

27. PALEOMAGNETISM OF CRETACEOUS SEDIMENTS, HOLE 869B, MARSHALL ISLANDS: MAGNETIC POLARITY, PALEOLATITUDE, AND A PALEOMAGNETIC POLE¹

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ABSTRACT

Paleolatitudes of sites on the Pacific Plate are poorly constrained for times before the Late Cretaceous, so Cenomanian to early Campanian–early Maastrichtian pelagic and volcanoclastic sediments from Hole 869B gave us the opportunity to obtain Pacific paleomagnetic data for this period. We analyzed azimuthally unoriented samples and calculated a mean inclination and paleolatitude. In addition, we attempted to reorient samples using magnetically oriented formation microscanner (FMS) wireline logs. Inclination values displayed a distinct dichotomy, with means of -23.2 (95% confidence limits: 19.9° , 25.7° ; $N = 69$) and -33.3° (95% confidence limits: 31.1° , 35.0° ; $N = 60$), implying paleolatitudes of 12.1°S and 18.2°S , respectively. The steeper inclination agrees with other Pacific paleomagnetic data and implies that Site 869 was near the southern limits of the tropics during Cenomanian time. The smaller value seems to result from an inclination-shallowing bias common to many consolidated sediments drilled from the Pacific. Although this bias may be related to sediment texture, the clearest division of inclination groups was made along lithologic unit boundaries. Units that gave seemingly reliable inclinations consist of thicker volcanoclastic turbidites apparently laid down more rapidly than those that gave shallow inclinations. Owing to various difficulties, we were able to reliably orient only eight segments of core by comparison with the FMS log. These gave paleodeclinations that ranged from -38.1° to 30.8° , with a standard deviation of 22.8° . We used a maximum-likelihood technique to estimate a paleomagnetic pole using these declinations and the steeper mean inclination. The pole is located at 60.8°N , 347.3°E and has a 95% confidence ellipse with major and minor semiaxes of 21.2° and 4.9° , the former trending 93° . Biostratigraphy indicates a Cenomanian age for sediments used to determine the pole and a basalt clast from the section gave an ^{40}Ar - ^{39}Ar radiometric age of 96.6 ± 0.8 Ma. This pole is located along the Late Cretaceous Pacific apparent polar wander path, consistent with other paleomagnetic data of similar age. Hole 869B samples had mostly normal-polarity magnetizations, but most in Cores 143-869B-22R to -26R showed reversed polarities. Although the inclination data suggest two reversed polarity zones, we argue that these represent only one, specifically Chron 33R, and that the apparent division is a result of a magnetic field excursion, previously recognized at nearby Site 462.

INTRODUCTION

Paleomagnetic data from Cretaceous samples, drilled from the seafloor, are important for understanding the tectonics of the Pacific Plate. Paleomagnetic data of Jurassic and Early Cretaceous age suggest that the plate drifted southward (Larson and Lowrie, 1975; Cox and Gordon, 1984; Sager, 1992; Steiner and Wallick, 1992; Larson et al., 1992), whereas Late Cretaceous and Tertiary data show that it subsequently drifted northward (Francheteau et al., 1970; Gordon, 1983; Sager and Pringle, 1988). In between, the plate turned around at equatorial latitudes (Lancelot and Larson, 1975; Steiner and Wallick, 1992; Larson et al., 1992); however, details of the turnabout are unclear owing to the scarcity of paleomagnetic and tectonic data for this period.

Hole 869B penetrated a thick section of Cretaceous clays and volcanoclastic sediments on the distal archipelagic apron of a Marshall Islands island/guyot pair. Most of the section is either Cenomanian or Campanian in age (Fig. 1; Sager, Winterer, Firth, et al., 1993), periods having few drill core paleomagnetic data (Sager and Pringle, 1988), so we seized the opportunity to augment this data set. Furthermore, the acquisition of formation microscanner (FMS) logs from this hole allowed us to attempt the orientation of features in the cores, so that paleomagnetic declination could be calculated, a rarity for samples obtained by rotary drilling. The results from Hole 869B provided both promise and problems. The problems arose from apparent shallowing

of inclinations from some units, a bias common with sediments drilled from the deep sea (Gordon, 1990; Tarduno, 1990), and conditions that made it difficult to obtain a large number of reliable, azimuthally oriented samples. Nevertheless, it was possible to determine apparently reliable paleolatitude and paleodeclination, albeit with large uncertainty for the latter. In addition, it was also possible to compare paleoinclination data from different sedimentary units and sediment types to gain insights about the problem of inclination-shallowing.

Geologic Setting

Hole 869B was drilled at a depth of 4827 m in the basin near the atoll/guyot pair, Pikinni Atoll and Wodejebato Guyot, in the central Marshall Islands. The site is located approximately 75 km southwest of the Pikinni-Wodejebato pair, at a location approximately equidistant from each and supposedly on the edifice's distal archipelagic apron, where sediments shed by both might have been deposited.

Pikinni-Wodejebato is one of many volcanic edifices in the Marshall Islands Province. These seamounts sit on seafloor of Jurassic age (Nakanishi et al., 1992), but were probably formed during the mid-Cretaceous by widespread volcanism (Schlanger et al., 1981; Tarduno et al., 1991; Larson, 1991). Before Ocean Drilling Program (ODP) Legs 143 and 144, it was thought that most of the volcanism on Pikinni-Wodejebato occurred before or during Albian time, but drilling showed evidence of significant Cenomanian and Campanian activity (Sager, Winterer, Firth, et al., 1993; Premoli Silva, Haggerty, Rack, et al., 1993).

A thick succession of volcanoclastic sediments was drilled at Site 869, and the supposition is that these came from the atoll/guyot pair because in seismic reflection profiles the sedimentary layers show a shallow slope ($<1^\circ$) upward toward the edifice (Sager, Winterer, Firth, et al., 1993). Because some of the volcanoclastics are coarse-grained breccias, grain flows, and mass slides, uncertainty exists about whether all of the volcanics came from as far away as the atoll/guyot

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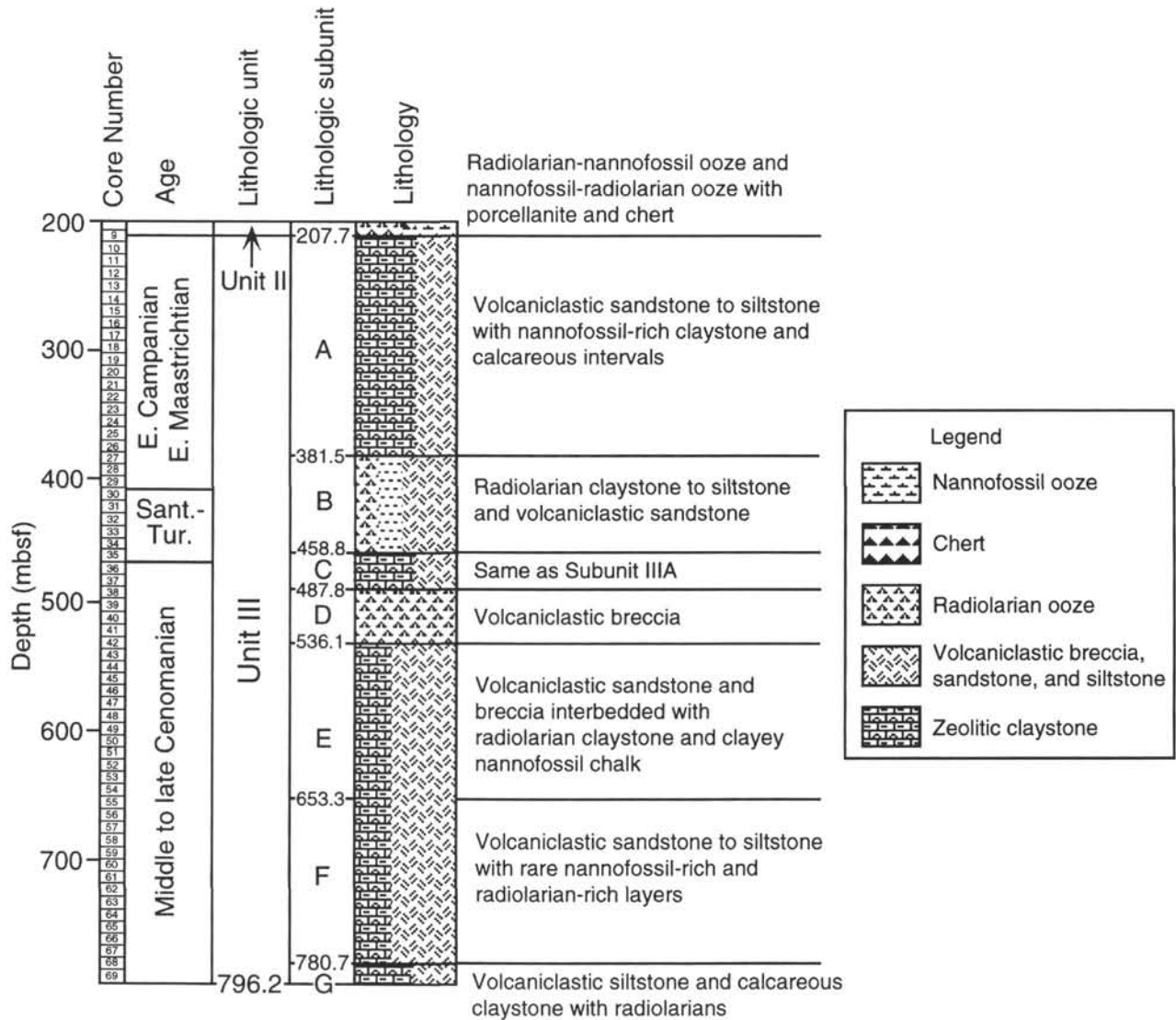


Figure 1. Lithologic column for Hole 869B, which cored the Cretaceous section at Site 869. Core numbers, biostratigraphic ages, and lithologic units and subunits are shown at left. Lithology is shown at right (modified from Sager, Winterer, Firth, et al., 1993).

edifice. It is possible that some of the coarser clastics might have originated from smaller, nearby seamounts, but for the purposes of our study, the distinction is not important.

Hole 869B

Hole 869B was drilled with a rotary core barrel (RCB) and penetrated to a depth of 796.2 mbsf (Fig. 1). After passing through 207.7 m of Tertiary variably clayey nannofossil ooze, with porcellanite and chert layers in the early Tertiary section, the drill cored volcaniclastic sedimentary rocks interbedded with claystones in the 588.5 m below (Fig. 1). The volcanic-rich sections range in age from early Maastrichtian to Cenomanian, ages based primarily on calcareous nannofossils, with some constraints from pelagic foraminifers (Sager, Winterer, Firth, et al., 1993). An additional age datum is an ⁴⁰Ar-³⁹Ar radiometric date of 96.6 ± 0.8 Ma from a basalt clast recovered from the Cenomanian section, Core 143-869B-41R, at a depth of 523.6 m (Pringle and Duncan, this volume).

The Cretaceous sedimentary section was classified by shipboard stratigraphers as a single sedimentary unit containing seven subunits, based on changes in the style of deposition and mix of sedimentary components (Sager, Winterer, Firth, et al., 1993, p. 313). The back-

ground sediments appear to have been deep-sea clays of mostly pelagic origin, whose deposition was interrupted by the introduction of varying amounts of volcaniclastic material that ranged in size from silt to basalt blocks 80 cm in diameter.

