

## 6. DATA REPORT: RADIOLARIAN BIOSTRATIGRAPHY, ODP LEG 202, SITE 1237<sup>1</sup>

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### ABSTRACT

Site 1237 is located on Nazca Ridge ~140 km off the coast of Peru and thus within the offshore region of the Peru-Chile Current. A total of 83 samples were used to provide an initial radiolarian biostratigraphic framework for Site 1237; radiolarians are present to Sample 202-1237B-19H-2, 58–60 cm (186.45 meters composite depth [mcd]) and are of good to fair abundance and preservation. Site 1237 is influenced by both subtropical and northward-transported southern latitude waters, has 55 ash layers within the uppermost 166 m, and has minimal to gross reworking. Shipboard paleomagnetic results showed that the upper 200 m spanned the last 12 m.y., and in the upper 100 mcd, the paleomagnetic inclination pattern could be directly correlated to the geomagnetic polarity timescale (GPTS). Tropical biostratigraphy was used to establish the zonal boundaries for Site 1237, and the paleomagnetic and radiolarian stratigraphy were well correlated.

### INTRODUCTION

Leg 202 of the Ocean Drilling Program (ODP) sailed without a radiolarian micropaleontologist in the scientific party. When initial shipboard analysis showed that Site 1237 may provide an excellent biostratigraphic reference for the southeast Pacific, a small-scale sampling strategy was developed to add radiolarian stratigraphy postcruise.

Site 1237 is located at 16°0.421'S, 76°22.685'W at a water depth of 3212 m. The site is on a relatively flat bench on the Nazca Ridge ~140

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km off the coast of Peru and near the eastern edge of the northward-flowing Peru-Chile Current (PCC), a major conduit of cool-water transport from high to low latitude, and productive upwelling system (Shipboard Scientific Party, 2003).

Ocean currents associated with Site 1237 include (1) the northward-flowing PCC, a current that transitions into the South Equatorial Current; (2) Antarctic Intermediate Water, a northward-flowing subsurface current high in oxygen and low in both salinity and nutrients (above 1 km depth); (3) Circumpolar Deep Water, an oxygen-rich northward-flowing bottom water (below 3 km); and (4) Pacific Central Water, a southward-flowing mid-depth water characterized by relatively low oxygen and salinity and high nutrients (Shipboard Scientific Party, 2003). Subtropical water from the Equatorial Undercurrent influences water upwelled along the South American coast. Thus, the oceanography of the site is influenced by both subtropical waters as well as waters transported northward from higher southern latitudes.

Shipboard paleomagnetic results showed that the upper 200 m of sediment spanned the last 12 m.y. (Shipboard Scientific Party, 2003). In the upper 100 meters composite depth (mcd), the paleomagnetic inclination pattern could be directly correlated to the geomagnetic polarity timescale (GPTS) of Cande and Kent (1995) to the base of the Gilbert Chron 3n (5.32 Ma). Ages assigned based on these correlations are in good agreement with shipboard biostratigraphy based on diatoms, coccoliths, and foraminifers. From 100 to 160 mcd, the correlation of the inclination pattern between holes and with the GPTS are less clear. However, by stacking and smoothing the multihole natural remanent magnetization (NRM) intensities, a stacked record could be correlated to the GPTS (Cande and Kent, 1995; Shipboard Scientific Party, 2003). Below 160 mcd, the increase in NRM intensity improved the sedimentary polarity change record for this interval and is easily interpreted and correlated to the GPTS. The predominant normal polarity interval between ~175 and 181 mcd is correlated to Chron C5n. Not only are the polarity chrons identifiable, but also a consistent pattern of polarity transitions is observed between Chron C4r (~162 mcd) and Chron C5Ar (~199 mcd). All polarity chrons and subchrons are identifiable within this interval, providing exceptional stratigraphic control (Shipboard Scientific Party, 2003).

## **METHODS**

Eighty-three samples were used to provide an initial radiolarian biostratigraphic framework for Site 1237. Samples were taken along the Site 1237 composite depth scale and sampling splice as defined by the Shipboard Scientific Party (2003). On average, one sample per section from the top of the core at Sample 202-1237B-1H-1, 59–61 cm (0.59 mcd) to 7H-6, 59–61 cm (66.68 mcd) was processed and studied. One to three samples per core were processed from Sample 202-1237B-7H-6, 59–61 cm (66.68 mcd), through Sample 15H-2, 59–61 cm (143.64 mcd), at 1- to 2-m sampling intervals. In the lowermost section of the site, from Sample 202-1237B-15H-2, 59–61 cm (143.64 mcd), through 34H-1, 59–61 cm (310.09 mcd), sediments were sampled at ~10-m intervals (Table T1).

Samples were processed following the procedure described by Roelofs and Piasias (1986). The samples were treated with 50% hydrochloric acid to remove calcium carbonate, 33% hydrogen peroxide and potassium

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**T1.** Radiolarian species range chart, p. 23.

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dichromate to remove organic carbon, and finally sieved with water at 63  $\mu\text{m}$  to remove the fine fraction. The 63- $\mu\text{m}$  size fraction was randomly strewn on cover slips, dried, and mounted on slides with Canada balsam.

Two slides were processed for each sample and scanned at 100%. All samples above Sample 202-1237B-19H-2, 58–60 cm (186.45 mcd), contained a minimum of 500 radiolarians. Below that depth radiolarians were rare and sediments contained no stratigraphic radiolarians. Radiolarians were identified to the species level. When a radiolarian species identification was questionable, that species' characteristics were measured and confirmed by comparison to the most relevant published data. The radiolarian species presence and abundance was recorded using the system presented by Moore (1995) as follows:

- R = rare (<10 specimens),
- X = present (10–100 specimens),
- C = common (>100–200 specimens),
- A = abundant, (>200 specimens), and
- = looked for but not found.

The one modification to this system was the change of F = few to X = present and is used to indicate that when the species was present, it was present in consistent numbers throughout the core. In addition to qualitative abundance evaluations, overall preservation was designated using numerals between 1 and 5 where

- 1 = very poor,
- 2 = poor,
- 3 = fair,
- 4 = good, and
- 5 = very good; and

diversity was qualitatively estimated using a scale of 1 to 5 (Table T1) with

- 1 = 29 species,
- 2 = 30 species,
- 3 = 40 species,
- 4 = 50 species, and
- 5 = 90 species.

## **RESULTS**

In general, the abundance and preservation of radiolarians are very good at Site 1237 from the top of the core through Sample 202-1237B-6H-4, 59–61 cm (54.33 mcd). Radiolarians are present in lesser abundances and not as well preserved from Sample 202-1237B-6H-4, 59–61 cm (54.33 mcd), through 19H-2, 58–60 cm (186.45 mcd). Below 186.45 mcd, the core is barren of radiolarians; diatoms are also absent in this lower interval of the site (Shipboard Scientific Party, 2003).

As expected from the surface oceanography of the site, a combination of tropical and mid-latitude radiolarians are present at Site 1237. Site 1237 is located in the overlap of Molina-Cruz's (1977) "Peru" current and "Backwater" species assemblages. It is in an area where the upwelling process mixes cool, nutrient-rich waters into the Peru Current

and effects a unique radiolarian assemblage which is different from either the equatorial or subtropical waters (Molina-Cruz, 1977).

Mid-latitude radiolarian species found at Site 1237 include several species from the western mid-latitude Pacific Ocean (Caulet, 1986): *Lamprocyrtis daniellae* Caulet, 1986; *Phormostichoartus pitomorphus* Caulet, 1986; and *Acrosphaera spinosa fasciculopora* Caulet, 1986. Caulet described *L. daniellae* as a mid-latitude morphotype of *Lamprocyrtis nigrinae* Kling, 1977. *L. nigrinae* is also present at Site 1237; the last occurrence (LO) of *L. daniellae* is preceded by the first occurrence (FO) of *L. nigrinae*. Although Nigrini and Caulet (1988) found *Anthocyrtidium prolatum* Nigrini and Caulet, 1988, in the western tropical Pacific Ocean but not at their central Pacific Ocean site and Sanfilippo and Nigrini (1998) held that *A. prolatum* was not found in the Pacific Ocean, this species was found at Site 1237 but was not used in the biostratigraphy except to confirm relative ages. The exclusion of *A. prolatum* in studies by Johnson and Nigrini (1985) and Moore (1995) also suggests that *A. prolatum* is, if present, very rare in the eastern Pacific.

*Cycladophora divisiana* (Ehrenberg) Petrushevskaya, 1967; *L. nigrinae*; *Plectacantha cremastoplegma* Nigrini, 1968; *Dictyophimus infabricatus*, Nigrini, 1968; *Lamprocyrtis maritima ventricosa* Nigrini, 1968; *Acrosphaera murrayana* (Haeckel) group Nigrini and Caulet, 1992; and *Phormostichoartus crustula* Caulet, 1979, are radiolarian species endemic to areas of upwelling (Nigrini and Caulet, 1992). These radiolarians are represented throughout the core within each species' extant range. In general, upwelling was indicated when *C. divisiana* was very common (>35 individuals per sample) or *L. nigrinae*, *P. cremastoplegma*, *D. infabricatus*, *L. m. ventricosa*, *A. murrayana*, or *P. crustula* were present (1–20 individuals per sample).

