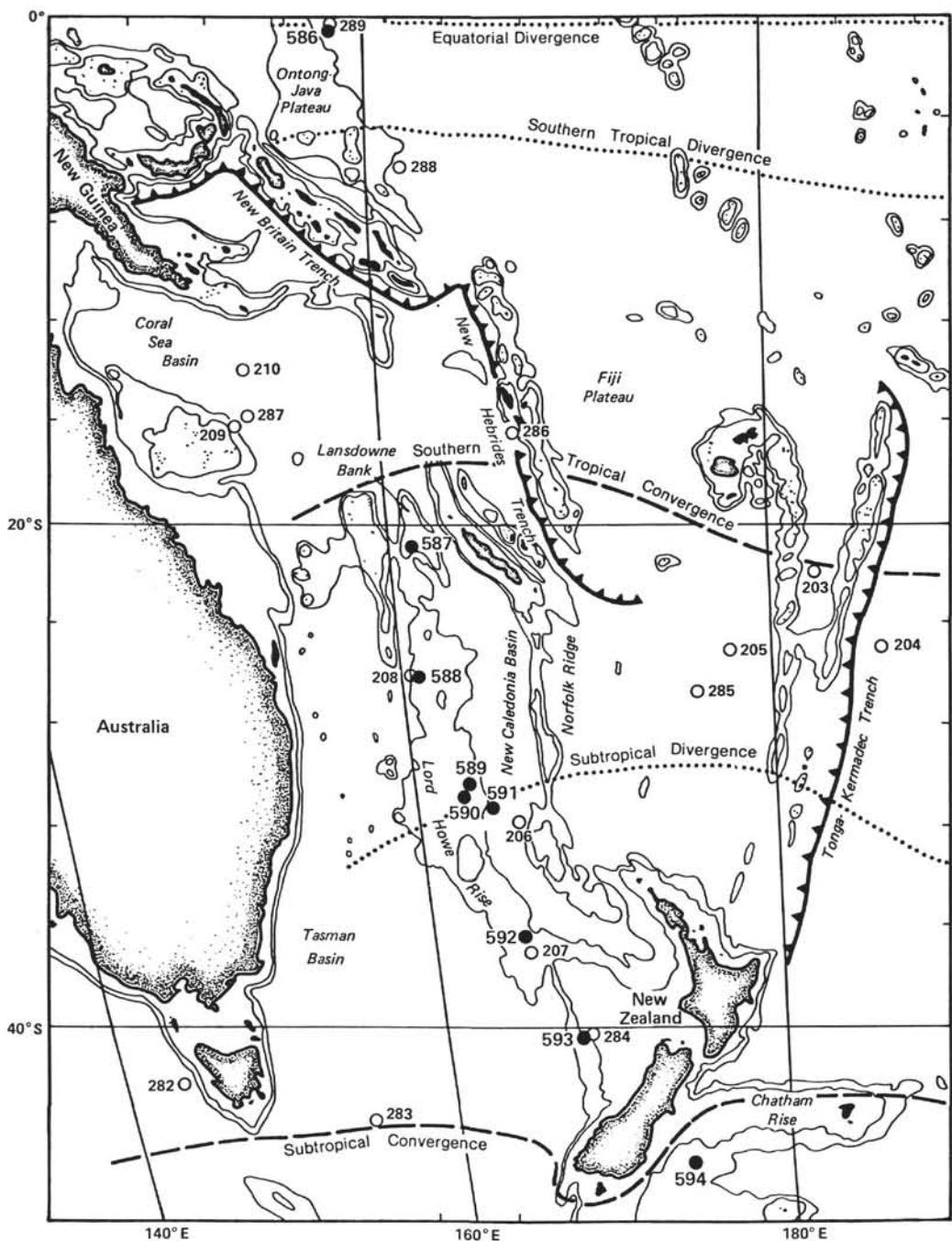


Figure 1. DSDP drill sites from Leg 90 and other DSDP legs in the southwest Pacific.

### NANNOPLANKTON ZONATION

A slightly modified version of the Martini (1971) standard Tertiary and Quaternary zonation scheme (Fig. 2) was used to make the initial calcareous nannoplankton age determinations during Leg 90. For consistency, the zonation scheme used aboard ship is also used in this chapter.

The zonal modifications include the subdivision of Zones NN19 and NN11 and the use of an alternate species to define the upper boundary of Zone NN4. The last occurrence of *Calcidiscus macintyrei* occurs within the early Quaternary *Emiliania ovata* (= *Pseudoemilia-*

*nia lacunosa*) Zone (NN19) and is used to subdivide Zone NN19 into Subzones NN19a and NN19b. Subzone NN19a is equivalent to the *Calcidiscus macintyrei* (= *Cyclococcolithina macintyrei*) Zone of Gartner (1977) and Subzone WPN-30a of Ellis (1982). Subzone NN19b is equivalent to Subzones WPN-31a and WPN-30b of Ellis (1982). The late Miocene *Discoaster quinqueramus* Zone (NN11) is subdivided into Subzones NN11a and NN11b by the first occurrence of *Amaurolithus primus* within Zone NN11. Subzone NN11b is equivalent to the *Amaurolithus primus* (= *Ceratolithus primus*) Subzone of Bukry (1973b), Subzone CN9b of Okada and Bukry (1980), and Subzone WPN-26b of Ellis (1982). Subzone

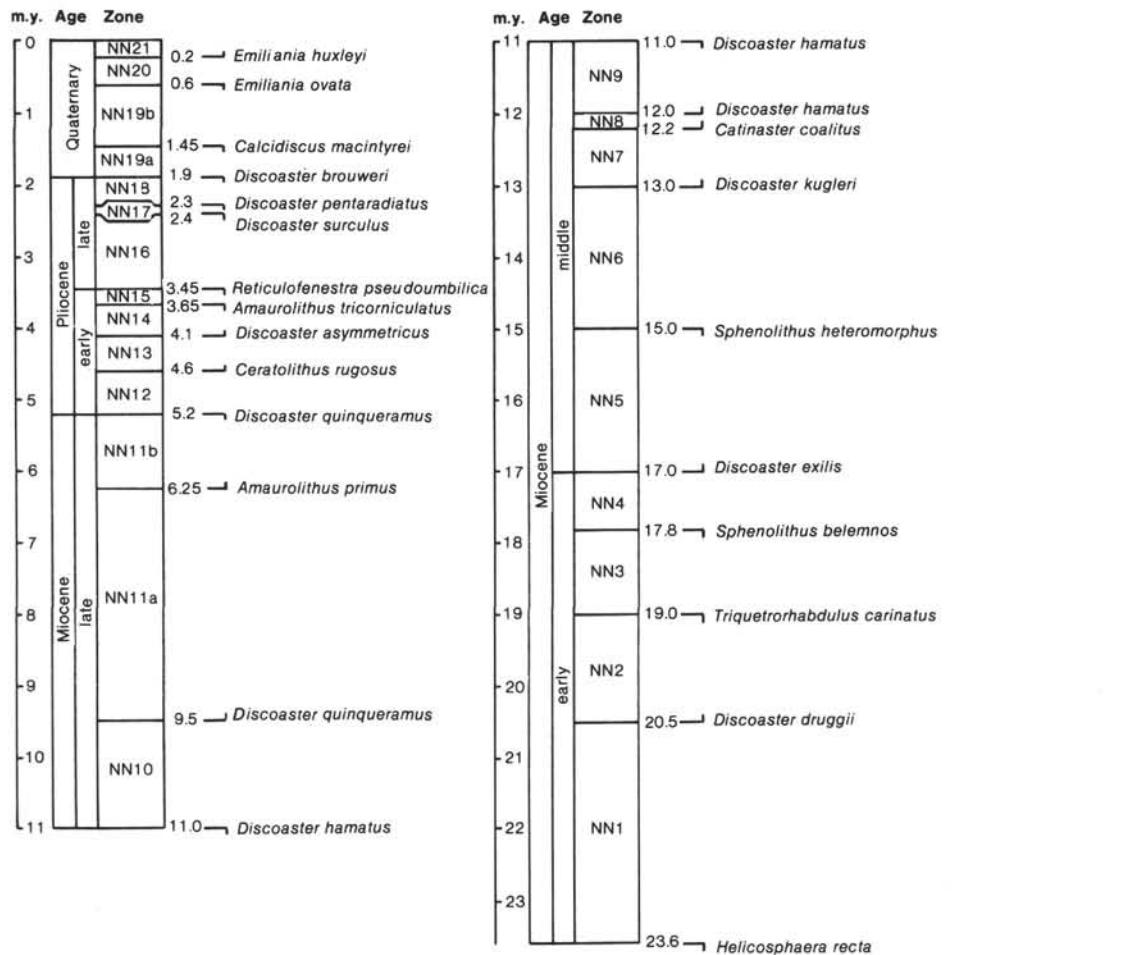


Figure 2. Calcareous nannoplankton zonation scheme used for the Quaternary and Neogene of Leg 90; modified after Martini (1971). Ages for zonal boundaries are standardized for Leg 90 (Martini, this volume).

NN11a is equivalent to Subzone WPN-26a of Ellis (1982). Because *Helicosphaera ampliaperta* is apparently absent in the western Pacific, the upper boundary of the early Miocene *Helicosphaera ampliaperta* Zone (NN4), normally placed at the last occurrence of the nominal species, is instead marked by the first occurrence of *Discoaster exilis*, which closely approximates this level (Martini and Worsley, 1971).

#### NANNOPLANKTON ABUNDANCE AND DIVERSITY

The locations of Sites 587-594 (Leg 90), together with Site 586 (Leg 89), form a latitudinal traverse which extends from the equator to 45°S and includes all the major surface-water masses between the tropics and the sub-Antarctic. The effects of higher latitudes and cooler waters are reflected in the changes in abundance and diversity of calcareous nannoplankton observed at sites along this traverse.

The average abundance of each of the Neogene and Quaternary zonal and subzonal indicators at various southern latitudes is shown in Figure 3. The vertical axis indicates abundance in terms of A = abundant, C = common, R = rare, and B = barren (for quantitative estimates of A, C, R, see below). The abundance values

for each taxon were obtained by assigning a value of A = 3, C = 2, R = 1, or B = 0 for each occurrence on the nannoplankton range charts and calculating the numerical average for each taxon at each site. The horizontal axis includes each of the nine sites plotted to the nearest increment of 5°S latitude. Abundance values for taxa at 30°S are the average of those obtained at Sites 589, 590, and 591. For some taxa there are no data in some sections, because drilling operations ended at those sites before the sections were penetrated. In general, the abundance of zone-defining discoasters declines steadily at higher latitudes; they are extremely rare at 45°S. However, three discoasters (*Discoaster pentaradiatus*, *D. asymmetricus*, and *D. quinqueramus*) reach an abundance peak at 25°S before declining sharply. The abundances of other zone-defining species, including *Amaurolithus primus*, *A. tricorniculatus*, *Calcidiscus macintyreai*, *Helicosphaera recta*, *Reticulofenestra pseudoumbilica*, and *Triquetrorhabdulus carinatus* appear to change very little with latitude. The abundance of one species, *Emilia nia huxleyi*, increases with latitude, reaching a peak at 40°S.

Changes in nannoplankton diversity for indigenous species at various southern latitudes are shown in Figure 4. The highest diversity of nannoplankton (33 species) in Quaternary sediments occurs at 20°S (Site 587).

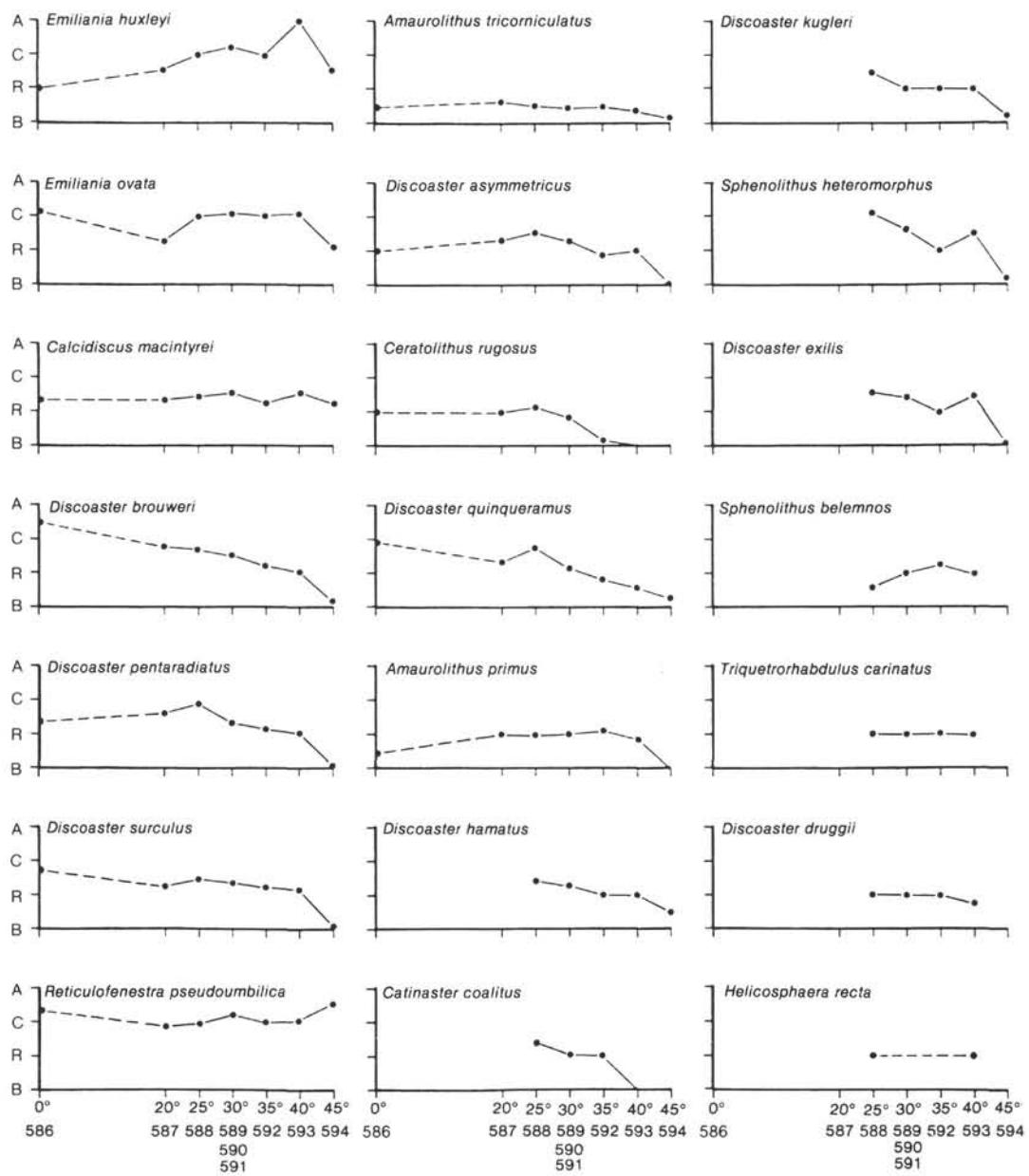


Figure 3. Relative abundances (●) of Quaternary and Neogene zonal and subzonal indicators encountered at various southern latitudes. Dashed lines indicate latitudes for which there are no data. Vertical axis: A = abundant, C = common, R = rare, and B = barren (fully defined in text). Horizontal axis: Approximate southern latitude of sites.

South of Site 587, there is a steady decline in diversity to a low of 20 species at 45°S (Site 594). In the late and early Pliocene and in the late Miocene, diversity peaks also occur at 20°S (Site 587), with a maximum of 48 species in the early Pliocene. South of Site 587, a decline in diversity at 25°S and 30°S (Sites 588–591) is followed by peaks of lesser diversity at 35°S (Site 592). The lowest diversity (13 species) occurs in the late Pliocene at 45°S (Site 594). The middle Miocene at Sites 588 and 590–594 and the early Miocene at Sites 588, 590, and 592–593 are marked by lower diversity.

The data presented in Figures 3 and 4 point out certain latitudinal abundance and diversity trends observed during Leg 90 and show the limitations of calcareous nannoplankton for zoning sediments south of 40°S.

#### SYSTEMATIC PALEONTOLOGY

Forty genera and 122 species of calcareous nannoplankton were recognized during the study of core samples from Sites 586–594 (Fig. 5). The genera are listed alphabetically for convenient reference and a brief synonymy of indigenous and reworked species is included.

##### Genus *AMAUROLITHUS* Gartner and Bukry, 1975

###### *Amaurolithus amplificus* (Bukry and Percival)

*Ceratolithus amplificus* Bukry and Percival, 1971, p. 125, pl. 1, figs. 9–11.

*Amaurolithus amplificus* (Bukry and Percival). Gartner and Bukry, 1975, pp. 455–456, figs. 6g–l.

###### *Amaurolithus bizzarus* (Bukry)

*Ceratolithus bizzarus* Bukry, 1973a, p. 676, pl. 1, figs. 6–10.

*Amaurolithus bizzarus* (Bukry). Gartner and Bukry, 1975, p. 456, figs. 8a–b.

