34. ANTARCTIC PALEogene PLANKtonIC FORAMINIFER BIOSTRATIGRAPHY: ODP LEG 113, SITES 689 AND 690

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ABSTRACT

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The diversity of planktonic foraminifers was low following the mass extinction event at the Cretaceous/Paleogene boundary. The lowermost Paleogene fossil assemblages following the mass extinction event closely resemble those of lower latitudes. During the middle Paleocene, a "high latitude" assemblage developed that lacked species found at lower latitudes, particularly the early morozovellids. The diversity increased during the late Paleocene through evolutionary radiation in conjunction with warm conditions at high latitudes. Diversity remained high in the Antarctic throughout most of the early and middle Eocene. Subbrotini and aequulinids dominated the assemblages along with various Planorotalites species. At no time, however, did any of the large-keeled morozovellids, the hantkeninids, or the globigerapsids characteristic of the low latitudes inhabit the Antarctic Ocean. Beginning in the late middle Eocene, planktonic foraminifer diversity was reduced due to the extinction of the aequulinids and several Subbotina and Planorotalites species. In the upper Eocene the fossil assemblages exhibit even lower diversity and are dominated by three to four species. These changes correspond to the beginning of a long-term climatic cooling trend that is also recorded in the stable isotopic records. Further reduction in diversity occurred across the Eocene/Oligocene boundary in response to continued cooling and increased C\textsubscript{a}CO\textsubscript{3} dissolution. At that time siliceous microfossils began to appear in increasing abundance.

A new planktonic foraminifer biostratigraphy has been developed for the Weddell Sea area, Antarctica. Fourteen biozones are defined on the basis of distinct biotaxa used to mark the top and bottom of each zone, and are intercalibrated with the well-established low-latitude zonations.
gene biostratigraphic zonation in the Maud Rise sequences. These datum levels are calibrated to magnetostratigraphy (Hamilton, this volume; and Spieß, this volume) in order to provide a chronologic framework that will facilitate interregional correlations. However, because the middle-latitude zonations have not been intercalibrated with magnetostratigraphy it is not yet possible to determine if the zonal boundaries recognized here are correlative with those in the Southwest Pacific. Because of the latitudinal and faunal differences, it is possible that diachronity exists between the Weddell Sea and the Southwest Pacific biozones. Therefore, we have not attempted any stratigraphic correlation between these zonations.

METHODS

Samples discussed herein were prepared for study as described in Stott and Kennett (this volume, chapter 47). Assemblage composition is described nonquantitatively in terms of the most abundant species observed in a random sample of ~300-500 specimens from the >63-μm size fraction. Relative abundances are recorded in terms of Abundant, Common, Few, and Rare (as described in the “Methods” section, Barker, Kennett et al., 1988) and recorded in the accompanying range charts (Appendixes I, II). Quantitative determinations were made only for the intervals spanning the Cretaceous/Paleogene (K/P) boundary in Holes 689B and 690C. In these intervals ~300-400 specimens were identified and counted in the >63-μm size after they were split with a microsplitter.

The generic classification used in this study largely follows that of Loeblich and Tappan (1988). The generic assignment of certain species is not clear; however, in these instances taxonomic notes are provided to clarify the usage. Species identifications were made using a wide range of literature, but descriptions of particular value were those of Jenkins (1971), Stainforth et al. (1975), Blow (1979), and Berggren (1977). Taxonomic notes are provided where appropriate to outline differences in usage with previous workers.

The quality of preservation of assemblages is also noted in the range charts, and is described in the following way:

- G = good, some breakage or minor dissolution, but no evidence of recrystallization.
- M = moderate, breakage and/or dissolution common but no evidence of recrystallization.
- P = poor, breakage and/or dissolution with possible recrystallization.

SITE DESCRIPTIONS

Site 689

Four holes were drilled at Site 689 in 2080 m of water near the crest of Maud Rise. Only Hole 689B provides a nearly continuous sequence through the Cenozoic and Upper Cretaceous. Sediments were cored to a depth of 229.44 m below the seafloor (mbsf), averaging 77% recovery. The APC (Advanced Hydraulic Piston Corer) was used from the top of the hole down to Core 113-689B-21H, which reached the middle Eocene, after which the XCB (Extended Core Barrel) was used to the bottom of the hole. In general, the Paleogene is marked by foraminifer-bearing, calcareous nannofossil ooze and chalk. The ooze/chalk transition does not form a sharp boundary in this hole. Chalk first occurs as thin, 2-3-cm-thick zones in Core 113-689B-21H (middle Eocene) at approximately 190 mbsf. Below this, the abundance and thickness of these chalk zones increase downward to the base of Core 113-689B-25X, beyond which the sequence is entirely nannofossil chalk. The abundances of planktonic foraminifers decreases notably in the Miocene, where biosiliceous sediments progressively replace calcareous nannofossils and planktonic foraminifers. Planktonic foraminifers are essentially absent from the middle and upper Neogene except for abundant occurrences in the Pleistocene sequences at the top of the hole.

Site 690

Three holes were drilled at Site 690 in 2914 m of water on the flank of Maud Rise, 116 km southwest of Hole 689B. Hole 690B was cored with the APC and provides a biogenic record to 213.4 mbsf (Core 113-690B-25H) with close to 100% recovery. Sediments below 213.4 mbsf were recovered with the XCB. Hole 690C was cored to 83.6 mbsf (Core 113-690C-9H) to overlap sequences of Hole 690B. The hole was then washed to 204.2 mbsf and cored to 321.2 mbsf. Core recovery averaged 100% in the
APC portion of Hole 690C and 76% in the XCB portion. The lithologies of Site 690 are similar to those of Site 689. Differences occur as a result of the differing water depths, creating differences in bioturbation or winnowing of the sediments. In particular, the Paleogene of Site 690 contains a distinct terrigenous component not found at Site 689. The absence of this terrigenous component at Site 689 is enigmatic but may suggest that current activity differentially winnowed these clays from sediments in the shallower location. The lower sedimentation rates observed in Hole 689B compared to Site 690 may be further evidence for this (Barker, Kennett, et al., 1988).

BIOSTRATIGRAPHY

Planktonic foraminifer occurrences in Holes 689B, 690B, and 690C are summarized in the accompanying range charts (Appendices I, II). Sixteen distinct planktonic foraminifer datum levels are identified and used to subdivide the Antarctic sequences into 14 biozones (Fig. 2). These datum levels are first occurrences (FAD) or last occurrences (LAD) of species that are common to abundant. Their first and last occurrences are conspicuous and easily identified. Each datum level defines the base or top of the biographic zone. Two types of biozones have been employed, the Interval Zone (Hedberg, 1976) and Partial Range Zone (sensu Berggren, 1976). The Partial Range Zone delimits those strata characterized by the partial range of a taxon. The upper and lower boundaries of the zone are defined by the first and/or last occurrence of species other than that used in the zonal name.

Numerous designations are also applied to each of the new Antarctic biozonal schemes their use. An alphabetic prefix attached to the numeric designation (i.e., A) indicates Antarctic, the region for which the zone was developed. P included in the prefix indicates that the zone is from the Paleogene. For example, Zone AP1 refers to the Antarctic Paleogene Zone 1. It precedes Zone AP2, which in turn precedes Zone AP3, etc.

ZONAL DEFINITIONS

Eoglobigerina fringa Partial Range Zone (AP0)

Definition. Partial range of the nominate taxon from the last occurrence of Abathomphalus mayaroensis (base = K/P boundary) to the initial "common" occurrence of Subbotina pseudobulloides (top).

Remarks. The zone is characterized by the occurrence of very small simple morphotypes including E. fringa, Eoglobigerina eobulloides, "Globorotalia"polycamera, Eoglobigerina edita, Eoglobigerina trivialis, Subbotina minutula, Quenstedtia cretacea, and Chiloguembelina aurica. Parvularugoglobigerina eugubina was initially identified from this zone in Holes 689B and 690C (Barker, Kennett, et al., 1988). However, subsequent work using the scanning electron microscope (SEM) revealed that none of the small specimens observed in the basal Paleocene sediments exhibit the highly arched aperture characteristic of P. eugubina (Smit, 1977, 1979). Nonetheless, a distinct intrudis anomaly at the boundary between the Paleogene and Cretaceous in Hole 690C (Michel et al., 1986; this volume) indicates that the lowermost Paleogene is present and that the absence of P. eugubina cannot be attributed to the presence of any hiatus.