### **Reworking**

Some reworking was found intermittently at depths of 59.91 mcd (Sample 202-1237C-6H-6, 59–61 cm), 73.34 mcd (Sample 202-1237B-8H-4, 59–61 cm), 74.85 mcd (Sample 202-1237B-8H-5, 59–61 cm), 75.12 mcd (Sample 202-1237C-8H-3, 12–14 cm), and 78.61 mcd (Sample 202-1237D-5H-3, 12–14 cm); reworking is then continuous to 186.45 mcd (Sample 202-1237B-19H-2, 58–60 cm) (~10.945 Ma). The presence of *Didymocyrtis prismatica* (Haeckel, 1887) Sanfilippo and Riedel, 1980, found at depths of 55.83 mcd (Sample 202-1237B-6H-5, 59–61 cm) and 56.89 mcd (Sample 202-1237C-6H-4, 59–61 cm) indicated reworking from the late Oligocene/early Miocene to the late Pliocene. This is consistent with the reworking of Eocene–Oligocene diatoms into the upper Pliocene *Nitzschia marina* Zone, which was reported in Sample 202-1237B-6H-5, 70 cm (50.2 mcd) (Shipboard Scientific Party, 2003). Moore (1995) showed an inverse correlation to sedimentation rate and abundance of older radiolarians in younger sediments; the faster the accumulation of sediment, the less reworking was evident in the core. Moore (1995) also found that generally the age of the oldest reworked radiolarian present was never older than the maximum age indicated for the site.

### **Volcanic Ash Layers**

Very high abundances of volcanic ash were found in seven of our radiolarian samples: at 30.98 mcd (Sample 202-1237D-3H-5, 59–61 cm), 54.330 mcd (Sample 202-1237B-6H-5, 59–61 cm), 58.40 mcd (Sample

202-1237C-6H-5, 59–61 cm), 68.38 mcd (Sample 7H-5, 59–61 cm), 69.88 mcd (Sample 7H-6, 59–61 cm), 98.67 mcd (Sample 10H-5, 10–12 cm), and 138.53 mcd (Sample 14H-2, 67–69 cm). These potential ash layers were not recorded in the Site 1237 preliminary data (Table T2). In addition, we found two radiolarian samples with very high abundances of volcanic ash in Samples 202-1237C-4H-4, 59–61 cm (34.86 mcd), and 7H-4, 59–61 cm (66.886 mcd), that can be correlated to ash layers found in other holes of the site. Ash layers reported in the Hole 1237B in Samples 202-1237B-4H-4, 79–86 cm (34.130 mcd), and 7H-6, 85–88 cm (66.94 mcd), correlate to the above radiolarian samples, respectively, and are likely the same ash layers found in Hole 1237B (see table T9 in Shipboard Scientific Party, 2003). The ash layers at 54.33 mcd and 58.40 mcd are above and below the area of reworking from the early Oligocene/late Miocene at 55.83 mcd (Sample 202-1237B-6H-5, 59–61 cm) and 56.89 mcd (Sample 202-1237C-6H-4, 59–61 cm), respectively, and may be associated with that sediment disturbance event.

T2. Ash layer data, p. 26.

### Zonation

Two published radiolarian zonations were considered to be appropriate for Site 1237:

1. The zonation of Moore's 1995 extensive study on radiolarians in the eastern tropical Pacific, ODP Leg 138.
2. The tropical zonation of Sanfilippo and Nigrini (1998).

Moore's (1995) zonation differs only slightly from Sanfilippo and Nigrini (1998) in that Moore developed radiolarian zones that are unique to ODP Leg 138 studies and he used the older Cande and Kent (1992) geomagnetic stratigraphy, which is slightly different than the revised Cande and Kent (1995) geomagnetic stratigraphy. More importantly, paleomagnetic stratigraphy was only available on a few low-sedimentation Leg 138 sites, but the rather detailed chronology was available based on orbital tuning of sediment geochemical signals (Shackleton et al., 1995).

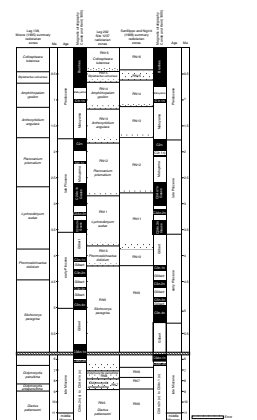
Primary differences in the zonal definitions of these two studies are

1. The RN11 *Lychmodictyum audax* interval zone of Sanfilippo and Nigrini (1998), which is approximately equivalent to the *Anthocyrtdium jenghisi* Zone of Moore (1995). The top this zone is defined by the LO of *Stichocorys peregrina*, and the base of the zone is defined by the LO of *Phormostichoartus doliolum*.
2. Sanfilippo and Nigrini (1998) split Zones RN12 and RN11 into interval subzones recognized only in the Indian Ocean. These subzones were not used in this study.

The two zonations are illustrated, along with the zonation defined for Site 1237, in Figure F1. The formal definitions of these zones are given below.

Sanfilippo and Nigrini (1998) developed their radiolarian biostratigraphic system for low latitudes so it is correlated to the GPTS of Cande and Kent (1995). Because of the location of Site 1237 and the presence of many tropical biostratigraphic species, it was determined that the tropical biostratigraphy was most suitable. Sanfilippo and Nigrini (1998) also suggested the development of an exclusive biostratigraphy for local and regional sites; however, Site 1237 conforms reasonably

F1. Zonations, p. 18.



well to their zonation and thus is used as the basis for our zonation of Site 1237. Four species extinction or appearance events were used to estimate a radiolarian-based chronology for Site 1237: the LO of *Stylatractus universus* (0.42 Ma), the LO of *S. peregrina* (2.76 Ma), the evolutionary transition interval between *S. peregrina* and *Stichocorys delmontensis* (6.71 Ma), and the LO of *Diartus hughesi* (7.70 Ma) (Sanfilippo et al., 1985; ages determined from Sanfilippo and Nigrini, 1998). For these four radiolarian datums we can construct an estimated age-depth relationship for the site. In Figure F2 the age of each sample studied is estimated using these four radiolarian datums and compared to the paleomagnetic chron ages of Site 1237 (Shipboard Scientific Party, 2003). The agreement is excellent ( $R^2 = 0.9923$ ). Given that the paleomagnetic chron ages are so well correlated to the radiolarian biostratigraphic ages, it was decided that we would use the paleomagnetic chronology ages to estimate missing parts of the radiolarian zonation. Five zonal boundaries that could not be identified directly from missing first or last appearances of indicator species were estimated based on the paleomagnetic chronology.

Using the paleomagnetic data from Site 1237 we can estimate the ages of all radiolarian datums; Table T3 compares radiolarian biostratigraphic events of Site 1237 estimated from the paleomagnetic record and published ages of radiolarian biostratigraphic events. The correlation between the published radiolarian ages and the estimated radiolarian ages at Site 1237 is very good ( $R^2 = 0.9823$ ) (Fig. F3).

Overall ages at Site 1237 agree well with Moore (1995) ( $R^2 = 0.9625$ ) and Sanfilippo and Nigrini (1998) ( $R^2 = 0.991$ ) (Table T3; Fig. F4). The average of the absolute values of differences is 291 k.y. with the largest difference found for the FO of *Anthocyrtidium ehrenbergi* (difference = 1415 k.y.) and the *Diartus petterssoni* to *D. hughesi* transition (difference = 740 k.y.).

### Zonal Definitions

Figure F5 shows the zonation of Site 1237 based on our radiolarian analysis. In Figure F5, dashed lines denote estimated zonal boundaries, whereas solid lines indicate zones represented by the radiolarian species of Sanfilippo and Nigrini (1998). The zonation for Site 1237 is defined following Sanfilippo and Nigrini (1998) as follows.

#### Zone RN17 (*Buccinosphaera invaginata* Taxon-Range Zone)

**Author:** Nigrini (1971)

**Remarks:** This zone was not found at Site 1237. The core sampling began at a depth of 0.59 mcd; it is possible that Zone RN17 was not sampled.

#### Zone RN16 (*Collosphaera tuberosa* Interval Zone)

**Author:** Nigrini (1971)

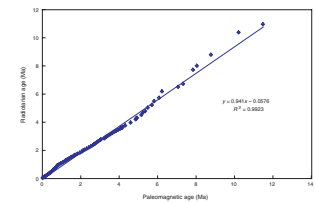
**Top:** FO of *Buccinosphaera invaginata*

**Base:** LO of *Stylatractus universus*

**Interval:** Sample 202-1237D-1H-6, 59–61 cm (10.42 mcd), through Sample 202-1237C-2H-3, 59–61 cm (11.80 mcd).

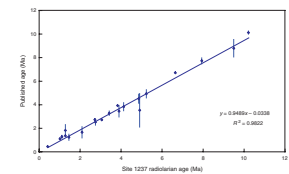
**Remarks:** *B. invaginata* was not found at Site 1237 (see “Zone RN17,” p. 6, remarks).

F2. Paleomagnetic and calculated radiolarian ages, p. 19.

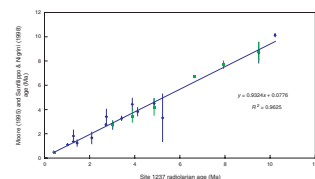


T3. Median species ages, p. 29.

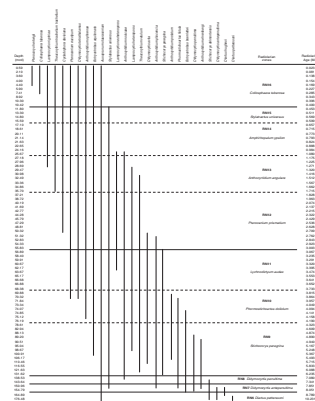
F3. Published and Site 1237 radiolarian datums, p. 20.



F4. Moore, Sanfilippo and Nigrini, and Site 1237 radiolarian datums, p. 21.



F5. Radiolarian biostratigraphy range chart, p. 22.



### **Zone RN15 (*Stylatractus universus* Interval Zone Concurrent Range Zone)**

**Author:** Caulet (1979); renamed by Johnson et al. (1989)  
**Top:** LO of *Stylatractus universus*  
**Top interval:** Sample 202-1237D-1H-6, 59–61 cm (10.42 mcd), through Sample 202-1237C-2H-3, 59–61 cm (11.80 mcd).  
**Base:** FO of *Collosphaera tuberosa*  
**Base interval:** Sample 202-1237D-2H-2, 59–61 cm (15.59 mcd), through Sample 202-1237D-2H-3, 59–61 cm (17.10 mcd).  
**Remarks:** *C. tuberosa* was found only in Sample 202-1237D-1H-4, 59–61 cm (7.41 mcd). The base age of this zone was estimated using paleomagnetic chronology ages of Site 1237 (Shipboard Scientific Party, 2003).