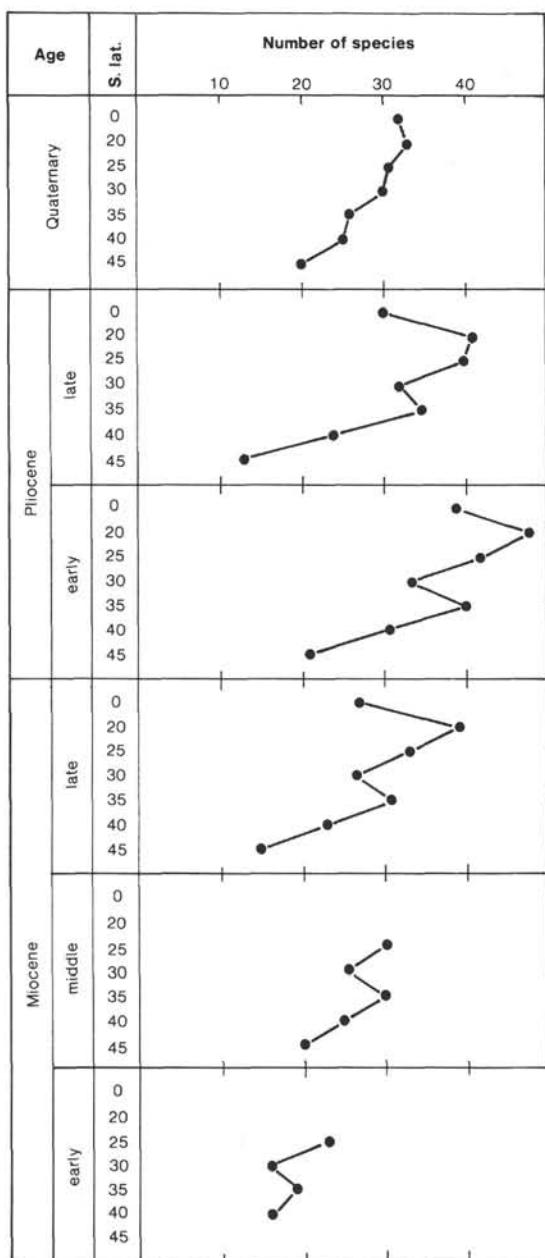


Figure 4. Total number of indigenous calcareous nanno-plankton species observed in the Quaternary and Neogene at various southern latitudes.

#### *Amaurolithus delicatus* Gartner and Bukry

*Amaurolithus delicatus* Gartner and Bukry, 1975, p. 456, figs. 7a-f.

#### *Amaurolithus primus* (Bukry and Percival)

*Ceratolithus primus* Bukry and Percival, 1971, p. 126, pl. 1, figs. 12-14.

*Amaurolithus primus* (Bukry and Percival). Gartner and Bukry, 1975, p. 457, figs. 7g-1.

#### *Amaurolithus tricorniculatus* (Gartner)

*Ceratolithus tricorniculatus* Gartner, 1967, p. 5, pl. 10, figs. 4-6.

*Amaurolithus tricorniculatus* (Gartner). Gartner and Bukry, 1975, pp. 457-458, figs. 8c-h.

#### Genus *ANGULOLITHINA* Bukry, 1973

##### *Angulolithina arca* Bukry

*Angulolithina arca* Bukry, 1973a, p. 675, pl. 1, figs. 1-5.

#### Genus *BRAARUDOSPHEAERA* Deflandre, 1947

##### *Braarudosphaera bigelowii* (Gran and Braarud)

*Pontosphaera bigelowii* Gran and Braarud, 1935, p. 389, fig. 67. *Braarudosphaera bigelowii* (Gran and Braarud). Deflandre, 1947, p. 439, figs. 1-5.

#### Genus *CALCIDISCUS* Kamptner, 1950

##### *Calcidiscus leptoporus* (Murray and Blackman)

*Coccospaera leptopora* Murray and Blackman, 1898, p. 430, pl. 15, figs. 1-7.

*Calcidiscus leptoporus* (Murray and Blackman). Loeblich and Tappan, 1978, p. 1391.

##### *Calcidiscus macintyreai* (Bukry and Bramlette)

*Cyclococcolithus macintyreai* Bukry and Bramlette, 1969, p. 132, pl. 1, figs. 1-3.

*Calcidiscus macintyreai* (Bukry and Bramlette). Loeblich and Tappan, 1978, p. 1392.

#### Genus *CATINASTER* Martini and Bramlette, 1963

##### *Catinaster calyculus* Martini and Bramlette

*Catinaster calyculus* Martini and Bramlette, 1963, p. 850, pl. 103, figs. 1-6.

##### *Catinaster coalitus* Martini and Bramlette

*Catinaster coalitus* Martini and Bramlette, 1963, p. 851, pl. 103, figs. 7-10.

#### Genus *CERATOLITHUS* Kamptner, 1950

##### *Ceratolithus acutus* Gartner and Bukry

*Ceratolithus acutus* Gartner and Bukry, 1974, pl. 115, pl. 1, figs. 1-4.

##### *Ceratolithus armatus* Müller

*Ceratolithus armatus* Müller, 1974, pl. 591, pl. 11, figs. 4-6; pl. 19, figs. 3-4.

##### *Ceratolithus cristatus* Kamptner

*Ceratolithus cristatus* Kamptner, 1954, p. 43, figs. 44-45.

##### *Ceratolithus rugosus* Bukry and Bramlette

*Ceratolithus rugosus* Bukry and Bramlette, 1968, p. 152, pl. 1, figs. 5-9.

##### *Ceratolithus telesmus* Norris

*Ceratolithus telesmus* Norris, 1965, p. 21, pl. 11, figs. 5-7; pl. 13, figs. 1-3.

#### Genus *CHIASMOLITHUS* Hay, Mohler, and Wade, 1966

##### *Chiasmolithus altus* Bukry and Percival

*Chiasmolithus altus* Bukry and Percival, 1971, p. 126, pl. 2, figs. 1-2.

##### *Chiasmolithus bidens* (Bramlette and Sullivan)

*Coccolithus bidens* Bramlette and Sullivan, 1961, p. 139, pl. 1, fig. 1. *Chiasmolithus bidens* (Bramlette and Sullivan). Hay and Mohler, 1967, p. 1526, pl. 196, figs. 23-25.

##### *Chiasmolithus californicus* (Sullivan)

*Coccolithus californicus* Sullivan, 1964, p. 180, pl. 2, figs. 3a-b, 4a-b. *Chiasmolithus californicus* (Sullivan). Hay and Mohler, 1967, p. 1527, pl. 196, figs. 18-20; pl. 198, fig. 5.

Genus	Species	Site					
		586	587	588	589	590	591
		592	593	594			
<i>Amaurolithus</i>	<i>amplificus</i>	●	●	●			
	<i>bizzarus</i>		●				
	<i>delicatus</i>	●	●	●	●	●	●
	<i>primus</i>	●	●	●	●	●	●
	<i>tricorniculatus</i>	●	●	●	●	●	●
<i>Angulolithina</i>	<i>arca</i>	●					
<i>Braarudosphaera</i>	<i>bigelowii</i>	●					
<i>Calcidiscus</i>	<i>leptoporus</i>	●	●	●	●	●	●
	<i>macintyrei</i>	●	●	●	●	●	●
<i>Catinaster</i>	<i>cyclulus</i>		●	●	●	●	●
	<i>coalitus</i>	●	●	●	●	●	●
<i>Ceratolithus</i>	<i>acutus</i>	●	●	●	●	●	●
	<i>armatus</i>	●					
	<i>cristatus</i>	●	●	●	●	●	●
	<i>rugosus</i>	●	●	●	●	●	●
	<i>telesmus</i>	●	●	●	●	●	●
<i>Chiasmolithus</i>	<i>altus</i>			x	●	x	
	<i>bidens</i>				x		
	<i>californicus</i>			x			
	<i>grandis</i>			x			
	<i>oamaruensis</i>			x			
<i>Coccolithus</i>	<i>carteri</i>	●	●	●	●	●	●
	<i>miopelagicus</i>	●	●	●	●	●	●
	<i>pelagicus</i>	●	●	●	●	●	●
<i>Coronocyclus</i>	<i>nitescens</i>	●	●	●	●	●	●
<i>Crenalithus</i>	<i>doronicoides</i>	●	●	●	●	●	●
<i>Cricolithus</i>	<i>jonesii</i>	●	●	●	●	●	●
<i>Cyclicargolithus</i>	<i>abisectus</i>	●	●	●	●	●	●
	<i>floridanus</i>	●	●	●	●	●	●
<i>Dictyococcites</i>	<i>abisectus</i>	●	●	●	●	●	●
	<i>scrippsa</i>	●			x		
<i>Discoaster</i>	<i>asymmeircus</i>	●	●	x	●	●	●
	<i>barbadiensis</i>				x		
	<i>bellus</i>	●	●	●	●	●	●
	<i>berggrenii</i>	●	●	●	●	●	●
	<i>blackstockae</i>	●	●				
	<i>bollii</i>	●	●				
	<i>brouweri</i>	●	●	●	●	●	●
	<i>calcaris</i>	●	●				
	<i>challengeri</i>	●	●	●	●	●	●
	<i>decorus</i>	●	●	●	●	●	●
<i>Discoaster</i>	<i>dellandrei</i>		●				
	<i>druggii</i>		●				
	<i>exilis</i>	x	●	●	●	●	●
	<i>hamatus</i>		●	●	●	●	●
	<i>intercalaris</i>				x		
	<i>kugleri</i>	●	●	●	●	●	●
	<i>lodoensis</i>				x		
	<i>loeblichii</i>	x					
	<i>moorei</i>	x	●				
	<i>neohamatus</i>	●	●				
	<i>pentaradiatus</i>	●	●	●	x	●	●
	<i>percularius</i>					●	
	<i>quinqueramus</i>	●	●	●	●	●	●
	<i>stellulus</i>					●	
	<i>surculus</i>	●	●	x	●	●	●
	<i>tamalis</i>	●	●	x	●	●	●
	<i>tridenus</i>	●	●	●	●	●	●
	<i>triradiatus</i>	●	●	●	●	●	●
	<i>variabilis</i>	●	●	x	●	●	●
<i>Discolithina</i>	<i>japonica</i>	●	●	●	●	●	●
	<i>multipora</i>	●				●	
<i>Discosphaera</i>	<i>tubifera</i>	●	●	●	●	●	●
<i>Emiliania</i>	<i>annula</i>	●	●	●	●	●	●
	<i>huxleyi</i>	●	●	●	●	●	●
<i>Fasciculithus</i>	<i>tympaniformis</i>				x		
<i>Gephyrocapsa</i>	<i>caribbeanica</i>	●	●	●	●	●	●
	<i>oceania</i>	●	●	●	●	●	●
	<i>protohuxleyi</i>				●		
<i>Hayaster</i>	<i>perplexus</i>	●	●	●	●	●	●
<i>Helicosphaera</i>	<i>ampliaperta</i>		●				
	<i>carteri</i>	●	●	●	●	●	●
	<i>euphratis</i>	●	●	●	●	●	●
	<i>hyalina</i>	●	●	●	●	●	●
	<i>intermedia</i>		●	●	●	●	●
	<i>recta</i>		●		●		
	<i>sellii</i>	●	●	●	●	●	●
	<i>wallachii</i>	●		●			
<i>Heliolithus</i>	<i>Kleinpellii</i>				x		
<i>Isthmolithus</i>	<i>recurvus</i>				●	x	
<i>Lithostromation</i>	<i>perdurum</i>		●	●	●	●	

Figure 5. Occurrence plot of all species observed in Quaternary and Neogene sediments at Site 586 (Leg 89) and Sites 587-594 (Leg 90). Indigenous species (●) together with reworked species (x) are listed alphabetically for convenient reference.

#### *Chiasmolithus grandis* (Bramlette and Riedel)

*Coccolithus grandis* Bramlette and Riedel, 1954, p. 391, pl. 38, figs. 1a-b.

*Chiasmolithus grandis* (Bramlette and Riedel). Gartner, 1969b, p. 944, figs. 11-3, 14.

#### *Chiasmolithus oamaruensis* (Deflandre)

*Tremalithus oamaruensis* Deflandre in Deflandre and Fert, 1954, p. 154, pl. 11, fig. 22, text-figs. 72-74.

*Chiasmolithus oamaruensis* (Deflandre). Hay et al., 1966, p. 388, pl. 7, fig. 1.

#### Genus *COCCOLITHUS* Schwarz, 1894

##### *Coccolithus carteri* (Wallich)

*Coccospaera carteri* Wallich, 1877, p. 348, pl. 17, figs. 3, 4, 6, 7, 17.

*Coccolithus carteri* (Wallich). Kamptner, 1941, p. 93.

##### *Coccolithus miopelagicus* Bukry

*Coccolithus miopelagicus* Bukry, 1971a, p. 310, pl. 2, figs. 6-9.

##### *Coccolithus pelagicus* (Wallich)

*Coccospaera pelagica* Wallich, 1877, p. 348, pl. 17, figs. 1, 2, 5, 11, 12.

*Coccolithus pelagicus* (Wallich). Schiller, 1930, p. 246, figs. 123-124.

#### Genus *CORONOCYCLUS* Hay, Mohler, and Wade, 1966

##### *Coronocyclus nitescens* (Kamptner)

*Umbilicosphaera nitescens* Kamptner, 1963, pp. 187-188, pl. 1, fig. 5.

*Coronocyclus nitescens* (Kamptner). Bramlette and Wilcoxon, 1967, p. 103, pl. 1, fig. 4; pl. 5, figs. 7-8.

#### Genus *CRENALITHUS* Roth, 1973

##### *Crenalithus doronicoides* (Black and Barnes)

*Coccolithus doronicoides* Black and Barnes, 1961, p. 142, pl. 25, fig. 3.

*Crenalithus doronicoides* (Black and Barnes). Roth, 1973, p. 731, pl. 3, fig. 3.

#### Genus *CRICOLITHUS* Kampfner, 1958

##### *Cricolithus jonesii* Cohen

*Cricolithus jonesii* Cohen, 1965, p. 16, pl. 2, figs. j, k; pl. 16, figs. a-c.

#### Genus *CYCLICARGOLITHUS* Bukry, 1971

##### *Cyclicargolithus abisectus* (Müller)

*Coccolithus? abisectus* Müller, 1970, p. 92, pl. 9, figs. 9, 10; pl. 12, fig. 1.

*Cyclicargolithus abisectus* (Müller). Bukry, 1973b, p. 703.

##### *Cyclicargolithus floridanus* (Roth and Hay)

*Coccolithus floridanus* Roth and Hay in Hay et al., 1967, p. 445, pl. 6, figs. 1-4.

*Cyclicargolithus floridanus* (Roth and Hay). Bukry, 1971a, pp. 312-313.

#### Genus *DICTYOCOCCITES* Black, 1967

##### *Dictyococcites bisectus* (Hay, Mohler, and Wade)

*Syracosphaera bisecta* Hay, Mohler, and Wade, 1966, p. 393, pl. 10, figs. 1-6.

*Dictyococcites bisectus* (Hay, Mohler, and Wade). Bukry and Percival, 1971, p. 127, pl. 2, figs. 12, 13.

- Dictyococcites scrippsae* Bukry and Percival  
*Dictyococcites scrippsae* Bukry and Percival, 1971, p. 128, pl. 2, figs. 7, 8.
- Genus *DISCOASTER* Tan, 1927  
*Discoaster asymmetricus* Gartner  
*Discoaster asymmetricus* Gartner, 1969a, p. 598, pl. 1, figs. 1-3.
- Discoaster barbadiensis* Tan  
*Discoaster barbadiensis* Tan, 1927, p. 119.
- Discoaster bellus* Bukry and Percival  
*Discoaster bellus* Bukry and Percival, 1971, p. 128, pl. 3, figs. 1, 2.
- Discoaster berggrenii* Bukry  
*Discoaster berggrenii* Bukry, 1971b, p. 45, pl. 2, figs. 4-6.
- Discoaster blackstockae* Bukry  
*Discoaster blackstockae* Bukry, 1973c, p. 307, pl. 1, figs. 1-4.
- Discoaster bollii* Martini and Bramlette  
*Discoaster bollii* Martini and Bramlette, 1963, p. 851, pl. 105, figs. 1-4, 7.
- Discoaster brouweri* Tan  
*Discoaster brouweri* Tan, 1927, p. 120, figs. 8a-b.
- Discoaster calcaris* Gartner  
*Discoaster calcaris* Gartner, 1967, p. 2, pl. 2, figs. 1-3.
- Discoaster challengereri* Bramlette and Riedel  
*Discoaster challengereri* Bramlette and Riedel, 1954, p. 401, pl. 39, fig. 10.
- Discoaster decorus* (Bukry)  
*Discoaster variabilis decorus* Bukry, 1971b, p. 48, pl. 3, figs. 5, 6.  
*Discoaster decorus* (Bukry). Bukry, 1973a, p. 677, pl. 2, figs. 8, 9; pl. 4, fig. 11.
- Discoaster deflandrei* Bramlette and Riedel  
*Discoaster deflandrei* Bramlette and Riedel, 1954, p. 399, pl. 39, fig. 6; text-figs. 1a-c.
- Discoaster druggii* Bramlette and Wilcoxon  
*Discoaster druggii* Bramlette and Wilcoxon, 1967, p. 220 (nom. subst. pro *D. extensus* Bramlette and Wilcoxon, 1967, non Hay, 1967).
- Discoaster exilis* Martini and Bramlette  
*Discoaster exilis* Martini and Bramlette, 1963, p. 852, pl. 104, figs. 1-3.
- Discoaster hamatus* Martini and Bramlette  
*Discoaster hamatus* Martini and Bramlette, 1963, p. 852, pl. 105, figs. 8, 10, 11.
- Discoaster intercalaris* Bukry  
*Discoaster intercalaris* Bukry, 1971a, p. 315, pl. 3, fig. 12; pl. 4, figs. 1, 2.
- Discoaster kugleri* Martini and Bramlette  
*Discoaster kugleri* Martini and Bramlette, 1963, p. 853, pl. 102, figs. 11-13.
- Discoaster lodoensis* Bramlette and Riedel  
*Discoaster lodoensis* Bramlette and Riedel, 1954, p. 398, pl. 39, figs. 3a-b.
- Discoaster loeblichii* Bukry  
*Discoaster loeblichii* Bukry, 1971a, pp. 315-316, pl. 4, figs. 3-5.
- Discoaster moorei* Bukry  
*Discoaster moorei* Bukry, 1971b, p. 46, pl. 2, figs. 11, 12; pl. 3, figs. 1, 2.
- Discoaster neohamatus* Bukry and Bramlette  
*Discoaster neohamatus* Bukry and Bramlette, 1969, p. 133, pl. 1, figs. 4-6.
- Discoaster pentaradiatus* Tan  
*Discoaster pentaradiatus* Tan, 1927, p. 120, fig. 2.
- Discoaster perclarus* Hay  
*Discoaster perclarus* Hay in Hay et al., 1967, p. 452, pl. 4, figs. 11, 12.
- Discoaster quinqueramus* Gartner  
*Discoaster quinqueramus* Gartner, 1969a, p. 598, pl. 1, figs. 6, 7.
- Discoaster stellulus* Gartner  
*Discoaster stellulus* Gartner, 1967, p. 3, pl. 4, figs. 1-3.
- Discoaster surculus* Martini and Bramlette  
*Discoaster surculus* Martini and Bramlette, 1963, p. 854, pl. 104, figs. 10-12.
- Discoaster tamalis* Kamptner  
*Discoaster tamalis* Kamptner, 1967, p. 166, pl. 24, fig. 131; text-fig. 28.
- Discoaster tridenus* Kamptner  
*Discoaster tridenus* Kamptner, 1967, p. 166, text-fig. 30.
- Discoaster triradiatus* Tan  
*Discoaster triradiatus* Tan, 1927, p. 417.
- Discoaster variabilis* Martini and Bramlette  
*Discoaster variabilis* Martini and Bramlette, 1963, p. 854, pl. 104, figs. 4-8.
- Genus *DISCOLITHINA* Loeblich and Tappan, 1963  
*Discolithina japonica* Takayama  
*Discolithina japonica* Takayama, 1967, p. 177, 181, 189, pl. 2, fig. 11; pl. 9; pl. 10, text-figs. 6, 7.
- Discolithina multipora* (Kamptner)  
*Discolithus multiporus* Kamptner, 1948, p. 5, pl. 1, fig. 9.  
*Discolithina multipora* (Kamptner). Martini, 1965, p. 400.
- Genus *DISCOSPHAERA* Haeckel, 1894  
*Discosphaera tubifera* (Murray and Blackman)  
*Rhabdosphaera tubifera* Murray and Blackman, 1898, p. 438, pl. 15, figs. 8-11.  
*Discosphaera tubifera* (Murray and Blackman). Ostenfeld, 1900, p. 200.
- Genus *EMILIANIA* Hay and Mohler, 1967  
*Emiliania annula* (Cohen)  
*Coccolithites annulus* Cohen, 1964, p. 237, pl. 3, figs. 1a-c.  
*Emiliania annula* (Cohen). Bukry, 1973a, p. 678.
- Emiliania huxleyi* (Lohmann)  
*Pontosphaera huxleyi* Lohmann, 1902, p. 130, pl. 4, figs. 1-6; pl. 6, fig. 69.  
*Emiliania huxleyi* (Lohmann). Hay and Mohler in Hay et al., 1967, p. 447, pl. 10, 11, figs. 1, 2.