The first common occurrence of S. pseudobulloides is approximately 31 cm above the interdunystal anomaly near the base of Chron 29N as described by Hamilton (this volume) in Hole 690C. Although bioturbation disrupted the stratigraphic succession, it is clear that the first common occurrence of S. pseudobulloides is above the interval characterized by abundant E. fringa and other minute species typical of the basal Paleocene. Therefore, although P. eugubina is not present in these assemblages, Zone AP0 appears to be equivalent to the Globigerina eugubina Zone of Luterbacher and Premoli-Silva (1964) and Zone P1a (Smit, 1982; Berggren et al., 1985) or Zone Pz (Brocken, 1979; Berggren and Miller, 1988).

Subbotina pseudobulloides Interval Zone (AP1)

Definition. Interval between the initial "common" occurrence of S. pseudobulloides and the initial occurrence of Planorotalites imitatus.

Remarks. This lower Paleogene zone is characterized by the initial occurrence of several new genera and species. These include, for example, Subbotina pseudobulloides, Quinqueloculina glomerata, Globorotalia daubjergensis, and Planorotalites. The succession of these forms within the zone provides criteria with which to further subdivide the zone into the following:

Globorotalia daubjergensis Partial Range Zone (AP1a)

Definition. Partial range of the nominate taxon from the initial common occurrence of S. pseudobulloides (base) to the initial occurrence of Subbotina inconstans (top).

Remarks. The zone is characterized by the common co-occurrence of S. pseudobulloides and G. daubjergensis. Rare occurrences of S. pseudobulloides are observed lower in the section; however, these may be due to downward mixing by bioturbation. The first common occurrence (FCOD) of S. pseudobulloides is a more sharply defined and easily identified position for the base of this zone than is its first occurrence datum level. The magnetostriatigraphically calibrated age of the S. pseudobulloides FCOD in Hole 690C (see below) also agrees with age estimates in other South Atlantic sequences (Poore et al., 1984). The base of this subzone is, therefore, equivalent to the base of Zone P1 = (base of Subbotina pseudobulloides-Globorotalia daubjergensis Zone) of Berggren (1969). Berggren and Miller (1988) suggested that the first occurrence of S. pseudobulloides and G. daubjergensis are essentially coeval, although Blow (1979) noted that the latter species appeared slightly earlier in Zone Pz. In both Maud Rise sequences, G. daubjergensis occurs just below the first common occurrence of S. pseudobulloides. Because bioturbation may have disrupted the natural stratigraphic succession in thislowestest Paleocene interval we are not able to distinguish whether the earlier occurrence of G. daubjergensis in the Maud Rise sequences is an artifact of the bioturbation. Other evidence indicates that this is likely. For example, the first occurrence of Subbotina triloculinoi des is in both Maud Rise sequences near the base of the S. pseudobulloides Zone. Berggren and Miller (1988) pointed out that in the interval above these specimens, which would be definitive evidence for Globorotalia daubjergensis, the region for which the zone was developed. However, Blow (1979) noted that S. pseudobulloides precedes that of S. triloculinoi des. They further suggested that the records where this is not the case probably can be attributed to misidentification of Subbotina trivalis for S. triloculinoi des. We have identified both S. trivalis and S. triloculinoi des in intervals near the base of the S. pseudobulloides Zone (AP1a) which suggests that the anomalously early occurrence of S. triloculinoi des resulted from bioturbation. Planorotalites compressus first appears in the Maud Rise sequences in the lower part of the S. pseudobulloides Zone. This too is contrary to the normal succession of these two species (see Berggren and Miller, 1988). From the above, it appears that the threefold subdivision of the basal Paleocene, based on the succession of S. pseudobulloides, S. triloculinoi des, and P. compressus used by Berggren (1969), cannot be applied to the Maud Rise sequences.

Subbotina inconstans Interval Subzone (AP1b)

Definition. Interval from the first occurrence of the nominate taxon (base) to the initial occurrence of "Planorotalites" imitatus (top).

Remarks. G. daubjergensis and S. inconstans dominate the planktonic foraminifer assemblages in this zone. The last occurrence of P. compressus occurs within the zone just below that of G. daubjergensis. "Igorina spiralis" occurs for the first time within the upper portion of the zone. The assemblages observed in this zone are similar to those described from Subzone P1b in middle-latitude sequences (Boersma and Premoli-Silva, 1983). The primary difference is the apparent absence in the Antarctic of Morozovella tridens, the proposed descendant of S. inconstans. Preliminary identification of Morozovella tridens from the Maud Rise sequences (Barker, Kennett, et al., 1988) was based upon slightly curved subspherical in some specimens. Some workers have argued that this is not sufficient criteria to identify the species (Corfield and Shackleton, 1988). Subsequently, we have not been able to identify, even with the SEM, the small muricae near the apertures of Subbotina inconstans. For example, the first occurrence of Subbotina triloculinoi des is in both Maud Rise sequences near the base of the S. pseudobulloides Zone. Berggren and Miller (1988) pointed out that in the interval above these specimens, which would be definitive evidence for Globorotalia daubjergensis, the region for which the zone was developed. However, Blow (1979) noted that S. pseudobulloides precedes that of S. triloculinoi des. They further suggested that the records where this is not the case probably can be attributed to misidentification of Subbotina trivalis for S. triloculinoi des. We have identified both S. trivalis and S. triloculinoi des in intervals near the base of the S. pseudobulloides Zone (AP1a) which suggests that the anomalously early occurrence of S. triloculinoi des resulted from bioturbation. Planorotalites compressus first appears in the Maud Rise sequences in the lower part of the S. pseudobulloides Zone. This too is contrary to the normal succession of these two species (see Berggren and Miller, 1988). From the above, it appears that the threefold subdivision of the basal Paleocene, based on the succession of S. pseudobulloides, S. triloculinoi des, and P. compressus used by Berggren (1969), cannot be applied to the Maud Rise sequences.

"Planorotalites" imitatus Interval Zone (AP2)

Definition. Interval from the initial occurrence of the nominate taxon (base) to the initial occurrence of Muricoglogiberina mckannai (top).
Figure 2. Summary of core recovery and magnetic-polarity stratigraphy as measured by Spieß (this volume) and Hamilton (this volume). The Antarctic planktonic foraminiferal datum levels used to delineate the new Antarctic biostratigraphy are shown for each site along with the zonal designations. The datum levels are used to correlate the two sites (connecting lines) and to illustrate the intervals which are either condensed or missing due to a hiatus. For example, note that in Hole 690B the interval encompassing Zones AP6 through AP7 are missing in Hole 689B. Also note that the interval encompassing Zones AP8 through AP9 in Hole 689B appear to be condensed and truncated between two hiatuses in Hole 690B.
Remarks. The upper portion of this zone is truncated by a coring gap in Core 113-69OC-12X. The first occurrence of *M. mckannai*, therefore, is extrapolated to a position midway between the two sample intervals that bracket its first occurrence. Except for the addition of "*P. imitatus*, the fossil assemblages in this zone resemble those of the preceding *S. inconstans* Subzone.

**Murioglobigerina mckannai** Interval Zone (AP3)

**Definition.** Interval from the initial occurrence of the nominate taxon to the initial occurrence of *A. praepentacamerata*.

**Remarks.** In addition to *M. mckannai*, the fossil assemblages typical of this zone include *S. pseudobulloides*, *S. triloculinosides*, *Igorina sp.* *S. triangularius*, and "*P. imitatus*.

*Acarinina praepentacamerata* Interval Zone (AP4)

**Definition.** Interval from the initial occurrence of the nominate taxon (base) to the first occurrence of Planorotalites australiformis (top).