### **Zone RN14 (*Amphirhopalum ypsilon* Interval Zone)**

**Author:** Nigrini (1971)  
**Top:** FO of *Collosphaera tuberosa*  
**Top interval:** Sample 202-1237D-2H-2, 59–61 cm (15.59 mcd), through Sample 2H-3, 59–61 cm (17.10 mcd).  
**Base:** LO of *Anthocyrtidium angulare*  
**Base interval:** Sample 202-1237C-3H-4, 59–61 cm (25.67 mcd), through Sample 3H-5, 59–61 cm (27.18 mcd).  
**Remarks:** *C. tuberosa* was found only in Sample 202-1237D-1H-4, 59–61 cm (7.41 mcd). *A. angulare*, the species defining the bottom of interval Zone RN14, is not present. The top and base of this zone were estimated using paleomagnetic chronology ages of Site 1237 (Shipboard Scientific Party, 2003). The base of this zone is confirmed by the LO of *Lamprocyrtis neoheteroporos* (Kling, 1973) (Anderson, et al., 1988) and *Anthocyrtidium nosicae* (Caulet, 1979) (Nigrini and Caulet, 1988). *A. nosicae* is a species with an LO of ~1.00 Ma and is approximately concurrent with the LO of *A. angulare* (Nigrini and Caulet, 1988).

### **Zone RN13 (*Anthocyrtidium angulare* Interval Zone)**

**Author:** Nigrini (1971)  
**Top:** LO of *Anthocyrtidium angulare*.  
**Top interval:** Sample 202-1237C-3H-4, 59–61 cm (25.67mcd), through Sample 3H-5, 59–61 cm (27.18 mcd).  
**Base:** LO of *Pterocanium prismatium*.  
**Base interval:** Sample 202-1237D-4H-2, 59–61 cm (35.70 mcd), through Sample 4H-3, 59–61 cm (37.21 mcd).  
**Remarks:** *A. angulare* and *P. prismatium* were not found at Site 1237. The top and base of this zone were estimated using paleomagnetic chronology ages of Site 1237. The FO of *Lamprocyrtis nigrinae* and the LO of *Lamprocyrtis heteroporos* occur in this zone and are consistent with the zonation of Sanfilippo and Nigrini (1998). The transition of *Theocorythium trachelium trachelium* to *Theocorythium vetulum* occurs in the lowermost portion of this zone at Site 1237 and is a slightly younger event than the transition from *T. t. trachelium* to *T. vetulum* in Zone RN12 of Sanfilippo and Nigrini (1998) (Table T3).

### **Zone RN12 (*Pterocanium prismatium* Interval Zone)**

**Author:** Riedel and Sanfilippo (1970); emend. Riedel and Sanfilippo (1978); emend. Sanfilippo et al. (1985)

**Top:** LO of *Pterocanium prismatium*.

**Top interval:** Sample 202-1237D-4H-2, 59–61 cm (35.70 mcd), through Sample 4H-3, 59–61 cm (37.21 mcd).

**Base:** LO of *Stichocorys peregrina*.

**Base interval:** Sample 202-1237C-6H-4, 59–61 cm (56.89 mcd), through Sample 6H-5, 59–61 cm (58.40 mcd).

**Remarks:** *P. prismatium* is not present at Site 1237. The top of this zone was estimated using paleomagnetic chronology ages of Site 1237 (Shipboard Scientific Party, 2003). The FO of *C. divisiana* occurs in this zone and is consistent with the zonation of Sanfilippo and Nigrini (1998).

### **Zone RN11 (*Lychnodictyum audax* Interval Zone)**

**Author:** Sanfilippo and Nigrini (1998)

**Top:** LO of *Stichocorys peregrina*.

**Top interval:** Sample 202-1237C-6H-4, 59–61 cm (56.89 mcd), through Sample 6H-5, 59–61 cm (58.40 mcd).

**Base:** LO of *Phormostichoartus doliolum*.

**Base interval:** Sample 202-1237C-7H-5, 59–61 cm (68.38 mcd), through Sample 7H-6, 59–61 cm (69.88 mcd).

**Remarks:** *P. doliolum* was not found at Site 1237; the bottom of the zone boundary was estimated using paleomagnetic chronology ages of Site 1237 (Shipboard Scientific Party, 2003).

### **Zone RN10 (*Phormostichoartus doliolum* Interval Zone)**

**Author:** Johnson et al. (1989); emend. Moore (1995)

**Top:** LO of *Phormostichoartus doliolum*.

**Top interval:** Sample 202-1237C-7H-5, 59–61 cm (68.38 mcd), through Sample 7H-6, 59–61 cm (69.88 mcd).

**Base:** LO of *Didymocyrtis penultima*.

**Base interval:** Sample 202-1237D-5H-1, 72–74 cm (76.19 mcd), through Sample 5H-3, 12–14 cm (78.610 mcd).

**Remarks:** *P. doliolum* was not found at Site 1237; the top of the zone boundary was estimated using paleomagnetic chronology ages of Site 1237 (Shipboard Scientific Party, 2003).

### **Zone RN9 (*Stichocorys peregrina* Interval Zone)**

**Author:** Riedel and Sanfilippo (1970); emend. Riedel and Sanfilippo (1978)

**Top:** LO of *Didymocyrtis penultima*.

**Top interval:** Sample 202-1237D-5H-1, 72–74 cm (76.19 mcd), through Sample 5H-3, 12–14 cm (78.610 mcd).

**Base:** Evolutionary transition from *S. delmontensis* to *S. peregrina*.

**Base interval:** Sample 202-1237C-13H-5, 58–60 cm (131.62 mcd), through Sample 14H-2, 67–69 cm (138.53 mcd).



### **Zone RN8 (*Didymocyrtis penultima* Interval Zone)**

**Author:** Riedel and Sanfilippo (1970); emend. Riedel and Sanfilippo (1978)

**Top:** Evolutionary transition from *S. delmontensis* to *S. peregrina*.

**Top interval:** Sample 202-1237C-13H-5, 58–60 cm (131.62 mcd), through Sample 14H-2, 67–69 cm (138.53 mcd).

**Base:** LO of *Diartus hughesi*.

**Base interval:** Sample 202-1237C-15H-4, 58–60 cm (143.64 mcd), through Sample 15H-4, 58–60 cm (150.96 mcd).

### **Zone RN7 (*Didymocyrtis antepenultima* Interval Zone)**

**Author:** Riedel and Sanfilippo (1970); emend. Riedel and Sanfilippo (1978)

**Top:** LO of *Diartus petterssoni*.

**Top interval:** Sample 202-1237C-15H-4, 58–60 cm (143.64 mcd), through Sample 15H-4, 58–60 cm (150.96 mcd).

**Base:** Evolutionary transition from *D. petterssoni* to *D. hughesi*; diachronous event (Johnson and Nigrini, 1985).

**Base interval:** Sample 202-1237B-16H-3, 58–60 cm (154.79 mcd), through Sample 17H-2, 58–60 cm (164.89 mcd).

### **Zone RN6 (*Diartus petterssoni* Interval Zone)**

**Author:** Riedel and Sanfilippo (1970); emend. Riedel and Sanfilippo (1978)

**Top:** Evolutionary transition from *D. petterssoni* to *D. hughesi*; diachronous event (Johnson and Nigrini, 1985).

**Top interval:** Sample 202-1237B-16H-3, 58–60 cm (154.79 mcd), through Sample 17H-2, 58–60 cm (164.89 mcd).

**Base:** FO of *D. petterssoni*; diachronous event (Johnson and Nigrini, 1985).

**Base interval and last sample containing radiolarians:** Sample 202-1237B-19H-2, 58–60 cm (186.45 mcd).

## **SUMMARY**

Site 1237 is in an area of upwelling and is influenced by both subtropical water as well as water transported northward from higher southern latitudes.

The shipboard paleomagnetic results based on the GPTS of Cande and Kent (1995) are in good agreement with the biostratigraphy of radiolarians studied at Site 1237 and with the biostratigraphic zonation set forth by Sanfilippo and Nigrini (1998) and Moore (1995). Although several marker species were not present, paleomagnetic age estimates are used to define the age boundaries of the radiolarian zonation and are used to estimate the age of 21 radiolarian datums in the southeastern Pacific Ocean. Reworking was generally minor and did not affect the radiolarian biostratigraphy at the site. Reworking from the Eocene–Miocene was found in one radiolarian sample and also found at about the same depth and age as in the shipboard diatom studies. Shipboard studies tabulated 55 ash layers at the site; many of these ash layers could be correlated to the radiolarian samples studied. Abundant ash was found

in several radiolarian samples in holes that were not noted in the ship-board preliminary studies but could be found in corresponding holes at the site.

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## APPENDIX

### Species List

#### *Acrosphaera murrayana* (Haeckel) group Nigrini and Caulet

*Acrosphaera murrayana* (Haeckel) group Nigrini and Caulet, 1992, p. 144, pl. 1, figs. 2–4.

#### *Acrosphaera spinosa fasciculopora* Caulet

*Acrosphaera spinosa fasciculopora* Caulet. Caulet, 1986, p. 849, pl. 1, fig. 1.

#### *Amphirhopalum ypsilon* (Haeckel)

*Amphirhopalum ypsilon* Haeckel, 1887, p. 522; Nigrini, 1967, p. 35, pl. 3, figs. 3a–3d.

#### *Anthocyrtidium ehrenbergi* (Stöhr) group

*Anthocyrtis ehrenbergi* Stöhr. Stöhr, 1880, p. 100, pl. 3, fig., 21a, 21b.