***Emiliania ovata* Bukry***Emiliania ovata* Bukry, 1973a, p. 678, pl. 2, figs. 10–12.**Genus *FASCICULITHUS* Bramlette and Sullivan, 1961*****Fasciculithus tympaniformis* Hay and Mohler***Fasciculithus tympaniformis* Hay and Mohler in Hay et al., 1967, p. 447, pl. 8, figs. 1–5; pl. 9, figs. 1–5.**Genus *GEPHYROCAPSA* Kamptner, 1943*****Gephyrocapsa caribbeanica* Boudreux and Hay***Gephyrocapsa caribbeanica* Boudreux and Hay in Hay et al., 1967, p. 447, pl. 12, 13, figs. 1–4.***Gephyrocapsa oceanica* Kamptner***Gephyrocapsa oceanica* Kamptner, 1943, pp. 43–49.***Gephyrocapsa protohuxleyi* McIntyre***Gephyrocapsa protohuxleyi* McIntyre, 1970, pp. 187–189, fig. 1a–g.**Genus *HAYASTER* Bukry, 1973*****Hayaster perplexus* (Bramlette and Riedel)***Discoaster perplexus* Bramlette and Riedel, 1954, p. 400, pl. 39, fig. 9.  
*Hayaster perplexus* (Bramlette and Riedel). Bukry, 1973c, p. 308.**Genus *HELICOSPHAERA* Kamptner, 1954*****Helicosphaera ampliaperta* (Bramlette and Wilcoxon)***Helicopontosphaera ampliaperta* Bramlette and Wilcoxon, 1967, p. 105, pl. 6, figs. 1–4.*Helicosphaera ampliaperta* (Bramlette and Wilcoxon). Jafar and Martini, 1975, p. 390.***Helicosphaera carteri* (Wallich)***Helicosphaera carteri* (Wallich). Kamptner, 1954, pp. 21–23, 73–74, text-figs. 17a–c, 18, 19. Jafar and Martini, 1975, pp. 381–397, pl. 1, figs. 1, 4, 5.*Helicopontosphaera kamptneri* Hay and Mohler in Hay et al., 1967, p. 448, pl. 10, fig. 5; pl. 11, fig. 5.***Helicosphaera euphratis* Haq***Helicosphaera euphratis* Haq, 1966, p. 33, pl. 2, figs. 1, 3.  
*Helicopontosphaera euphratis* (Haq). Martini, 1969, p. 136.***Helicosphaera hyalina* Gaarder***Helicosphaera hyalina* Gaarder, 1970, pp. 113–114, text-figs. 1–3.  
*Helicopontosphaera hyalina* (Gaarder). Haq, 1973, p. 37.***Helicosphaera intermedia* Martini***Helicosphaera intermedia* Martini, 1965, p. 404, pl. 35, figs. 1, 2.  
*Helicopontosphaera intermedia* (Martini). Hay and Mohler in Hay et al., 1967, p. 448.***Helicosphaera recta* (Haq)***Helicosphaera seminulum recta* Haq, 1966, p. 34, pl. 2, fig. 6; pl. 3, fig. 4.*Helicopontosphaera recta* (Haq). Martini, 1969, p. 136.*Helicosphaera recta* (Haq). Jafar and Martini, 1975, p. 391.***Helicosphaera sellii* (Bukry and Bramlette)***Helicopontosphaera sellii* Bukry and Bramlette, 1969, p. 134, pl. 2, figs. 3–7.*Helicosphaera sellii* (Bukry and Bramlette). Jafar and Martini, 1975, p. 391; Ellis and Lohman, 1979, p. 76.*Helicosphaera inversa* Gartner, 1977, p. 23, pl. 1, figs. 4a–b, 5a–c.***Helicosphaera wallichii* (Lohmann)***Coccospaera wallichi* Lohmann, 1902, p. 138, pl. 5, figs. 58–60.*Helicopontosphaera wallichi* (Lohmann). Boudreux and Hay, 1969, pp. 272–273, pl. 6, fig. 9.*Helicosphaera wallichii* (Lohmann). Okada and McIntyre, 1977, pp. 14–15, pl. 4, fig. 8.**Genus *HELIOLITHUS* Bramlette and Sullivan, 1961*****Heliolithus kleinpelli* Sullivan***Heliolithus kleinpelli* Sullivan, 1964, p. 193, pl. 12, fig. 5.**Genus *ISTHMOLITHUS* Deflandre, 1954*****Isthmolithus recurvus* Deflandre***Isthmolithus recurvus* Deflandre in Deflandre and Fert, 1954, p. 169, pl. 12, figs. 9–13, text-figs. 119–122.**Genus *LITHOSTROMATION* Deflandre, 1942*****Lithostromation perdurum* Deflandre***Lithostromation perdurum* Deflandre, 1942b, p. 918, figs. 1–9.**Genus *LOPHODOLITHUS* Deflandre, 1954*****Lophodolithus nascens* Bramlette and Sullivan***Lophodolithus nascens* Bramlette and Sullivan, 1961, p. 145, pl. 4, figs. 7a–c, 8a–c.**Genus *OOLITHOTUS* Reinhardt, in Cohen and Reinhardt, 1968*****Oolithotus fragilis* (Lohmann)***Coccolithophora fragilis* Lohmann, 1912, pp. 49, 54, text-fig. 11.*Discolithus antillarum* Cohen, 1964, p. 236, pl. 1, figs. 3a–e.  
*Oolithotus fragilis* (Lohmann). Okada and McIntyre, 1977, p. 11, pl. 4, fig. 3.**Genus *ORTHORHABDUS* Bramlette and Wilcoxon, 1967*****Orthorhabdus serratus* Bramlette and Wilcoxon***Orthorhabdus serratus* Bramlette and Wilcoxon, 1967, pp. 114–116, pl. 9, figs. 5–10.**Genus *PONTOSPHAERA* Lohmann, 1902*****Pontosphaera discopora* Schiller***Pontosphaera discopora* Schiller, 1925, p. 11, pl. 1, fig. 4.**Genus *RETICULOFENESTRA* Hay, Mohler, and Wade, 1966*****Reticulofenestra hillae* Bukry and Percival***Reticulofenestra hillae* Bukry and Percival, 1971, p. 136, pl. 6, figs. 1–3.***Reticulofenestra pseudoumbilica* (Gartner)***Coccolithus pseudoumbilicus* Gartner, 1967, p. 4, pl. 6, fig. 3.  
*Reticulofenestra pseudoumbilica* (Gartner). Gartner, 1969a, pp. 587–589.***Reticulofenestra umbilica* (Levin)***Coccolithus umbilicus* Levin, 1965, p. 265, pl. 41, fig. 2.  
*Reticulofenestra umbilica* (Levin). Martini and Ritzkowski, 1968, p. 245, pl. 1, figs. 11, 12.**Genus *RABDOSPHEAERA* Haeckel, 1894*****Rhabdosphaera clavigera* Murray and Blackman***Rhabdosphaera clavigera* Murray and Blackman, 1898, p. 438, pl. 15, figs. 13–15.***Rhabdosphaera procera* Martini***Rhabdosphaera procera* Martini, 1969, p. 289, pl. 26, figs. 10, 11.**Genus *SCAPHOLITHUS* Deflandre, 1954*****Scapholithus fossilis* Deflandre***Scapholithus fossilis* Deflandre in Deflandre and Fert, 1954, p. 165, pl. 8, figs. 12, 16, 17.

**Genus SCYPHOSPHAERA Lohmann, 1902***Scyphosphaera amphora* Deflandre*Scyphosphaera amphora* Deflandre, 1942a, p. 132, figs. 21, 22.*Scyphosphaera apsteinii* Lohmann*Scyphosphaera apsteinii* Lohmann, 1902, p. 132, pl. 4, figs. 26–30.*Scyphosphaera campanula* Deflandre*Scyphosphaera campanula* Deflandre, 1942a, pl. 134, figs. 23–27.*Scyphosphaera conica* Kamptner*Scyphosphaera conica* Kamptner, 1955, p. 26, figs. 130, 131.*Scyphosphaera cylindrica* Kamptner*Scyphosphaera cylindrica* Kamptner, 1955, p. 24, fig. 119.*Scyphosphaera globulata* Bukry and Percival*Scyphosphaera globulata* Bukry and Percival, 1971, pp. 138–140, pl. 7, figs. 1–6.*Scyphosphaera intermedia* Deflandre*Scyphosphaera intermedia* Deflandre, 1942a, p. 134, figs. 32–36.*Scyphosphaera magna* Kamptner*Scyphosphaera magna* Kamptner, 1967, p. 150, text-figs. 20.*Scyphosphaera pulcherrima* Deflandre*Scyphosphaera pulcherrima* Deflandre, 1942a, p. 133, figs. 28–31.*Scyphosphaera recurvata* Deflandre*Scyphosphaera recurvata* Deflandre, 1942a, p. 132, figs. 17–20.**Genus SPHENOLITHUS Deflandre, 1952***Sphenolithus abies* Deflandre*Sphenolithus abies* Deflandre in Deflandre and Fert, 1954, p. 164, pl. 10, figs. 1–4.*Sphenolithus belemnos* Bramlette and Wilcoxon*Sphenolithus belemnos* Bramlette and Wilcoxon, 1967, p. 118, pl. 2, figs. 1–3.*Sphenolithus capricornutus* Bukry and Percival*Sphenolithus capricornutus* Bukry and Percival, 1971, p. 140, pl. 6, figs. 4–6.*Sphenolithus conicus* Bukry*Sphenolithus conicus* Bukry, 1971a, p. 320, pl. 5, figs. 10–12.*Sphenolithus delphix* Bukry*Sphenolithus delphix* Bukry, 1973a, p. 679, pl. 3, figs. 19–22.*Sphenolithus dissimilis* Bukry and Percival*Sphenolithus dissimilis* Bukry and Percival, 1971, p. 140, pl. 6, figs. 7–9.*Sphenolithus heteromorphus* Deflandre*Sphenolithus heteromorphus* Deflandre, 1953, pp. 1785–1786, figs. 1, 2.*Sphenolithus moriformis* (Brönnimann and Stradner)*Nannoturbella moriformis* Brönnimann and Stradner, 1960, p. 368, figs. 11–16.*Sphenolithus moriformis* (Brönnimann and Stradner). Bramlette and Wilcoxon, 1967, pp. 124–126, pl. 3, figs. 1–6.*Sphenolithus neoabies* Bukry and Bramlette*Sphenolithus neoabies* Bukry and Bramlette, 1969, p. 140, pl. 3, figs. 9–11.**Genus SYRACOSPHAERA Lohmann, 1902***Syracosphaera pulchra* Lohmann*Syracosphaera pulchra* Lohmann, 1902, p. 134, pl. 4, figs. 33, 36, 37.**Genus THORACOSPHAERA Kamptner, 1927***Thoracosphaera heimii* (Lohmann)*Syracosphaera heimii* Lohmann, 1919, p. 117, fig. 29.*Thoracosphaera heimii* (Lohmann). Kamptner, 1954, pp. 40–42, figs. 41, 42.*Thoracosphaera saxeae* Stradner*Thoracosphaera saxeae* Stradner, 1961, p. 84, fig. 71.**Genus TRIQUETRORHABDULUS Martini, 1965***Triquetrorhabdulus carinatus* Martini*Triquetrorhabdulus carinatus* Martini, 1965, p. 408, pl. 36, figs. 1–3.*Triquetrorhabdulus milowii* Bukry*Triquetrorhabdulus milowii* Bukry, 1971a, p. 325, pl. 7, figs. 9–12.*Triquetrorhabdulus rugosus* Bramlette and Wilcoxon*Triquetrorhabdulus rugosus* Bramlette and Wilcoxon, 1967, pp. 128–129, pl. 9, figs. 17, 18.**Genus UMBELLOSPHAERA Paasche, 1955***Umbellospphaera irregularis* Paasche*Umbellospphaera irregularis* Paasche in Markali and Paasche, 1955, p. 97, pl. 3–6.**Genus UMBILICOSPHAERA Lohmann, 1902***Umbilicosphaera cricota* (Gartner)*Cyclococcolithus cricota* Gartner, 1967, p. 5, pl. 7, figs. 5–7.  
*Umbilicosphaera cricota* (Gartner). Cohen and Reinhardt, 1968, p. 296, pl. 19, figs. 1, 5; pl. 21, fig. 3; text-fig. 6.*Umbilicosphaera sibogae* (Weber-van Bosse)*Coccospaera sibogae* Weber-van Bosse, 1901, p. 137, 140, pl. 17, figs. 1, 2.*Umbilicosphaera mirabilis* Lohmann, 1902, p. 139, pl. 5, figs. 66, 66a.*Umbilicosphaera sibogae* (Weber-van Bosse). Gaarder, 1970, p. 126.**Genus WATZNAUERIA Reinhardt, 1964***Watznaueria barnesae* (Black)*Tremalithus barnesae* Black in Black and Barnes, 1959, p. 325, pl. 9, figs. 1, 2.*Watznaueria barnesae* (Black). Perch-Nielsen, 1968, p. 69, pl. 22, figs. 1–7; pl. 23, figs. 1, 4, 5, 16; text-fig. 32.**Genus ZYGRHALBLITHUS Deflandre, 1959***Zygrhalblithus bijugatus* (Deflandre)*Zygolithus bijugatus* Deflandre in Deflandre and Fert, 1954, p. 148, pl. 11, figs. 20, 21.*Zygrhalblithus bijugatus* (Deflandre). Deflandre, 1959, p. 135.**SUMMARY OF NANNOPLANKTON BIOSTRATIGRAPHY**

The nannoplankton biostratigraphy is summarized for each of the nine sites, together with brief site descriptions. The geologic age and nannoplankton zone or sub-zone assignment of the Quaternary and Neogene cores from Hole 586B (Leg 89) and the holes from Sites 587–594 (Leg 90) are shown in Table 1. In addition, a table of nannoplankton occurrences for each site has been prepared (Tables 2–10, later). For some sites where multiple holes were drilled, sets of samples from more than one

Table 1. Geologic age and nannoplankton zone assignment of Quaternary and Neogene cores from Site 586 (Leg 89) and Sites 587-594 (Leg 90).