**Remarks.** The base of the zone is characterized by abundant subbotinids including *S. triangularius*, *S. inconstans* and primitive acarininids such as *Acarinina esnaensis* (= *Acarinina carinata* of some authors). *Acarinina praepentacamerata* is rare in the lower part of the zone but easily recognized. Other small acarininds and morozovellids become important within the zone, including *Morozovella convexa*, *M. nicoli*, and *M. djienensis*. The assemblages of this zone are distinctive in containing several morozovellid species, the presence of which in the Antarctic Ocean may reflect the incursion of warmer waters during the late Paleocene (Boersma and Premoli-Silva, 1983; Premoli-Silva and Boersma, 1988). However, because none of the typical keeled *Morozovella* species occurs, it is difficult to correlate this zone precisely with the upper Paleocene low-latitude zones. Blow (1979) used the first occurrence of *A. soldadoensis* to define the base of the Murioglobigerinoides soldadoensis/Globorotalia velascoensis *et al.* Zone, which he termed a concurrent range Zone (= P5), although the zone was based on the first occurrence of *M. soldadoensis* at its base. The absence of *M. velascoensis* precludes the identification of any such concurrent range zone. However, the initial occurrence of *A. soldadoensis* lies above the base of the AP4 Zone, slightly below the initial occurrence of Planorotalites australiformis and *Acarinina veloxensis berggreni*. The AP4 Zone appears, therefore, to be approximately equivalent to the P4-P5 zones in low latitudes.

**Planorotalites australiformis** Interval Zone (AP5)

**Definition.** Interval from the initial occurrence of the nominate taxon (base) to the first occurrence of *Acarinina veloxensis berggreni* (top).

**Remarks.** The occurrence of the nominate species, together with *A. soldadoensis* and *Murioglobigerina aquenensis*, forms a distinctive assemblage that lacks the small morozovellid typical of the preceding zone.

*Acarinina veloxensis berggreni* Interval Zone (AP6)

**Definition.** Interval from the initial occurrence of the nominate taxon (base) to the initial occurrence of *Acarinina primitiva* (top).

**Remarks.** The lower part of the zone includes the first occurrence of *Subbotina inaequispira* as well as rare *Morozovella aequa*. Two other distinctive species appear for the first time within the zone. These are referred to as *Globigerina* sp. A (large) and *Globigerina* sp. B (with small bulla). Although the taxonomy of these morphotypes is not clear, their presence in the fossil assemblage helps to distinguish the zone. Subdivision of this zone is appropriate because it is relatively long. *Acarinina pentacamerata* first appears near the top of the zone. In the low latitudes, the initial occurrence of this species delineates the boundary between Blow's P8 and P9 zones. However, magnetic stratigraphic calibration of this datum level is lacking (Aubry et al., 1988).

Based on the initial occurrence of *A. pentacamerata*, the *A. veloxensis berggreni* Zone has been subdivided into the two subzones as follows:

*Subbotina inaequispira* Partial Range Subzone (AP6a)

**Definition.** Interval from the initial occurrence of *A. veloxensis berggreni* (base) to the initial occurrence of *A. pentacamerata* (top).

**Remarks.** *S. inaequispira* becomes an important component in the assemblages of this zone following its initial occurrence near the base of the zone.

*Acarinina pentacamerata* Interval Subzone (AP6b)

**Definition.** Interval from the initial occurrence of the nominate taxon (base) to the initial occurrence of *A. primitiva* (top).

*Acarinina primitiva* Interval Zone (AP7)

**Definition.** Interval from the initial occurrence of the nominate taxon (base) to the initial occurrence of *Acarinina bullbrooki* (provisional top).

**Remarks.** *A. primitiva* is rare near the base of its range, but is generally large and easily identified. Within the zone, the species forms a high proportion of the assemblage. The zone is also marked by the continued abundance of *S. inaequispira* and *S. eoceneicapalatonicum*. *Subbotina linaperta* becomes abundant near the base of the zone and is a conspicuous and dominant element throughout the remainder of its range. Typical acarininids occurring within the zone include *Acarinina collectae*, *Acarinina veloxensis wilcoxensis*, and *Acarinina pseudotopilensis*.

The upper boundary of the zone is provisional, being placed at the initial occurrence of *Acarinina bullbrooki*. The initial occurrence of the species coincides with a hiatus in both of the Maud Rise sequences, precluding detailed resolution of the biostratigraphy in this interval (Fig. 2).

*Acarinina bullbrooki* Interval Zone (AP8)

**Definition.** Interval from the initial occurrence of *A. bullbrooki* (provisional base) to the initial occurrence of *Pseudohastigerina mira* (top).

**Remarks.** The zone is provisionally placed at the initial occurrence of the nominate taxon for the reason given above. *Acarinina bullbrooki*, together with the morphologically similar *A. spinuloinflata* and *Acarinina matthewsae*, form conspicuous elements of the assemblages within this zone. The subbotinids common to Zone AP7 continue to contribute significantly to the fossil assemblages within this zone.

**Pseudohastigerina mira** Interval Zone (AP9)

**Definition.** Interval from the initial occurrence of *P. mira* (base) to the initial occurrence of *Globigerinatheka index* (top).

**Remarks.** The zone is characterized by the continued occurrence of abundant *A. bullbrooki* and related forms. *P. mira* is common to abundant above its initial occurrence and produces a distinctive change from the assemblages of the previous zone.

*Acarinina collectae* Partial Range Zone (AP10)

**Definition.** Partial range of the nominate taxon from the initial occurrence of *Globigerinatheka index* (base) to the last occurrence of *Acarinina primitiva* (top).

**Remarks.** The nominate taxon dominates the assemblages of this zone together with *G. index*, *A. primitiva*, and *Subbotina linaperta*. *Subbotina angiporoides* occurs for the first time within this zone.

**Globigerinatheka index** Partial Range Zone (AP11)

**Definition.** Partial range of the nominate taxon from the last occurrence of *A. primitiva* (base) to the last occurrence of *S. linaperta* (top).

**Remarks.** The top of this zone is marked by a distinct reduction in planktonic foraminifer diversity. It is at about this horizon that the muriicate acarininids last occur in the Antarctic. *Globigerinatheka index*, *S. angiporoides*, *S. linaperta*, and *Globorotaloides suteri* dominate the assemblages of this zone.

**Globorotaloides suteri** Partial Range Zone (AP12)

**Definition.** Interval from the last occurrence of *S. linaperta* (base) to the last occurrence of *G. index* (top).

**Remarks.** The last occurrence of *S. linaperta* may vary latitudinally (Jenkins, 1971; Premoli-Silva and Boersma, 1988). At lower latitudes the species has been recorded in sediments as young as early Oligocene (Keller, 1983). At middle latitudes, this species last occurred near the Eocene/Oligocene boundary (Jenkins, 1971; 1974). In the Antarctic, the last occurrence of this taxon was even earlier, well below the Eocene/Oligocene boundary (see below). Nonetheless, the last occurrence of *S. linaperta* forms a conspicuous datum level in the Antarctic Ocean.

**Subbotina angiporoides** Interval Zone (AP13)

**Definition.** Interval from the last occurrence of *G. index* (base) to the last occurrence of the nominate taxon (top).

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Remarks. G. suteri and Subbotina angiporoides dominate the planktonic foraminiferal assemblages within this zone. Rare Temnalia munda and Globigerina officinalis also occur discontinuously throughout the zone.

**Definition.** Interval from the last occurrence of *S. angiporoides* to the last occurrence of the nominate taxon.

Remarks. This zone is subdivided into two subzones on the basis of the last occurrence of *Chiloguembelina cubensis*. This species was used to mark the boundary between the early and late Oligocene by Berggren et al. (1985). Its last occurrence appears to be isochronous interregionally and therefore forms a useful correlation marker (Hess et al., 1989). However, in some sequences C. cubensis does not occur continuously throughout its range and becomes rare in assemblages near the top of its range. For this reason it is possible for the last occurrence of this species to be mislocated. If the last occurrence of *C. cubensis* is mislocated or has been disrupted by reworking or bioturbation, the API2 Zone remains useful in its broader sense.

**Chiloguembelina cubensis Interval Subzone (AP14a)**

**Definition.** Interval from the last occurrence of *S. angiporoides* (base) to the last occurrence of *Chiloguembelina cubensis* (base).

Remarks. *Globigerina euapertura* does not occur continuously within the zone but is conspicuous when present. The zone is also characterized by the common occurrences of *Globigerina labiacrassata*, *Globigerina juvenilis*, *Globorotalioides suteri*, and Catapsydrax unicavus. In some instances where dissolution has severely altered the assemblages, the latter two species are the only planktonic foraminifers observed, due to their resistance to dissolution.