*Anthocyrtidium ehrenbergi* (Stöhr). Riedel et al., 1974, p. 712, pl. 60, fig. 10; pl. 61, fig. 1.

#### *Anthocyrtidium nosicae* Caulet

*Anthocyrtidium nosicae* Caulet. Caulet, 1979, p. 132, pl. 2, figs. 8, 9.

#### *Anthocyrtidium ophirensis* (Ehrenberg)

*Anthocyrtis ophirensis* Ehrenberg, 1872a, p. 301; Haeckel, 1887, p. 1270.

*Anthocyrtidium ophirensis* Nigrini, 1967, p. 56, pl. 6, fig. 3.

#### *Anthocyrtidium pliocenica* (Seguenza)

*Anthocyrtis ehrenbergi* Stöhr var. *pliocenica* Seguenza, in Stöhr, 1880, p. 232.

*Anthocyrtidium pliocenica* Nigrini and Caulet, 1988, p. 355, pl. 2, figs. 5, 6.

#### *Anthocyrtidium prolatum* Nigrini and Caulet

*Anthocyrtidium prolatum* Nigrini and Caulet. Nigrini and Caulet, 1988, p. 355, pl. 2, figs. 7–10.

#### *Axoprunum stauraxonium* Haeckel

*Axoprunum stauraxonium* Haeckel. Haeckel, 1887, p. 298, pl. 48, fig. 4; Hays, 1965, p. 170, pl. 1, fig. 3.

#### *Botryostrobus aquilonaris* (Bailey) group

*Eucyrtidium aquilonaris* Bailey, 1856, p. 4, pl. 1, fig. 9.

*Botryostrobus aquilonaris* (Bailey) Nigrini, 1977, p. 246, pl. 1, fig. 1.

#### *Botryostrobus bramlettei bramlettei* (Campbell and Clark)

*Lithomitra bramlettei* Campbell and Clark, 1944, p. 53, pl. 7, figs. 10–14.

*Botryostrobus bramlettei bramlettei* (Campbell and Clark) Caulet, 1979, p. 129, pl. 1, fig. 5.

***Buccinospheara invaginata* Haeckel**

*Buccinospheara invaginata* Haeckel. Haeckel, 1887, p. 99, pl. 5, fig. 11; Knoll and Johnson, 1975, p. 249, pl. 1, fig. 9.

***Collosphaera tuberosa* Haeckel**

*Collosphaera tuberosa* Haeckel. Haeckel, 1887, p. 97; Nigrini, 1971, p. 445, pl. 34.1, fig. 1.

***Cyrtocapsella japonica* Nakaseko**

*Cyrtocapsella japonica* Nakaseko. Nakaseko, 1963, p. 193, text-figs. 20–21, pl. 4, figs. 1–3.

***Cycladophora davisiana* (Ehrenberg)**

*Cycladophora? davisiana* Ehrenberg, 1861, p. 297; 1872b, pl. 2, fig. 11.  
*Cycladophora davisiana* (Ehrenberg) Petrushevskaya, 1967, p. 122, fig. 69 (I–VII).

***Diartus hughesi* (Campbell and Clark)**

*Ommatocampe hughesi* Campbell and Clark, 1944, p. 23, pl. 3, fig. 12.  
*Diartus hughesi* (Campbell and Clark) Sanfilippo and Riedel, 1980, p. 1010.

***Diartus petterssoni* (Riedel and Sanfilippo)**

*Cannartus(?) petterssoni* Riedel and Sanfilippo, 1970, p. 520, pl. 14, fig. 3.  
*Diartus petterssoni* (Riedel and Sanfilippo) Sanfilippo and Riedel, 1980, p. 1010, text-fig. 1, h.

***Dictyophimus infabricatus* Nigrini**

*Dictyophimus infabricatus* Nigrini. Nigrini 1968, p. 56, pl. 1, fig. 6.

***Didymocyrtis antepenultima* (Riedel and Sanfilippo)**

*Ommatartus antepenultima* Riedel and Sanfilippo, 1970, p. 521, pl. 14, fig. 4.  
*Didymocyrtis antepenultima* (Riedel and Sanfilippo) Sanfilippo and Riedel, 1980, p. 1010.

***Didymocyrtis avita* (Riedel)**

*Panartus avita* Riedel, 1953, p. 808, pl. 84, fig. 7.  
*Didymocyrtis avita* (Riedel) Sanfilippo and Riedel, 1980, p. 1010.

***Didymocyrtis penultima* (Riedel)**

*Panarium penultimum* Riedel, 1957, p. 76, pl. 1, fig. 1.  
*Didymocyrtis penultima* (Riedel) Sanfilippo and Riedel, 1980, p. 1010, text-fig. 1, f.

***Didymocyrtis prismatica* (Haeckel)**

*Pipettella prismatica* Haeckel, 1887, p. 305, pl. 39, fig. 6.  
*Didymocyrtis prismatica* (Haeckel) Sanfilippo and Riedel, 1980, p. 1010.

***Didymocyrtis tetrathalamus* (Haeckel)**

*Panartus tetrathalamus* Haeckel, 1887, p. 378, pl. 40, fig. 3.  
*Didymocyrtis tetrathalamus* (Haeckel) Sanfilippo and Riedel, 1980, p. 1010, text-fig. 1, g.

***Lamprocyclus maritalis* Haeckel *ventricosa* Nigrini**

*Lamprocyclus maritalis* Haeckel *ventricosa* Nigrini, 1968, p. 57, pl. 1, fig. 9.

***Lamprocyrtis heteroporos* (Hays)**

*Lamprocyclus heteroporos* Hays, 1965, p. 179, pl. 3, fig. 1.

*Lamprocyrtis heteroporos* (Hays) Kling, 1973, p. 639, pl. 5, figs. 19–21; pl. 15, fig. 6.

***Lamprocyrtis neoheteroporos* Kling**

*Lamprocyrtis neoheteroporos* Kling, 1973, p. 639, pl. 5, fig. 17; pl. 15, figs. 4, 5.

***Lamprocyrtis nigrinia* (Caulet)**

*Conarachnium nigrinia* Caulet, 1971, p. 3, figs. 1–4; pl. 4, figs. 1–4.

*Lamprocyrtis nigrinia* (Caulet) Kling, 1977, p. 217, pl. 1, fig. 17.

***Phormostichoartus crustula* (Caulet)**

*Lithamphora crustula* Caulet 1979, p. 131, pl. 2, fig. 1.

*Phormostichoartus crustula* (Caulet) Nigrini and Caulet, 1992, p. 161, pl. 6, figs. 10–14.

***Phormostichoartus doliolum* (Riedel and Sanfilippo)**

*Artostrobium doliolum* Riedel and Sanfilippo, 1971, p. 1599, pl. 1H, figs. 1–3; pl. 8, figs. 14, 15.

*Phormostichoartus doliolum* (Riedel and Sanfilippo) Nigrini, 1977, p. 252, pl. 1, fig. 14.

***Phormostichoartus fistula* Nigrini**

*Phormostichoartus fistula* Nigrini. Nigrini, 1977, p. 253, pl. 1, figs. 11–13.

***Plectacantha cremastoplegma* Nigrini**

*Plectacantha cremastoplegma* Nigrini. Nigrini, 1968, p. 55, pl. 1, fig. 3a–3c, text-fig. 2.

***Pterocanium auritum* Nigrini and Caulet**

*Pterocanium auritum* Nigrini and Caulet. Nigrini and Caulet, 1992, p. 152, pl. 4, figs. 6–8.

***Pterocanium praetextum* (Ehrenberg) *eucolpum* Haeckel**

*Pterocanium eucolpum* Haeckel, 1887, p. 1322, pl. 73, fig. 4; Nigrini, 1967, p. 70, pl. 7, fig. 2.

***Pterocorys hertwigii* (Haeckel)**

*Pterocorys hertwigii* (Haeckel). Haeckel, 1887, p. 1491, pl. 80, fig. 12; Nigrini and Moore, 1979, p. N85, pl. 25, fig. 9.

***Stichocorys delmontensis* (Campbell and Clark)**

*Eucyrtidium delmontense* Campbell and Clark, 1944, p. 56, pl. 7, figs. 19, 20.

*Stichocorys delmontensis* (Campbell and Clark) Sanfilippo and Riedel, 1970, p. 451, pl. 1, fig. 9.



***Stichocorys peregrina* (Riedel)**

*Eucyrtidium elongatum peregrinum* Riedel, 1953, p. 812, pl. 85, fig. 2.  
*Stichocorys peregrina* (Riedel) Sanfilippo and Riedel, 1970, p. 451, pl. 1, fig. 10.

***Stylatractus universus* Hays**

*Stylatractus universus* Hays, 1970, p. 215, pl. 1, figs. 1, 2.

***Theocorythium trachelium trachelium* (Ehrenberg)**

*Eucyrtidium Trachelius* Ehrenberg, 1872a, p. 312.  
*Theocorythium trachelium trachelium* (Ehrenberg), Nigrini, 1967, p. 79, pl. 8, fig. 2; pl. 9, fig. 2.

***Theocorythium trachelium* (Ehrenberg) *dianae* Haeckel**

*Theocorys dianae* Haeckel, 1887, p. 1416, pl. 69, fig. 11.  
*Theocorythium trachelium* (Ehrenberg) *dianae* (Haeckel), Nigrini, 1967, p. 77, pl. 8, fig. 1a, 1b; pl. 9, fig. 1a, 1b.

***Theocorythium vetulum* Nigrini**

*Theocorythium vetulum* Nigrini, 1971, p. 447, pl. 34.1, fig. 6a, 6b.

**Figure F1.** Zonations of Moore (1995), Sanfilippo and Nigrini (1998), and Shipboard Scientific Party (2003). Species interval zones were included with the zonal code numbers for clarity.