In the uppermost approximately 250 m of the Cretaceous section, the sedimentary beds have small thicknesses, typically millimeters to centimeters, and shallow dips of a few degrees or less (see figs. 16-17, p. 314, and fig. 22, p. 317 in Sager, Winterer, Firth, et al., 1993). These sediments range in age from Santonian-Turonian to early Maastrichtian, but most are early Campanian age, owing to an abundance of volcanism during that stage (Sager, Winterer, Firth, et al., 1993). They comprise sedimentary Subunits IIIA, IIIB, and part of IIIC, which consist of volcaniclastic siltstone to sandstone with radiolarian claystone and calcareous nannofossil-rich interbeds.

Subunits IIID, IIIE, and IIIF were deposited rapidly during the middle to late Cenomanian owing to a massive influx of volcanic detritus. In contrast to the post-Cenomanian sediments, these are characterized by thick volcaniclastic turbidites, grain flows, and mass-flow deposits. Meter-scale layers are typical, but Subunit IIID contains breccia layers tens of meters thick. An outstanding feature of these units is the occurrence of occasional contacts where coarse volcaniclastics, typically a breccia at the base of a turbidite, overlie

fine-grained volcanoclastic sediments or claystone (see fig. 25, p. 323 in Sager, Winterer, Firth, et al., 1993). These contacts are clearly erosive, and many display significant slopes ($>5^\circ$).

Subunit III G occurs in the bottom 15 m of the hole. Although also of Cenomanian age, it shows a style of deposition similar to Subunits III A and III B and consists mainly of siltstone, claystone, and calcareous claystone. This unit probably indicates a period of slower sedimentation before the rapid influx of volcanic products located immediately above.

Rates of deposition for the Cretaceous sediments are difficult to determine because diagnostic microfossils were scarce and because the sedimentation was obviously episodic owing to turbidity currents and mass flows. Conservative estimates for the Campanian and Cenomanian sections are 15 to 30 and 60 m/m.y., respectively. The latter value is particularly suspect, owing to the resolution limits of Cretaceous biostratigraphy and uncertainties in Cenomanian biostratigraphic boundaries; the mean sedimentation rate may have been 300 m/m.y. or greater (Sager, Winterer, Firth, et al., 1993).

METHODS

Magnetic Measurements

Virtually all sediments from Hole 869B were lithified, so sampling was done either by drilling a 2.5-cm-diameter minicore, 2.0 to 2.5 cm in length, perpendicular to the split face of the core, or by sawing a 2.5-cm cube. Both types of samples were oriented with a mark to indicate the upward direction and have volumes of 10 to 12 cm³. About 10% were measured aboard the ship with the 2G pass-through cryogenic magnetometer, but the rest were measured with a CTF discrete-sample magnetometer within a shielded room. In all, 165 samples were analyzed for this study. Because the cores were obtained by rotary drilling, the samples have no consistent azimuthal orientation. However, in many cores, long pieces of continuous core were recovered, and these should give internally consistent magnetic declinations.

About a dozen samples were examined by measuring their acquisition of an isothermal remanent magnetization (IRM) in high magnetic fields. The IRMs were imparted using a pulse-magnetizer, which creates a high field for a short period (about 2 ms) by passing a surge of current through a coil. The IRM acquisition behavior is one way of determining whether a sample contains low or high coercivity magnetic grains (e.g., McElhinny, 1973), a factor to be considered when choosing a method to extract the geologically significant magnetization direction.

To isolate the characteristic remanent magnetization (ChRM), that is, the paleomagnetic field direction acquired at the time the sediments were laid down, the samples were treated to stepwise demagnetization procedures. At first, both alternating field (AF) and thermal demagnetization methods were tried, but the latter seemed to give better results, thus it was used on most samples (76%). All samples were treated to detailed stepwise demagnetization experiments, with most being demagnetized in 10 to 15 steps up to 60 to 80 mT or 500° to 600°C. A small percentage were treated to shorter demagnetization sequences, of approximately six steps, when sufficient numbers of adjacent samples had been analyzed to determine optimal demagnetization steps.

Paleomagnetic inclination and declination values were determined by principal component analysis, fitting a line anchored to the origin through the demagnetization steps thought to represent the ChRM (Kirschvink, 1980). The average number of measurements used to determine the ChRM direction was six (Appendix). A maximum angular deviation (MAD) value was determined for each line fit; this angle is akin to angular standard deviation (Kirschvink, 1980) and can be used to judge the reliability of the ChRM direction. In this study, we observed that samples having MAD angles of less than about 2° to 3° are typically well-determined, whereas those having angles in excess of about 6° to 8° are of least reliability.

Orientation

Because no working tool exists for orienting rotary-core samples during drilling, we tried two post-drilling methods of reorienting samples to geographic coordinates. First, we performed detailed demagnetization sequences on many of the samples, measuring many steps at low AF fields or temperatures, in an effort to define the directions of magnetic overprints. Although it has been possible to reorient sample ChRM declinations using the overprint direction, assuming the overprint to be a recent, Brunhes Chron, normal polarity overprint that points to north (Shibuya et al., 1991), we found this method to be ineffectual because for the samples in this study, the overprint directions did not appear consistent.

Our second method was to attempt the reorientation of inclined features recognized in both the FMS logs and in the cores. These methods have been described elsewhere (MacLeod et al., 1992; MacLeod et al., 1994; Sager et al., 1994), so we do not discuss them in detail here. The idea is that the dip and dip directions of inclined features cut by the borehole can be imaged by the FMS, a resistivity-measuring tool having centimeter-scale resolution. The FMS uses a three-component magnetometer for orientation purposes, so the logs can be oriented relative to geographic coordinates. We looked for distinctive features that appeared in the FMS log that could be reasonably identified in the cores. These were typically breccia-base contacts, coarse layers, or steeply dipping beds. Using proprietary Schlumberger software that fits a sinusoid to planar features cut by the borehole, the dips and dip directions of these features were calculated (e.g., MacLeod et al., 1994). In the cores, dips and dip directions (in core coordinates) were determined from direct measurement (Sager et al., 1994), and a correction was applied to the paleomagnetic declinations of samples from contiguous parts of the core. This amounts to a rotation of the sample direction around a vertical axis. Because sedimentary features in Hole 869B were thought not to have been tilted, we made no structural corrections for the dips of the features. Typically, we analyzed two to four samples per feature, depending on the size of the contiguous core pieces.

Paleomagnetic Directions

From ChRM directions, we determined two types of means: mean inclination (and paleolatitude) using no declination data, and paleomagnetic poles, using FMS-oriented paleodeclinations. Inclination-only data have an inherent bias that shallows the mean because a two-dimensional distribution of poles, having circular symmetry, maps asymmetrically into a one-dimensional distribution (Briden and Ward, 1966; McFadden and Reid, 1982; Cox and Gordon, 1984). We used the bias-correction method of McFadden and Reid (1982) to calculate mean inclinations and their 95% confidence limits, as well as Fisherian precision parameter (k) estimates. Because the bias-correction is latitude-dependent, this method produces slightly asymmetric confidence limits.

To calculate a mean paleomagnetic pole from azimuthally oriented samples, we first calculated virtual geomagnetic poles (VGP) from the ChRM directions from individual samples. We then combined the VGPs for samples from the same oriented core piece, since they are not independently oriented, and calculated a mean for each oriented piece using Fisher (1953) statistics. To estimate the mean pole position and its error limits, we used the maximum likelihood technique of Gordon and Cox (1980) because this method allows the combination of inclination-only and declination data. Furthermore, the method weights each measurement inversely by its errors and propagates the errors to determine a 95% confidence ellipse. Because few oriented pieces were available to work with, we analyzed inclination and declination separately, as the former could be defined with many more samples. This also allowed us to estimate the standard error associated with the orientation, so that it could be factored into the determination of pole location and confidence region.

For an estimate of the azimuthal orientation error, we followed the procedure of Sager et al. (1994) and used the standard deviation of the oriented-piece declination means and subtracted the within-core-piece error, assumed to be represented on average by the standard deviation of piece-mean inclinations. This gave an average azimuthal orientation error that was added to the circular standard deviation for each oriented piece (the Fisherian α_{63}) to derive a declination uncertainty. For inclination uncertainties, we assumed no orientation error and simply used α_{63} (see Sager et al., 1994). Because the uncertainty in two-dimensional (poles) and one-dimensional (inclination and declination) data, obtained from the same set of directions, are not equivalent, we corrected the inclination and declination error estimates to reflect our shift from two dimensions to one (Demarest, 1983).

RESULTS

Magnetic Properties

Most samples gave apparently reliable magnetic directions (Appendix). Of 165 samples, only 14 were magnetically unstable. Natural remanent magnetization (NRM) intensities were high for sediments and varied more than two and a half orders of magnitude, from 0.065 to 3.701 Am⁻¹ (Appendix). The strong NRM intensities evidently are the result of the abundant volcanic material contained in these sediments, and differences in magnitude likely reflect variations in the concentration of volcanic grains.

IRM acquisition curves (Fig. 2) showed rapid saturation in fields of less than 200 to 300 mT, a signature of titanomagnetite (e.g., McElhinny, 1973), implying that grains of this type are the principal magnetic carriers. On orthogonal vector plots, most samples displayed segments of apparent univectorial decay toward the origin, indicating that ChRM directions had been extracted (Fig. 3). The finer-grained samples, claystones and siltstones, typically gave more consistent directions and smaller MAD values than their coarser-grained counterparts, sandstones and siltstones (Fig. 3; Appendix). The amount and direction of overprint on each sample was variable, with some samples having little or none (Fig. 3, Samples 143-869B-36R-3, 49–51 cm and -57R-3, 37–39 cm) and some having large overprints (Fig. 3, Samples 143-869B-15R-2, 148–150 cm, -25R-3, 24–26 cm, and -39R-1, 123–125 cm). In addition, overprints were inconsistent in direction. Notably, two overprints often found in ODP cores, a Brunhes age normal polarity overprint and a vertical overprint caused by the drill string, were not significant in our samples.

Paleoinclinations and Paleolatitude

Most ChRM inclinations were negative (Appendix), and given age constraints, we assumed that these represent magnetizations acquired during or near the end of the Cretaceous Quiet Period at a site south of the equator. Samples in Cores 143-869B-22R to -26R and Section 143-869B-52R-2 gave mostly positive inclinations. We interpreted the former as a reversed polarity magnetic zone (see "Magnetic Polarity Stratigraphy") and the latter as a sedimentary disturbance (see "Discussion"). Four samples gave isolated positive inclinations (Appendix), probably owing to core pieces being inverted during handling.

Histograms of inclination absolute values show a large range from 1.2° to 72.1°, with most values being between about 20° and 40° (Appendix and Fig. 4). A plot of inclination vs. depth showed a remarkable dichotomy of the inclinations by sedimentary units, with samples from Subunits IIIA, IIIB, IIIC, and IIIG giving an average about 10° less than those from Subunits IIID, IIIE, and IIIF (Fig. 5). Each Inclination histogram constructed using this division showed a more peaked distribution, implying that the whole-population histogram contains two overlapping distributions (Fig. 4).