**CHRONOSTRATIGRAPHIC CALIBRATION**

Berggren et al. (1985) integrated the tropical zonations with magnetostratigraphy, using high-temperature radiometric age determinations to calibrate certain polarity intervals. The ranges of Paleogene planktonic foraminifer species and the placement of Paleogene chronostatigraphic boundaries using biostratigraphic criteria has been discussed by various authors (Berggren and Miller, 1988; Premoli-Silva and Boersma, 1988; Tourmarkine and Luterbacher, 1985; Blow, 1979; Stainforth et al., 1975; Premoli-Silva and Bolli, 1973; Bolli, 1966; Jenkins, 1971). Many of the datum levels used to mark the major chronostatigraphic subdivisions at lower latitudes do not appear in the Antarctic record. However, several major biostratigraphic events that occurred during the Paleogene provide global chronologic markers. Such events include the mass-extinction event at the Cretaceous/Paleogene boundary, the last occurrence of coarsely muriate acarininids near the end of the middle Eocene, and the last occurrence of biserial heterohelicids in the middle Eocene. Events such as these, when correlated to the magnetostratigraphy of Holes 689B and 690B/690C, can be used to identify polarity patterns which match those of the standard magnetostratigraphic record of Berggren et al. (1985). With these major tie points, the other Antarctic datum levels can be correlated with the magnetostratigraphy, and a biostratigraphic framework can be developed for the Antarctic.

**Cretaceous/Paleogene Boundary**

The mass-extinction event at the Cretaceous/Paleogene (K/P) boundary has been correlated with the younger part of magnetostratigraphic 29R in deep-sea sequences (e.g., Alvarez et al., 1977; Lowrie et al., 1977; Poore et al., 1984; Monéchi et al., 1985; see also Berggren et al., 1985). In continuous sections, this horizon is also marked by a distinct iridium anomaly (e.g., Alvarez et al., 1980; Hisui et al., 1982; Alvarez et al., 1984; Michel et al., 1985).

In Hole 690C, the Cretaceous/Paleogene boundary occurs in Section 113-690C-15X-4 and is marked by a distinct color change (Barker, Kennett, et al., 1988) from white nannofossil ooze/chalk to brown clay-bearing nannofossil ooze. Within the time represented by this color change, planktonic foraminifers typical of the Upper Cretaceous *A. mayaroensis* Zone became extinct. However, because the interval has been bioturbated, the color change and the "extinction event" do not form a distinct horizon. It is spread out over several tens of centimeters. To identify the position of the K/P boundary the abundance of Cretaceous and Paleogene planktonic foraminifer species were determined quantitatively, as discussed earlier. The boundary is placed at the point where Paleogene species become dominant (>50%) over Cretaceous species (Fig. 3). The Cretaceous species, including *Globigerinoïdes multispinatus*, *Heterohelix globulosa*, and *Heidbergella monmouthensis*, were replaced by assemblages characterized by *E. fringa*, *Eoglobigerina eobulloides*, and small heterohelicids within a 10-cm interval between Samples 113-690C-15X-4, 45-47 cm, and -15X-4, 35-37 cm. Michel et al. (this volume) also identified elevated concentrations of iridium (1566 ± 222 ppm) within this same interval (Sample 113-690C-15X-4, 39-40 cm).

**Figure 3.** Plot of relative percentage of Tertiary (Cenozoic) vs. Cretaceous species in samples across the Cretaceous/Tertiary transition interval in Hole 690C. Bioturbation has mixed Cretaceous and Tertiary species through the interval marked by a distinct color change and elevated concentrations of iridium (Michel et al., this volume) also identified elevated concentrations of iridium (1566 ± 222 ppm) within this same interval (Sample 113-690C-15X-4, 39-40 cm).
The extinction horizon and the iridium anomaly both occur within a reversed magnetic polarity zone (Hamilton, this volume). At ~40 cm above the biostratigraphically identified K/P boundary, the magnetic polarity is normal. This polarity pattern is similar to that described for the Gubbio section (Alvarez et al., 1977) and other deep-sea sequences (Peterson et al., 1984; BlieIl, 1985), correlating to the Chron 22N/29R boundary of standard magnetochronology (Berggren et al., 1985).

The Cretaceous/Paleocene boundary can also be identified at Site 689 within Core 113-689B-25X at a distinct color change. However, at this site, the change is from Cretaceous white nannofossil chalk to Paleogene green clay-bearing nannofossil chalk. The boundary is similar to that of Hole 690C, with latest Cretaceous species and early Paleogene species mixed across a broad interval by bioturbation. An assessment of the abundances of Cretaceous vs Paleogene specimens through the interval indicates that the boundary occurs between Samples 113-689B-25X-5, 79-81 cm, and -25X-5, 91-94 cm (233.45 mbsf). The latter sample contains species attributable to Zone AP5. Michel et al. (this volume) did not identify any elevated iridium concentrations through the K/P boundary transition at this site, suggesting that the deposition has affected the K/P boundary. The magnetostratigraphy of Hole 689B through this interval is too poor to evaluate the duration of the hiatus. However, because the fauna immediately above the boundary is similar to that of Hole 690C it appears that little of the lowermost Paleogene is missing.

**Paleocene/Eocene Boundary**

In low-latitude sequences, the Paleocene/Eocene boundary is identified by the last occurrence of *Morozovella velascoensis*, which marks the boundary between Zones P6a and P6b (Berggren et al., 1985; Berggren and Miller, 1988). It has also been suggested that the first evolutionary appearance of *Pseudohastigerina wilcoxensis* from its ancestor *Planorotalites chapmani* appears in the uppermost part of the tropical Subzone P6a, and thus close to the Paleocene/Eocene boundary (Jenkins, 1971; Berggren et al., 1985). Blow suggested that the first appearance of *Acarinina wilcoxensis berggreni* slightly preceded the first appearance of *P. wilcoxensis*, but he used the FAD of the former species to mark the base of Zone P7, which correlates with the boundary of Zones P6b/P6c and the Paleocene/Eocene boundary of Berggren and Miller (1988). According to Berggren et al. (1985), the P6a/P6b boundary correlates to the lower reversed part of Chron 25R, dated as 57.8 Ma.

*Morozovella velascoensis* does not occur in the Maud Rise sequences. The first recognizable *A. wilcoxensis berggreni* occurs in Core 113-689B-18X between Samples 113-689B-18X-1, 36-40 cm, and -18X-4, 36-39 cm (159.44 mbsf). *Pseudohastigerina wilcoxensis* is rare in the Maud Rise sequences. It is observed only rarely in Core 113-689B-16H through -15H. Forms typical of *P. chapmani* were not observed in the intervals below the initial occurrence of *P. wilcoxensis*. It appears, therefore, that the evolutionary development of *P. wilcoxensis* from *P. chapmani* does not provide a viable datum level in the Antarctic for the Paleocene/Eocene boundary.

The magnetostratigraphy of Hole 690B (SpeiB, this volume) between Cores 113-690B-17H and -25H matches closely that of Chrons 24 through 25 in the standard magnetostratigraphic time scale of Berggren et al. (1985). The long reversed interval that characterizes Chron 24 and the Paleocene/Eocene transition is apparently expanded in this sequence, extending from Cores 113-690B-17H to -23H (Fig. 2). Assuming a constant sedimentation rate from the top of Chron 25N (58.7 Ma) to the base of Chron 24N (56.10 Ma) and by extrapolating between these polarity datum levels, the magnetostratigraphically correlated Paleocene/Eocene boundary (57.8 Ma of Berggren et al., 1985) occurs at 173.20 mbsf. This correlates with the middle of the AP4 Zone. The initial appearance of *A. wilcoxensis berggreni* therefore took place approximately 0.4 to 0.8 m.y. later than the Paleocene/Eocene boundary recognized by Berggren et al. (1985). The P. australiformis FAD occurs at 171.38 mbsf in Hole 690B, a level closer to the magnetostratigraphically defined Paleocene/Eocene boundary. Aubry et al. (1988) recently suggested that the chronology of the Paleocene/Eocene boundary was higher within Chron 24R, equivalent to 57.0 Ma based on revised paleomagnetic calibrations of the low-latitude biostratigraphies. Accordingly, the Paleocene/Eocene boundary in Hole 690B, based on magnetostratigraphy, would be placed at 165 mbsf. This is approximately the level of the boundary between Zones AP4 and AP5, and hence with the initial occurrence of *A. wilcoxensis berggreni*.