Age	Zone or subzone	Leg 89		Leg 90 sites						
		Hole 586B		587	588	589	590	591	592	594
Quaternary	NN21	1-Top 1-3/1-4 1-5/4-2	1-1 3-3 3-4/4-4	Hole 588			Hole 590	Hole 591		
	NN20			1-1	1-1	1-1/1-2	1-1/1-3	1-1/1-3	1-1/1-3	1-1/6-1
	NN19b			3-3	1-2	1-3	1-4/1-5	1,CC/2-3	1,CC	6-3/7-1
	NN19a	4-3/5-2	4-5	2-1/3-4	3-6/4-6	3-3/1,CC	5-5/6-5	3-2/3-5	3-3/5,CC	11-5
Pliocene	late	NN18	5-3/6-4	4-6	3-5/4-1	4,CC	2-1/2,CC	6,CC/8-1	3-6/4-1	6-1
		NN17	6-5/6-6	4,CC	4-2		3-1	8-3	4-2	6-2
		NN16	6-7/8,CC	5-1/5-5	4-3/6-5		3-2/7-3	8-5/12-3	4-3/6-3	6-3/8,CC
	early	NN15	9,CC/13-7	5-6/6-4	6-6/9-2		7-4/11-7	12-5/16,CC	6,CC/8-5	9-1/9,CC
		NN14	13,CC/15-1	6-5/7-1	9-3/11-1		11,CC/14-1	17-1/20,CC	8,CC/13,CC	11-1/13,CC
		NN13	15-2/15,CC	7-2/7-3	11-2/11-3		14-2/16-2	21-1/21-5	14-1	14-1
		NN12	16-1/17,CC	7-4	11-4/12-1		16-3/18-5	21,CC/24-1	14,CC	17-3
Miocene	late	NN11b	18-1/21-4	7-5/10-1	12-2/18-3	Hole 590B				
						18-6/30-3	24-3/28-3	15-1/17,CC	17-5/22-3	23,CC
		NN11a NN10	21-5/25,CC	10-3/11,CC	18-4/20-7 20,CC/23-4	Hole 591B				
						30-4/35-5 35,CC/38-5	28-5/4,CC 5-1/8,CC	18-1/19-1 19-3/20,CC	22,CC/25-1 25-3/26-5	26-5 26,CC/28-3
	middle	NN9 NN8			23-5/25-3 25-4/25-6	Hole 588A				
						38,CC/40,CC 41-5/41,CC	9-2/11-1 11,CC	21-1/22,CC 23-1	26,CC/27,CC 28-1	28-5/29,CC 30-1
		NN7			25,CC/2-4	Hole 588B				
						42-1/45-1	12-1/12,CC	23-3/24,CC	37-1	42-3
	early	NN6			2,CC/8,CC	Hole 588C				
						45-3/47-3	13-1/18-3	25-1/28-1	37-3/42-4	42,CC/15-3
		NN5			9-1/1,CC	Hole 588D				
						47-5/49,CC	18-5/23,CC	28-3/29-3	42-4/43,CC	15,CC/26,CC

Note: Slash separates first section of zonal interval from last section of interval.

hole were examined in order to provide complete stratigraphic coverage. For convenient reference, the index species are grouped together in the tables and the additional species are then listed alphabetically. The state of preservation is designated as G = good, little or no etching or overgrowth; F = fair, some etching or overgrowth which has damaged or obscured ornamentation; P = poor, considerable etching or overgrowth which has made many species difficult to recognize. Abundance values of each taxon were obtained by scanning an area measuring approximately 45 mm<sup>2</sup> and assigning the following values: A = abundant (>50 specimens), C = common (25-49 specimens), and R = rare (<25 specimens). Over 700 samples from the nine sites were examined with a light microscope to determine the Neogene and Quaternary nannoplankton biostratigraphy. In addition, 61 samples were further examined with a scanning electron microscope (SEM) to determine the range of *Emiliania huxleyi*. Time did not permit further SEM examination to determine the presence of other small Quaternary species.

All relevant zonal and subzonal indicators are present at Sites 586-591. However, at sites south of Site 591,

some indicators become increasingly rare and consequently unusable, or they are absent. The paucity of *Ceratolithus rugosus* at Site 592 and its absence at Sites 593 and 594 prevents recognition of the NN13/NN12 boundary at these sites and the absence of *Catinaster coalitus* at Sites 593 and 594 prevents recognition of the NN8/NN7 boundary. At Site 594, 40% of the zonal and subzonal indicators are either missing or occur too sparsely to use. In addition to the absence of *Ceratolithus rugosus* and *Catinaster coalitus*, the absence of *Amaurolithus primus* and the sparse occurrences of *Discoaster brouweri*, *D. pentaradiatus*, *D. surculus*, and *D. asymmetricus* prevent recognition of the NN19/NN18, NN18/NN17, NN17/NN16, NN14/NN13, and NN11b/NN11a zonal and subzonal boundaries.

## Site 586

### Hole 586B

Site 586 is located on the northeastern upper slope of the Ontong-Java Plateau (00°29.84'S, 158°29.89'E) in tropical waters at a depth of 2207 m below sea level. Four holes were drilled at this site during DSDP Leg 89.

The 25 cores obtained from Hole 586B were set aside for study by DSDP Leg 90 scientists in order to complete the latitudinal traverse. Hole 586B was terminated at a depth of 240.3 m because equipment failed.

All of the zonal and subzonal indicators for Zones NN21 through NN11 are present and species diversity is good throughout Hole 586B (Table 2). Preservation changes from good to fair below Sample 586B-6-2, 30–31 cm, and only minor reworking was encountered.

#### *Quaternary*

The Quaternary includes Cores 1–4 and the upper part of Core 5 above the last occurrence of *Discoaster brouweri* in Sample 586B-5-3, 30–31 cm. Two rare occurrences of *D. brouweri* above this sample are reworked. The rare occurrence of *Emiliania huxleyi* in Sample 586B-1, top, places the uppermost part of Core 1 in Zone NN21. The two underlying samples (586B-1-3, 30–31 cm and 586B-1-4, 30–31 cm) belong in Zone NN20. The last occurrences of *E. ovata* in Sample 586B-1-5, 30–31 cm and *Calcidiscus macintyrei* in Sample 586B-4-3, 30–31 cm place Samples 586B-1-5, 30–31 cm through 586B-4-2, 30–31 cm in Subzone NN19b and Samples 586B-4-3, 30–31 cm through 586B-5-2, 30–31 cm in Subzone NN19a.

#### *Pliocene*

The Pliocene includes the lower part of Core 5 and Cores 6–17. The last occurrence of *Reticulofenestra pseudoumbilica* in Sample 586-9, CC marks the lower/upper Pliocene boundary. The last occurrences of *Discoaster pentaradiatus* in Sample 586B-6-5, 30–31 cm and *D. surculus* in Sample 586B-6-7, 30–31 cm place Samples 586B-5-3, 30–31 cm through 586B-6-4, 30–31 cm in Zone NN18, Samples 586B-6-5, 30–31 cm and 586B-6-6, 30–31 cm in Zone NN17, and Sample 586B-6-7, 30–31 cm through Core 8 in Zone NN16. The last occurrence of *Amaurolithus tricorniculatus* in Sample 586B-13, CC places Samples 586B-9, CC through 586B-13-7, 30–31 cm in Zone NN15. Zone NN14 includes Sample 586B-13, CC to the first consistent occurrence of *D. asymmetricus* in Sample 586B-15-1, 30–31 cm. The numerous occurrences of *D. asymmetricus* below this sample are probably due to contamination. The first occurrence of *Ceratolithus rugosus* in Sample 586B-15, CC places Samples 586B-15-2, 30–31 cm through 586B-15, CC in Zone NN13 and Samples 586B-16-1, 30–31 cm through 586B-17, CC in Zone NN12.

#### *Miocene*

The occurrence of *Discoaster quinqueramus* in Sample 586B-18-1, 30–31 cm through Core 25 determined that Hole 586B terminated within the late Miocene Zone NN11. This zone is subdivided into Subzones NN11b and NN11a by the first occurrence of *Amaurolithus primus* in Sample 586B-21-4, 30–31 cm.

#### **Site 587**

##### **Hole 587**

Site 587 is located on the southern slope of Lansdowne Bank ( $21^{\circ}11.87'S$ ,  $161^{\circ}19.99'E$ ) in subtropical

waters at a depth of 1101 m below sea level. One hole was cored to a depth of 147.0 m and 11 cores were obtained with good recovery. A sudden change in lithology at a depth of 99.1 m prevented further core recovery.

With the exception of the NN21/NN20 boundary, all of the nannoplankton zones and subzones through Subzone NN11a are recognized (Table 3). Species diversity is good throughout the hole. Preservation is good through Core 4, fair in Cores 5–10, and poor in Core 11. Rare reworked discoasters were observed in three of the Quaternary samples.

#### *Quaternary*

The Quaternary includes Cores 1–3 and most of Core 4. Rare to common occurrences of *Emiliania huxleyi* in all of the samples above the last occurrence of *E. ovata* in Sample 587-3-4, 20–21 cm prevent recognition of the boundary between Zones NN21 and NN20. Samples 587-1-1, 4–5 cm through 587-3-3, 20–21 cm are therefore placed in the combined Zone NN21/NN20. A thin Zone NN20 may, however, occur between Samples 587-3-3, 20–21 cm and 587-3-4, 20–21 cm. The last occurrence of *Discoaster brouweri* in Sample 587-4-6, 4–5 cm places Samples 587-3-4, 20–21 cm through 587-4-5, 4–5 cm in Zone NN19. The last occurrence of *Calcidiscus macintyrei* in Sample 587-4-5, 4–5 cm subdivides Zone NN19 into Subzones NN19b and NN19a.

#### *Pliocene*

The Pliocene includes the lower part of Core 4 through the upper part of Core 7. The last occurrence of *Reticulofenestra pseudoumbilica* in Sample 587-5-6, 4–5 cm marks the lower/upper Pliocene boundary. The presence of *Discoaster brouweri* and the absence of *D. pentaradiatus* in Sample 587-4-6, 4–5 cm places this sample in Zone NN18. The presence of *D. pentaradiatus* and the absence of *D. surculus* in Sample 587-4, CC places this sample in Zone NN17. The interval from the last occurrence of *D. surculus* down to Sample 587-5-5, 4–5 cm, above the last occurrence of *Reticulofenestra pseudoumbilica* in Sample 587-5-6, 4–5 cm, belongs in Zone NN16. Zone NN15 includes Samples 587-5-6, 4–5 cm through 587-6-4, 4–5 cm. The last occurrence of *Amaurolithus tricorniculatus* in Sample 587-6-5, 4–5 cm and the first occurrence of *D. asymmetricus* in Sample 587-7-1, 4–5 cm place this interval in Zone NN14. The first consistent occurrence of *Ceratolithus rugosus* in Sample 587-7-3, 4–5 cm places this sample and the overlying Sample 587-7-2, 4–5 cm in Zone NN13. Sample 587-7-4, 4–5 cm belongs in Zone NN12.

#### *Miocene*

The last occurrence of *Discoaster quinqueramus* in Sample 587-7-5, 4–5 cm and the first occurrence of *Amaurolithus primus* in Sample 587-10-1, 12–13 cm place this interval in Subzone NN11b. Sample 587-10-3, 12–13 cm through 587-11-1, 20–21 cm contain *D. quinqueramus* without *A. primus* and therefore belong in Subzone NN11a. Because preservation is poor and zonal indicators are missing below Sample 587-11-1, 20–21 cm, it can only be assumed that the remaining Core 11 samples also belong in Subzone NN11a.

Table 2. Nannoplankton occurrences, Hole 586B.

Age	Zone	Index species				Additional species	
		Core Section		Interval (cm)	Depth below seafloor (m)	Preservation	
Miocene	NN11a	18	30-31	163.81	F	R C R R C C R A R	R C C R R C R A R
		2	30-31	165.31	F	R C R C C R A R	R C R R C R A R
		4	30-31	168.31	F	R R A R R C A R	R R C R R C R A R
		19	CC	173.10	F	R A R R C A R	R A R R C A R
		20	CC	182.70	F	R A R R R C C R A R	R C C A R
		21	40-31	197.10	F	R A R R C C R A R	R R A A R
		5	30-31	198.60	F	R A R R C C A R	R A A A R
		6	30-31	200.10	F	R A R R R C C R A R	R R A A R
		22	CC	211.50	F	R C R R C R	R C A R
		23	CC	221.10	F	C C R R C C C R	R A A R
		24	CC	230.70	F	C C R R C C A R	R A A R
		25	CC	240.30	F	C C R R R C A R	R C A R
Pliocene	NN11b	late	early	68.60	F	R R C A R R R	R Sphaerosphaera clavigera
		9	CC	68.60	F	R R C A R R R	Rhabdosphaera procer
		10	CC	78.20	F	R R C C R C R	Scapholithus fossili
		11	CC	87.80	F	R R C C R C R	Sphaerosphaera amphora
		12	CC	96.30	F	C C C C C C C R	Sphaerosphaera asplenium
		13	CC	105.90	F	R R C A R C R A	Sphaerosphaera globulata
		14	CC	115.50	F	R C C C R C R A	Sphaerosphaera infermedis
		15	6	123.31	F	R R C R C A C	Sphaerosphaera pulcherrima
		17	7	124.87	F	R R C R R C R C	Sphaerosphaera recurva
		18	CC	125.10	F	R R A R A C C R	Sphaerosphaera spinolitidis
Quaternary	NN18	late	early	134.70	F	R R C R R C A R	Sphaerosphaera spinolitidis
		19	CC	134.70	F	R R C R R C A R	Sphaerosphaera spinolitidis
		20	1	135.01	F	R R C R R C A	Sphaerosphaera spinolitidis
		21	30-31	136.51	F	R R C R A A	Sphaerosphaera spinolitidis
		22	CC	144.30	F	R R C R R C A R	Sphaerosphaera spinolitidis
		23	1	144.60	F	R A R R C C R	Sphaerosphaera spinolitidis
		24	30-31	147.60	F	R A R R A A R	Sphaerosphaera spinolitidis
		25	CC	153.90	F	R C R A A	Sphaerosphaera spinolitidis
		26	CC	163.50	F	R C R C C	Sphaerosphaera spinolitidis
		27	18	163.81	F	R C R R C C R	Sphaerosphaera spinolitidis
Recent	NN19a	late	early	165.31	F	R C R C C R	Sphaerosphaera spinolitidis
		28	6	168.31	F	R R A R R C A R	Sphaerosphaera spinolitidis
		29	CC	173.10	F	R A R R C A R	Sphaerosphaera spinolitidis
		30	4	182.70	F	R A R R R C C R A R	Sphaerosphaera spinolitidis
		31	CC	192.30	F	C A R R A A R C R C	Sphaerosphaera spinolitidis
		32	21	197.10	F	R A R R C C R A R	Sphaerosphaera spinolitidis
		33	5	200.10	F	R A R R R C C R A R	Sphaerosphaera spinolitidis
		34	CC	201.90	F	R A R R C A R	Sphaerosphaera spinolitidis
		35	22	211.50	F	R C R R C R	Sphaerosphaera spinolitidis
		36	CC	221.10	F	C C R R C C C R	Sphaerosphaera spinolitidis
		37	23	230.70	F	C C R R C C A R	Sphaerosphaera spinolitidis
		38	CC	240.30	F	C C R R R C A R	Sphaerosphaera spinolitidis

## Site 588

### **Holes 588, 588A, 588C**

Site 588 is located on the northern Lord Howe Rise ( $26^{\circ}06.70'S$ ,  $161^{\circ}13.60'E$ ) in subtropical waters at a depth of 1533 m below sea level. Four holes were drilled at this site. Hole 588 was cored to a depth of 236.0 m and 25 cores were obtained. Hole 588A was washed down to a depth of 236.0 m and then cored to a depth of 344.4 m. Eighteen cores were taken. Hole 588B, which duplicates Hole 588, was cored to a depth of 277.4 m and 31 cores were taken. Hole 588C was washed down to a depth of 305.7 m and then cored to a depth of 488.1

m. Nineteen cores were obtained. Core recovery was generally good throughout the four holes, but recovery was poor in the lowest sections of Holes 588A and 588C.

In order to obtain a complete stratigraphic section, cores from three holes (588, 588A, and 588C) were examined for calcareous nannoplankton (Table 4). Species diversity is good throughout the holes. Preservation changes from good to fair below Core 7 of Hole 588 and only minor reworking was encountered. The major regional unconformity of the southwest Pacific was encountered within Core 18 in the lower part of Hole 588C. It separates middle Eocene sediments (NP15/

Table 3. Nannoplankton occurrences, Site 587.

Age	Zone	Index Species		Additional species	
		Core	Section		
				Interval (cm)	Depth below sea-level (m)
Miocene	NN21	G	Emiliania nutleyi	R	R
late	1	4.5	Ceratolithus rugosus	C	0.05
	2	5.6	Emiliania ovata	C	155
	CC	3.10	Calcidiscus micchyrei	C	310
Pliocene			Discaster brouweri	R	
early			Discaster asymmetricus	R	
			Discaster pantarcticus	R	
			Discaster surculus	R	
			Reticulofenestra pseudohumbilica	R	
			Amauroithus primus	R	
			Amauroithus incominculus	R	
	NN20		Discaster quinqueramus	R	
			Amauroithus amplificus	R	
			Amauroithus bizarus	R	
			Amauroithus delicatus	R	
			Angulolithina arca	R	
			Braudosphaera bigelowii	R	
			Calcidiscus leptoporus	R	
			Ceratolithus armatus	R	
			Ceratolithus cristatus	R	
			Coccolithus carteri	R	
			Coccolithus pelagicus	R	
			Crenolithus doronicoïdes	R	
	NN19d		Discaster berggrenii	R	
			Discaster blackstockiae	R	
			Discaster challengerii	R	
			Discaster exilis	R	
			Discaster foebichii	R	
			Discaster neochamatus	R	
			Discaster tamaius	R	
	NN18		Discaster tredens	R	
			Discaster tridens	R	
	NN17		Discaster variabilis	R	
			Discithinna japonica	R	
	NN16		Discithinna multipora	R	
			Discospheka tubifera	R	
	NN15		Emiliania annula	R	
			Gephyrocapsa caribensis	R	
	NN14		Gephyrocapsa oceanica	R	
	NN13		Hastites peripleurus	R	
	NN12		Helicosphaera carteri	R	
	NN11b		Helicosphaera eupistis	R	
	NN11a		Rhabdosphaera procera	R	
			Scapholithus fossilis	R	
			Scaphospheka apsteni	R	
			Scaphospheka campanula	R	
			Scaphospheka conica	R	
			Pontosphaera discopora	R	
			Scaphospheka cylindrica	R	
			Scaphospheka globulata	R	
			Scaphospheka informedia	R	
			Scaphospheka puicherimana	R	
			Scaphospheka recurvata	R	
			Sphaerolithus abies	R	
			Sphaerolithus neovales	R	
			Syracospheka puchnia	R	
			Thracosphaera saxes	R	
			Triastrionhabdium rugosum	R	
			Umbilicosphaera irregularis	R	
			Umbilicosphaera cricida	R	
			Umbilicosphaera subglobo	R	

Table 4. Nannoplankton occurrences, Holes 588, 588A, and 588C.

