



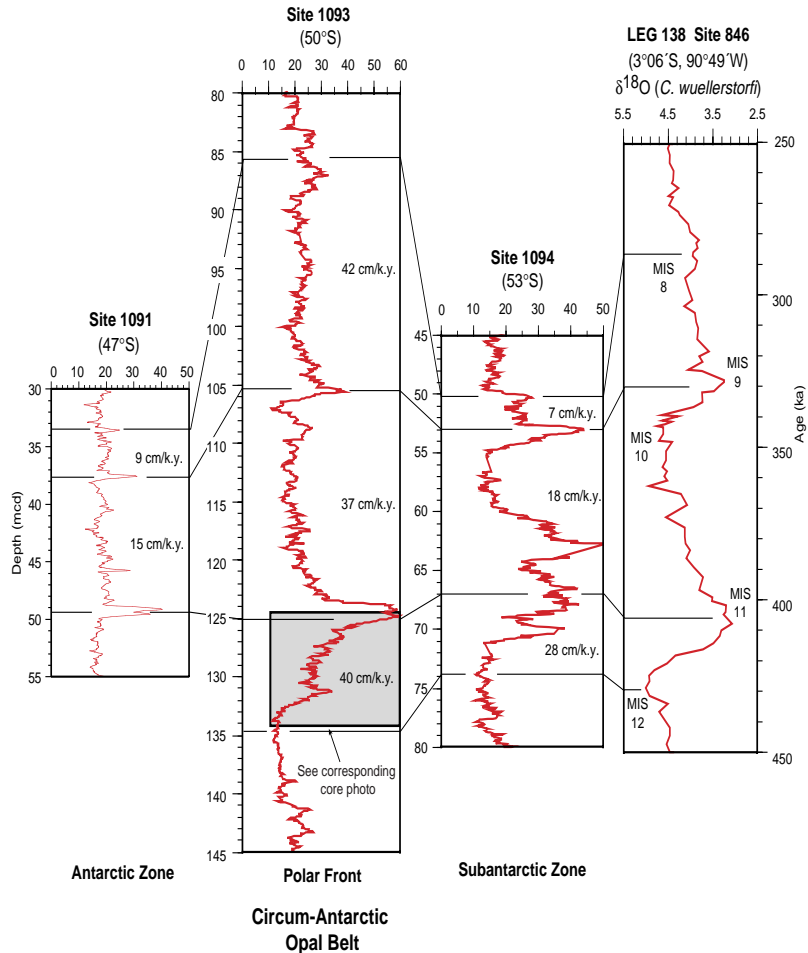
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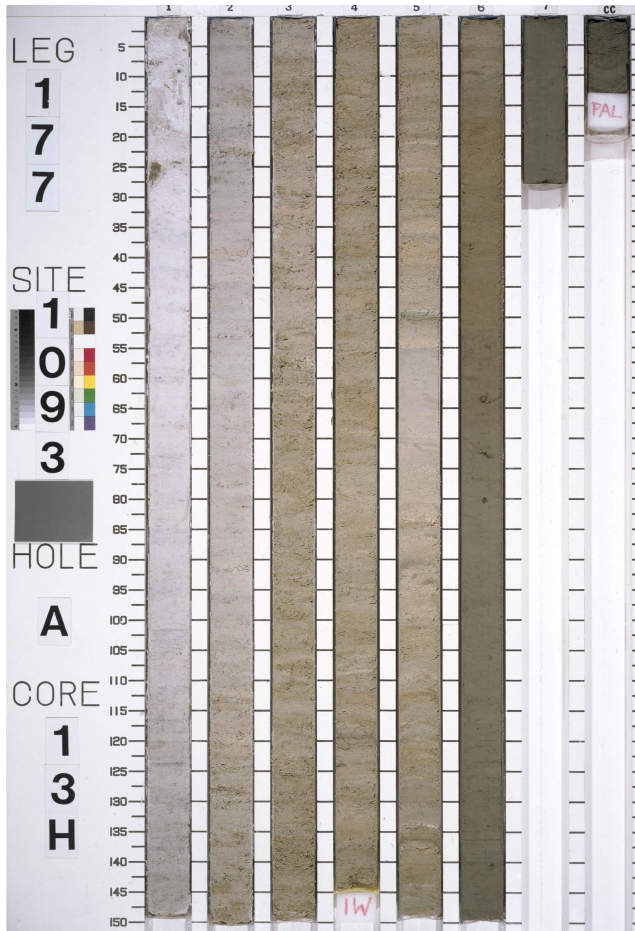
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Frontispiece 1. Tentative correlation of color reflectance records at Sites 1091, 1093, and 1094 with a benthic oxygen isotopic record from Site 846 for marine isotope Stages (MISs) 8 through 12 (Mix et al., 1995¹). High reflectance values represent peak interglacial stages when sediments contain a high proportion of CaCO₃. The high sedimentation rates at these Leg 177 sites, located on a north-south transect across the Antarctic Circumpolar Current, permit paleoceanographic studies at millennial scale or better resolution. In most sites, MIS 11 stands out as the brightest, most carbonate-rich sediments of the Pleistocene. At Site 1093, Termination V (MIS 12–11 transition) is represented by an 8-m expanded section (from ~133 to 125 meters composite depth [mcd]) that contains a thick laminated interval of *Thalassiothrix* diatom mats (see corresponding core photograph of the section enclosed by the box in the reflectance record of Site 1093).

¹Mix, A.C., Le, J., and Shackleton, N.J., 1995. Benthic foraminiferal stable isotope stratigraphy of Site 846: 0–1.8 Ma. In Piasis, N.G., Mayer, L.A., Janecek, T.R., Palmer-Julson, A., and van Andel, T.H. (Eds.), *Proc. ODP, Sci. Results*, 138: College Station, TX (Ocean Drilling Program), 839–854.



Frontispiece 2. Core 177-1093A-13H contains sediments that represent the transition from MIS 12 to 11 (Termination V). The dark sediment in Sections 177-1093A-13H-6, 13H-7, and 13H-CC corresponds to glacial MIS 12. Sections 177-1093A-13H-2 (*partim*), 13H-3, 13H-4, and 13H-5 represent a thick laminated interval of *Thalassiothrix* diatom mats that accumulated at high sedimentation rates, offering an unprecedented opportunity to study paleoceanographic changes in the Southern Ocean associated with Termination V at high temporal resolution. The white sediment in Section 177-1093A-13H-1 represents MIS 11.

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The majority of the data included in this CD are available on the World Wide Web at www.ldeo.columbia.edu/BRG/ODP. If you cannot access this site or want to order the CD, please contact the ODP Logging Services Operator at the Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory; Tel: (914) 365-8672; Fax: (914) 365-3182; E-mail: borehole@ldeo.columbia.edu.

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