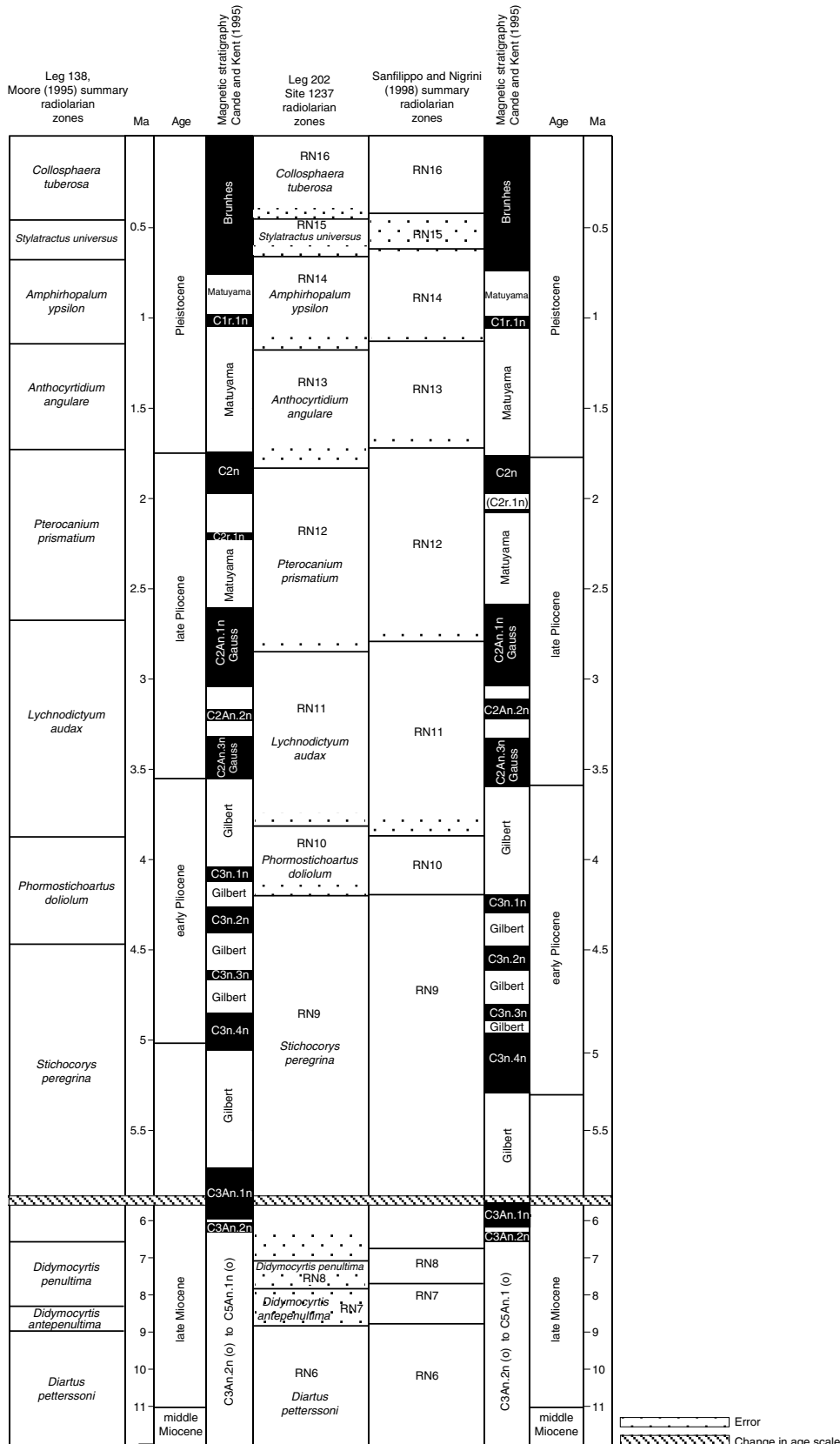


Figure F2. Leg 202, Site 1237 paleomagnetic and calculated radiolarian ages.

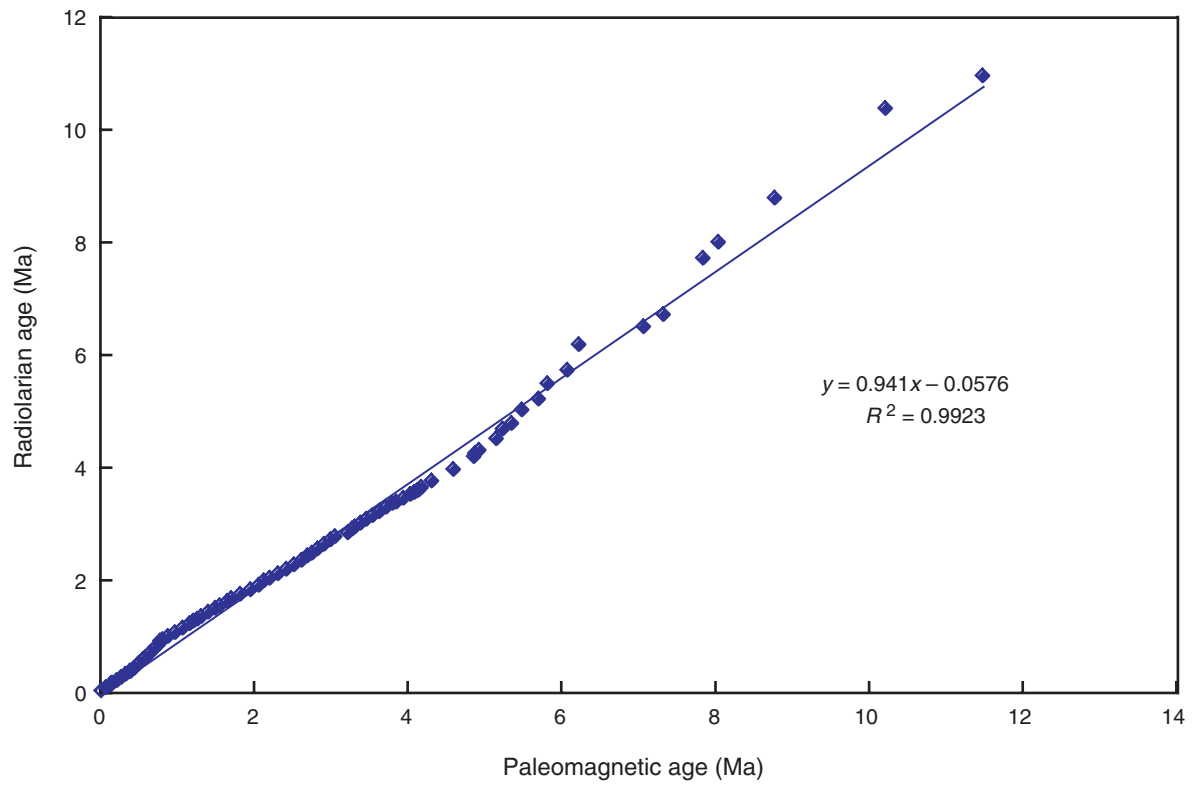


Figure F3. Published and Leg 202, Site 1237 (Shipboard Scientific Party, 2003) radiolarian datums.

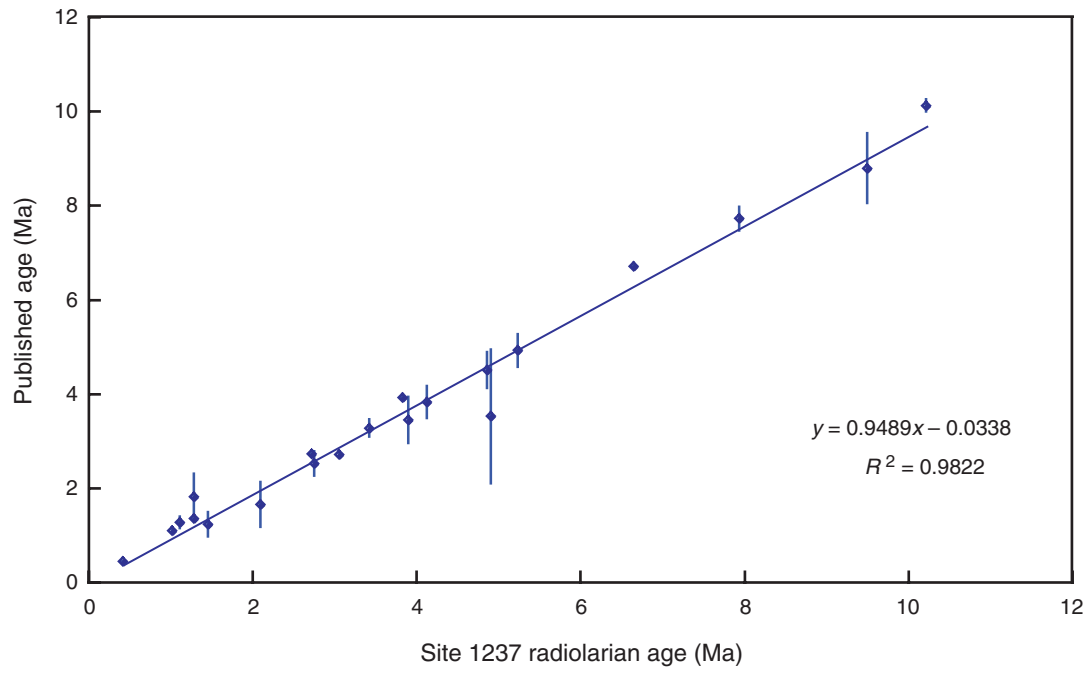
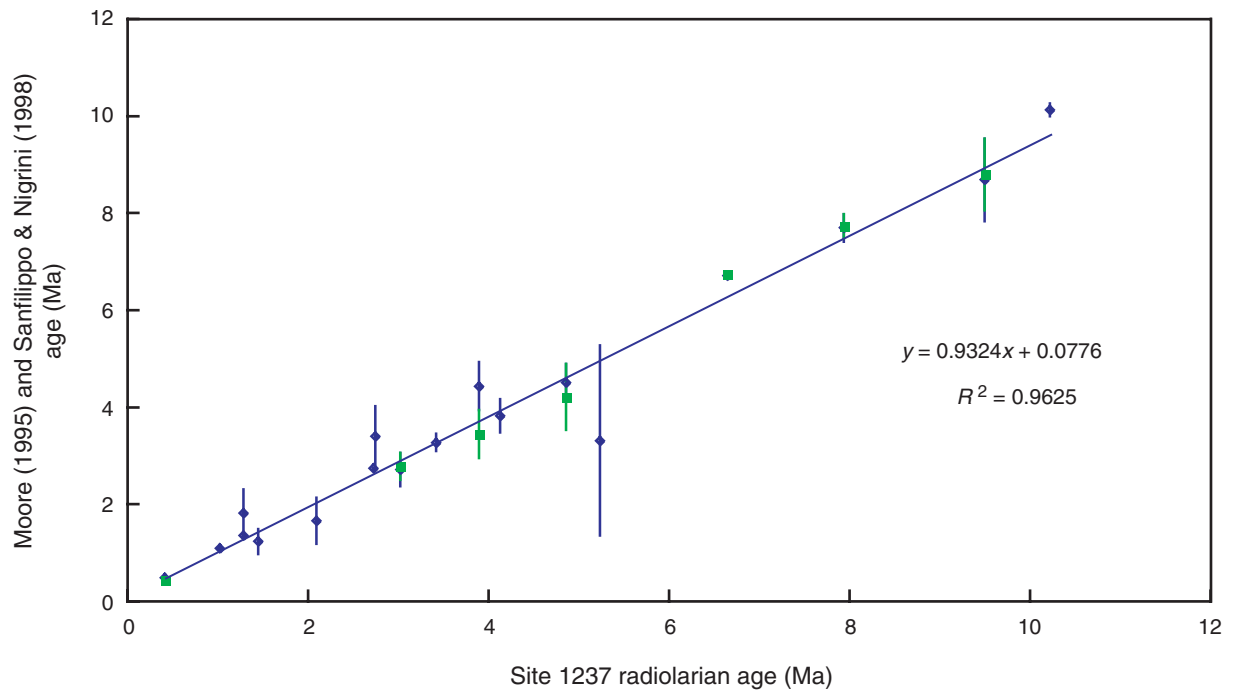