		Pliocene	Quaternary	Age	late	Zone	Core	Section	Interval (cm)	Depth below seafloor (m)	Preservation	Index species												Additional species													
												A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
NN21	1	1	85-86	G	C																																
NN20	2	85-86	2 36	G																																	
NN19b	3	85-86	3 86	G	R																																
NN19a	CC	5 60	G	A																																	
NN19a	2 1	85-86	6 46	G	CR																																
NN19a	3	85-86	9 45	G	CR																																
NN18	CC	15 20	G	AR																																	
NN18	3 4	0-1	19 70	G	AC																																
NN18	5	0-1	21 20	G	ACC																																
NN17	4 1	0-1	24 80	G	CCA R																																
NN17	2	0-1	26 31	G	CC C A R R																																
NN16	3	0-1	27 81	G	ACC R R A R																																
NN16	5	CC	44 00	G	CCC R C A C																																
NN16	6	0-1	50 01	G	R C C R C C C																																
NN15	6	0-1	51 51	G	R C C R C C C C																																
NN15	7 2	0-1	55 11	G	R C C R A A C C																																
NN15	3	0-1	56 61	G	R C C R A A C A R																																
NN15	CC	63 20	G	CCC C C C C A R																																	
NN15	8	CC	72 80	F	R C C R A A R A R																																
NN14	9 2	0-1	74 31	F	R C R R A A R A R																																
NN14	3	0-1	75 81	F	R C R R A R A R R																																
NN14	CC	82 40	F	R C R R A C A R R																																	
NN14	10 5	0-1	88 41	F	R C R R C C A C R																																
NN13	6	0-1	89 91	F	R C R R C C A C R R																																
NN13	11 1	0-1	92 01	F	C C R R C C A R R																																
NN13	2	0-1	93 51	F	C C C C A R																																
NN13	3	0-1	95 01	F	C C C C A R																																
NN12	4	0-1	96 51	F	C C C C A R																																
NN12	12 1	0-1	101 60	F	C C C C A R																																
NN11b	2	0-1	103 10	F	C C C C A R R																																
NN11b	3	0-1	104 60	F	C C A C R C C																																
NN11b	CC	111 20	F	C C C R A R C																																	
NN11b	13	CC	120 80	F	R R C R A C C																																
NN11b	14	CC	130 40	F	R R C R A C C																																
NN11b	15	CC	140 00	F	R C C R A R C																																
NN11b	16	CC	149 60	F	R C R C R A R C																																
NN11b	17	CC	159 20	F	R R C R C R C																																
NN11b	18 3	0-1	162 21	F	R R C R C R C																																
NN11b	4	0-1	163 71	F	R R C R C C																																
NN11b	CC	168 60	F	R R R C C																																	
NN11a	19	CC	178 40	F	R R R R C																																
NN11a	20 3	0-1	181 41	F	C C R R R C																																
NN11a	4	0-1	182 91	F	C C R R R R																																
NN11a	6	0-1	185 91	F	C C R R R R																																
NN11a	7	0-1	187 41	F	C C R R R R																																
NN11a	CC	188 00	F	C C R R R R																																	

NN10	21	CC	197.60	F	C C	R C		C	C	R	C	R		C	C	R R		
	22	CC	207.20	F	C C	R A		R	C	R	C	R		C	C	R R		
	23	4	0-1	211.71	F	C R	R A	R	C	C	R	C	R		C	C	R R	
	5	0-1	213.21	F	C R	R A	R	C	C	R	C	C	R		R R	R R	R R	
	6	0-1	214.71	F	C C	A R R		C C	C	R	C	C	R		C	C	R R	
	CC	216.80	F	C R	C C R		C A	C	R R R	C	C	R		C	C	R R		
NN9	24	CC	226.40	F	C C	C C C		R R	C	R	C	C	R		R	C	R R	
	25	2	0-1	227.91	F	R C	A R R	R C	C	R	R	C	R		R	R	R R	
	3	0-1	229.41	F	R C	A R R		R R	C	R	R	C	R		R	R	R R	
NN8	4	0-1	230.91	F	R C	C C R		R	C		A	C	R		R	R	R R	
	5	0-1	232.41	F	R C	C C R		R	C		R A	C	R		R	R	R R	
	6	0-1	233.91	F	R C	C R R		R	C		R	C	R		R	R	R R	
	CC	236.00	F	R R	A R		R	C		R	C	R		R	R	A A		
NN7	A 1	2	0-1	237.51	F	R R	A C	C	R C		C	R			R R	R R	R R	
	4	0-1	240.51	F	R R	C C		R	R C		R	R			R R	R R	R R	
	5	0-1	242.01	F	R R	C C R		R	R C		R	R			R R	R R	R R	
	CC	245.60	F	C R	A C C		C	R A		C	R			C	C	R R		
	2	2	0-1	247.10	F	C R	C C C	C	R C		C	R			R	R	R R	
	4	0-1	250.10	F	C R	C C R		C	R C		R	C	R		R	R	R R	
NN6	1	CC	250.62	F	R R	C C		R	R C		C	R			R R	R R	R R	
	3	CC	255.60	F	R R	C C		R	R C	C R	C	R			R R	R R	R R	
	4	CC	260.60	F	R R	C R		R	R R	R R	C	R			R R	R R	R R	
	5	CC	265.60	F	R R	R R		R	R R	R R	R	R			R R	R R	R R	
	6	CG	270.60	F	R R	R R		R	R R	C R	R	R			R R	R R	R R	
	7	CC	275.60	F	R C	C C		R	R C	C R	R	R			R R	R R	R R	
	8	CC	280.60	F	R R	C C		R	R C	C R	R	R			R R	R R	R R	
NN5	9	1	0-1	280.60	F	R R	C R	R	R C	C R	R	R			R R	R R	R R	
	3	0-1	283.60	F	R R	C R		R	R C	C C	R	R			R R	R R	R R	
	CC	285.60	F	R R	C C	R		R	R C	C C	R	R			R R	R R	R R	
	10	CC	290.60	F	R R	R C		R	R C	C C	R	R			R R	R R	R R	
	11	CC	295.60	F	R R	R C		R	R R	C C	R	R			R R	R R	R R	
	12	CC	300.60	F	C R	R C		R	C C	A C	C	C	R		R R	R R	R R	
NN4	C 1	CC	315.30	F	C R	R C		C A	A C	C	C	R R		C		C		
	2	1	0-1	315.31	F	C R	C	C A	A C	C	C	R R		R R		C		
	2	0-1	316.81	F	R R	C		R C	A R	C		R		C		C		
	3	0-1	318.31	F	R R	A		R C	A R	C		R		C		C		
	4	0-1	319.81	F	R R	A		R C	A R	A		R		C		C		
	5	0-1	321.31	F	R R	A		R C	A C	A		R		C		C		
NN3	6	0-1	322.81	F	R R	A R		R C	A C	A		R R		C		C		
	CC	324.90	F	R R	C			C C R	A C	A		R R		A	R			
	3	1	0-1	324.91	F	R R	A	R C	A C	A		R		C		C		
	2	0-1	326.41	F	R R	A		R C	A C	A		R		C		C		
	3	0-1	327.91	F	R R	C		R C	A C	A		R		C	R			
	4	0-1	329.41	F	R R	C		R C	A C	A		R		R C				
	5	0-1	330.91	F	R R	C		R C	A C	A		R		C		C		
NN2	6	0-1	332.41	F	R R	A		R C R	A C	A		R		R C	R			
	CC	334.50	F	R R	C R R			R C	A C	A		R		R A				
NN1	4	CC	344.10	F	R R R			R C R	C R	C		R		R C				
	5	1	21-22	344.32	F	R R R			R C	C R	C		R		R C			
NN1	2	0-1	345.61	F	R R			R C R	C C C	C		R		R C	R			
	CC	353.70	F	R R				C C R	A C R R	C		R		R C				
	6	1	0-1	353.71	F	R R			C C R	A C R R	A		R		C C			
NP25	2	0-1	355.21	F	R R			C C R	A C R R	A		R		C C				
	3	0-1	356.23	F	R R			C C R	C C R R	C		R		R C				
	CC	363.23	F	R R				C C R	C C R R	A		R		C C	R			
	7	CC	372.90	F	R R			R C R	C C R R	C		R		R C	R			
	8	CC	382.50	F	R R			C C R	C C R R	C		R		R C	R			
	9	CC	382.10	F	R R			R C R	A C R R	C		R		R C	R			
	10	3	0-1	399.43	F	C R	C C	A C R R	C	R	R	R		R R R C	R R			
	CC	401.70	F	R R	C A	C C R R		R C	C C R R	A		R		R C	C			
	11	1	0-1	401.71	F	R R	C C	C C R R	C	R	R	R		R C	C			

NP16) from immediately overlying upper Oligocene sediments (NP24). A complete Quaternary, Neogene, and upper Oligocene section overlies the unconformity.

#### **Quaternary**

The Quaternary includes Cores 1-2 and the upper part of Core 3. The presence of *Emiliania huxleyi* in Sample 588-1-1, 85-86 cm places this sample in Zone NN21. The last occurrence of *E. ovata* in Sample 588-1-3, 85-86 cm places the intervening Sample 588-1-2, 85-86 cm in Zone NN20. The last occurrence of *Discoaster brouweri* in Sample 588-3-5, 0-1 cm places Samples 588-1-3, 85-86 cm through 588-3-4, 0-1 cm in Zone NN19. The last occurrence of *Calcidiscus macintyreui* in Sample 588-2-1, 85-86 cm subdivides Zone NN19 into Subzones NN19b and NN19a.

#### **Pliocene**

The Pliocene section includes the lower part of Core 588-3 through the upper part of Core 588-12. The last occurrence of *Reticulofenestra pseudoumbilica* in Sample 588-6-6, 0-1 cm marks the lower/upper Pliocene boundary. The presence of *Discoaster brouweri* and the absence of *D. pentaradiatus* in Samples 588-3-5, 0-1 cm through 588-4-1, 0-1 cm place these samples in Zone NN18. Sample 588-4-2, 0-1 cm contains *D. pentaradiatus* without *D. surculus* and belongs in Zone NN17. The interval from the last occurrence of *D. surculus* in Sample 588-4-3, 0-1 cm through Sample 588-6-5, 0-1 cm is placed in Zone NN16. The last occurrences of *R. pseudoumbilica* in Sample 588-6-6, 0-1 cm and *Amaurolithus tricorniculatus* in Sample 588-9-3, 0-1 cm place Samples 588-6-6, 0-1 cm through 588-9-2, 0-1 cm in Zone NN15. The first occurrences of *D. asymmetricus* in Sample 588-11-1, 0-1 cm and *Ceratolithus rugosus* in Sample 588-11-3, 0-1 cm place Samples 588-9-3, 0-1 cm through 588-11-1, 0-1 cm in Zone NN14 and Samples 588-11-2, 0-1 cm and 588-11-3, 0-1 cm in Zone NN13. Samples 588-11-4, 0-1 cm and 588-12-1, 0-1 cm, between the first occurrence of *C. rugosus* and the last occurrence of *D. quinqueramus*, belong in Zone NN12.

#### **Miocene**

The Miocene includes the upper part of Core 12, Hole 588, through the upper part of Core 10, Hole 588C. The middle/upper Miocene boundary lies between Samples 588-23-4, 0-1 cm and 588-23-5, 0-1 cm and the lower/middle Miocene boundary lies between Core 588C-1 and Sample 588C-2-1, 0-1 cm. The range of *Discoaster quinqueramus*, Samples 588-12-2, 0-1 cm through 588-20-7, 0-1 cm, defines Zone NN11. The first occurrence of *Amaurolithus primus* in Sample 588-18-3, 0-1 cm subdivides Zone NN11 into Subzones NN11b and NN11a. The range of *D. hamatus*, from Samples 588-23-5, 0-1 cm through 588-25-3, 0-1 cm, places these samples in Zone NN9 and the overlying interval, Samples 588-20, CC through 588-23-4, 0-1 cm, in Zone NN10. The successive first occurrences of *Catinaster coalitus* in Sample 588-25-6, 0-1 cm and *D. kugleri* in Sample 588A-2-4, 0-1 cm place Samples 588-25-4, 0-1 cm through 588-25-6, 0-1 cm in Zone NN8 and Samples 588-25, CC through 588A-2-4, 0-1 cm in Zone NN7. The last occur-

rence of *Sphenolithus heteromorphus* in Sample 588A-9-1, 0-1 cm places Sample 588A-2, CC and Cores 3-8 of Hole 588A in Zone NN6. The first occurrence of *D. exilis* in Sample 588C-1, CC places Samples 588A-9-1, 0-1 cm through 588C-1, CC in Zone NN5. Zone NN4 includes Samples 588C-2-1, 0-1 cm through 588C-2-5, 0-1 cm. The last occurrences of *S. belemnos* in Sample 588C-2-6, 0-1 cm and *Triquetrorhabdulus carinatus* in Sample 588C-3, CC place Samples 588C-2-6, 0-1 cm through 588C-3-6, 0-1 cm in Zone NN3. Zone NN2 includes Sample 588C-3, CC down to the first occurrence of *D. druggii* in Sample 588C-5-1, 21-22 cm. The last occurrence of *Helicosphaera recta* in Sample 588C-6-2, 0-1 cm marks the Oligocene/Miocene boundary and places Samples 588C-5-2, 0-1 cm through 588C-6-1, 0-1 cm in Zone NN1.

#### **Site 589**

##### **Hole 589**

Site 589, at a water depth of 1391 m below sea level, is located east of the crest of Lord Howe Rise ( $30^{\circ}42.72'S$ ,  $163^{\circ}38.39'E$ ) in waters transitional between subtropical and temperate water masses. One hole was drilled and four cores were obtained before the onboard positioning computer failed and drilling operations ended at a depth of 36.1 m. Hole 589 penetrated a complete Quaternary sequence and terminated in the latest Pliocene Zone NN18 (Table 5).

Species diversity and preservation are good throughout Hole 589. However, there was considerable reworking of some species, particularly several discoaster species in Cores 3 and 4.

#### **Quaternary**

*Emiliania huxleyi* occurs abundantly in Samples 589-1-1, 0-1 cm and 589-1-2, 0-1 cm. Therefore, these samples are placed in Zone NN21. The last common occurrence of *E. ovata* in Sample 589-1-5, 0-1 cm is taken as the top of Subzone NN19b, which places Sample 589-1-3, 0-1 cm in Zone NN20. Rare occurrences of *E. ovata* above Sample 589-1-5, 0-1 cm are interpreted as reworking. The last consistently common occurrence of *Calcidiscus macintyreui* in Sample 589-3-6, 0-1 cm marks the top of Subzone NN19a, placing Samples 589-1-5, 0-1 cm through 589-3-5, 0-1 cm in Subzone NN19b and Samples 589-3-6, 0-1 cm through 589-4-6, 0-1 cm in Subzone NN19a. Rare to common occurrences of *C. macintyreui* above Sample 589-3-6, 0-1 cm are interpreted as reworking.

#### **Pliocene**

The common occurrence of *Discoaster brouweri* in Sample 589-4, CC places this sample in the latest Pliocene Zone NN18. Rare occurrences of *D. brouweri* above this sample are interpreted as reworking.

#### **Site 590**

##### **Holes 590, 590A, 590B**

Site 590 is located on the crest of Lord Howe Rise ( $31^{\circ}10.02'S$ ,  $163^{\circ}21.51'E$ ) immediately north of the sub-

Table 5. Nannoplankton occurrences, Hole 589.