We divided the inclinations into two groups, based on lithologic subunit similarities, and calculated separate mean inclinations for

Subunits IIIA through IIIC, Subunit IIIG, and Subunits IIID through IIIF. The former yielded a mean of -23.2°, with upper and lower 95% confidence limits of 19.9° and 25.7°, respectively ($N=69$; $k=31$). This corresponds to a paleolatitude of 12.1°S with confidence limits of 10.3° and 13.5°. Subunits IIID through IIIF yielded a mean inclination of -33.3°, with 95% confidence limits of 31.1° and 35.0° ($N=60$, $k=76$), implying a paleolatitude of 18.2°S and confidence limits of 16.8° and 19.3°. The 88-Ma paleomagnetic pole for the Pacific Plate (Sager and Pringle, 1988) implies a paleolatitude of 21.4°S ± 2.2° for Site 869, which is consistent with the result from Subunits IIID through IIIF, but not with that given by the other subunits (Fig. 6).

Magnetic Polarity Stratigraphy

Consistent positive paleoinclinations were found only in Cores 143-869B-22R to -26R, drilled from the lower Campanian part of Subunit IIIA, and from Section 143-869B-52R-2 of Cenomanian age (Subunit IIIE). Magnetic polarity zones were difficult to delineate in the Campanian section because of low recovery, because the cores typically contained small pieces that could become inverted during drilling or handling, and because many samples gave unreliable results (Appendix).

The top of a reversed polarity zone occurs at or near the top of Core 143-869B-22R. Although several samples gave apparently unreliable positive inclinations in Cores 143-869B-19R and -20R, Core 143-869B-22R appears to contain a switch from normal to reversed polarity (Fig. 7). Sample 143-869B-22R, 115–117 cm, gave an apparently reliable negative inclination, as did the two samples above it from Core 143-869B-20R. Directly below this, three of four samples in Core 143-869B-22R gave positive inclinations, implying reversed polarity. The single negative-inclination sample yielded a MAD of 8.0°, suggesting that this inclination may not be reliable. Thus, we prefer an interpretation in which most of the material from Core 143-869B-22R is reversely polarized, except perhaps at the very top. If the uppermost sample from Core 143-869B-22R is not inverted, then the top of the reversal is within the core; otherwise, it occurs between this core and the one above.

All of the samples measured from Cores 143-869B-25R and -26R are reversely polarized (Appendix), but whether the reversal in Core 143-869B-22R extends down to this level is uncertain, as is the location of the bottom of this reversed-polarity zone. Two of three samples in Core 143-869B-23R appear to be normally polarized, but the third, which appears to be reversely polarized, has a ChRM defined with only three points and with a large MAD (6.3°; Appendix). Consequently, it seems that Core 143-869B-23R contains normally polarized material separating the reversed-polarity interval into two sections. The bottom of the lower reversed-polarity zone is ill-defined because of poor recovery in Cores 143-869B-27R to -30R. Sample 143-869B-27R-1, 62–64 cm is the only one from 28.9 m of cored section and it gave a negative inclination, implying normal polarity. Samples in Core 143-869B-30R and below give normal, negative inclinations (Fig. 7). We interpret the bottom of the reversed-polarity zone to be between Cores 143-869B-26R and -27R, on the basis of the one sample in the latter and because the bottom of Subunit IIIA occurs at the same depth (Sager, Winterer, Firth, et al., 1993) and implies a change in sedimentation that could contain a time gap.

Deeper in the hole, in the Cenomanian section, a zone exists within Section 143-869B-52R-2 that also contains positive inclinations (Appendix). It was discovered because this section contains the contact at the base of a breccia layer, which was identified in the FMS log, so we sampled the claystones just below it to attempt to reorient them. The five samples in this section all give positive inclinations (Appendix), but unfortunately, the corrected declinations were near 270°, so we could not confirm the polarity by their values. For reasons discussed below, we think that the positive inclinations resulted from disturbance owing to the deposition of the breccia.

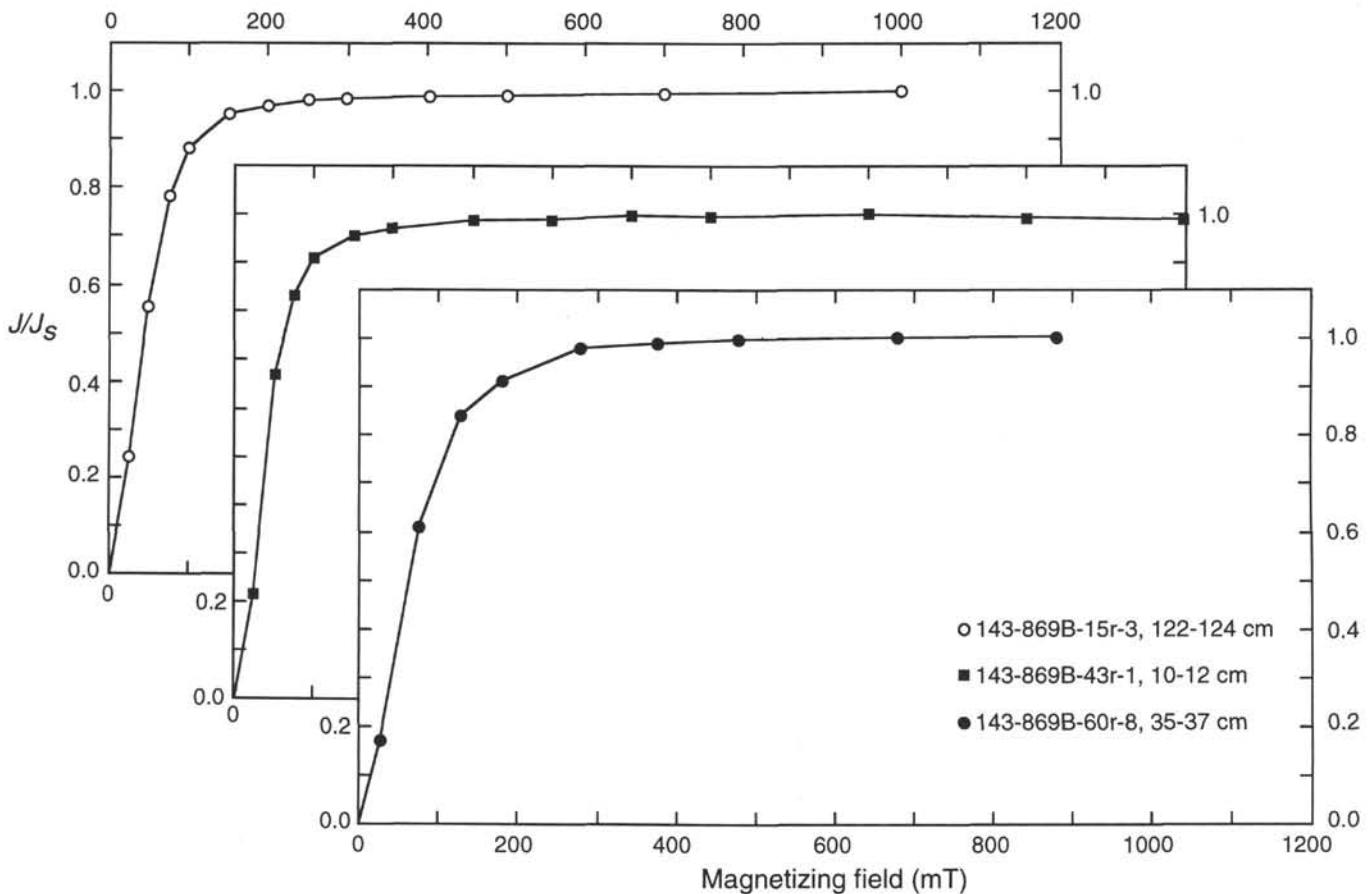


Figure 2. Isothermal remanent magnetization (IRM) acquisition curves for three representative samples from Hole 869B. Samples 143-869B-15R-3, 122–124 cm, and -60R-8, 35–37 cm, are claystones, whereas 143-869B-43R-1, 10–12 cm, is a coarse volcanoclastic sediment.

Azimuthally Oriented Paleomagnetic Pole

In all, only 15 features suitable for orientation were correlated from FMS log to core. These consisted of seven dipping breccia-claystone contacts, five individual beds, and three zones of steeply dipping sandstone beds. Of these, we rejected the results from seven features as unreliable because they did not give reasonable declination values (i.e., within $\pm 90^\circ$ of north). Values outside this range were considered to be unreliable because we know that Cretaceous paleomagnetic poles for the Pacific Plate are located in the North Atlantic (Sager and Pringle, 1988), so the expected declination is near zero. Apparently reliable declination corrections were given by eight features: three contacts, two individual layers, and three sections of core in which steeply dipping sandstone layers could be matched with similar dips in the FMS logs (Table 1). Of the seven features that gave unreliable declination corrections, four were breccia/claystone contacts. In the next section, we will argue that such breccias may be the cause of unreliable magnetic directions in underlying sediments.

Each of the eight oriented features (Table 1) was used to correct the declinations of two to four individual samples (Table 2). The VGPs calculated from the means of these samples are scattered mainly in a direction nearly perpendicular to a great circle that connects the site and the north pole (Fig. 8). This is a result of the uncertainty inherent in the azimuthal orientations of the core features. The mean declinations of the sample groups ranged from -38.1° to 30.8° and had variable precisions, with α_{63} values from 2.0° to 63.5° (Table 2). The standard deviation of declinations was 22.8° and that for inclinations was 4.3° , so we calculated an orientation standard error of 22.4° (see Sager et al., 1994). Using this value, the estimated

declination standard errors ranged from 22.6° to 51.4° , depending on the precision of each mean direction (Table 2).

Using a maximum-likelihood method (Gordon and Cox, 1980), we calculated a mean pole location of 60.8°N , 347.3°E with a 95% confidence ellipse having major and minor semiaxis lengths of 21.2° and 4.9° , respectively, with the former oriented 93° clockwise from north (Fig. 8). This pole lies near the mid- to Late Cretaceous part of the Pacific apparent polar wander path, but has a large uncertainty along the polar path owing to the uncertainty in declination observations. Data "importance" values (Gordon and Cox, 1980) from the pole calculation showed that the co-latitude calculated from sample inclinations constrains the pole location entirely in one dimension (distance from site to pole), as expected. Most of the declination values constrain 10% to 15% of the other direction (pole azimuth), except for the feature C declination which has a low importance (3%) because of its large standard error. A reduced χ^2 statistic derived from the misfits of the pole and observational data had a value of 0.7, falling between 95% confidence limits (0.31, 2.0) for a χ^2 variable with seven degrees of freedom. This indicates that the error values used for the data (and propagated into confidence limits) are consistent with the observed data scatter (Gordon and Cox, 1980).