Figure F4. Moore (1995), Sanfilippo and Nigrini (1998), and Shipboard Scientific Party (2003) radiolarian datums.



**Figure F5. Leg 202, Site 1237 radiolarian biostratigraphy range chart.**

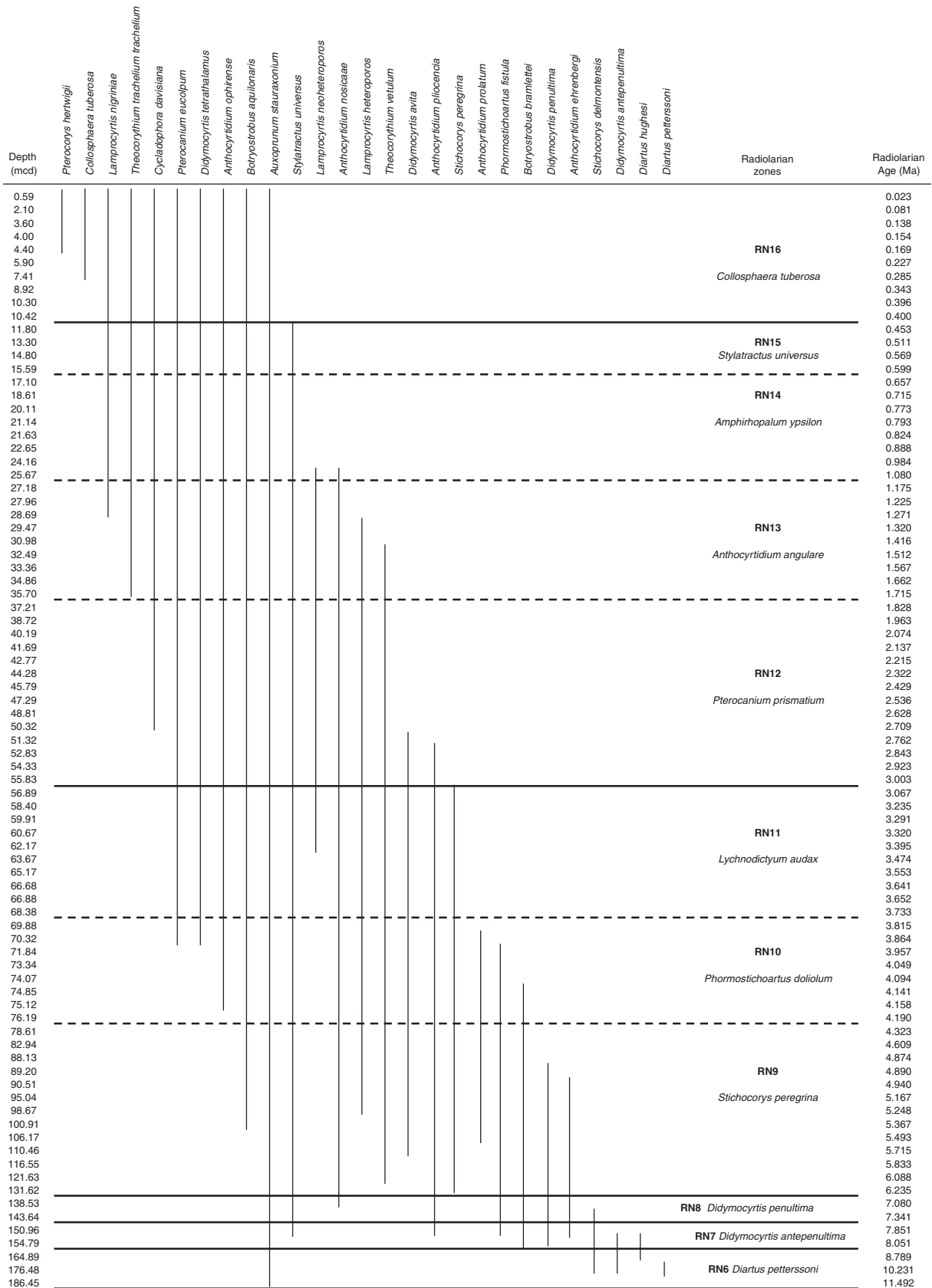


Table T1. Leg 202, Site 1237 radiolarian species range chart. (See table notes. Continued on next two pages.)

Zone	Depth		Age (Ma)	Paleomagnetic chronology	Hole, core, section, interval (cm)	Assemblage			Pterococys hertwigii	Collosphaera tuberosa	Lamprocyrtis nigrinae	Theocorythium trachelium trachelium	Cycladophora davisiana	Pterocanium eucolpum	Didymocyrtis tetralhamus	Anthocorytidium ophirensis	Botryostrobus aquilonaris	Axoprunum stauraxonium	Stylatractus universus	Lamprocyrtis neoheteroporos	Anthocorytidium nosicae	Lamprocyrtis heteroporos	Theocorythium vetulum	Didymocyrtis avita	Anthocorytidium plicocencia	Stichoconys peregrina	Anthocorytidium prolatum	Phormostichoartus fistula	Botryostrobus bramlettei	Didymocyrtis penultima	Anthocorytidium ehrenbergi	Stichoconys delmontensis	Didymocyrtis antepenultima	Diartus hughesi	Diartus petterssoni			
	(mbsf)	(mcd)				Abundance	Preservation	Diversity																														
RN16 <i>Collosphaera tuberosa</i>	0.59	0.59	0.023	Brunhes C1n	1237B-1H-1, 59-61	4	4	4	R	—	C	R	A	R	X	X	A	X																				
	2.10	2.10	0.081		1237B-1H-2, 59-61	4	4	4	—	—	C	—	A	R	—	X	C	R																				
	3.60	3.60	0.138		1237B-1H-3, 59-61	4	4	4	—	—	C	—	A	R	X	X	C	R																				
	4.00	4.00	0.154		1237D-1H-1, 82-84	4	4	4	—	—	X	R	C/A	R	X	—	X	X																				
	4.90	4.40	0.169		1237D-1H-2, 58-60	5	4	4	R	—	A	R	C	R	X	C	X	X																				
	6.40	5.90	0.227		1237D-1H-3, 58-60	5	4	4	—	—	C	R	C	R	X	—	C	X																				
	7.91	7.41	0.285		1237D-1H-4, 59-61	5	4	4	—	R	X	R	X	R	X	X	X	X																				
	9.42	8.92	0.343		1237D-1H-5, 59-61	4	4	4	—	—	X	R	X	R	X	X	X	X	—																			
	11.40	10.30	0.396		1237C-2H-2, 59-61	4	4	4	—	—	X	R	X	R	X	—	X	X	—																			
	10.92	10.42	0.400		1237D-1H-6, 59-61	4	4	4	—	—	X	R	C/A	R	X	—	X	X	—																			
RN15 <i>Stylatractus universus</i>	12.90	11.80	0.453	1237C-2H-3, 59-61	4	4	4	—	—	X	—	C	R	X	X	C	X	X																				
	14.40	13.30	0.511	1237C-2H-4, 59-61	4	4	4	—	—	X	—	C	R	X	—	C	X	X																				
	15.90	14.80	0.569	1237C-2H-5, 59-61	4	4	3	—	—	X	R	X	R	X	X	X	X	X																				
	14.39	15.59	0.599	1237D-2H-2, 59-61	4	4	3	—	—	X	—	X	R	X	X	C	X	X																				
	15.90	17.10	0.657	1237D-2H-3, 59-61	4	3	3	—	—	X	—	X	R	X	—	X	X	X																				
RN14 <i>Amphirhopalum ypsilon</i>	17.41	18.61	0.715	1237D-2H-4, 59-61	4	4	4	—		X	—	X	—	X	X	X	X	X																				
	18.91	20.11	0.773	1237D-2H-5, 59-61	4	4	4	—		X	—	C	—	X	X	C	X	X																				
	19.39	21.14	0.793	1237C-3H-1, 59-61	1	1	1	—		—	—	X	—	—	—	—	—	—																				
	20.43	21.63	0.824	1237D-2H-6, 59-61	4	4	4	—		X	—	X	R	X	X	X	X	X	—																			
	20.90	22.65	0.888	1237C-3H-2, 59-61	3	3	3	—		C	—	C	R	X	X	A	X	X	—																			
	22.41	24.16	0.984	1237C-3H-3, 59-61	3	3	2	—		X	—	X	R	X	—	A	R	C	—																			
	23.92	25.67	1.080	1237C-3H-4, 59-61	4	4	4	—		C	R	C	R	X	X	A	X	C	R	X																		
RN13 <i>Anthocorytidium angulare</i>	25.43	27.18	1.175	1237C-3H-5, 59-61	4	3	3	—		X	—	C/A	R	X	X	A	X	C	R	—																		
	25.41	27.96	1.225	1237D-3H-3, 59-61	2	3	2	—		R	—	X	—	—	—	X	X	A	R	—																		
	26.94	28.69	1.271	1237C-3H-6, 59-61	3	3	3	—		R	—	X	—	—	X	C	X	X	—																			
	26.92	29.47	1.320	1237D-3H-4, 59-61	3	4	2	—		—	—	—	R	X	—	X	X	X	—																			
	28.43	30.98	1.416	1237D-3H-5, 59-61	2	3	2	—		—	—	X	—	X	—	X	X	X	—																			
	29.94	32.49	1.512	1237D-3H-6, 59-61	2	3	2	—		—	—	R	—	X	X	X	X	C	X	—																		
	31.91	33.36	1.567	1237C-4H-3, 59-61	2	2	2	—		—	—	—	—	X	—	X	X	X	—																			
	33.41	34.86	1.662	1237C-4H-4, 59-61	3	3	3	—		—	—	X	—	X	—	C	C	A	C	—																		
	33.28	35.70	1.715	1237D-4H-2, 59-61	3	3	3	—		R	C	—	—	R	X	X	C	X	X	X	—																	