**Early/Middle Eocene Boundary**

Various biostratigraphic criteria have been used to recognize the early/middle Eocene boundary (Berggren et al., 1985). The first appearance of *Hantkenina* spp. is often used for low-latitude sequences (Berggren and Miller, 1988). However, this group is restricted to tropical and subtropical latitudes. No *Hantkenina* spp. are recorded in the Maud Rise sequences. The first appearance of *Pseudohastigerina micra* may also approximate the lower/middle Eocene boundary in middle-latitude sections (Premoli-Silva and Boersma, 1988). However, we know of no record where this datum level has previously been calibrated magnetostratigraphically. Berggren et al. (1985) correlated the *Hantkenina* FAD (Zone P9/P10 boundary) and the early/middle Eocene boundary with the top of Chron 22N at 52 Ma. Notwithstanding the potential difficulty in identifying the first evolutionary appearance of *P. micra* (cf. Blow, 1979), the first occurrence of this taxon in the Maud Rise sequences can be readily identified in Core 113-689B-21H just below a short normal polarity event at 183 mbsf between the first and last occurrences of *A. bulbrioki*. Blow (1979) considered *A. bulbrioki* to range from the base of his P9 Zone to the top of Zone P11. According to Berggren and Miller (1988), this interval includes the base of Chron 20R through the base of Chron 22R. The polarity pattern below the short normal event at 183 mbsf in Hole 689B is not well constrained (SpeiB, this volume). However, the polarity pattern above this level correlates closely with the long reversed polarity portion of Chron 20 and the multiple normal events of the middle of middle to late middle Eocene (Berggren et al., 1985). The short normal event associated with the *P. micra* FAD at 183 mbsf is correlated with the younger part of Chron 21N, equivalent to a magnetostratigraphic age of 49 Ma, and therefore is too young to approximate the early/middle Eocene boundary. In Hole 690B the polarity pattern below 21N appears to be well delineated (Fig. 2). Chron 22N occurs within Core 113-690B-15H below a long reversed interval characteristic of lower Chron 21 (Berggren et al., 1985). At the base of Core 113-690B-15H, *A. pentacamerata* first appears in the sequence and is associated with the top of another normal polarity event. Aubry et al. (1988) recently suggested that the initial occurrence of *A. pentacamerata* (= base of P8 Zone) approximately correlates with the top of Chron 23N. In Hole 690B the initial occurrence of *A. pentacamerata* is also used to identify the top of Chron 23. On this basis, the younger normal event in Core 113-690B-15H noted above is correlated with Chron 22 of the Berggren et al. (1985) time scale. The early/middle Eocene boundary is placed at the top of that normal event. Consequently, it appears
that the initial occurrence of *A. primitiva* closely approximates, although it is slightly older than, the boundary between the early and middle Eocene (Figs. 2, 4).

**Middle/Late Eocene Boundary**

The chronostratigraphic placement of the middle/late Eocene boundary in relation to established biostratigraphic criteria is still equivocal (Berggren et al., 1985). The end of the middle Eocene, although not necessarily the middle/late Eocene boundary, is marked worldwide by the extinction of most muricate planktonic species (Stainforth et al., 1975; Berggren et al., 1985; Premoli-Silva and Boersma, 1988). The first appearance of *Globigerinita seminovoluta* also occurred near the end of the middle Eocene, although slightly below the *Acarinina* LAD. Berggren et al. (1985) chose to place the middle/late Eocene boundary in the latter part of Chron 17 with an age of 40.0 Ma, slightly postdating the *Acarinina* LAD.

At Maud Rise the last occurrence of the acarininids can be correlated to a paleomagnetic record in Hole 689B where the sequence is expanded relative to that of Hole 690B (see below). In Hole 689B the acarininids last appear in the top of Core 113-689B-18H in the middle of a long normal polarity zone that extends from the middle of Core 113-689B-17H to the upper part of Core 113-689B-18H (Fig. 2). The lower part of Core 113-689B-18H is marked by two shorter normal polarity intervals separated by similarly short reversed intervals. This same pattern characterizes Chrons 18–20N in the standard time scale of Berggren et al. (1985). The *Acarinina* LAD in the Antarctic record can, therefore, be correlated approximately with the normal subchron of Chron 18-2. This is equivalent to a magnetostratigraphic age of 42.0 Ma on the Berggren et al. (1985) time scale. On the basis of this age assignment, the middle/upper Eocene boundary occurs slightly higher in the sequence.

The last occurrence of *Subbotina linaperta* in Hole 689B is in Core 113-689B-16H, just above the acarininid LAD, near the top of a relatively long normal event corresponding to that of Chron 17N-1 in the Berggren et al. (1985) time scale. Above this horizon, in Core 113-689B-15H, the planktonic foraminifer assemblages are composed of typical late Eocene forms such as *S. angiporoides*, *G. index*, *G. suteri*, and *T. insolita*. The middle/late Eocene boundary is correlated with the top of Chron 17N-1 in Core 113-689B-16H, associated with the last occurrence of *S. linaperta*.

**Eocene/Oligocene Boundary**

Various criteria have been used to delineate the biostratigraphic placement of the Eocene/Oligocene boundary. In low latitudes the boundary "interval" can be identified by the last occurrence of hantkeninids and *Turborotalia cerroazulensis* s.l., just prior to the short magnetic normal events in Chron 13 (see discussion by Nocchi et al., 1986). However, the precise age of these magnetochrons and the age of the Eocene/Oligocene boundary remain equivocal (see Berggren et al., 1985; Montanari et al., 1985; Odin, 1986; Berggren and Miller, 1988; Premoli-Silva and Boersma, 1988; Aubry et al., 1988). Berggren et al. (1985) placed the chronostratigraphic boundary within the long reversed interval of Chron 13, which they estimated to be 36.6 Ma.

Recent investigations using high-resolution *87Sr/86Sr* stratigraphy calibrated to deep-sea magnetostratigraphy (Hess et al., 1989) have demonstrated that the LAD occurred isochronously in the Pacific and Atlantic oceans at 37 Ma. This age slightly predates the magnetobiostratigraphically correlated Eocene/Oligocene boundary, which is considered to be at 36.6 Ma (Berggren et al., 1985), but provides a means of identifying the paleomagnetic pattern across the boundary in the Maud Rise sites.

The last occurrence of *G. index* in Hole 689B is in Section 113-689B-14H-CC within a paleomagnetic normal zone that extends from near the base of Core 113-689B-14H (~128.5 mbsf) to the middle of Core 113-689B-15H (~133.5 mbsf). Below this horizon, the magnetostratigraphy of Hole 689B between Core 113-689B-15H and the middle of Core 113-689B-17H exhibits a pattern of long normals separated by several short reversals (Fig. 2). This pattern closely matches the late Eocene magnetostratigraphy in the Berggren et al. (1985) time scale. The *G. index* LAD is, therefore, correlated with the uppermost part of Chron 16N. Based on the age/polarity relationship in the Berggren et al. (1985) magnetostratigraphic time scale, this horizon corresponds to an age of 38.1 Ma, approximately 1 m.y. older than the strontium isotope age estimate. Even though the strontium isotope age model has a precision of ±300 k.y., this age discrepancy suggests that there may be a problem in the calibration of the *87Sr/86Sr* curve of Hess et al. (1989) near the Eocene/Oligocene boundary or that there is considerable fossil diachronity between the middle and high latitudes.