DISCUSSION

Reliability of Magnetic Directions

Most of the samples examined in this study gave demagnetization sequences that implied that stable ChRM directions had been isolated. This is evident in the generally low MAD values for most samples (Appendix). The 14 samples that did not yield stable directions were

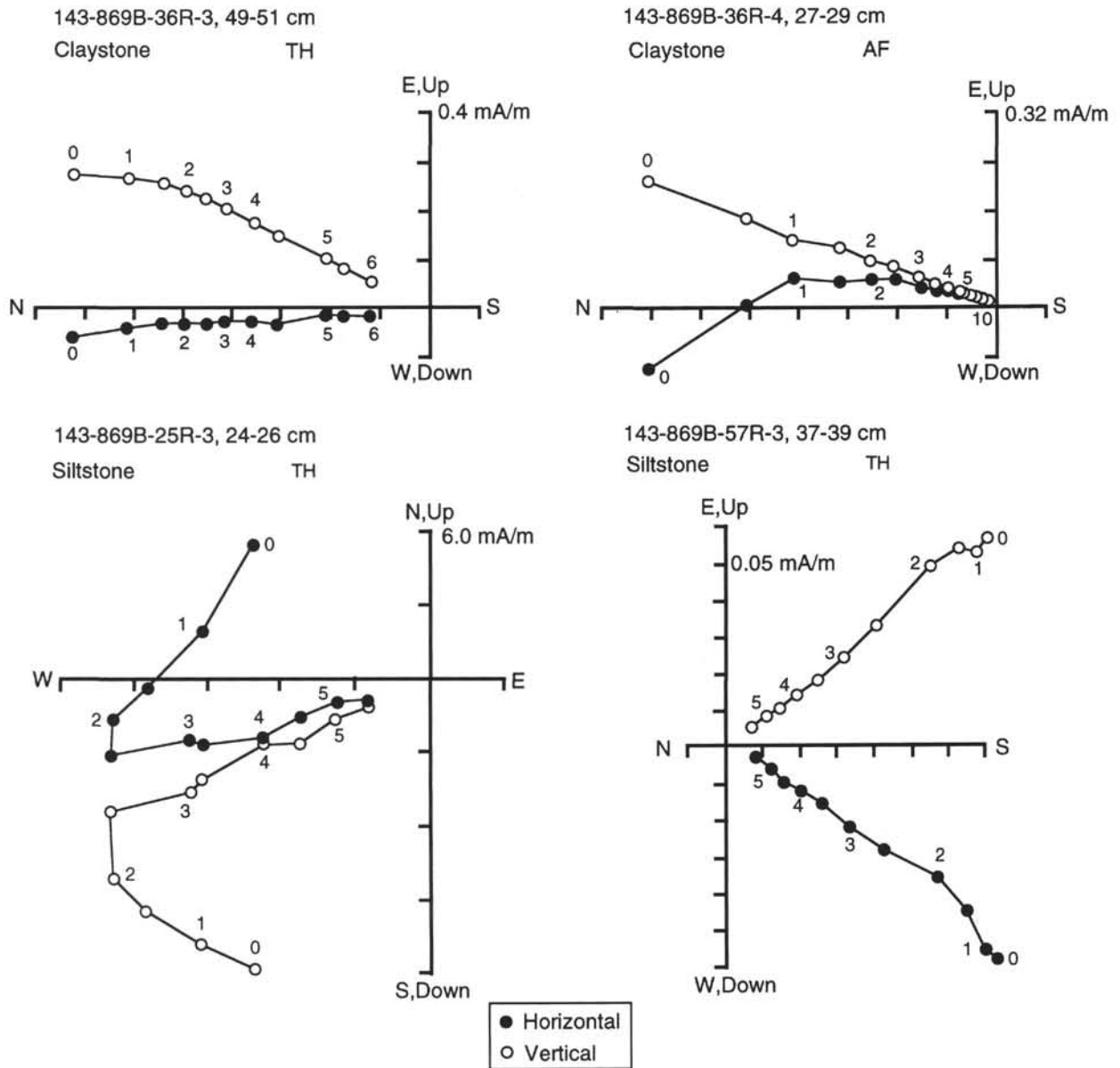


Figure 3. Representative orthogonal vector (“Zijderveld”) plots of sample magnetizations during stepwise AF and thermal demagnetization. Two examples each of claystones, siltstones, sandstones, and coarse volcanics are shown. Numbers along the demagnetization paths give the AF field strength (in tens of milliteslas) or the temperature (in hundreds of degrees Celsius).

Table 1. FMS/core feature orientation data.

Feature	Type	FMS Log			Core				
		Log depth (mbsf)	Dip (°)	Dir. (°)	Core, section, interval (cm)	Depth (mbsf)	Dip (°)	Dir. (°)	Decl. corr.
143-869B-									
A	B	557-558	44.8	66.0	45R-3, 75	553.05	42.6	26.2	39.8
B	B	558-559	40.4	74.0	45R-4, 12	559.9	40.5	35.7	38.3
C	C	605.7	19.7	344.0	50R-1, 110	605.3	34.3	105.2	238.0
D	B	634.2	59.5	102.0	53R-3, 118	636.08	28.7	223.5	-121.5
E	L	654.7	4.8	43.0	55R-2, 40	653.4	2.8	225.0	-182.0
F	L	671.5	6.9	53.0	57R-1, 54	671.5	4.5	63.5	-10.5
G	C	673.8	4.4	81.0	57R-2, 125	673.45	19.3	20.7	60.3
H	C	689.7	8.1	340.0	59R-1, 25	690.25	18.5	215.9	124.1

Notes: Type = type of feature with B = bedding (more than one layer), C = contact at base of volcanoclastic layer and L = single layer; Dip = dip angle of feature below horizontal (in degrees). FMS log dip, dir. = dip and downdip direction of feature in FMS log, relative to geographic north (in degrees). Core dip, dir. = downdip direction of feature relative to core coordinates, positive clockwise from direction perpendicular to the split face (in degrees). Decl. corr. = declination correction (degrees), defined as FMS feature dip direction minus core feature dip direction. This value is added to sample declination to correct it to geographic coordinates.

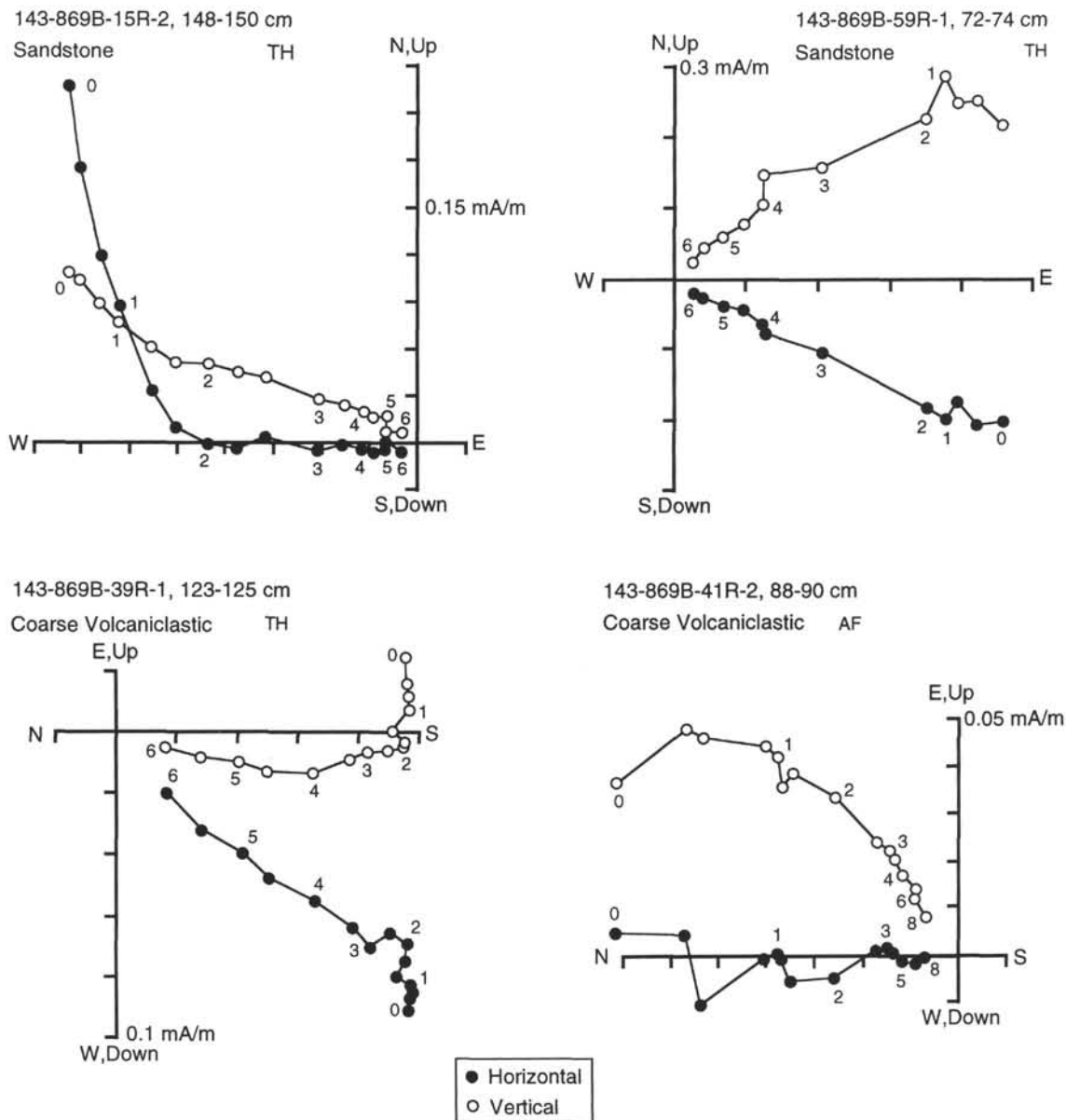


Figure 3 (continued).

coarse-grained sandstones or coarser volcaniclastics (Appendix). Such sediments may contain large, unstable magnetic grains or they may contain grains, such as basalt clasts in the breccias, that have magnetizations that are randomized by the process of deposition. Claystones and siltstones, in contrast, almost always gave demagnetization sequences having little scatter (Fig. 3), implying that the directions are reliably determined.

Nevertheless, the population of paleoinclinations showed two distinct means, -23.2° and -33.3° , the former value being significantly different from the -38.1° that is inferred from the 88-Ma Pacific paleomagnetic pole (Fig. 6). This shallow inclination cannot be explained by polar wander, because early Late Cretaceous polar motion would have caused a change in declination only (Sager and Pringle, 1988). Instead, it appears that the shallower inclination is biased. Similar shallow inclinations have been noted in other Pacific drill-core paleomagnetic data (Gordon, 1990; Tarduno, 1990; Steiner and Wallick, 1992), particularly in older, consolidated sediments. The reasons for inclination-shallowing are poorly understood, but grain-rotation during compaction is a widely accepted explanation. The magnetic grains

may be elongated so that vertical shortening during compaction causes them to rotate toward the horizontal (King, 1955; Blow and Hamilton, 1978), or small magnetic grains may adhere to clay particles that have been rotated toward the horizontal (Anson and Kodama, 1987).