Table T1 (continued).

Zone	Depth		Age (Ma)	Paleomagnetic chronology	Hole, core, section, interval (cm)	Assemblage			Pterocorys herwigii	Collosphaera tuberosa	Lamprocorytis nigrinae	Theocoenobium trachelium trachelium	Cycladophora davisiana	Pterocanium eucolpum	Didymocorytis tetralthalamus	Anthocorytidium ophirense	Botryostrobus aqulionaris	Axoprimum stauraxonium	Stylatractus universus	Lamprocorytis neoheteroporos	Anthocorytidium nosicae	Lamprocorytis heteroporos	Theocoenobium vetulum	Didymocorytis avita	Anthocorytidium plicocencia	Stichocorys peregrina	Anthocorytidium prolatum	Phormostichoartus fistula	Botryostrobus bramlettei	Didymocorytis penultima	Anthocorytidium ehrenbergi	Stichocorys delmontensis	Didymocorytis antepenultima	Diartus hughesi	Diartus petterssoni
	(mbsf)	(mcd)				Abundance	Preservation	Diversity																											
RN12 <i>Pterocanium prismatium</i>	34.79	37.21	1.828	C2n	1237D-4H-3, 59-61	3	3	2				X		X		C	X	X	C		R	X													
	36.30	38.72	1.963			1237D-4H-4, 59-61	3	3	3				X		X		C	X	C/A	X	X	X	X												
	37.77	40.19	2.074			1237D-4H-5, 59-61	3	3	3				X		X		C/A	X	A	X	X	X	X												
	39.27	41.69	2.137	(C2r.1n)	1237D-4H-6, 59-61	4	3	3				C/A		R	X		A	X	C	X	X	C	X												
	39.90	42.77	2.215			1237C-5H-2, 59-61	4	4	3				X		X	X	C	X	X	C		X	X												
	41.41	44.28	2.322			1237C-5H-3, 59-61	4	3	4				C		X	X	A	X	A	X	X	C	X												
	42.92	45.79	2.429	Matuyama	1237C-5H-4, 59-61	2	3	3				X		X	X	X	X	C	X	X	X														
	44.42	47.29	2.536			1237C-5H-5, 59-61	4	4	3				X		X	C/A	X	A	X		C	X													
	45.94	48.81	2.628			1237C-5H-6, 59-61	3	3	3						R	X	X	C	X	C	R	X	X												
	47.45	50.32	2.709		1237C-5H-7, 59-61	3	4	3				R		X	X	C/A	X	A	R	X	X														
	45.60	51.32	2.762			1237B-6H-2, 59-61	3	4	3						R	R	X	X	X	C	R	X	C	X	X										
	47.11	52.83	2.843			1237B-6H-3, 59-61	4	4	3							R	X	X	X	A	R	X	C	X	X	F									
	48.61	54.33	2.923		1237B-6H-4, 59-61	3	3	2								R	X	X	X	A	R	X	R	X	X										
	50.11	55.83	3.003			1237B-6H-5, 59-61	3	3	2								R	X	X	C/A	X	X	X	X	X	F									
	52.42	56.89	3.067		C2An.1n	1237C-6H-4, 59-61	3	4	3							R	R	X	X	X	C/A	X	X	C	R	X	F	C							
	53.93	58.40	3.235	Gauss	1237C-6H-5, 59-61	3	3	3								R		A	X	A	X	X	X	X	X										
	55.44	59.91	3.291		1237C-6H-6, 59-61	4	4	4							R	R	X	X	X	A	X	X	C	X	R	X									
	55.10	60.67	3.320			1237B-7H-2, 59-61	3	4	3							R	R	X	X	X	A	R	X	X	R	R									
	56.60	62.17	3.395			1237B-7H-3, 59-61	3	2	3								R	X	C	X	C	R	X	X	R	R									
58.10	63.67	3.474	(C2An.2n)	1237B-7H-4, 59-61	1	1	1									R			C	R															
59.60	65.17	3.553			1237B-7H-5, 59-61	3	3	3							R	X	X	X	X					R		F	X								
61.11	66.68	3.641			1237B-7H-6, 59-61	1	1	1							R				X	X															
61.91	66.88	3.652		1237C-7H-4, 59-61	3	3	3											X	X				X												
63.41	68.38	3.733			1237C-7H-5, 59-61	4	4	4								R	X	X	X	C		X	X	R	X	R									
64.91	69.88	3.815		C2An.3n	1237C-7H-6, 59-61	3	3	3								X	X	X	C/A	X		X													
64.60	70.32	3.864			1237B-8H-2, 59-61	3	3	3							R	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	R	R	X	R								
66.12	71.84	3.957			1237B-8H-3, 59-61	3	3	3								R	X	R	C	R		R		R	R	R	R								
67.62	73.34	4.049	Gauss	1237B-8H-4, 59-61	4	4	4									X	X	X	C	X	X	R	X	X	R	R									
68.38	74.07	4.094			1237C-8H-2, 59-61	3	3	3								R	X	R	A	R		R	R	R	R										
69.13	74.85	4.141			1237B-8H-5, 59-61	3	3	3									X	X	X	C		R	X	C	R										
69.45	75.12	4.158		1237C-8H-3, 12-14	3	3	3									X			C	F		R	R	X	C	R									
70.52	76.19	4.190			1237D-5H-1, 72-74	3	3	3									X	C	F			X	X	A	R										
72.94	78.61	4.323		Gilbert	1237D-5H-3, 12-14	3	3	3									X	X			X	X	C	A	R										
76.77	82.94	4.609	RN9 <i>Stichocorys peregrina</i>	1237C-9H-1, 92-94	3	3	3									X		X	F		X	X	C	A	R										
81.96	88.13	4.874			1237C-9H-5, 12-14	3	3	3									X	X	C			X	X	C	A	R	R								
82.13	89.20	4.890		C3n.1n	1237D-6H-2, 32-34	4	4	3									X	C	A	F		X	X	X	A	R	X	C							
83.44	90.51	4.940				1237D-6H-3, 12-14	3	3	3									X	X	X			X		X	A	R								



Table T1 (continued).