Age	Zone	Core	Section	Interval in cm	Depth below seafloor (m)	Preservation	Index species	Additional species																																				
								<i>Emiliana huxleyi</i>	<i>Emiliana ovata</i>	<i>Calcidiscus macintyrei</i>	<i>Discoaster brouweri</i>	<i>Ceratolithus leptoporus</i>	<i>Ceratolithus cristatus</i>	<i>Ceratolithus rugosus</i>	<i>Ceratolithus telestus</i>	<i>Coccolithus carteri</i>	<i>Coccolithus pelagicus</i>	<i>Crenolithus ionesi</i>	<i>Cricolithus doronicoides</i>	<i>Discoaster asymmetricus</i>	<i>Discoaster pentradiatus</i>	<i>Discoaster surculus</i>	<i>Discoaster tamaii</i>	<i>Discoaster irridiatius</i>	<i>Discoaster variabilis</i>	<i>Discolithina japonica</i>	<i>Geohyrocapsa caribbeanica</i>	<i>Geohyrocapsa oceanica</i>	<i>Havaster perplexus</i>	<i>Helicosphaera carteri</i>	<i>Helicosphaera hyalina</i>	<i>Oolithotus fragilis</i>	<i>Pontosphaera discospora</i>	<i>Reticulofenestra pseudoumbilica</i>	<i>Rhabdosphaera clavigera</i>	<i>Rhabdosphaera procera</i>	<i>Sphaerolithus fossilis</i>	<i>Sphaerosphaera magna</i>	<i>Sphaerosphaera pulcherima</i>	<i>Sphaerosphaera recurvata</i>	<i>Sphaerolithus nobilis</i>	<i>Syracosphaera pulchra</i>	<i>Thoracosphaera heimii</i>	<i>Thoracosphaera saxea</i>
Quaternary	NN21	1	1	0-1	0.01	G	A R C	A	R R R C													R R	C C	R C R	R	C C C							C R R R C											
	NN20	2	0-1	151	G	A R C	A R	R R C C R														C R	C C	C R R	R R	R C C C C R	R	C R C A C																
	NN19b	3	0-1	301	G	R C	C R	R R A C R														R R	C C	C R R	R	R C R R	R	R R C R R																
	NN19b	5	0-1	601	G	C C	R R	R R A R														R	R A C	C R R	R	R R R R	R	R R R R R																
	NN19b	CC	730	G	C R	R R	R R R A R															R	R C C	C R R	R	R R R R R	R	R R R R R																
	NN19b	2	0-1	1031	G	C R	C R	R R R R R R R														R	R R R	C R C R C	R	R R R R R	C	R R R R R																
	NN19b	4	0-1	1181	G	C R	R R R R R R R															R	R R R	C R C R R	R	R R R R R	R	R R R R R																
	NN19b	5	0-1	1331	G	C R	C R R R	R A R	R													R	R R R	C R R R R	R	R R R R R	R	R R R R R																
	NN19b	6	0-1	1481	G	C R	C R R R	R A														R	R R R	C R R R R	R	R R R R R	R	R R R R R																
	NN19b	7	0-1	1631	G	C R	C R R	R R A														R	R R R	C R R R R	R	R R R R R	R	R R R R R																
Quaternary	NN19b	CC	1690	G	A R	C R R R	R A	R														R	R R R	C R R R R	R	R R R R R	R	R R R R R																
	NN19b	3	1	0-1	1691	G	A R R	C R R	R A	R												R	R R R	C R R R R	R	R R R R R	R	R R R R R																
	NN19b	2	0-1	1841	G	A R R	C R R	R R A	R													R	C R R	C R R R R	R	R R R R R	R	R R R R R																
	NN19b	3	0-1	1991	G	A R R	C R R R R R A	R														R	R C R R	C R R R R	R	R R R R R	R	R R R R R																
	NN19b	4	0-1	2141	G	A R R	C R R R R R A	R														R	C R R	C R R R R	R	R R R R R	R	R R R R R																
	NN19b	5	0-1	2291	G	C R R	R R R	R A	R													R	C R R	C R R R R	R	R R R R R	R	R R R R R																
	NN19b	6	0-1	2441	G	A C	R R R	R R A	R													R	C R R	C R R R R	R	R R R R R	R	R R R R R																
	NN19b	CC	2617	G	A C R	R R R R R A	R A	R														R	C R R	C R R R R	R	R R R R R	R	R R R R R																
	NN19a	4	1	0-1	2651	G	A C R	R R R	R R A	R												R	C C C	C R R	R R R	R R R R R	R	R R R R R																
	NN19a	2	0-1	2801	G	A C R	R R R R R R A	R														R	R C R R C	C R R	R R C	R R C R	R	C R R																
Plio. late	NN18	3	0-1	2951	G	A C R	R R R R R R A	R														R	R R R	R R R R	R	R R R R R	R	R R R R R																
	NN18	4	0-1	3101	G	A C R	R R R R R R C A	R														R	R	C R	C	C R	R R R	R R R R																
	NN18	5	0-1	3251	G	C C R	R R R R R C A	R														R	R R R R	R	C	C R	R R R	R R R R																
	NN18	6	0-1	3401	G	A C R	R R R R C A	R														R	R R	C	C	C R	R R R	R R R R																
	NN18	CC	3610	G	A C C	R R R R R C A	R															R	R C R R	C	C R	R R R	R R R R																	
	NN18																																											

tropical divergence at a water depth of 1299 m below sea level. Site 590 consists of three holes: Hole 590 was cored to a depth of 26.2 m and three cores were taken; Hole 590A was washed down to the depth of Hole 590, then cored to a depth of 280.8 m, and 27 cores were obtained; and Hole 590B was cored to a depth of 499.1 m and 53 cores were taken. Core recovery was good throughout the three holes.

In order to obtain a complete stratigraphic section, the three cores from Hole 590 together with 18 cores from Hole 590A and 31 cores from Hole 590B were examined for calcareous nannoplankton. All of the Neogene and Quaternary nannoplankton zones are present at Site 590 (Table 6). Species diversity is good throughout Site 590 and little reworking was encountered. Preservation is good down through Sample 590A-14-1, 0-1 cm and fair below this level.

#### Quaternary

The Quaternary includes Cores 1-3 of Hole 590 and Core 1 of Hole 590A. The presence of *Emiliana huxleyi* in Samples 590-1-1, 5-6 cm through 590-1-3, 5-6 cm places these samples in Zone NN21. The last occurrence of *E. ovata* in Sample 590-1, CC places Samples 590-1-4, 5-6 cm and 590-1-5, 5-6 cm in Zone NN20. The last occurrence of *Discoaster brouweri* in Sample 590A-2-1, 5-6 cm places Samples 590-1, CC through 590A-1, CC in Zone NN19. The last occurrence of *Calcidiscus macintyrei* in Sample 590-3-3, 5-6 cm subdivides Zone NN19 into Subzones NN19b and NN19a. A rare occurrence of *C. macintyrei* is reworked in Sample 590-1-1, 5-6 cm.

Rare occurrences of several discoaster species are reworked into Subzone NN19a and Zone NN18.

#### Pliocene

The interval from Core 2 of Hole 590A through Sample 590A-18-5, 5-6 cm belongs in the Pliocene. The lower/upper Pliocene boundary is placed between Samples 590A-7-3, 0-1 cm and 590A-7-4, 0-1 cm. The last consistent occurrences of *Discoaster brouweri* in Sample 590A-2-1, 5-6 cm, *D. pentradiatus* in Sample 590A-3-1, 5-6 cm, *D. surculus* in Sample 590A-3-2, 5-6 cm, and *Reticulofenestra pseudoumbilica* in Sample 590A-7-4, 0-1 cm place Samples 590A-2-1, 5-6 cm through 590A-2, CC in Zone NN18, Sample 590A-3-1, 5-6 cm in Zone NN17, and Samples 590A-3-2, 5-6 cm through 590A-7-3, 0-1 cm in Zone NN16. The interval between the last occurrence of *R. pseudoumbilica* in Sample 590A-7-4, 0-1 cm and the last occurrence of *Amauroliithus tricorniculatus* in Sample 590A-11-7, 0-1 cm belongs in Zone NN15. Zone NN14 includes Samples 590A-11, CC through 590A-14-1, 0-1 cm, the first occurrence of *D. asymmetricus*. *Ceratolithus rugosus* has its first occurrence in Sample 590A-16-2, 5-6 cm, thus placing Samples 590A-14-2, 0-1 cm through 590A-16-2, 5-6 cm in Zone NN13. Zone NN12 includes samples from 590A-16-3, 5-6 cm down to Sample 590A-18-5, 5-6 cm.

#### Miocene

The Miocene includes the interval from Sample 590A-18-6, 5-6 cm through 590B-53, CC. The middle/upper Miocene boundary lies between Sample 590B-38-5, 5-

Table 6. Nannoplankton occurrences, Holes 589, 590A, and 590B.

	6	5-6	196 96	F	R C C C A R R	R C C R C R R	C R C R C R R	R R C C	
NN11b	B 22	CC	203 80	F	R R R R A R R	R C C C C R	R R R R C R	C A C	
	24	CC	223 00	F	R R R R C C R R	R C C R R C R	R C R C R R	C C C	
	26	CC	242 20	F	R R R R A R R	R C A R R C R	R C R C R R	A A A	
	28	CC	259 10	F	R R R R A R R	R R C R R C R	R C R C R R	A A A	
	30	3	5-6	271 76	F	R R R R A R R	R C R R C R	R C R C R R	R A A A
	4	5-6	273 26	F	R R R R A R R	R A R C C R	R A R C R R	R A A A	
NN11a	5	5-6	274 76	F	R R R R A C	R A R C C R	R A R C R R	R A A A	
	32	CC	297 50	F	R C R A C	R A R R R R	R C R R R	R A A A	
	34	CC	316 70	F	R C R C C C	R A R R R R	R R R	C C C	
	35	5	5-6	322 76	F	R C R R R R	R C R R R R	C C C	C C C R R
NN10	CC	326 30	F	C C R R	R C R R R R	R C R R R R	R R R R	R R R R	
	36	CC	335 90	F	R C R C	R R R R R	R R R	R R R R	
	37	CC	345 50	F	R C R A	R R R R R	R R R	R A A R R	
	38	5	5-6	351 56	F	R C C	R R R R R	R R R R	R R R R
	CC	355 10	F	R C A R	R R C R R R	R R C R R R	R R R R	R R R R	
NN9	39	CC	364 70	F	C R A C R	C R C R R R	R R R R	R A R A R	
	40	CC	374 30	F	C R A R R	R R C R R R	R R R R	R R R R	
	41	5	5-6	380 36	F	R R C R	R C R R R	R R R R	R R R R
NN8	CC	383 90	F	C R C R R	R C R R R R	R C R R R R	R R R R	R R R R	
	42	1	5-6	383 96	F	R R A R	R R C R R R	R R C R R R	R R R R
NN7	CC	393 50	F	C R A R C	C A R R R R	C A R R R R	R R C R R	R R C R R	
	43	CC	403 10	F	R R A R C	C C C R C R R	C C C R C R R	R R R R R	
	44	CC	412 70	F	R R C R R	R C C R C R R	R C C R C R R	R R R R R	
	45	1	5-6	412 76	F	R C R R	R C C R C R R	R C C R C R R	R R R R R
NN6	3	5-6	415 76	F	R C C C	R C C R R R	R C C R R R	R R R R R	
	CC	422 30	F	C A C	R C C R R R	R C C R R R	R R R R R	R R R R R	
	46	CC	431 90	F	R C C	R A C C R C	R A C C R C	C R C R	
NN5	47	3	5-6	434 96	F	R C C	R C C C R R	R C C C R R	R R R R R
	5	5-6	437 96	F	R C C R	R C C C R R	R C C C R R	C R C R	
NN4	48	CC	451 10	F	R R C R	R C R C C R	R C R C C R	C C C	
	49	CC	460 70	F	R R R R	R C R C C R	R C R C C R	R R R	
	50	1	5-6	460 76	F	R R R R	R A R C C C R	R A R C C C R	C C C
NN3	3	5-6	463 76	F	R R C	R C R C A	R C R C A	A A C	
	CC	470 30	F	R R C	R C R C A	R C R C A	R C C		
NN2	51	1	5-6	470 36	F	R R R R	R C R R C A	R C R R C A	A A A
	CC	479 90	F	R C R R	R C R C C C	R C R C C C	R C C		
NN1	52	5	5-6	485 96	F	R R R R	R C R R C R C	R C R R C R C	A A A
	CC	489 50	F	R R R R	R C R R C C C	R C R R C C C	R C C		
	53	1	5-6	489 56	F	R R R R	R C R R C C C	R C R R C C C	C C C
NN1	3	5-6	492 56	F	R R R R	R C R R C C C	R C R R C C C	C C C	
	5	5-6	495 56	F	R R R R	C A R R C A	C A R R C A	C C C	
	CC	499 10	F	R R R R	C A R R C A	C A R R C A	C C C		

6 cm and 590B-38,CC and the lower/middle Miocene boundary is placed between Samples 590B-49,CC and 590B-50-1, 5–6 cm. The range of *Discoaster quinqueramus* from Samples 590A-18-6, 5–6 cm through 590B-35-5, 5–6 cm defines Zone NN11. The first occurrence of *Amaurolithus primus* in Sample 590B-30-3, 5–6 cm subdivides this zone into Subzones NN11b and NN11a. The range of *D. hamatus* from Samples 590B-38,CC through 590B-40,CC places these samples in Zone NN9 and Samples 590B-35,CC through 590B-38-5, 5–6 cm in Zone NN10. The first occurrences of *Catinaster coalitus* in Sample 590B-41,CC and *D. kugleri* in Sample 590B-45-1, 5–6 cm place Samples 590B-41-5, 5–6 cm and 590B-41,CC in Zone NN8 and Samples 590B-42-1, 5–6 cm through 590B-45-1, 5–6 cm in Zone NN7. The interval from Sample 590B-45-3, 5–6 cm to Sample 590B-47-3, 5–6 cm, above the last occurrence of *Sphenolithus heteromorphus* in Sample 590B-47-5, 5–6 cm, belongs in Zone NN6. The interval from Sample 590B-47-5, 5–6 cm to 590B-49,CC, the first occurrence of *D. exilis*, is placed in Zone NN5. Although *Helicosphaera ampliperta* is normally absent in samples from the western Pacific, a single specimen was observed in Sample 590B-51-1, 5–6 cm. The last occurrence of *S. belemnos* in Sample 590B-51-1, 5–6 cm places Core 50 in Zone NN4. The last occurrence of *Triquetrorhabdulus carinatus* in Sample 590B-52,CC and the first occurrence of *Discoaster druggii* in Sample 590B-53-1, 5–6 cm place Samples 590B-51-1, 5–6 cm through 590B-52-5, 5–6 cm in Zone NN3, Samples 590B-52,CC and 590B-53-1, 5–6 cm in Zone NN2, and Sample 590B-53-3, 5–6 cm through 590B-53,CC in Zone NN1.

## Site 591

### Holes 591, 591B

Site 591 is located on a spur of Lord Howe Rise ( $31^{\circ}35.06'S$ ,  $164^{\circ}26.92'E$ ) and lies on the subtropical divergence at a water depth of 2131 m below sea level. Three holes were drilled at Site 591. Hole 591 was cored to a depth of 283.1 m and 31 cores were taken. Hole 591A, a duplication of Hole 591, was cored to a depth of 284.6 m and 30 cores were taken. Hole 591B was washed down to a depth of 270.6 m and then cored to a depth of 500.4 m. Twenty-four cores were taken. Core recovery was good throughout Hole 591 and most of Hole 591A and fair throughout Hole 591B.

In order to obtain a complete stratigraphic section, 31 cores from Hole 591 and 22 cores from Hole 591B were examined for calcareous nannoplankton. Species diversity is good throughout Site 591 and reworking is minimal. Preservation of calcareous nannoplankton is good throughout Cores 1–16 of Hole 591 and fair below this level. Hole 591B terminated in the early Miocene Zone NN4 and all of the overlying Neogene and Quaternary nannoplankton zones are recognized (Table 7).

### Quaternary

The Quaternary includes Samples 591-1-1, 4–5 cm through 591-6-5, 3–4 cm. The occurrence of *Emiliania*

*huxleyi* in Samples 591-1-1, 4–5 cm and 591-1-3, 4–5 cm places these samples in Zone NN21. The last common occurrence of *E. ovata* in Sample 591-2-5, 3–4 cm marks the top of Subzone NN19b. A rare occurrence of *E. ovata* above this level is interpreted as reworking. The intervening samples belong in Zone NN20. The last consistent occurrence of *Calcidiscus macintyrei* in Sample 591-5-5, 3–4 cm marks the top of Subzone NN19a. A single occurrence of *C. macintyrei* in Sample 591-1,CC is interpreted as reworking.

### Pliocene

The Pliocene includes Samples 591-6,CC through 591-24-1, 3–4 cm. The lower/upper Pliocene boundary is located between Samples 591-12-3, 3–4 cm and 591-12-5, 3–4 cm. The top of Zone NN18 is marked by the last occurrence of *Discoaster brouweri* in Sample 591-6,CC. Zone NN18 extends down to the last occurrence of *D. pentaradiatus* in Sample 591-8-3, 3–4 cm. This sample is placed in Zone NN17. The last occurrence of *D. surculus* in Sample 591-8-5, 3–4 cm down to the last consistent occurrence of *Reticulofenestra pseudoumbilica* in Sample 591-12-5, 3–4 cm places Sample 591-8-5, 3–4 cm through 591-12-3, 3–4 cm in Zone NN16. Two occurrences of *R. pseudoumbilica* above this level are interpreted as reworking. The interval from the last occurrence of *Amaurolithus tricorniculatus* in Sample 591-17-1, 21–22 cm through Sample 591-20,CC, the first occurrence of *Discoaster asymmetricus*, is placed in Zone NN14. The next two samples, down to the first occurrence of *Ceratolithus rugosus* in Sample 591-21-5, 3–4 cm, belong in Zone NN13. The interval from Sample 591-21,CC to Sample 591-24-1, 3–4 cm, above the last occurrence of *D. quinqueramus* in Sample 591-24-3, 3–4 cm, is placed in Zone NN12.

### Miocene

The Miocene ranges from Sample 591-24-3, 3–4 cm through Sample 591B-24,CC. Hole 591B penetrated just into the early Miocene Zone NN4. The middle/upper Miocene boundary lies between Samples 591B-8,CC and 591B-9-2, 4–5 cm and the lower/middle Miocene boundary lies between Samples 591B-23,CC and 591B-24-1, 3–4 cm. The range of *Discoaster quinqueramus*, down through Sample 591B-4,CC, defines Zone NN11. The first consistent occurrence of *Amaurolithus primus* in Sample 591B-28-3, 3–4 cm marks the boundary between Subzones NN11b and NN11a. The interval from Sample 591B-5-1, 3–4 cm through Sample 591B-8,CC is placed in Zone NN10. The range of *D. hamatus*, from Sample 591B-9-2, 4–5 cm through Sample 591B-11-1, 4–5 cm, places these samples in Zone NN9. The occurrence of *Catinaster coalitus* in Sample 591B-11,CC places this sample in Zone NN8. The next two samples belong in Zone NN7, based on the first occurrence of *D. kugleri* in Sample 591B-12,CC. Zone NN6 includes Samples 591B-13-1, 3–4 cm through 591B-18-3, 3–4 cm. The interval from the last occurrence of *Sphenolithus heteromorphus* in Sample 591B-18-5, 3–4 cm down to the first occurrence of *D. exilis* in Sample 591B-23,CC is placed in Zone NN5. Core 24 belongs in Zone NN4.

Table 7. Nannoplankton occurrences, Holes 591 and 591B.