In Hole 690B the *G. index* LAD also occurs within a normal magnetic interval in Core 113-690B-11H between 92.45 and 93.2 mbsf. The planktonic foraminifer assemblages within this interval, however, differ from those of Hole 689B close to the Eocene/Oligocene boundary, particularly in the abundance of *G. index*. In Hole 689B the abundance of *G. index* is common in the early part of its range and becomes rare to absent in the middle part. At the end of its range, *G. index* is again common in the assemblages. In Hole 690B, however, this species never occurs abundantly above its initial occurrence, being present rarely and discontinuously in the assemblages. Because the samples are well preserved, the abundance pattern observed in Hole 690B cannot be attributed to dissolution. This suggests that a hiatus has truncated the upper part of the range of *G. index*. Most other late Eocene species are long-ranging and do not provide sufficient stratigraphic resolution to estimate the amount of sediment/time missing in Hole 690B. The correlation of the magnetostratigraphies of Holes 689B and 690B to that of Berggren et al. (1985) indicates that the interval encompassing Chrons 13-15 and possibly the upper part of Chron 16N is missing from Hole 690B. The short normal polarity zone that includes the *G. index* LAD appears to be a concatenation of lower Chron 13N and the upper portion of Chron 16.

**Magnetostatigraphic Calibration of Antarctic Planktonic Foraminifer Biostratigraphy**

The Antarctic biostratigraphic zonation has been calibrated to magnetostratigraphy. Figure 2 shows the relationship between planktonic foraminifer datum levels and zonal boundaries. The magnetostratigraphic records of Spieß (this volume) and Hamilton (this volume). The interpretation of the reversal pattern is based on the recognition of polarity patterns that match those in the standard magnetostratigraphy of Berggren et al. (1985) using the chronostratigraphic datum levels discussed above as calibration points. These are shown as follows:

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Blow (1979) considered that *A. pentacamerata* ranges from the base of Zone P8a (~base Zone P6c of Berggren and Miller,
1988) to the top of Zone P9 (= middle P9 of Berggren, 1969, and Berggren and Miller, 1988). The FAD of this species would, therefore, correspond to the top of Chron 24N of Berggren et al. (1985). By contrast, Stainforth et al. (1975) and Toumarkine and Luterbacher (1985) considered the range of A. pentacamerata to be from the base of the Morozovella aragonensis Zone (= base P8 Zone of Berggren and Miller, 1988) to the Morozovella lehneri Zone. In this interpretation, the FAD would correspond to the top of Chron 23N or lower Chron 22R. Aubry et al. (1988) recently revised the chronostratigraphic position of the A. pentacamerata FAD (= base P8 Zone), placing it “arbitrarily” at 54.0 Ma, which corresponds to the top of Chron 23N. In the Antarctic sequences A. pentacamerata first appears at the top of a normal polarity zone which we correlate with Chron 23N. The species last occurrence can be seen in Hole 690B, where it occurs only rarely at the base of Core 113-689B-20H, which may correspond to middle of Chron 20R.

At Site 516 Pujol (1983) recorded the A. primitiva FAD in an interval Berggren et al. (1983) correlated with mid Chron 20, based evidently on the position of the nannofossil NP15/NP16 boundary. However, no biostratigraphic criteria were discussed in conjunction with the interpretation of that polarity record. The authors did note that the identification of normal “events” was difficult throughout the interval in question. Although Site 516 is at a lower latitude than Maud Rise, the evidence from Site 690B suggests that the interval including the A. primitiva FAD at Site 516 might correlate with Chron 22 rather than Chron 20.

The authors did note that the identification of normal “events” in conjunction with the interpretation of that polarity record. However, no biostratigraphic criteria were discussed based evidently on the position of the nannofossil NP15/NP16 boundary. In this interpretation, the FAD would correspond to the top of Chron 22N as discussed above. Because the A. primitiva FAD occurs prior to any occurrence of A. bullbrooki in Hole 690B, we have provisionally correlated the initial occurrence of A. bullbrooki with the middle of Chron 21. Above the hiatus the polarity pattern cannot be delineated unequivocally.

The initial occurrence of G. index in the Antarctic appears to correlate closely with the initial occurrence of the species at Site 516 based on the Berggren et al. (1983) interpretation of the polarity record. It also correlates with the first definite occurrence at Site 523 (Poore et al., 1984).

Berggren et al. (1985) also noted that this species last occurs at the top of C11N (= 32.0 Ma) in middle-latitude sequences.
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Figure 5. Ranges of Antarctic planktonic foraminiferal index species which have been used to define the zones.

SUMMARY

The recovery of continuous calcareous biogenic sequences at Sites 689 and 690 makes possible the study of Antarctic planktonic foraminifer biogeography and paleoecology through the entire Paleogene. The biostratigraphic and chronostratigraphic framework developed here is integral to those studies because it provides the time framework needed to determine sequence events and to make interregional correlations. Further work is needed, however, on many aspects of the taxonomy of Paleogene foraminifer assemblages at these high latitudes. The present study has elucidated only the major features of the planktonic foraminifers.

Together, Sites 689 and 690 provide a nearly complete planktonic foraminifer record for the Late Cretaceous through the late Oligocene. Planktonic foraminifers are abundant and generally well preserved from the Upper Cretaceous to the Eocene. Abundances and the quality of preservation are reduced for the Oligocene, as calcareous microfossil groups are progressively replaced by siliceous groups. The Neogene is marked by only rare, isolated occurrences of planktonic foraminifers, the most conspicuous of which are Quaternary.

Planktonic foraminifer diversity was very low in the region of Maud Rise for the first several hundred thousand years of the Paleogene following the Cretaceous/Paleogene boundary extinction event. Despite the low diversity in the lowermost Paleogene fossil assemblages, the species found in the Antarctic are similar to those recorded in middle and low latitudes. During the middle Paleocene, Antarctic lower latitude assemblages began to take on a distinct character, lacking some lower latitude forms such as the early morozovellids. However, the assemblages found in the Antarctic are similar to those observed from the Falkland Plateau (Tjalsma, 1977; see also Boersma and Premoli-Silva, 1983) and from higher latitude sequences of the Northern Hemisphere (Subbotina, 1953).

The diversity of planktonic foraminifers in the Antarctic increased significantly during the late Paleocene due to evolutionary radiation of several distinct lineages. These include the large acarininids and the smaller, biconvex morozovellids together with a variety of different subbotinid species. This evolutionary radiation probably was facilitated in the Antarctic by warmer conditions, as recorded in the stable isotopic records (Kennett and Stott, this volume).

Diversity remained high in the Antarctic throughout most of the early and early middle Eocene. Subbotinids and acarininids dominated the assemblages along with various Planorotalites species. At no time, however, did any of the large, keeled morozovellids, the hantkeninids, or the globigerapsids characteristic of the low to middle latitudes inhabit the Antarctic Ocean. Beginning in the late middle Eocene, planktonic foraminifer diversity was reduced as a result of the extinction of the acarininids, as well as several Subbotina and Planorotalites species. In the upper Eocene the fossil assemblages are dominated by three to four species. This lower diversity was associated with a climatic cooling trend that is recorded in the stable isotopic records from this interval (Kennett and Stott, this volume). During the late Eocene the Antarctic assemblages began to take on a "polar" character, marked by lower diversity than at the temperate latitudes. Nonetheless, calcareous fossils dominated the sediments on Maud Rise throughout the late Eocene. Further reduction in planktonic foraminifer diversity occurred across the Eocene/Oligocene boundary in response to continued cooling and the radiation of siliceous microfossils in the Antarctic Ocean. By the late Oligocene, siliceous microfossils became an important sedimentary component on Maud Rise. Planktonic foraminifers are generally rare to common, and assemblages are composed of only two to three species.

Few planktonic foraminifers are recorded in the Miocene of the Maud Rise sequences. This was probably due to colder Antarctic surface waters, a higher carbonate compensation depth (CCD), and the dominance of siliceous microfossils. Nonetheless, planktonic foraminifers are recorded from several intervals. Of these, the most commonly observed are dissolution-resistant taxa such as Catapsydrax. The upper Miocene contains rare occurrences of Globigerina bulloides, G. quinqueloba, and Globorotalia scitula. Neogloboquadrina pachyderma first appeared in the Antarctic during the late Miocene. During part of the
Quaternary *N. pachyderma* became abundant enough to form a calcareous ooze throughout shallow areas of the Weddell Sea (Barker, Kennett, et al., 1988). This unusual occurrence of foraminifer-rich sediments suggests that oceanic conditions (CCD, temperature, and nutrients) were favorable for the production and preservation of calcareous biogenic sediments, a clear reversal from the siliceous biogenic productivity that marked nearly all of the Neogene. Future investigations will attempt to quantify the biogeographic and paleoecologic history of the Antarctic foraminifers and to incorporate that work with similar studies of other fossil groups. It will also be possible to integrate the new planktonic foraminifer biostratigraphy with that of other fossil groups (Thomas et al., this volume) and thereby provide a comprehensive biostratigraphic record for the Antarctic.