Deciphering the mechanism of inclination-shallowing is beyond the scope of this study; nevertheless, our data give some interesting clues. Age does not seem to be the controlling factor because shallowed inclinations were found in sediments of both Cenomanian (Subunit III G) and post-Cenomanian (Subunits III A–III C) age. Furthermore, the shallowing does not appear to be a function of burial depth because the shallowed inclinations were found at the bottom as well as at the top of the hole, with apparently unshallowed inclinations between (Fig. 5). Because the sedimentary units that gave shallow inclinations are rich in claystones and those that gave apparently reliable inclinations are mostly siltstones, sandstones, and coarser volcaniclastics, it could be argued that lithology, in particular the presence of clay, is a prime factor. However, inclination histograms based on sediment type did not divide the samples as neatly into

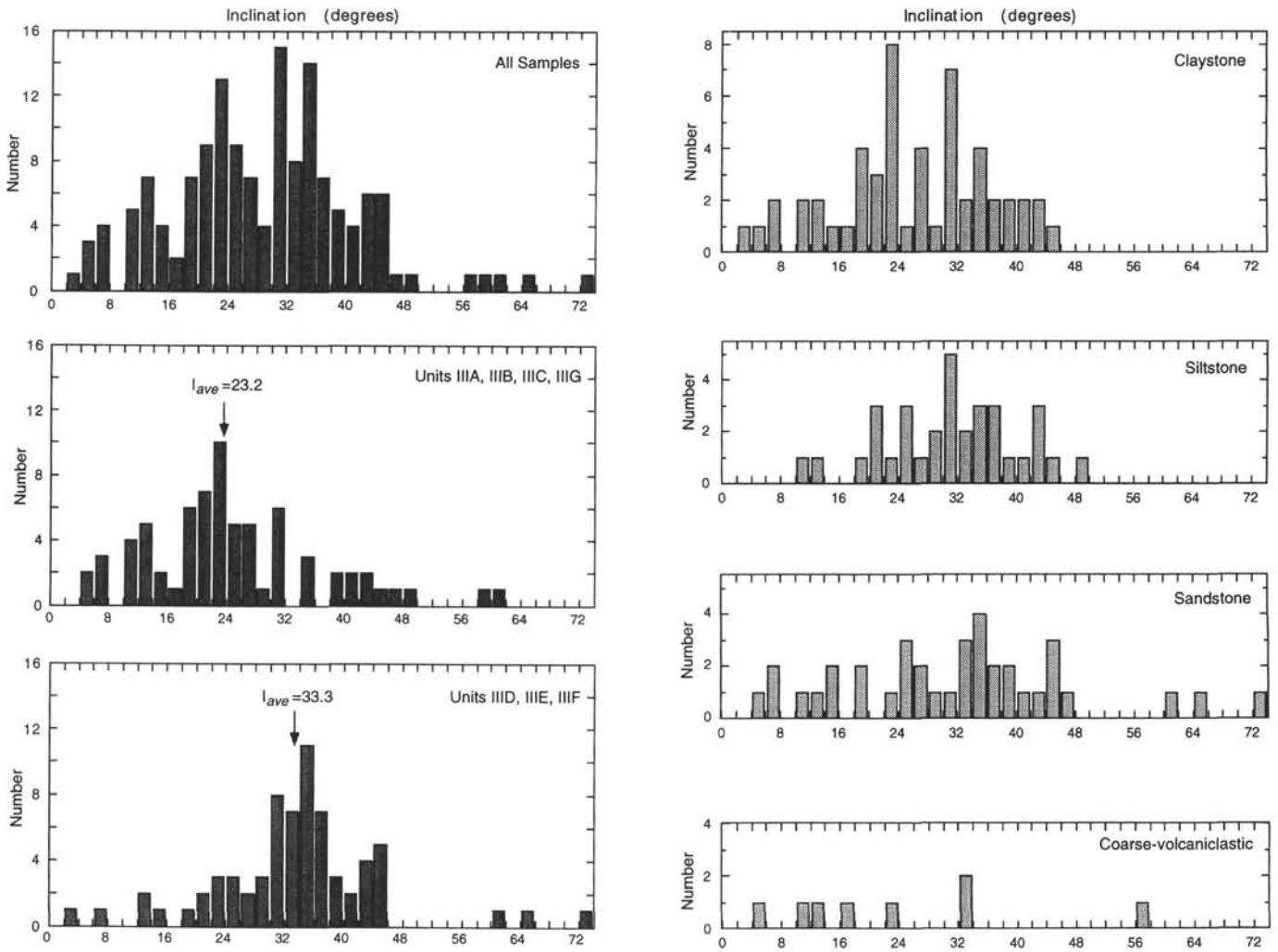


Figure 4. Histograms of sample inclination absolute values. Frequency of occurrence is shown on the vertical axis vs. inclination on the horizontal axis. A histogram for all stable samples is shown at the upper left; other histograms show distributions for various sample groups based on lithologic subunits (left) and sediment type (right).

inclination groups, as did a simple division based on lithologic unit boundaries. This may be due in part to the fact that the Site 869 sediments are often poorly sorted; indeed, many samples classified, for example, as “sandstone” contain a significant fraction of clay as well. Thus, general sediment type does not seem to be the dominant factor constraining shallowing. Although it is not obvious why it would give rise to a difference in inclination bias, the greatest difference between the sediments having apparently shallowed inclinations and those with unshallowed inclinations seems to be sedimentation rate and style. The Cenomanian sediments, except those of Subunit IIIG, were deposited much more rapidly than the post-Cenomanian sediments. Furthermore, the post-Cenomanian sediments were deposited as thin turbidites, whereas the Cenomanian sediments (except Subunit IIIG) were deposited as thick turbidites.

Results using the FMS to provide azimuthal orientation for pieces of core were disappointing as the standard deviation of reoriented declinations was 22.8°. Consequently, the paleomagnetic pole calculated from these values has a large uncertainty in the direction constrained by declination (Fig. 8). Several problems led to difficulties when determining orientation corrections. Few features had dips sufficiently steep for reliable orientation (>5°, MacLeod et al., 1994), and dipping features did not have consistent directions; thus, features had to be correlated from log to core on a 1:1 basis. Few such features

could be found, and some were poorly preserved. As a consequence, we found only about 15 pieces of core that we could attempt to orient. Some of these features gave orientation corrections that obviously were flawed. We think this arose from two problems, both a consequence of the fact that many of these features are erosional contacts between breccia units and underlying claystones. First, although they appear planar in the logs, many contacts showed small-scale irregularities that made it difficult to obtain a reliable measurement of the orientation within the cores. Second, magnetic directions in claystones directly beneath thick breccia units sometimes seemed to be more scattered than elsewhere, implying some sort of sediment disturbance. A notable example is an apparent reversal of inclinations in Section 143-869B-52R-2. This section and the next are contiguous, except at the section break (see photo in Sager, Winterer, Firth, et al., 1993, p. 669). A breccia-base contact occurs at a depth of 50 cm in Section 143-869B-52R-2, and samples below the contact in the remainder of the section give positive inclinations with a wide scatter from 2.1° to 44.1° (Appendix).

Because it is thought that no reversals occurred in the Cenomanian (Tarduno et al., 1992) and because the inclinations are scattered, but return to more normal behavior in Section 143-869B-52R-3, it seems most likely that the deposition of the breccia, over 6-m thick, not only eroded some sediment to produce the dipping contact but also dis-

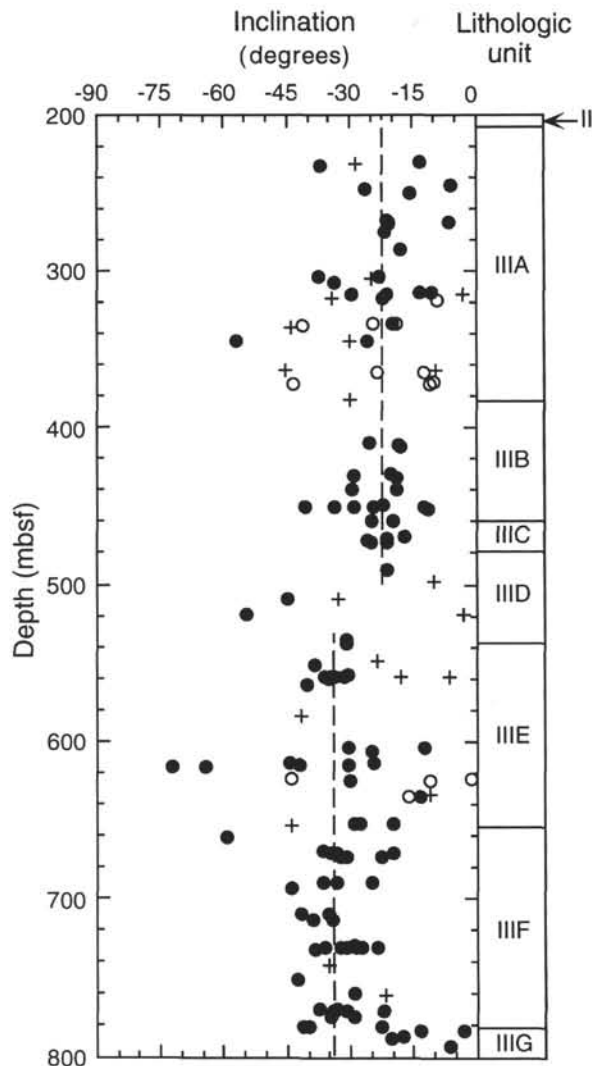


Figure 5. Inclination values plotted vs. depth, Hole 869B. Open and solid circles show the most reliable sample inclinations, whereas crosses denote less reliable results. Open circles represent positive inclinations, whose negative values were plotted for easier comparison. Sedimentary units and subunits (from Sager, Winterer, Firth, et al., 1993) are plotted on the right side of the column.

turbed the sediments in the meter beneath the contact. The manner of disturbance is unclear because no obvious mechanical disruption of these sediments was observed in the core. If the disturbance was not mechanical, an alternative hypothesis is that the magnetization of these sediments was not yet locked when the breccia was deposited and the sediments recorded a perturbed magnetic field in proximity to the relatively strongly magnetic breccia.

Paleolatitude and Paleopole

The paleolatitude of 18.2°S (95% confidence limits, 16.8° to 19.2°S), derived from Cenomanian Subunit IIID–IIIF sediments, is consistent with that implied by the 88-Ma Pacific paleomagnetic pole (Fig. 6). This particular paleomagnetic pole is constrained almost entirely by inversions of magnetic anomalies over seamounts (Sager and Pringle, 1988), which may be biased by induced or viscous magnetization (Hildebrand and Staudigel, 1986; Gee et al., 1989; 1993). Because all of the seamounts used for this pole are normally polarized, such a bias would lead to an “inclination-shallowing” sim-

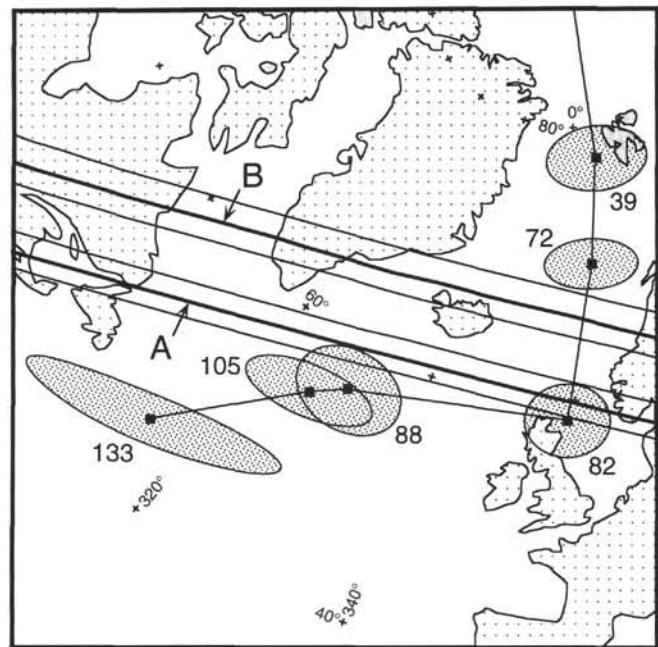


Figure 6. Comparison of paleocolatitudes, calculated from mean sample inclinations, with the Pacific apparent polar wander path. The thick arc labeled “A” shows the co-latitude derived from Cenomanian lithologic Subunits IIID through IIIF; that labeled “B” shows the co-latitude from post-Cenomanian Subunits IIIA to IIIC and Cenomanian Subunit IIIG. The thin arcs on either side of the co-latitude arcs show 95% confidence limits. Solid squares connected by a thin line denote paleomagnetic poles on the Pacific apparent polar wander path. They are encircled by stippled ellipses representing their 95% confidence regions and are labeled by mean age in millions of years. The 105-Ma pole is discussed in Winterer and Sager (this volume); the others are from Sager and Pringle (1988). The plot is a polar equal area map of the northern Atlantic showing continental outlines for reference.

ilar to that which can occur for sediments. The agreement of the seamount with sediment data is encouraging because even though both may be biased by similar amounts, a simpler explanation is that the agreement indicates both have minimal bias. Nevertheless, we should interpret the sediment paleolatitude as a minimum estimate. This paleolatitude implies that the Pikinni-Wodejebato edifice was within the tropics, albeit near the southern limit, during the Cenomanian.