Quaternary	Age	Zone	Core	Section	Interval (cm)	Depth below seafloor (m)	Index species						Additional species																	
							P	R	D	C	A	B	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	Q	S	T	U	V	W	X
NN21	1	1	4.5	0.05			C																							
NN21	3	4.5	305				R																							
NN20	2	3	3.4	644	G		R	R																						
NN19b	5	3.4	944	G	C		R																							
NN19b	3	CC	22.60	G	C		R																							
NN19b	4	CC	32.20	G	C		R																							
NN19b	5	3.4	35.24	G	C		R																							
NN19b	5	3.4	38.24	G	C		R																							
NN19b	6	CC	51.40	G	CC		R																							
NN18	7	CC	61.00	G	CCR		R																							
NN17	8	1	3.4	61.04	G	CCCR		R																						
NN17	3	3.4	64.04	G	CCCCRRR		R																							
NN16	9	3.4	67.04	G	CCCCRCRR		R																							
NN16	10	CC	89.80	G	RCRC		R																							
NN16	11	CC	99.40	G	CCRC		R																							
NN16	12	3	3.4	102.44	G	CCRC		R																						
NN15	5	3.4	105.44	G	CCRC		R																							
NN15	13	CC	118.30	G	CCRCRA		R																							
NN15	14	CC	127.60	G	CCRCRA		R																							
NN15	15	CC	136.90	G	CCRCRA		R																							
NN15	16	CC	146.20	G	CCRCRAR		R																							
NN14	17	I	21-22	146.24	G	CCRCRCRR		R																						
NN14	18	CC	155.50	G	RCRCRCA		R																							
NN14	19	CC	164.80	G	RCRCRCA		R																							
NN14	20	CC	183.80	F	RCRCRCRR		R																							
NN13	21	1	3.4	188.84	F	RCRC		R																						
NN13	5	3.4	189.84	F	RCRC		R																							
NN12	22	CC	193.30	F	RRR		R																							
NN12	23	CC	202.70	F	RCR		R																							
NN12	24	1	3.4	212.10	F	RCR		R																						
NN11	25	CC	231.10	F	R		R																							
NN11	26	CC	240.70	F	RR		R																							
NN11	27	CC	250.30	F	RR		R																							
NN11	28	3	3.4	253.34	F	RR		R																						
NN11	29	CC	269.30	F	RR		R																							
NN11	30	CC	274.30	F	RR		R																							
NN11	31	CC	283.10	F	RR		R																							
NN11	32	CC	299.40	F	RR		R																							
NN10	4	CC	308.80	F	RCR		R																							
NN10	5	I	3.4	308.85	F	RCR		R																						
NN10	6	CC	318.20	F	RCR		R																							
NN10	7	CC	327.60	F	RCR		R																							
NN10	8	CC	337.20	F	RCR		R																							
NN9	9	2	3.4	348.35	F	R		R																						
NN9	10	CC	356.40	F	R		R																							
NN8	11	I	4.5	366.05	F	CCR		R																						
NN7	12	I	3.4	375.64	F	CCR		R																						
NN6	13	1	3.4	385.24	F	CCR		R																						
NN6	14	CC	394.80	F	CCR		R																							
NN6	15	CC	414.00	F	R		R																							
NN6	16	CC	423.60	F	R		R																							
NN6	17	CC	433.20	F	R		R																							
NN5	18	3	3.4	436.24	F	R		R																						
NN5	19	CC	439.24	F	C		R																							
NN5	20	CC	442.80	F	C		R																							
NN5	21	CC	452.40	F	C		R																							
NN5	22	CC	462.00	F	C		R																							
NN5	23	CC	471.60	F	C		R																							
NN5	24	I	3.4	490.84	F	C		R																						
NN5	24	CC	500.50	F	C		R																							

**Site 592****Hole 592**

Site 592 is located on the southern Lord Howe Rise ( $36^{\circ}28.40' S$ ,  $165^{\circ}26.53' E$ ) at a water depth of 1098 m below sea level. Hole 592, which lies in the temperate water mass, was cored to a depth of 388.5 m (late Eocene Zone NP18). Forty-one cores were taken and recovery was good throughout the hole.

The major regional unconformity of the southwest Pacific was encountered within Core 33 at a depth of 306 m. It separates lower Oligocene sediment (Zone NP22) from immediately overlying lower Miocene sediment (Zone NN2). Except for the boundary between the early Pliocene Zones NN13 and NN12, the Neogene and Quaternary nannoplankton zonation is complete down to the unconformity (Table 8). The preservation of calcareous nannoplankton in Hole 592 is good in Cores 1-4

Table 8. Nannoplankton occurrences, Hole 592.

Age	Quaternary	Index species				Additional species				
		Zone	Core	Section	Interval (cm)	Depth below seafloor (m)	Preservation			
							G	A	R	
NN21		1	1	3-4	0.04	G	A	<i>Emiliastra huxleyi</i>		
		3		3-4	3.04	G	R	<i>Calcidiscus macintyrei</i>		
NN20		CC		4.50	G			<i>Discaster pantaradiatus</i>		
								<i>Discaster surculus</i>		
NN19b		2	1	3-4	4.54	G	R	<i>Discaster asymmetricus</i>		
		3		3-4	7.54	G	A	<i>Ammonioithus tricornutulus</i>		
NN19a		5		3-4	10.54	G	A	<i>Ammonioithus pseudeumbilicata</i>		
		3	1	3-4	14.14	G	A	<i>Discaster quintqueramus</i>		
NN18		2		3-4	15.64	G	C R	<i>Discaster hamatus</i>		
		5		3-4	20.14	G	A C	<i>Calymene coelitus</i>		
NN17		6		3-4	21.92	G	A A R	<i>Discaster kugleri</i>		
		CC		23.70	G	A A R		<i>Sphaerolithus heteromorphus</i>		
NN16		4	1	3-4	23.74	G	A A C	<i>Sphaerolithus helemnos</i>		
		2		3-4	25.24	G	A A C R	<i>Discaster druegui</i>		
NN15		3		3-4	26.74	G	C C C R R	<i>Triquetorhabdulus carinatus</i>		
		4		3-4	28.24	G	C R R R R R	<i>Reticulofenestra umbilicata</i>		
NN14		6		3-4	31.24	G	C C R R R C R	<i>Ammonioithus amplificus</i>		
		7		3-4	32.74	G	C C R R R R R R	<i>Calcidiscus leptoporus</i>		
NN13		CC		33.30	G	C C C C C R R	<i>Ceratolithus cristatus</i>			
		5	3	3-4	36.34	F	R C C R R C R R	<i>Ceratolithus rugosus</i>		
NN12		6		3-4	40.84	F	R C R R C R R R	<i>Ceratolithus telestus</i>		
		CC		42.90	F	R C R R R R R R	<i>Coccolithus micropagicus</i>			
NN11		6	3	3-4	45.94	F	R C R R R R R R	<i>Coronocycus nitescens</i>		
		CC		52.50	F	R C R R R R R C	<i>Crenolithus doronicoides</i>			
NN10		7	1	3-4	52.54	F	R R R R R R R C	<i>Cyclicargolithus floridanus</i>		
		CC		62.10	F	R R R R R R C	<i>Dicyclococtites obsecens</i>			
NN09		8	3	3-4	65.14	F	R R C C R C R C	<i>Discaster belus</i>		
		5		3-4	68.14	F	R R R R R C	<i>Discaster challengerii</i>		
NN08		CC		71.70	F	R C C C P C R R	<i>Discaster deolandrei</i>			
		9	3	3-4	74.74	F	R C C C R C R R R	<i>Discaster neohamatus</i>		
NN07		CC		81.30	F	C C C C R C R C	<i>Discaster perclarus</i>			
		10	1	3-4	81.34	F	C R R C R C R R	<i>Discaster sp.</i>		
NN06		3		3-4	84.34	F	R R R C R C R R R	<i>Discaster famulus</i>		
		CC		90.90	F	C C R C R R R	<i>Discaster tridens</i>			
NN05		11		3-4	100.50	F	R C C R R A	<i>Discaster variabilis</i>		
		12	5	3-4	106.54	F	R R C R R A	<i>Discaster euphratis</i>		
NN04		CC		110.10	F	R R R R R R C R	<i>Discostomatum perdurum</i>			
		13		3-4	119.70	F	R R R R R C R	<i>Oithomithus recurvus</i>		
NN03		14	1	3-4	119.74	F	R R R C R R	<i>Pontosphaera discora</i>		
		3		3-4	122.74	F	R R R C R	<i>Rhabdosphaera clavigera</i>		
NN02		5		3-4	125.74	F	R R R R C R	<i>Rhabdosphaera procera</i>		
		CC		129.30	F	R R R R C R R	<i>Scapholithus fossalis</i>			
NN01							<i>Scyphosphaera globulata</i>			
							<i>Scyphosphaera intermedia</i>			
NN00							<i>Scyphosphaera magnifica</i>			
							<i>Scyphosphaera pulcherrima</i>			
NN-1							<i>Sphenolithus abies</i>			
							<i>Sphenolithus norimoris</i>			
NN-2							<i>Thraustosphaera saxesenii</i>			
							<i>Thraustosphaera irregularis</i>			
NN-3							<i>Umbilicosphaera cincula</i>			
							<i>Umbilicosphaera subgigantea</i>			
NN-4							<i>Zonobiosphaera hirsuta</i>			

Olig.																			
Early	NN11b	15	1	3-4	129 34	F	C R R A R R R	R	C C	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	C C R		
		3	3-4	132 34	F	R R R R A R R R	R	C C	R R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R C C R		
NN11a		5	3-4	135 34	F	R R R A R C	R R	R R	R C	R C	R	R	R	R	R	R R C C	R		
		CC	136 90	F	R R R R C R C R	R R R	C R	R C	R C	C	R	R	R	R	R	R R C C	H		
		16	1	3-4	138 94	F	R R R R C R C	R R R	C R	R R	C R	C	R	R	R	R R C A	H		
		3	3-4	141 94	F	R R R R A C C R	R R R	C R	C R	R	R	C R	R	R	R	R R C A	H		
		5	3-4	144 94	F	R R R R C R R R	R R	C C R	R	R	R	C R	R	R	R	R R C A	H		
		CC	148 50	F	R R R R C R R R	R	C C	R R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R R C C	R		
		17	CC	156 10	F	R R R R A R C R	R R	A R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R C C C	R		
		16	1	3-4	158 14	F	R R R R A R	R	A R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R A C C	R H		
		CC	167 70	F	R R R R A R	R	A R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R C C	R H			
		19	1	3-4	167 74	F	R R R R A R	R	A R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R C C C	H		
NN10		3	3-4	170 74	F	R R R A	R	A R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	C C R R	C C R R		
		20	CC	186 90	F	R C R C	R	C R	R R	R	R	R	R	R	R	C C R R	C C R R		
		21	1	3-4	186 94	F	C R R R R R	C	C R	R	C	C R	C	C	R	R C C R	R C C R		
		3	3-4	189 94	F	R C R R R R	R	C	R R	C	R	C	R	R	R	C C R R	C C R R		
		5	3-4	192 94	F	R R R R R R	R	C	R R	C	C	R	R	R	R	R C R R	R C R R		
		CC	196 50	F	R R R A R	C	C	R R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R C R R	R C R R		
		22	CC	206 10	F	C R A R R R	C	A R	R R	C	R	C	C	C	C	C C R R	C C R R		
		23	1	3-4	206 14	F	C R A R R R	C	C R	R R	R	R	R	R	R	R R R R	R R R R		
		3	3-4	209 14	F	R R A R	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	R	R R R R	R R R R		
		24	3	3-4	218 74	F	R R A R	C	R C	R	R	R	R	R	C	R R R R	R R R R		
NN7		5	3-4	221 74	F	R R A R R R	C	R C	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R R R R	R R R R		
		CC	225 30	F	R R A R R R	C	R C	C	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R R R R	R R R R		
		25	1	3-4	225 34	F	R R A R	C	R C	C	R	R	R	R	R	R C R R	R C R R		
		CC	234 90	F	R R A R	C	R C C R	C	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R C R R	R C R R		
		26	CC	244 50	F	R R A R	C	C C A C	C	R	R	R	R	R	R	R R C	R R C		
		28	1	3-4	254 14	F	C C R	R	R A A C	C R	R	R	R	R	R	R R R	R R R		
		3	3-4	257 14	F	R C R R	C	R A A C	C R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R R R	R R R		
		CC	263 70	F	R C R R	R	R C A C	C R R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R R R	R R R		
		29	3	3-4	266 74	F	R R R C	R	R C A C	C R	R	R	R	R	R	R R R	R R R		
		5	3-4	269 74	F	R R R	R	R C A C	C R	R	R	R	R	R	C	R R R	R R R		
NN4		30	CC	282 90	F	R R C	R	R C A C	A	R	R	R	R	R	R	R R R	R R R		
		31	3	3-4	285 94	F	R R R	R	R C R C C	C	R	R	R	R	R	C	R R R		
		5	3-4	286 94	F	R R R	R	R R R C C R	C	R	R	R	R	R	R	C	R R R		
		CC	292 50	F	R R R	C	R C R C C	A	R	R	R	R	R	R	C	R R R	R R R		
		32	3	3-4	295 54	F	R R R	R R	R R R C R	A	R	R	R	R	R	C	R R R	R R R	
NN3		5	3-4	296 54	F	R R R R	C R R C R	A	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	C	R R R	R R R	
		CC	302 10	F	R R R R	R R	R R C R	C	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	C	R R R	R R R	
		33	3	5-6	305 14	F	R R R R	C C C R R	C	R	R	R	R	R	R	C	R R R	R R R	
		4	5-6	306 64	F	R R R R	C R C A	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R R R	R R R	
Old	NP22																		
E.																			

and fair in Cores 5-33. Species diversity is good throughout these cores.

#### *Quaternary*

The Quaternary includes Samples 592-1-1, 3-4 cm through 592-3-5, 3-4 cm. Zone NN21, based on the range of *Emiliania huxleyi*, includes Samples 592-1-1, 3-4 cm and 592-1-3, 3-4 cm. Sample 592-1,CC, above the last occurrence of *E. ovata* in Sample 592-2-1, 3-4 cm, belongs in Zone NN20. The last occurrence of *Calcidiscus macintyreai* in Sample 592-3-2, 3-4 cm places Samples 592-2-1, 3-4 cm to 592-3-1, 3-4 cm in Subzone NN19b. Subzone NN19a includes Samples 592-3-2, 3-4 cm and 592-3-5, 3-4 cm, above the last occurrence of *Discoaster brouweri* in Sample 592-3-6, 3-4 cm.

#### *Pliocene*

The Pliocene includes Sample 592-3-6, 3-4 cm through Core 14. The lower/upper Pliocene boundary is between Samples 592-6-3, 3-4 cm and 592-6,CC. The last occurrence of *Discoaster pentaradiatus* in Sample 592-4-2, 3-4 cm places Samples 592-3-6, 3-4 cm to 592-4-1, 3-4 cm in Zone NN18. One sample, Sample 592-4-2, 3-4 cm, belongs in Zone NN17. The interval between the last occurrence of *D. surculus* in Sample 592-4-3, 3-4 cm and the last common occurrence of *Reticulofenestra pseudoumbilica* in Sample 592-6,CC is placed in Zone NN16. Rare occurrences of *R. pseudoumbilica* above Sample 592-6,CC are interpreted as reworking. The last occurrence of *Amaurolithus tricorniculatus* in Sample 592-8,CC places Samples 592-6,CC to 592-8-5, 3-4 cm in Zone NN15. Samples 592-8,CC through 592-13,CC, the first occurrence of *D. asymmetricus*, are placed in Zone NN14. The paucity of *Ceratolithus rugosus* at Site 592 prevents determination of the NN13/NN12 boundary.

#### *Miocene*

Samples 592-15-1, 3-4 cm through 592-33-3, 5-6 cm are in the Miocene. The middle/upper Miocene boundary is between Samples 592-20,CC and 592-21-1, 3-4 cm and the lower/middle Miocene boundary is between Samples 592-29-3, 3-4 cm and 592-29-5, 3-4 cm. The range of *Discoaster quinqueramus* from Sample 592-15-1, 3-4 cm to Sample 592-19-1, 3-4 cm determines Zone NN11. The first occurrence of *Amaurolithus primus* in Sample 592-17,CC subdivides Zone NN11 into Subzones NN11b and NN11a. The range of *D. hamatus* from Sample 592-21-1, 3-4 cm to Sample 592-22,CC places this interval in Zone NN9. The overlying interval belongs in Zone NN10. The first occurrence of *Catinaster coalitus* in Sample 592-23-1, 3-4 cm places this sample in Zone NN8. Zone NN7 includes Sample 592-23-3, 3-4 cm to the first occurrence of *D. kugleri* in Sample 592-24,CC. *Sphenolithus heteromorphus* last occurs in Sample 592-28-3, 3-4 cm, placing Samples 592-25-1, 3-4 cm through 592-28-1, 3-4 cm in Zone NN6. The interval from Sample 592-28-3, 3-4 cm to the first occurrence of *D. exilis* in Sample 592-29-3, 3-4 cm is placed in Zone NN5. Samples 592-29-5, 3-4 cm to 592-31-3, 3-4 cm, above the last occurrence of *S. belemnos* in Sample 592-31-5, 3-4 cm, belong in Zone NN4. The last occurrence of *Triquetrorhabdulus carinatus* in Sample 592-32-5, 3-4 cm plac-

es Samples 592-31-5, 3-4 cm through 592-32-3, 3-4 cm in Zone NN3. Based upon the occurrence of *D. druggii* in Sample 592-33-3, 5-6 cm and the common occurrence of *Reticulofenestra umbilica* in Sample 592-33-4, 5-6 cm, the major regional unconformity of the southwest Pacific occurs between these samples, with early Miocene Zone NN2 lying immediately above early Oligocene Zone NP22. The missing NN1 and NP25/NP23 zones represent a hiatus of at least 15.5 m.y.

#### **Site 593**

##### **Hole 593**

Site 593 is located on the Challenger Plateau west of the northern tip of the South Island of New Zealand ( $40^{\circ}30.47'S$ ,  $167^{\circ}40.47'E$ ) at a water depth of 1068 m below sea level. Site 593, which lies in the temperate water mass, is a reoccupation of Site 284 (DSDP Leg 29).