**SPECIES LIST AND TAXONOMIC NOTES**

Species identified in the Antarctic sequences are noted below. Comments are included at several places to clarify interpretations of species usage and morphological characteristics. Because of space limitations, SEM illustrations are restricted to taxa of stratigraphic value or of distinctive character within the assemblages (Pls. 1-7).

Several of the more distinctive chiloguembelinids have been identified. The upper Paleocene through middle Eocene sequence contains several morphotypes identified as elongate or inflated on the range charts.

-Chiloguembelina wilcoxensis (Cushman and Ponont) 1932 (Pl. 2, Fig. 2).
-Chiloguembelina cubensis (Palmer) 1934 (Pl. 5, Fig. 10).
-Chiloguembelina taurica Morozova 1961.
-Eoglobigerina fringa (Subbotina) 1950 (Pl. 1, Figs. 5, 6). *E. fringa* is distinguished from *E. ebulooides* in having a more extramurally positioned aperture.
-Eoglobigerina edita (Subbotina) 1953 (Pl. 1, Figs. 9, 10). The form illustrated here exhibits a bulla-like final chamber covering the apertural region.
-Eoglobigerina ebulooides (Morozova) 1959 (Pl. 1, Fig. 7).
-Eoglobigerina trivialis (Subbotina) 1953 (Pl. 2, Fig. 11).
-"Globorotalia" (Turborotalia) polycamera (Challilov) 1956 (Pl. 1, Figs. 1, 2). The generic and subgeneric designations for these small early Paleogene forms follow those of Blow (1979).
-"Globorotalia" (Turborotalia) cf. tetrogona (Morozova) 1961 (Pl. 1, Figs. 12, 13).
-Quaternaria daubergensis (Bronnimann) 1953 (Pl. 1, Figs. 8, 11).
-Guembelitria cretacea Cushman 1933 (Pl. 2, Fig. 7).
-Chiloguembelitia sp.? (Pl. 5, Fig. 9).
-Glaberiglerina glatini (Egger) 1893.
-Glaberiglerina ulva (Ehrenberg) 1861.
-Subbotina spp. The taxonomy of many Paleogene subbotinids is poorly understood. However, several distinct morphotypes can be distinguished consistently. No attempt was made to distinguish subspecies as described, for example, by Blow (1979).
-Subbotina eocaena (Terquem) 1882 sensu Blow (1979). *S. eocaena* and *S. paragonica* (Todd and Kniker) are not distinguished here.
-Subbotina eocaena (Gumbel) 1868 (Pl. 7, Figs. 4, 5).
-Subbotina inaequispina (Subbotina) 1953.
-Subbotina inconstans (Subbotina) 1953 (Pl. 2, Figs. 5, 6). See comments under description of Zone AP1.
-Subbotina pseudobulloides (Plummer) 1926 (Pl. 2, Figs. 13, 14).
-Subbotina triangularis (White) 1928 (Pl. 3, Fig. 12).
-Subbotina triloculinoides (Plummer) 1926 (Pl. 2, Fig. 12).
-Subbotina varianta (Subbotina) 1953.
-Subbotina angiporoides (Hornibrook) sensu Jenkins (1971) (Pl. 7, Fig. 3).
-Subbotina angiporoides minima (Jenkins) 1966.
-Subbotina moskovina (Shutskaya) 1953 (Pl. 1, Figs. 3, 4).
-Subbotina linaperta (Finlay) 1939 sensu Jenkins (1971) (Pl. 7, Fig. 9).
-Globigerina ampliapertura Bolli 1957. This form is rare in the Antarctic sequences.
-Globigerina brevis Jenkins 1966. This short-ranging species is used in the southwest Pacific to mark the uppermost Eocene zone of Jen­kins (1971). In the Antarctic sequences at Maud Rise, the species is rare and therefore difficult to use stratigraphically.
-Globigerina bulloides d'Orbigny 1826.
-Globigerina connecta Jenkins 1964.
-Globigerina cryptophora Glaessner 1937.
-Globigerina eucupertura Jenkins 1960 (Pl. 7, Fig. 2).
-Globigerina juvenilis Bolli 1957.
-Globigerina labiicassata Jenkins 1966 (Pl. 7, Fig. 1).
-Globigerina lozanoi Colom 1954 (Pl. 7, Figs. 6, 7).
-Globigerina officinalis Subbotina 1953.
-Globigerina ouachitaensis Howe and Wallace 1932.
-Globigerina praebulloides Blow 1959.
-Globigerina quinqueloba Natland 1938.
-Globigerina sp. A: A globigerinid which is similar in test ultrastructure to the *G. lozanoi* group. However, this form exhibits fewer chambers and is more tightly coiled than *G. lozanoi*.
-Globigerina sp. B (Pls. 5, Figs. 11-14). A very small form with typically 4 chambers in the final whorl. Most specimens exhibit a small bulla covering the aperture (Pl. 5, Fig. 11). Other forms, such as that shown (Pls. 5, Fig. 14), are higher spired and do not show the bulla-like umbilical chamber.
-Igorina spiralis (Bolli) 1957 (Pl. 3, Fig. 7).
-Muricoglobigerina aquatiaensis (Loeblich and Tappan) 1957 (Pl. 3, Figs. 2, 3).
-Muricoglobigerina cibacantha (Loeblich and Tappan) 1957.
-Muricoglobigerina meckinani (White) 1928 (Pl. 3, Figs. 7, 8).
-Muricoglobigerina soldadoensis soldadoensis (Bolli) 1952 (Pl. 3, Figs. 1, 5).
-Muricoglobigerina soldadoensis angulata (Bolli) 1957.
-Accarinina aspensis (Colom) 1954.
-Accarinina apressocamerata (Bolli) 1979. Blow (1979) considered *A. apressocamerata* and *A. nitida* (= *A. subspirehnica* Subbotina) to be homeomorph. We have followed this usage here.
-Accarinina bulbiroo (Bolli) 1957 (Pl. 6, Figs. 5, 6). The distinction between *A. bulbiroo* and the similar *Accarinina matthewae* follows the criteria of Blow (1979).
-Accarinina camerata (Challilov) 1956. See comments under *Accarinina interposita*.
-Accarinina collaceta (Finlay) 1939 (Pl. 6, Figs. 7, 8).
-Accarinina emanssis LeRoy 1953 (Pl. 4, Figs. 7, 8). See discussion under *Accarinina wilcoxensis* s.l.
-Accarinina interposita Subbotina 1953 (Pls. 6, Figs. 3, 4). There is a close affinity between this species and *A. pentacamerata* and *A. camerata*. Nonetheless, because of the potential stratigraphic utility of *A. pentacamerata* we have attempted to distinguish these forms within the assemblages and have illustrated each here.
-Accarinina matthewae (Blow) 1979 (Pl. 6, Figs. 1, 2).
-Accarinina nitida (Martin) 1943 (Pl. 4, Fig. 4).
-Accarinina pentacamerata (Subbotina) 1953 (Pl. 6, Figs. 9, 10).
-Accarinina praepentacamerata (Shutskaya) 1956 (Pl. 4, Figs. 9, 10).
-Accarinina primitiva (Finlay) 1947 (Pl. 6, Figs. 11, 12).
Planorotalites australiformis (Subbotina) 1953 (Pl. 4, Figs. 14, 15).

Acarinina pseudopotopilos (Subbotina) 1953.

Acarinina rugosaculeata Subbotina 1953.

Acarinina spinuloinflata (Bandy) 1949. Identification of this form is based on the criteria outlined in Blow (1979).