The oriented paleomagnetic pole, located at 60.8°N , 347.3°E has a Cenomanian biostratigraphic age (Fig. 1) and a maximum age of 96.6 ± 0.8 Ma (Pringle and Duncan, this volume) from a radiometrically dated basalt clast. This pole is also consistent with the Late Cretaceous portion of the Pacific apparent polar wander path (Fig. 8). Because of the great uncertainty in the azimuthal orientation of samples, the 95% confidence ellipse has a long major axis (21.2°) that is aligned along the polar wander path. Unfortunately, this pole does provide much constraint on the longitude of the Cenomanian point on the polar path.

Magnetic Polarity Stratigraphy

It is not surprising that Hole 869B samples are predominantly normally polarized, because the geomagnetic field was in this state during much of the Late Cretaceous, which included the Cretaceous Quiet Period, a period of approximately 35 m.y. that had few magnetic reversals (Harland et al., 1990; Tarduno et al., 1992). Microfossils indicate that the lower part of Subunit IIIA is Campanian in age, specifically, late early Campanian in Cores 143-869B-18R to -19R and mid- to early Campanian in Cores 143-869B-23R to -28R (J.

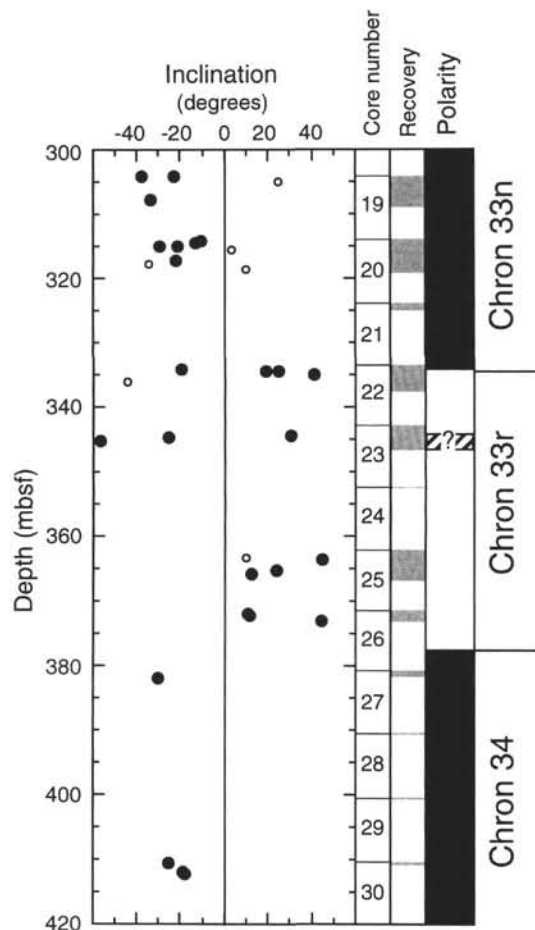


Figure 7. Interpreted magnetic polarity stratigraphy, Hole 869B. Sample inclinations are plotted on the horizontal axis vs. depth on the vertical axis. Solid circles show reliable inclinations, whereas small, open circles denote less reliable samples. Core numbers and recovery are shown outside the right side of the inclination column; stippled zones represent recovered core (note: ODP convention places all recovered core at the top of the drilled interval). At right is a magnetic polarity interpretation; black represents normal polarity and white, reversed polarity. The hatched zone represents a possible magnetic excursion, analogous to that reported from Site 462 (Steiner, 1983).

Mütterlose, pers. comm., 1993). Thus, the reversed-polarity section is most likely Chron 33R, which occupies the bottom of the Campanian in most geomagnetic polarity reversal time scales (Harland et al., 1990; Cande and Kent, 1992).

If we interpret the upper reversed-polarity section as Chron 32R, the next reversed-polarity interval above Chron 33R, we have a problem. Chron 32R occurred more than 6 m.y. later than Chron 33R and it is considered to be within the lowermost Maastrichtian (Harland et al., 1990). In Hole 869B, the Maastrichtian-Campanian boundary occurs well above the reversed section, at about the level of Cores 143-869B-8R to -10R (J. Mütterlose, pers. comm., 1993), so it seems unlikely that this is Chron 32R.

The positive inclinations from Core 143-869B-23R, from the upper part of the reversed polarity section interpreted to be Chron 33R, are a problem because in accepted time scales this chron does not contain a normal polarity interval (e.g., Cande and Kent, 1992). Thus, these positive inclinations probably do not indicate a polarity reversal. On the other hand, similar positive inclinations were observed at about the same level within Chron 33R cored at two holes at Site 462 (Steiner, 1983), located 420 km to the south, in the Nauru Basin. Because the inclination reversal has not been observed glob-

ally, it was suggested that this feature is a magnetic excursion, possibly local in its extent (Steiner, 1983). Thus, our observation of the same feature implies that our samples provide a reliable inclination record and that the observations at Site 462 were also accurate.

Although several samples in Core 143-869B-52R gave positive inclinations, implying a reversed polarity, we do not think that these samples represent a true magnetic polarity reversal. It is possible that short, undiscovered reversals occurred within the Cenomanian, but none have been found that can be correlated globally (Tarduno et al., 1992). The observation that these samples are from claystone just below a thick breccia layer and that their inclinations are more scattered than expected for this lithology, lead us to postulate that the apparent reversal is the result of some form of sediment disturbance.

CONCLUSIONS

Almost all samples measured in this study gave negative inclinations, implying normal-polarity magnetizations acquired in the Southern Hemisphere. We found two reversed polarity zones, shown by positive inclinations, in Cores 143-869B-22R and -24R to -26R, but think these represent only one reversed-polarity period, Chron 33R. We cannot interpret the upper reversed zone as the next younger reversal without an unreasonable conflict with the biostratigraphy, so we think that the apparently normal zone in between is the same local "excursion" observed at the equivalent magnetostratigraphic level at nearby Site 462 (Steiner, 1983). A short, 1-m-long apparent reversed-polarity zone occurs in Section 143-869B-52R-2, but the samples in this interval occur immediately beneath a 6-m thick breccia layer and have inclinations more scattered than expected. We hypothesize that the apparent reversal is a result of the breccia emplacement: either the sediments were mechanically disturbed or the breccia perturbed the magnetic field in its proximity owing to its content of highly magnetic volcanic fragments.

Inclination values from Hole 869B samples fell into two groups, with bias-corrected mean inclinations of -23.2° (95% confidence limits: 19.9° , 25.7° ; $N = 69$) and -33.3° (95% confidence limits: 31.1° , 35.0° ; $N = 60$). The steeper inclination is consistent with the 88-Ma Pacific paleomagnetic pole, derived mainly from seamount magnetic anomaly inversions (Sager and Pringle, 1988). This inclination implies that Site 869 was at 18.2°S (95% confidence limits: 16.8° , 19.2°), near the southern limit of the tropics, during the Cenomanian. The shallower inclination is significantly different and this difference cannot be explained by tectonics or polar wander. Therefore, we conclude that this value is affected by "inclination-shallowing," a bias that seems to be common in Pacific drill-core paleomagnetic data from sediments (Tarduno, 1990). The clearest division of the samples into the two inclination groups was made along lithologic unit boundaries. Subunits IIIA, IIIB, IIIC, and IIIG gave shallow inclinations, whereas Subunits IIID, IIIE, and IIIF gave steeper inclinations. The main difference between these unit groupings is rate and style of deposition. Shallow inclinations were given by units deposited as thin turbidites, whereas the steeper inclinations were given by units deposited more rapidly as thick turbidites. Lithology may also play a role, because the shallow-inclination units have greater amounts of clays as compared to volcanoclastic silts, sands, and breccias in the other units; however, a division by sediment type did not separate the inclinations into the two groups as neatly.

Owing to difficulties when correlating FMS log and core features, only eight core segments could be azimuthally oriented. These had mean declinations that ranged from -38.1° to 30.8° and a standard deviation of 22.8° . Combining these declinations with the steeper mean inclination, we calculated an azimuthally oriented Cenomanian paleomagnetic pole at 60.8°N , 347.3°E , with a 95% confidence ellipse having major and minor semiaxes of 21.2° and 4.9° , the former trending 93° . This pole is located along the Late Cretaceous portion of the Pacific apparent polar wander path, in agreement with the 88-Ma paleomagnetic pole (Sager and Pringle, 1988).

Table 2. Oriented sample data from Hole 869B.

Feature	Core, section, interval (cm)	Incl. (°)	Decl. (°)	Decl. corr.	Paleopole		Ave. decl. (°)	α_{63} (°)	k	S_d (°)
					Lat. (°N)	Long. (°E)				
A	45R-3, 64-66	-30.6	314.3	354.1	59.1	4.5	-10.5	2.0	563	22.6
	45R-3, 76-78	-31.8	308.0	347.8						
	45R-3, 105-107	-34.0	307.2	347.0						
B	45R-3, 110-112	-36.0	309.1	348.9	60.8	302.1	19.7	12.0	27	24.2
	45R-4, 11-13	-34.9	325.6	3.9						
	45R-4, 22-24	-6.4	346.5	24.8						
C	45R-4, 27-29	-18.0	351.1	29.4	45.8	44.7	-38.1	63.5	6	51.4
	50R-1, 112-114	-12.5	60.7	299.5						
D	50R-1, 134-126	-30.5	105.7	344.5	70.5	328.6	5.4	24.9	27	28.5
	53R-3, 110-112	-13.7	115.8	354.3						
E	53R-3, 114-116	-16.2	138.0	16.5	47.2	299.3	30.8	12.1	27	24.4
	55R-2, 31-33	-29.3	196.6	14.6						
F	55R-2, 38-40	-44.0	226.8	44.8	49.9	26.5	-26.9	7.6	67	23.2
	55R-2, 46-48	-27.8	215.8	33.8						
	57R-1, 37-39	-33.2	336.8	326.3						
G	57R-1, 42-44	-34.9	338.2	327.7	62.7	6.4	-10.1	18.3	49	26.0
	57R-1, 72-74	-34.9	355.5	345.0						
H	57R-2, 127-129	-30.9	281.4	341.7	61.7	354.1	-4.6	11.2	127	23.9
	57R-2, 134-136	-22.8	297.7	358.0						
	59R-1, 32-34	-36.8	235.1	359.2						
	59R-1, 38-40	-25.2	227.6	351.7						

Notes: Incl., Decl. = paleomagnetic inclination and declination in sample coordinates; Decl. corr. = paleomagnetic declination corrected to geographic coordinates; Paleopole = average paleomagnetic pole from oriented samples for given feature; Ave. decl. = average declination (relative to Site 869) inferred from paleopole (in degrees); α_{63} = standard deviation of mean pole (in degrees), from Fisher statistics; k = precision parameter of mean pole, also from Fisher statistics; S_d = standard deviation of average declination (in degrees) used for mean pole calculation.