Two holes were drilled at Site 593. Hole 593 was cored to a depth of 571.5 m (late Eocene Zone NP18) and 60 cores were taken. Core recovery was good throughout most intervals. Hole 593A was cored to a depth of 209.3 m; then washed down to a depth of 448.8 m, where coring was resumed to a depth of 496.9 m. Twenty-seven cores were taken.

Only Cores 1-50 from Hole 593 were examined in order to determine the Neogene and Quaternary nannoplankton zonation, because the Oligocene/Miocene boundary occurs within Core 50 (Table 9). Preservation of calcareous nannoplankton in Hole 593 is good in Cores 1-11 and fair in Cores 12-50. Species diversity is good throughout the hole. With the exception of the NN13/NN12 and the NN8/NN7 boundaries, all of the Neogene and Quaternary nannoplankton zones are recognized. Hole 284 (DSDP Leg 29) was cored to a depth of 208.0 m (late Miocene). The placement of the lower/upper Pliocene and the upper Pliocene/Quaternary boundaries in Hole 593 and in Hole 284, as determined by Edwards and Perch-Nielsen (1973), agrees very closely. The Miocene/Pliocene boundary in Hole 284 was not recognized. Species diversity in upper Miocene/Quaternary sediments in Hole 593 is somewhat greater than in Hole 284.

#### *Quaternary*

The Quaternary includes Sample 593-1-1, 3-4 cm through Core 5. Samples 593-1-1, 3-4 cm and 593-1-3, 3-4 cm contain common to abundant *Emiliania huxleyi* and are placed in Zone NN21. The last occurrence of *E. ovata* in Sample 593-2-5, 3-4 cm places Samples 593-1,CC through 593-2-3, 3-4 cm in Zone NN20. Subzone NN19b includes Samples 593-2-5, 3-4 cm through 593-3-1, 3-4 cm, above the last occurrence of *Calcidiscus macintyreai* in Sample 593-3-3, 3-4 cm. Subzone NN19a extends down through Core 5.

#### *Pliocene*

The Pliocene includes Samples 593-6-1, 39-40 cm through 593-17-3, 3-4 cm. The lower/upper Pliocene boundary lies between Samples 593-8,CC and 593-9-1, 3-4 cm. The last occurrence of *Discoaster brouweri* in Sample 593-6-1, 39-40 cm marks the top of Zone NN18.

The two samples below contain the last occurrences of *D. pentaradiatus* and *D. surculus*, respectively, placing Sample 593-6-2, 3-4 cm in Zone NN17. The last occurrence of *Reticulofenestra pseudoumbilica* in Sample 593-9-1, 3-4 cm places Samples 593-6-3, 3-4 cm through 593-8,CC in Zone NN16. Zone NN15 includes all of Core 9. The last occurrence of *Amaurolithus tricorniculatus* in Sample 593-11-1, 3-4 cm and the first occurrence of *D. asymmetricus* in Sample 593-13,CC place Cores 11-13 in Zone NN14. The NN13/NN12 boundary cannot be recognized because *Ceratolithus rugosus* is absent at Site 593.

#### Miocene

The Miocene includes Samples 593-17-5, 3-4 cm through 593-50-3, 3-4 cm. The middle/upper Miocene boundary is between Samples 593-26-5, 3-4 cm and 593-26,CC and the lower/middle Miocene boundary lies between Samples 593-43,CC and 593-44-1, 3-4 cm. The last occurrence of *Discoaster quinqueramus* in Sample 593-17-5, 3-4 cm and the first occurrence of *Amaurolithus primus* in Sample 593-22-3, 3-4 cm places this interval in Subzone NN11b. Subzone NN11a extends from Sample 593-22,CC down to 593-25-1, 3-4 cm, the first occurrence of *D. quinqueramus*. Samples 593-26,CC and 593-27,CC contain *D. hamatus*, which places this interval in Zone NN9. The intervening Samples 593-25-3, 3-4 cm through 593-26-5, 3-4 cm belong in Zone NN10. The absence of *Catinaster coalitus* at Site 593 prevents the determination of the NN8/NN7 boundary. The first occurrence of *D. kugleri* in Sample 593-37-1, 3-4 cm and the last occurrence of *Sphenolithus heteromorphus* in Sample 593-42-4, 99-100 cm place Samples 593-37-3, 3-4 cm through 593-42-4, 3-4 cm in Zone NN6. The interval from Sample 593-42-4, 99-100 cm through Sample 593-43,CC, the first occurrence of *D. exilis*, belongs in Zone NN5. The last occurrence of *S. belemnos* in Sample 593-44,CC places Samples 593-44-1, 3-4 cm and 593-44-5, 3-4 cm in Zone NN4. Zone NN3 includes samples above the last occurrence of *Triquetrorhabdulus carinatus* and the first occurrence of *D. druggii* in Sample 593-46,CC, which here constitutes Zone NN2. Zone NN1 extends down to the Oligocene/Miocene boundary between Samples 593-50-3, 3-4 cm and 593-50-5, 3-4 cm. The top of Zone NP25 is based on the last occurrence of *Helicosphaera recta* in Sample 593-50-5, 3-4 cm.

#### Site 594

##### Holes 594, 594A

Site 594 is located on the southern margin of Chatham Rise east of the South Island of New Zealand ( $45^{\circ}31.41'S$ ,  $174^{\circ}56.88'E$ ) at a water depth of 1204 m below sea level. The site lies in the subantarctic water mass south of the Subtropical Convergence and is the southernmost site of Leg 90.

Three holes were drilled at Site 594. Hole 594 reached the middle Miocene NN5/NN6 zones at a depth of 505.1 m. Fifty-three cores were taken and core recovery through Core 31 (293.9 m) was generally good; however, below Core 31, core recovery was poor. Twenty-six cores were

obtained from Hole 594A which duplicates portions of Hole 594 and extends the total depth down to 639.5 m (Zone NN5). Core recovery below 495.5 m (top of Core 12) was generally poor. Hole 594B was drilled to a depth of 42.9 m and 5 cores were obtained.

Cores 1-53 from Hole 594 and Cores 13-26 from Hole 594A were examined in order to determine the nannoplankton biostratigraphy at Site 594. Because Site 594 is near the South Island of New Zealand, numerous Paleogene as well as some Neogene taxa are reworked into indigenous assemblages. Preservation is fair throughout the site but discoasters are poorly preserved and their numbers are markedly reduced. Most of the nannoplankton zones are recognized; however, because of the paucity of zonal indicators, the Miocene and Pliocene zonal boundaries are shown with dashed lines (Table 10). Zones NN18, NN17, NN13, and the boundary between NN8 and NN7 cannot be determined.

#### Quaternary

The Quaternary includes Samples 594-1-1, 3-4 cm through at least 594-11-5, 3-4 cm. The base of the Quaternary cannot be determined. Samples 594-1-1, 3-4 cm through 594-6-1, 25-26 cm contain *Emiliania huxleyi* and are assigned to Zone NN21. The last occurrence of *E. ovata* in Sample 594-7,CC places Samples 594-6-3, 3-4 cm through 594-7-1, 3-4 cm in Zone NN20. Subzone NN19b includes Samples 594-7,CC through 594-11-3, 3-4 cm, above the last occurrence of *Calcidiscus macintyrei* in Sample 594-11-5, 3-4 cm.

#### Pliocene

The top of the Pliocene cannot be determined. The lower/upper Pliocene boundary lies between Samples 594-18-1, 3-4 cm and 594-18-3, 3-4 cm and the base of the Pliocene is between Samples 594-23-5, 3-4 cm and 594-23,CC. The last common occurrence of *Reticulofenestra pseudoumbilica* in Sample 594-18-3, 3-4 cm marks the top of Zone NN15. The presence of *R. pseudoumbilica* above this sample is interpreted as reworking. The intervening zones and subzones (NN19a-NN16) cannot be determined. A single rare occurrence of *Amaurolithus tricorniculatus* in Sample 594-20,CC places Samples 594-18-3, 3-4 cm through 594-20-5, 3-4 cm in Zone NN15. The boundaries between Zones NN14 and Zones NN13 and between Zones NN13 and NN12 cannot be recognized.

#### Miocene

The Miocene includes Samples 594-23,CC through 594A-26,CC. The middle/upper Miocene boundary lies between Samples 594-28-3, 3-4 cm and 594-20-5, 3-4 cm. The rare occurrences of *Discoaster quinqueramus* in Samples 594-23,CC and 594-26-5, 3-4 cm place this interval in Zone NN11, but the absence of *Amaurolithus primus* at Site 594 prevents the subdivision of this zone. The rare occurrences of *D. hamatus* in Samples 594-28-5, 3-4 cm and 594-29,CC place this interval in Zone NN9. Samples 594-26,CC through 594-28-3, 3-4 cm therefore belong in Zone NN10. The boundary between Zones NN8 and NN7 cannot be determined. The rare occurrences of *D. kugleri* in Sample 594-42, 3-4 cm

Table 9. Nannoplankton occurrences, Hole 593.

		Age		Quaternary		Depth below seafloor (m)		Index species		Additional species	
		Zone	Core	Section	Interval (cm)						
		Preservation									
NN21	1	1	3-4	0.04	G	A R		<i>Emiliania huxleyi</i>			
NN20	2	1	3-4	5.14	G	G C		<i>Calcidiscus macintyrei</i>			
NN19b	5	3-4	11.14	G R				<i>Discoaster penfaidius</i>			
NN19a	4	CC	14.70	G A				<i>Discoaster asymmetricus</i>			
NN18	6	1	39-40	43.90	G C R R			<i>Discoaster surculus</i>			
NN17	2	3-4	45.04	G C R R R				<i>Reticulofenestra pseudumbilicalis</i>			
NN16	3	3-4	46.54	G C C R R R R				<i>Ammonoilithus triconiculatus</i>			
NN15	7	CC	53.10	G R C R R R R				<i>Ammonoilithus primus</i>			
NN14	8	CC	65.80	G C R R R C				<i>Discoaster quinqueramus</i>			
NN13	9	1	3-4	70.54	G C R R R R R			<i>Discoaster hamatus</i>			
NN12	3	3-4	73.54	G C R R R C C				<i>Discoaster exilis</i>			
NN11b	CC	81.90	G C R R R C C					<i>Discoaster kugleri</i>			
NN11b	11	1	3-4	91.54	G C R R R C R R			<i>Sphenolithus heteromorphus</i>			
NN11b	3	3-4	94.54	G R R R R C R R				<i>Sphenolithus bellemos</i>			
NN11b	5	3-4	97.54	G R R R R C R R				<i>Triquestrorhabdulus carinatus</i>			
NN11b	CC	101.10	G R R R R R C R R					<i>Helicosphaera recta</i>			
NN11b	12	CC	110.70	F R R R R C R							
NN11b	13	CC	120.30	F C R C R R C R							
NN11b	14	1	3-4	120.34	F C R R R C R						
NN11b	CC	129.90	F C R R R C R								
NN11b	15	CC	139.50	F R R R C							
NN11b	16	CC	149.10	F R R R C R							
NN11b	17	3	3-4	152.14	F R R R C R						
NN11b	5	3-4	155.14	F R R R C R							
NN11b	CC	158.70	F R R C								
NN11b	18	CC	168.30	F R R C R R							
NN11b	19	CC	177.90	F R R C R							
NN11b	20	CC	187.50	F R C A R							
NN11b	21	CC	197.10	F R R C R							
NN11b	22	3	3-4	200.14	F R R C R						

Olig	late	Miocene													
		early	middle	late											
NN11a		CC 206.70 F	R R C R	R	C C C	R	R	C	R	C C C	R	C C C	R	C C C	R
23		CC 216.30 F	R R C R	R	C C C	R	R	C	R	C C C	R	C C C	R	C C C	R
24		CC 225.90 F	R R C R	R	C C C	R	R	C	R	C C C	R	C C C	R	C C C	R
25 1	3-4	225.94 F	R R C R	R	C A R	R	C	C R	R R	R R C	R R	C C C	C	C C C	R
3	3-4	228.94 F	R R C	R	C C R	R	R	C	R	C C C	R	C C C	R	C C C	R
NN10		CC 235.50 F	R C C	R	C C R	R	R	C	R	C C C	R	C C C	R	C C C	R
26 5	3-4	241.54 F	R R C	R	C C R	R	R R R	C	R	C C C	R	C C C	R	C C C	R
27		CC 245.10 F	C C C C R	R	C C R	R	R R R	C	C	C C C	R	C C C	R	C C C	R
NN9		CC 254.70 F	C R A R	R	C C R	R	R R	A	C	C C C	R	C C C	R	C C C	R
28 1	3-4	254.74 F	R R C C	C	R C R	R	C	R	R	R C C	R	R C C	R	R C C	R
29		CC 264.30 F	C R A C	C	C C R	R	R	C	C	C C C	R	C C C	R	C C C	R
30		CC 273.90 F	C R A R	R	C C R	R	C	R	C	C C C	R	C C C	R	C C C	R
31		CC 283.50 F	C R A R	R	A G R	R	R	R	R	C C C	R	C C C	R	C C C	R
NN8		CC 293.10 F	C R A C	C	C C R	R	R	R	R	C C C	R	C C C	R	C C C	R
NN7		CC 302.70 F	C R A C	C	C C R	R	R	R	R	C C C	R	C C C	R	C C C	R
32		CC 312.30 F	C A R	R	C C R	R	R	R	R	R R R	R	R R R	R	R R R	R
33		CC 321.90 F	C A R	R	C C R	R	R	R	R	R R R	R	R R R	R	R R R	R
34		CC 331.50 F	C A R	R	C R C R	R	R	R	R	R R R	R	R R R	R	R R R	R
35		CC 341.10 F	C A R	R	C C C R	R	R	R	R	R R R	R	R R R	R	R R R	R
36		CC 341.14 F	C A R	R	C C C R	R	R	R	R	R R R	R	R R R	R	R R R	R
37 1	3-4	341.14 F	C A R	R	C C C R	R	R	R	R	R R R	R	R R R	R	R R R	R
NN6		3 3-4 344.14 F	C A R	R	C C C R	R	R	R	R	R R R	R	R R R	R	R R R	R
3	3-4	344.14 F	C C R R A	C	C C C R R R	R R	R	R	R	R R R	R	R R R	R	R R R	R
38		CC 350.70 F	C C R R A	C	C R C R R C	C	R	R	R	R R R	R	R R C	R	R R C	R
39		CC 360.30 F	C R R A	C	C R C R C C	C R	R	R	R	R R R	R	C C C	R	C C C	R
40		CC 369.90 F	C A C	C	C R C C C C	C R	R	R	R	R R R	R	R R R	R	R R R	R
41		CC 379.50 F	C C C	C	C R C C C C	C R	R	R	R	R R R	R	R C R	R	R C R	R
42 1	2-3	389.13 F	C R C	C	C R C A A C	C	R	R	R	R R R	R	R C R	R	R C R	R
3	3-4	392.14 F	C R C	C	C R C R A A C	R	R	R	R	R R R	R	C R C	R	C R C	R
4	28-29	393.89 F	C R R	R	C C C R C C C	C	R	R	R	R R R	R	C R C	R	C R C	R
NN5		4 99-100 394.60 F	C R R	R	C C C R C C C	C	R	R	R	R R R	R	C	R	C	R
5	3-4	395.14 F	C R R	R	C R C R A A C	C	R	R	R	R R R	R	C	R	C	R
43		CC 408.30 F	R R R	R	R C R C A A C	C	R	R	R	R R R	R	C	R	C	R
NN4		44 1 3-4 408.34 F	R C C	C	R R C R C C A	C	R	R	R	R R R	R	C	R	C	R
5	3-4	414.34 F	R C C	C	R R C R C C A	C	R	R	R	R R R	R	C	R	C	R
NN3		CC 417.90 F	R C	R R R	R H C R C C C	C	R	R	R	R R R	R	R C	R	R C	R
45		CC 427.50 F	C R	R R	R R R C C C C	C	R	R	R	R R R	R	R C	R	R C	R
46 5	3-4	433.54 F	C R R	R R	R R R C C R C	C	R	R	R	R R R	R	R C	R	R C	R
NN2		CC 437.10 F	C R R	R R	R R R C C R C	C	R	R	R	R R R	R	R C	R	R C	R
47 1	3-4	437.14 F	R R	R	R C R C C A	C	R	R	R	R R R	R	C	R	C	R
NN1		CC 446.70 F	R R	R	C C R C C R A	C	R	R	R	R R R	R	C	R	C	R
48		CC 456.30 F	C R	R	C C R C C C C	C	R	R	R	R R R	R	C	R	C	R
49		CC 465.90 F	R R	R	C C R C C C C	C	R	R	R	R R R	R	C	R	C	R
50 1	3-4	465.94 F	R R	R	R C R C C C C	C	R	R	R	R R R	R	C	R	C	R
3	3-4	468.94 F	R R	R	R C R C C C C	C	R	R	R	R R R	R	C	R	C	R
NN1		5 3-4 471.94 F	R R	R R	C C R C C R C	C	R	R	R	R R R	R	C	R	C	R
NP25		CC 475.50 F	R	R R	R R C C C C R C	C	R	R	R	R R R	R	C	R	C	R

Table 10. Nannoplankton occurrences, Holes 594 and 594A.

		Age		Quaternary		Index species		Additional species	
		Zone		Core Section		Depth below seafloor (m)			
Pliocene	early								
late									
NN19a									
NN16									
NN15									
NN14									
NN12									
NN11									
NN21									
NN20									
NN19b									
NN18									
NN17									
NN16									
NN15									
NN14									
NN13									
NN12									
NN11									
NN10									
NN09									
NN08									
NN07									
NN06									
NN05									
NN04									
NN03									
NN02									
NN01									
NN00									



and *Sphenolithus heteromorphus* in Sample 594A-15, CC place Samples 594-42, CC through 594A-15-3, 3-4 cm in Zone NN6 and Samples 594A-15, CC through 594A-26, CC in Zone NN5.

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