Acarinina wilcoxensis (Cushman and Ponton) 1932 s.l. Despite the potential utility of this form for placing the approximate position of the Paleocene/Eocene boundary (Blow, 1979), the taxonomy of A. wilcoxensis is not clear. For example, Blow (1979) suggested that holotypes of A. wilcoxensis (Cushman and Ponton) and Acarinina esnaensis (LeRoy) are morphologically inseparable. He considered the former name to have priority. By contrast, Blow (1979) chose to subdivide several morphotypes within the range of A. wilcoxensis s.l. He suggested that a progressive flattening of the spiral surface characterized a bioseries beginning with Acarinina acarinata s.l. → A. wilcoxensis wilcoxensis (= A. esnaensis) → Acarinina wilcoxensis bergreni (El Naggar) → A. wilcoxensis strabocella (Loeblich and Tappan). A. wilcoxensis strabocella has a greater number of chambers in its final whorl. We recognize the same morphologic developmental pattern within the range of A. wilcoxensis s.l. in the Maud Rise sequences. However, we agree with Berggren (1977) in considering A. esnaensis a valid species from the middle to upper Paleocene that probably gave rise to A. wilcoxensis. We consider A. esnaensis to represent forms lacking spiral-surface flattening and whose sutures are interiomarginal umbilical in position rather than extraumbilical as in A. wilcoxensis s.l. On this basis we consider that A. esnaensis encompasses forms Blow referred to as Acarinina acarinata s.l. (Subbotina). The definition of A. wilcoxensis s.l. applied to Antarctic samples is, therefore, more consistent with the widely applied usage of A. wilcoxensis for those forms with flattened spiral surfaces that first appeared or near the Paleocene/Eocene boundary (Stainforth et al., 1975; Berggren, 1977; Tjalsma, 1977; and A. esnaensis of Jenkins, 1971).

Acarinina wilcoxensis bergreni Blow 1979 (Pl. 4, Figs. 5, 6). See discussion under A. wilcoxensis s.l.

Acarinina wilcoxensis wilcoxensis Blow 1979 (Pl. 4, Figs. 1-3). Refers to forms with greater axial angularity than that of A. wilcoxensis bergreni. These forms lack the well-developed fused muricae along the margin, distinguishing them from Acarinina quetra Bolli. However, this form may represent a progressive stage in the evolutionary development of A. quetra as suggested by Berggren (1977).

Acarinina wilcoxensis strabocella Loeblich and Tappan 1957. Refers to forms similar to A. wilcoxensis wilcoxensis, but has additional chambers in the final whorl.

Acarinina velascoensis (Cushman) 1925 (Pl. 4, Figs. 12, 13). This species displays features common to many subbotinid species, including inflated chambers and an asymmetric, umbilical aperture. However, these forms clearly display muricae that distinguish them from other subbotinids. Therefore, we consider this a species of Acarinina rather than a subbotinid as suggested by Blow (1979).

Morozovella aequa (Cushman and Renz) 1942 (Pl. 6, Figs. 13-15).

Morozovella convexa (Subbotina) 1953 (Pl. 3, Figs. 5, 6).

Morozovella nicoli (Martin) 1943 (Pl. 4, Fig. 11).

Morozovella subbotinai (Moroza) 1939.

Morozovella tadjikistanensis (Bykovka) 1953. Subbotina (1953) considered this species to belong to the acarininids, whereas Premoli-Silva and Boersma (1988) more recently suggested that it belongs with the morozovellids. The placement of this species and other small and similar muricoid forms is arbitrary. There is a need to clarify the taxonomy of this group, which forms a distinctive assemblage in the upper Paleocene at higher latitudes.

Morozovella tadjikistanensis sp. cf., djannensis (Shutskaya). This form differs from M. tadjikistanensis in having radial rather than recurved spiral sutures.

Planorotalites australiformis (Jenkins) 1966 (Pl. 5, Figs. 1, 2). There appears to be considerable overlap in the concept of several species. Planorotalites australiformis might be interpreted as Planorotalites renzi (Bolli) and Planorotalites pseudoscutulatus Glaessner; cf. Jenkins, 1971; Tjalsma, 1977; Premoli-Silva and Boersma, 1988, and P. ehrenbergi Bolli (cf. Blow, 1979, p. 885) all resemble Planorotalites pseudomenardii but are generally smaller and lack a well-developed keel. The specimens referred to as P. pseudomenardii in the initial investigations of the Maud Rise material (Barker, Kennett, et al., 1988) based on the presence of a faint keel are now considered to be within the range of variability of P. australiformis. Planorotalites planocoenics is similar to P. australiformis and may fall within the range of variability of the latter. Notwithstanding the taxonomic uncertainties between the various morphotypes discussed above, the P. australiformis FAD forms a distinct and biostatigraphically useful horizon in the Antarctic sequences.

Planorotalites planocoenics (Subbotina) 1953. This species is distinguished from A. australiformis by having 4.5 to 5 chambers rather than 4 to 4.5 chambers in the final whorl and by having less lunate chambers (cf., Subbotina, 1953; pl. 17, figs. 4, 5).

Planorotalites chapmani (Parr) 1938.

Planorotalites compressus (Plummer) 1926 (Pl. 2, Figs. 8-10).

“Planorotalites” imitatus (Subbotina) 1953 (Pl. 3, Figs. 9, 10). See notes under “P.” imitatus Zone.

Planorotalites pseudominiatus (Blow) 1979. Many Maud Rise specimens exhibit the lobe-like extension that partially obscures the umbilicus. Blow (1979) noted that this feature is characteristic of many specimens of this species. The species is placed in Planorotalites because the test ultrastructure and coiling mode are similar to others in this group.

Pseudohastigerina micro (Cole, 1927) (Pl. 5, Figs. 7, 8).

Pseudohastigerina wilcoxensis (Cushman and Ponton, 1932) (Pl. 5, Figs. 5, 6).

Testarcarinata inconspicua (Howe) 1939 (Pl. 7, Figs. 13, 14).

Globorotalia opima Bolli 1957.

Paragloborotalia nana (Bolli) 1957.

Tenuitella insulata (Jenkins) 1966. Jenkins (1966) originally considered this form to be a globorotalid and placed it in a subgenus he termed Turborotalia (Jenkins, 1971). It is considered here to be closely related to the Tenuitella gemma-Tenuitella munda group.

Tenuitella gemma (Jenkins) 1966 (Pl. 7, Fig. 10).

Tenuitella munda (Jenkins) 1966.

“Tenuitella” reissi (Loeblich and Tappan) 1957 (Pl. 5, Figs. 3, 4).

Neogloborina pachyderma (Ehrenberg) 1861.

Catapsydrax dissimilis (Cushman and Bermudez) 1937.

Catapsydrax unicavus Bolli, Loeblich, and Tappan 1957.

Catapsydrax martini (Blow and Banner) 1962.

Catapsydrax echinatus Bolli 1957.

Globorotalioides turgida (Finlay) 1939.

Globorotalioides aff. testarugosa (Jenkins) 1960 (Pl. 7, Fig. 11).

Globorotalioides suteri Bolli 1957 (Pl. 7, Fig. 12).

Truncorotaloides. These forms occur in the upper Oligocene and may represent reworking.

Globigerinatheka index (Finlay) 1939 (Pl. 7, Fig. 8).

Cretaceous Species

Cretaceous species are illustrated in Huber (this volume).
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Plate 6. 1-2. *Acarinina matthewsae*; (1) Sample 113-689B-19H-5, 35-39 cm, spiral view, x160; (2) same specimen, umbilical view, x160. 3-4. *Acarinina interposita*; (3) Sample 113-689B-20H-3, 35-39 cm, umbilical view, x250; (4) same specimen, spiral view, x250. 5-6. *Acarinina bulbilbrooki*; (5) Sample 113-689B-19H-5, 35-39 cm, spiral view, x270; (6) same specimen, umbilical view, x270. 7-8. *Acarinina collactea*; (7) Sample 113-689B-21H-1, 110-114 cm, umbilical view, x160; (8) same specimen, spiral view, x160. 9-10. *Acarinina pentacamerata*; (9) Sample 113-690B-15H-3, 110-114 cm, spiral view, x300; (10) same specimen, umbilical view, x300. 11-12. *Acarinina primitiva*; (11) Sample 113-689B-21H-1, 110-114 cm, spiral view, x160; (12) same specimen, umbilical view, x160. 13-15. *Morozovella aequa*; (13) Sample 113-690B-16H-7, 36-40 cm, umbilical view, x160; (14) same specimen, spiral view, x160; (15) same specimen, side view, x160.