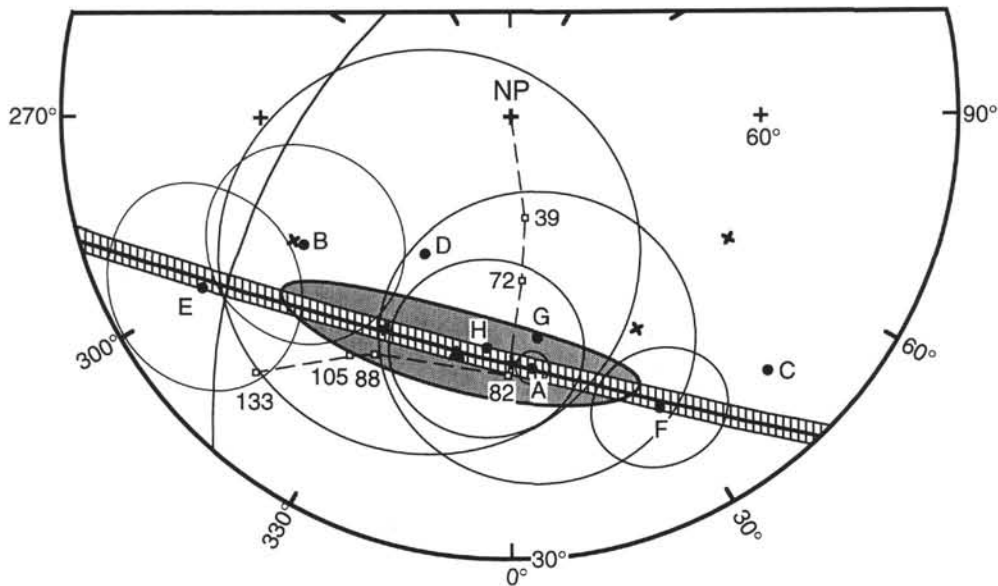


Figure 8. Azimuthally oriented data and mean paleomagnetic pole. Virtual geomagnetic poles calculated from oriented core segments are shown as solid circles, labeled A to G, which correspond to features in Tables 2 and 3. Each mean is surrounded by an α_{63} circle (circular standard deviation); that for feature C is so large that only a portion appears at left. The mean pole, calculated using a maximum likelihood method (Gordon and Cox, 1980), is shown by the solid triangle and is surrounded by its 95% confidence ellipse (stippled). The Pacific apparent polar wander path is shown by small, open squares that are connected by a dashed line (see Fig. 6). Polar equal area projection.

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APPENDIX
Sample Paleomagnetic and Lithological Data, Hole 869B

Core, section, interval (cm)	Depth (mbsf)	Decl. (degrees)	Incl. (degrees)	N	MAD	Steps	J_o (mA/m)	J_n/J_o	Susc. ($\times 10^{-5}$)	Sed. Type
11R-3, 147	231.47	183	-28.8	7	7.7	17-45	70.307	0.157	1828.1	Sandstone
11R-4, 4	231.44	359.7	-13.6	8	2.6	20-60	261.132	0.042	1523.5	Sandstone
11R-4, 139	232.79	344.7	-37	8	1.6	250-600	718.476	0.083	1289.3	Claystone
13R-1, 3	246.23	302.7	-6.2	6	0.9	350-600	239.651	0.118	368.8	Claystone
13R-2, 61	248.31	298.1	-26.7	5	4.2	25-45	153.09	0.072	675.3	Sandstone
13R-4, 67	251.37	50	-15.8	9	1.8	150-600	111.1	0.137	837.9	Claystone
15R-2, 148	268.38	270.2	-21.3	10	4.3	150-550	198.742	0.064	1953.8	Sandstone
15R-3, 122	269.62	93	-6.6	8	2.1	15-50	119.141	0.210	493	Claystone
15R-4, 3	269.93	223	-20.81	5	2.1	200-400	249.445	0.514	327.1	Claystone
15R-4, 95	270.85	167	-21.1	5	3	200-400	142.409	0.606	286.4	Claystone
16R-1, 41	275.51	171	-22	6	0.8	15-60	107.591	0.168	208.7	Claystone
17R-2, 44	286.74	175.8	-18.1	7	3.8	300-600	94.532	0.127	2516.9	Sandstone
19R-1, 22	304.32	135.8	-37.7	7	4.5	250-550	202.093	0.057	2390.6	Sandstone
19R-1, 31	304.41	347.1	-23.21	6	1.9	150-400	528.119	0.117	2131	Sandstone
19R-1, 106	305.16	153.2	24.8	3	6.4	450-550	172.103	0.052	2108.7	Sandstone
19R-3, 65	308.05	129	-33.9	7	1.8	100-500	271.779	0.135	2705	Sandstone
20R-1, 64	314.44	315.8	-10.8	5	2.4	200-400	300.521	0.352	399.4	Claystone
20R-1, 68	314.48	313	-13.4	4	5.7	50-80	614.716	0.046		
20R-1, 123	315.03	65	-29.5	5	9.3	200-400	185.556	1.924	451.6	Claystone
20R-1, 131	315.11	10.1	-21.2	6	1.1	20-60	479.769	0.095	829.5	Claystone
20R-2, 37	315.67	247.7	3.1	5	4.2	300-550	124.053	0.169	1049.4	Sandstone
20R-3, 25	317.5	16.2	-22.1	13	3.6	100-600	344.289	0.056	740.2	Claystone
20R-3, 116	317.96	275.4	-34.2	2	3.2	50-60	786.911	0.065		
20R-CC, 3	318.89	295.2	9.5	7	2.5	250-550	335.34	0.024	1567.5	Sandstone
21R-1, 14	323.64	NS					386.611			
22R-1, 70	333.8	NS					59.921			
22R-1, 115	334.25	323.4	-20	5	3.7	100-300	203.246	0.168	1344.1	Siltstone
22R-1, 134	334.44	84.2	19.1	4	6.7	50-80	713.898	0.067		
22R-2, 6	334.66	54	24.4	4	7.9	50-80	352.719	0.048		
22R-2, 64	335.24	180.5	41.2	5	2.9	350-550	76.845	0.143	422.2	Siltstone
22R-2, 86	335.46	NS					208.123		1301.4	Sandstone
22R-3, 10	336.2	232.6	-44	3	8	50-70	156.911	0.255		
23R-1, 60	343.4	NS					75.562			
23R-2, 51	344.81	115.7	29.9	3	6.3	300-400	70.195	0.557	589.2	Claystone
23R-2, 65	344.95	43.9	-25.8	6	2.9	100-250	170.108	0.424	485.5	Claystone
23R-2, 113	345.43	352.6	-54.1	4	4.1	250-400	139.702	0.207	847.8	Sandstone
25R-1, 120	363.4	187.6	9.4	4	3.4	250-400	14.816	0.113	198.9	Claystone
25R-2, 1	363.71	49.4	45.2	4	2.2	7-30	53.235	0.132	358.8	Sandstone
25R-2, 130	365	NS					134.005		242	Sandstone
25R-3, 24	365.44	259.9	23.8	6	2.6	300-550	14.821	0.200	106.9	Siltstone
25R-3, 77	365.97	69.4	12.4	8	2.2	200-600	77.59	0.132	523.4	Claystone
26R-1, 30	372.1	122.6	10.2	5	5.1	300-500	18.145	0.111	135.2	Siltstone
26R-1, 54	372.34	328.1	11	6	0.9	15-60	257.099	0.086		
26R-1, 145	373.25	187.1	48.3	5	5.7	200-400	6.478	0.286	51.2	Siltstone
27R-1, 62	382.12	284.4	-30.1	5	5.1	25-50	15.543	0.299	178	Claystone
30R-1, 24	410.64	186.7	-25.7	7	2	20-70	16.496	0.072	46.2	Claystone
31R-1, 89	411.99	210.2	-18.7	11	1	150-600	76.469	0.492	178.7	Claystone
31R-1, 119	412.29	349.2	-18	9	2	150-600	203.284	0.230	168.2	Claystone
32R-1, 14	429.94	481	-20.6	6	1.3	15-60	547.99	0.088		
32R-2, 16	431.46	328.2	-29.2	8	2.6	200-550	259.078	0.227	873.8	Claystone
32R-3, 12	432.92	189.7	-19.2	7	2	250-600	566.332	0.272	337.5	Claystone
33R-1, 44	439.84	82.4	-18.9	8	2.6	250-600	396.32	0.201	468.6	Claystone
33R-1, 88	440.26	151.3	-29.9	7	1.1	15-80	1023.822	0.069		
34R-1, 136	450.46	344.5	-22.2	9	1.1	15-70	77.355	0.101	141.6	Siltstone
34R-2, 18	450.78	83	-29.2	5	1.6	200-400	98.712	0.469	78	Siltstone
34R-2, 71	451.31	269.9	-12.7	6	2.8	150-400	711.934	0.056	501.3	Siltstone
34R-2, 83	451.43	36.9	-40.7	6	3.4	150-400	625.344	0.480	767	Claystone
34R-2, 96	451.56	211.4	-33.8	7	1.5	15-80	572.966	0.086		
34R-2, 125	451.85	204.4	-24.6	9	1.8	200-600	148.579	0.323	647.5	Claystone
34R-3, 35	452.45	177.9	-11.7	7	1.7	15-80	431.412	0.091		
35R-1, 54	459.34	355.7	-19.9	7	2.6	200-500	88.422	0.102	212.5	Claystone
35R-1, 84	459.64	240.9	-24.9	6	1.3	10-50	233.485	0.125		
36R-1, 104	469.44	292.8	-17.4	5	0.6	400-600	527.839	0.176	670.3	Siltstone
36R-2, 130	471.2	173	-21.4	7	0.7	10-60	875.171	0.117		
36R-3, 49	471.89	356	-26.2	8	0.8	200-600		0.173	398.9	Claystone
36R-4, 27	473.17	12.6	-21.5	8	1.5	20-55	363.824	0.071	376.1	Claystone
36R-4, 50	473.4	267.7	-25.2	6	2.3	350-600	250.983	0.390	590.6	Claystone
38R-2, 10	489.3	NS					50.262		211.2	Coarse volc.
38R-3, 4	490.74	291.6	-21.4	4	1.6	450-600	379.535	0.030	340.6	Coarse volc.
39R-1, 99	498.39	NS					81.164		537.6	Sandstone
39R-1, 123	498.63	223.2	10.2	5	2.9	400-600	60.051	0.200	220.2	Coarse volc.
40R-2, 69	509.29	62.4	-44.8	7	5	15-50	70.135	0.197	199.3	Sandstone
40R-2, 111	509.71	178.3	-32.7	5	4.8	300-500	43.717	0.205	215.1	Sandstone
41R-2, 75	519.05	342.7	-3	6	5.1	250-500	50.153	0.262	222.9	Coarse volc.
41R-2, 88	519.18	1.7	-55	6	3.2	25-80	59.998	0.136	234.3	Coarse volc.
42R-4, 60	531.5	NS					3701.673		443	Coarse volc.
43R-1, 10	536.2	220.6	-31.3	7	3.3	25-80	384.222	0.089	196.3	Coarse volc.
43R-2, 106	538.66	95.6	-31.1	5	1	200-400	148.905	0.242	459.4	Sandstone
44R-3, 36	548.96	195.9	-23.4	5	6.3	350-600	80.514	0.099	397	Sandstone
44R-5, 16	551.76	22.11	-38.4	8	3.3	250-600	136.665	0.029	413.6	Sandstone
45R-3, 64	558.94	314.31	-30.6	5	1.6	150-350	265.167	0.094	498.2	Coarse volc.
45R-3, 76	559.06	308	-31.8	8	3	250-600	112.753	0.032	493.7	Sandstone
45R-3, 105	559.36	307.2	-34	8	2	250-600	83.051	0.022	403.1	Sandstone
45R-3, 110	559.41	309.1	-36	6	6.9	250-600	87.819	0.144	431.4	Sandstone
45R-4, 11	559.91	325.6	-34.9	6	3.6	250-600	95.023	0.044	444.4	Sandstone
45R-4, 22	559.48	346.5	-6.4	3	2.1	150-250	159.216	0.453	412.9	Sandstone
45R-4, 27	559.53	351.1	-18	4	3.2	150-300	163.141	0.282	399	Sandstone

APPENDIX (continued).

Core, section, interval (cm)	Depth (mbsf)	Decl. (degrees)	Incl. (degrees)	N	MAD	Steps	J_o (mA/m)	J_n/J_o	Susc. ($\times 10^{-5}$)	Sed. Type
45R-4, 41	560.21	NS					43.733		442.9	Sandstone
45R-4, 53	560.33	151.2	-35.1	6	2.3	200-450	78.134	0.023	430.3	Sandstone
46R-1, 4	564.64	192.7	-40.2	6	2.1	250-500	84.519	0.188	414.6	Sandstone
48R-1, 46	584.36	167.2	41.7	5	9.6	400-600	110.321	0.022	274.4	Sandstone
50R-1, 112	604.32	60.7	-12.5	5	4	250-400	176.269	0.125	498	Sandstone
50R-1, 124	604.44	105.7	-30.5	5	2.3	300-500	98.19	0.082	584.9	Sandstone
50R-3, 45	606.65	136.6	-25	6	6.3	200-500	112.039	0.214	668.8	Sandstone
51R-2, 13	614.33	158.4	-24.8	6	3	30-80	329.78	0.039	380.2	Siltstone
51R-2, 35	614.55	353.1	-44.7	6	1.4	250-500	143.96	0.063	434.3	Sandstone
51R-2, 118	615.38	90.3	-30.5	4	3.5	250-400	258.362	0.337	535.6	Siltstone
51R-2, 122	615.42	75	-42.3	4	3.2	250-400	288.71	0.363	679.1	Siltstone
51R-3, 84	616.54	113.5	-72.2	4	2	200-350	55.808	0.407	304.9	Sandstone
51R-3, 89	616.59	255.8	-64.4	5	4.8	150-350	44.266	0.659	393	Sandstone
52R-2, 54	624.44	253.8	2.1	6	1.4	350-600	315.936	0.072	575.1	Claystone
52R-2, 64	624.54	214.1	44.3	7	3	300-600	236.353	0.102	619.3	Claystone
52R-2, 74	624.64	240.8	6.3	4	1.8	30-80		0.028	723.6	Claystone
52R-2, 99	624.89	263.3	21.1	6	1.4	350-600	368.01	0.054	732.6	Claystone
52R-2, 123	625.13	250.4	11.2	7	1.9	100-450	523.25	0.275	654.2	Claystone
52R-3, 30	625.7	275.2	-25.2	9	1.6	200-600	346.39	0.056	666.5	Siltstone
52R-3, 64	626.04	272	-30.3	6	2.6	200-450	206.893	0.232	537.2	Siltstone
53R-1, 88	632.88	NS					82.889		305.8	Coarse volc.
53R-2, 4	633.54	355.6	-11	4	6.2	400-550	71.234	0.056	287.6	Coarse volc.
53R-2, 30	633.9	NS					16.382		270.3	Coarse volc.
53R-3, 110	636	115.8	-13.7	6	3	150-400	139.596	0.307	265.8	Sandstone
53R-3, 114	636.04	318	16.2	4	7.3	400-550	73.857	0.095	276.7	Coarse volc.
55R-2, 28	653.28	23.9	-20.2	5	2.5	200-400	216.901	0.230	436.8	Siltstone
55R-2, 38	653.38	226.8	-44	4	4.7	400-550	81.329	0.074	516.5	Sandstone
55R-2, 31	653.31	196.6	-29.3	8	2.4	150-500	100.443	0.132	515	Claystone
55R-2, 46	653.46	215.8	-27.8	8	3.4	15-60	108.759	0.088	633.6	Claystone
56R-1, 84	662.04	91.2	-59.6	4	2.4	450-600	629.37	0.030	707.4	Sandstone
56R-2, 32	663.02	NS					22.188		272.6	Sandstone
57R-1, 16	670.86	344.6	-36.6	6	1.3	150-400	144.865	0.145	271.7	Siltstone
57R-1, 28	670.98	358.2	-19.8	6	2.4	150-400	118.366	0.195	251	Siltstone
57R-1, 37	671.07	336.8	-33.2	6	2.1	150-400	134.782	0.163	228.7	Siltstone
57R-1, 42	671.12	338.2	-34.9	5	5	350-550	102.173	0.059	228.5	Siltstone
57R-1, 72	671.42	355.5	-34.9	6	1.7	200-500	94.002	0.106	247	Claystone
57R-2, 127	673.47	281.4	-30.9	5	1.2	350-550	175.109	0.171	272.5	Siltstone
57R-2, 134	673.54	297.7	-22.8	6	2	150-400	221.541	0.374	311.4	Claystone
57R-3, 37	674.07	214.7	-32.5	6	1.3	300-550	64.265	0.141	252	Siltstone
58R-1, 134	681.74	NS					257.842		183.3	Coarse volc.
58R-2, 83	682.73	NS					396.11		186.9	Coarse volc.
59R-1, 32	690.32	235.1	-36.8	5	1.6	150-300	42.211	0.191	73.2	Claystone
59R-1, 38	690.38	227.6	-25.2	7	4.5	200-500	53.133	0.189	81.3	Siltstone
59R-1, 72	690.72	117.6	-33.4	7	3.7	100-500	27.302	0.185	97.9	Sandstone
59R-3, 59	693.59	121.3	-44	6	3	300-550	40.566	0.073	86.6	Siltstone
60R-8, 35	710.55	216.-3	-41.8	6	2.8	20-45	92.0191	0.207	184.1	Claystone
60R-8, 39	710.59	193.3	-35.5	8	1	250-600	61.602	0.272	203	Claystone
61R-3, 90	713.3	335.7	-34.5	7	1.7	20-80	95.266	0.120	159.2	Siltstone
61R-3, 97	713.37	336.3	-39	6	3.2	300-550	55.858	0.065	151.3	Siltstone
63R-2, 41	730.61	248.8	-29.1	5	2.4	400-600	13.006	0.091	86.1	Claystone
63R-2, 55	730.75	251.2	-31	5	1.1	400-600	46.267	0.078	115.1	Claystone
63R-2, 69	730.89	260.4	-27.4	6	1.7	15-60	63.978	0.103	135.7	Siltstone
63R-2, 76	730.96	14.5	-23.7	4	1.4	450-600	254.034	0.019	143.2	Siltstone
63R-2, 88	731.08	257.1	-32.5	9	0.9	200-600	49.63	0.048	147.5	Siltstone
63R-2, 98	731.18	229	-28.6	5	2.4	20-50	72.539	0.137	133.3	Siltstone
63R-2, 109	731.29	224.8	-36.2	8	2	200-600	45.365	0.055	126.5	Siltstone
63R-3, 41	732.11	183.6	-38.6	8	2.2	15-70	90.554	0.046	128.1	Siltstone
64R-3, 104	742.44	160.6	-35.3	4	2.5	200-350	43.583	0.318	92.5	Siltstone
65R-3, 36	751.26	347.4	-42.8	8	2.9	15-60	36.667	0.081	82.7	Siltstone
65R-4, 40	752.8	meas lost								Siltstone
66R-2, 114	760.24	161.6	-29.1	5	1.1	200-400	23.946	0.208	71.3	Siltstone
66R-3, 45	761.05	188.9	21.8	5	3.5	400-600	20.707	0.095	92.4	Coarse volc.
67R-3, 2	770.32	250.7	-37.8	10	1.4	175-600	43.084	0.097	98.2	Claystone
67R-3, 10	770.4	252.2	-33.3	8	2.6	200-600	64.83	0.083	110.6	Claystone
67R-3, 28	770.58	228.1	-34.5	6	0.9	350-600	82.937	0.080	140.2	Claystone
67R-3, 42	770.72	260	-33.9	11	1.1	150-600	97.064	0.074	147.5	Claystone
67R-3, 56	770.86	261.4	-22.5	11	1.6	150-600	105.844	0.068	164.7	Claystone
67R-3, 81	771.11	180.2	-31.2	7	0.5	300-600	112.376	0.080	141.6	Claystone
67R-6, 14	774.94	193.5	-29.4	5	1	300-550	239.03	0.126	184.4	Claystone
67R-6, 17	774.97	195.1	-34.7	6	1.8	350-600	99.858	0.084	170.7	Claystone
68R-3, 124	781.14	158.3	-41.4	6	2.2	20-50	88.367	0.109	182.5	Claystone
68R-3, 148	781.38	165.5	-40	7	1.6	300-600	52.839	0.114	208.1	Claystone
68R-4, 5	781.45	279.8	-22.8	6	1.6	300-550	53.413	0.124	174.3	Claystone
68R-5, 25	783.15	132.8	-3.3	5	2.3	30-60	40.835	0.059	96.9	Claystone
68R-5, 35	792.95	178.9	-6.5	7	1.6	200-500	17.786	0.267	88.1	Sandstone
68R-5, 62	783.52	101.1	-13.4	7	2.4	20-60	30.167	0.060	78.5	Claystone
69R-1, 20	786.8	79	-17.6	5	4	30-60	29.338	0.041	71.5	Claystone
69R-2, 6	788.16	115.2	-20.6	9	1.8	150-500	31.886	0.151		

Notes: N = number of samples used for least-squares linear fit; MAD = maximum angular deviation (error akin to angular standard deviation; see Kirshvink, 1980); Susc. = susceptibility. NS = not studied. Coarse volc. = coarse volcaniclastic sediments.