Zone	Depth		Age (Ma)	Paleomagnetic chronology	Hole, core, section, interval (cm)	Assemblage			<i>Pterocorys hertwigii</i>	<i>Collosphaera tuberosa</i>	<i>Lamprocyrtis nigrinae</i>	<i>Theocoenithium trachelium trachelium</i>	<i>Cycladophora davisiana</i>	<i>Pterocanium eucolpum</i>	<i>Didymocyrtis tetrathalamus</i>	<i>Anthocyrtydium ophirensis</i>	<i>Botryostrobus aquilonaris</i>	<i>Axoprimum stauraxonium</i>	<i>Stylatractus universus</i>	<i>Lamprocyrtis neoheteroporos</i>	<i>Anthocyrtydium nosicae</i>	<i>Lamprocyrtis heteroporos</i>	<i>Theocoenithium vetulum</i>	<i>Didymocyrtis avita</i>	<i>Anthocyrtydium pliocencia</i>	<i>Stichocorys peregrina</i>	<i>Anthocyrtydium prolatum</i>	<i>Phormostichoartus fistula</i>	<i>Botryostrobus bramlettei</i>	<i>Didymocyrtis penultima</i>	<i>Anthocyrtydium ehrenbergi</i>	<i>Stichocorys delmontensis</i>	<i>Didymocyrtis antepenultima</i>	<i>Diartus hughesi</i>	<i>Diartus petterssoni</i>						
	Abundance	Preservation				Diversity																																			
RN9 <i>Stichocorys peregrina</i>	87.97	95.04	5.167	C3n.2n	1237D-6H-6, 12-14	4	4	4								X	X	C	—	—	X	X	X	C/A	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	R								
	91.45	98.67	5.248		1237C-10H-5, 12-14	3	3	3								—	X	X	X	X	X	—	X	X	R	R	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—						
	92.89	100.91	5.367	C3n.3n	1237D-7H-3, 7-9	4	4	4								X	X	C	X	—	R	X	X	C	R	R	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—						
	98.00	106.17	5.493	C3n.4n	1237C-11H-3, 17-19	3	3	3								—	X	C/A	—	—	X	X	X	C/A	R	R	X	R	R	—	—	—	—	—	—	—					
	102.39	110.46	5.715		1237D-8H-3, 7-9	3	3	3								—	X	X	X	—	X	R	X	C	—	R	X	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—				
	107.93	116.55	5.833	Gilbert	1237C-12H-3, 61-63	4	3	3								—	C	C	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	X	—	—	X	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—				
	110.58	121.63	6.088	(C3An.1n)	1237B-13H-1, 58-60	4	3	3								X	X	X	—	R	—	X	X	R	—	X	X	—	X	—	X	—	—	—	—	—	—				
	122.42	131.62	6.235		1237C-13H-5, 58-60	3	3	3								X	X	—	—	—	—	—	—	R	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
	127.48	138.53	7.080	C3An.2n	1237C-14H-2, 67-69	3	3	3								X	C	X	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	X	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
	131.09	143.64	7.341	(C3Bn)	1237B-15H-2, 58-60	3	3	3								X	X	X	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	X	—	X	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
139.91	150.96	7.851		1237C-15H-4, 58-60	3	3	3								X	C	—	—	—	—	—	—	R	—	R	X	X	R	C	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
142.09	154.79	8.051	Gilbert	1237B-16H-3, 58-60	3	3	3								X	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	X	X	—	X	X	X	—	—	—	—	—	—			
150.09	164.89	8.789	C5An.1n to C5r.2n	1237B-17H-2, 58-60	2	3	2								X	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
160.75	176.48	10.231		1237B-18H-3, 58-60	2	2	2								X	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
169.10	186.45	11.492		1237B-19H-2, 5860	1	1	1								X	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		

Notes: Paleomagnetic chronology is based on magnetic stratigraphy from Cande and Kent (1995). Overall preservation, abundance and diversity was designated using numerals between 1 and 5 where 1 = very poor, 2 = poor, 3 = fair, 4 = good, and 5 = very good. R = rare (<10 specimens), X = present (10–100 specimens), C = common (100–200 specimens), A = abundant (>200 specimens), and — = looked for but not found. Species interval zones were included with the zonal code numbers for clarity. Dashed lines = estimated zone boundaries, solid lines = zones represented by the radiolaria species of Sanfilippo and Nigrini (1998).

**Table T2.** Leg 202, Site 1237 preliminary ash layer data and Site 1237 observed ash in radiolarian slides. (See table notes. Continued on next two pages.)

Ash layer number	Core, section, interval (cm)	Depth (mcd)		Thickness (cm)	Ash in radiolarian slides		Ash layer number	Core, section, interval (cm)	Depth (mcd)		Thickness (cm)	Ash in radiolarian slides	
		Top	Bottom		A	VA			Top	Bottom		A	VA
1	202-1237A-1H-3, 119–125	6.110	6.170	6			9	202-1237D-3H-4, 76–80	29.640	29.680	4		
1	202-1237D-1H-3, 84–90	6.150	6.210	6			9	202-1237C-3H-7, 19–24	29.800	29.850	5		
1	202-1237C-1H-5, 14–20	6.220	6.280	6			Wash	4H-1, 3–7	29.780	29.820	4		
2	202-1237A-Not found	8.200	8.230	3			10	202-1237B-Not found					
2	202-1237C-1H-6, 62–65						10	202-1237C-Not found					
2	202-1237D-Not found						10	202-1237D-3H-4, 100–103	29.880	29.910	3		
3	202-1237D-2H-5, 9–19	19.610	19.710	10			Wash	4H-1, 26–31	30.010	30.060	5		
Rad slide	202-1237C-3H-1, 59–61	21.140	21.160			X	11	202-1237B-Not found					
3	202-1237C-3H-1, 48–62	21.030	21.170	14			11	202-1237C-4H-1, 85–92	30.600	30.670	7		
3	202-1237B-3H-4, 48–57	21.110	21.200	9			11	202-1237D-3H-5, 24–25	30.630	30.640	1		
4	Not found						Rad slide	3H-5, 59–61	30.980	31.000			X
4	202-1237C-Not found	26.320	26.340	2			12	202-1237B-4H-2, 110–115	31.410	31.460	5		
4	202-1237D-3H-2, 46–48						12	202-1237C-4H-2, 7–15	31.330	31.410	8		
Rad slide	202-1237C-3H-5, 59–61	27.180	27.200			X	12	202-1237D-3H-5, 100–107	31.390	31.460	7		
5	202-1237D-3H-3, 50–60	27.870	27.970	10			13	202-1237B-4H-3, 7–19	31.890	32.010	12		
Rad slide	202-1237D-3H-3, 59–61	27.960	27.980			X	13	202-1237C-4H-2, 54–74	31.800	32.000	20		
5	202-1237B-Core gap						13	202-1237D-3H-5/6, (5)149–(6)9	31.880	31.990	11		
5	202-1237C-3H-5, 135–143	27.940	28.020	8			14	202-1237B-Not found					
6	202-1237B-Not found						14	202-1237C-Not found					
6	202-1237D-Not found	28.080	28.110	3			14	202-1237D-3H-3, 71–74					
6	202-1237B-(Wash) 4H-1, 0–1	28.800	28.810	1			14	202-1237D-3H-6, 10–12	32.000	32.020	2		
Wash	202-1237D-Not found						15	202-1237D-3H-6, 14–19	32.040	32.090	5		
7	202-1237B-4H-1, 33–34	29.130	29.140	1			15	202-1237C-4H-2, 81–85	32.070	32.110	4		
7	202-1237C-Not found						15	202-1237B-4H-3, 35–36	32.170	32.180	1		
7	202-1237D-Not found						16	202-1237C-4H-4, 79–86	34.130	34.200	7		
7	202-1237B-4H-1, 52–56	29.320	29.360	4			Rad slide	202-1237C-4H-4, 59–61	34.860	34.880			X
8	202-1237D-3H-4, 45–51	29.330	29.390	6			16	Not found					
Rad slide	202-1237D-3H-4, 59–61	29.470	29.490			X	16	202-1237D-Not found					
8	202-1237C-3H-6, 136–140	29.460	29.500	4			17	202-1237B-5H-1, 89–92	38.160	38.190	3		
8	202-1237B-4H-1, 82–86	29.620	29.660	4			17	202-1237C-4H-6, 87–93	38.140	38.200	6		
9							17	202-1237D-4H-40, 1–8	38.140	38.210	7		
							18	202-1237B-5H-2, 85–91	39.640	39.700	6		

**Table T2 (continued).**

Ash layer number	Core, section, interval (cm)	Depth (mcd)		Thickness (cm)	Ash in radiolarian slides		Ash layer number	Core, section, interval (cm)	Depth (mcd)		Thickness (cm)	Ash in radiolarian slides	
		Top	Bottom		A	VA			Top	Bottom		A	VA
18	202-1237C- Core gap						27	202-1237C- Core gap					
18	202-1237D- 4H-5, 0-7	39.600	39.670	7			27	202-1237D- Core gap					
19	202-1237B- 5H-3, 85-102	41.150	41.320	17			Rad slide	202-1237B- 6H-2, 59-61	51.320	51.340			X
19	202-1237C- 5H-1, 44-61	41.110	41.280	17			28	6H-2, 139-140	52.120	52.130	1		
19	202-1237D- 4H-5/6, (5)149- (6)25	41.090	41.350	26			28	202-1237C- 6H-1, 10-28	51.870	52.050	18		
20	202-1237B- 5H-5, 72-74	44.040	44.060	2			28	202-1237D- Core gap					
20	202-1237C- Not found						28	202-1237B- 6H-3, 12-14	52.360	52.380	2		
20	202-1237D- Core gap						29	202-1237C- 6H-1, 44-50	52.210	52.270	6		
21	202-1237B- 5H-5, 80-82	44.120	44.140	2			29	202-1237D- Core gap					
21	202-1237C- Not found						30	202-1237B- 6H-3, 40-43	52.640	52.670	3		
21	202-1237D- Core gap						30	202-1237C- 6H-1, 68-77	52.450	52.540	9		
22	202-1237B- 5H-5, 112-118	44.440	44.500	6			30	202-1237D- Core gap					
22	202-1237C- 5H-3, 75-80	44.440	44.490	5			Rad slide	202-1237B- 6H-3, 59-61	52.830	52.850			X
22	202-1237D- Core gap						Rad slide	6H-4, 59-61	54.330	54.350			X
23	202-1237B- 5H-5, 122-129	44.540	44.610	7			Rad slide	202-1237C- 6H-5, 59-61	58.400	58.420			X
23	202-1237C- Not found						Rad slide	202-1237B- 7H-2, 59-61	60.670	60.690			X
23	202-1237D- Core gap						Rad slide	7H-3, 59-61	62.170	62.190			X
24	202-1237B- 5H-6, 17-20	44.990	45.020	3			Rad slide	7H-4, 59-61	63.670	63.690			X
24	202-1237C- C-Not found						Rad slide	7H-5, 59-61	65.170	65.190			X
24	202-1237D- Core gap						Rad slide	7H-6, 59-61	66.680	66.700			X
25	202-1237C- 5H-6, 31-38	48.530	48.600	7			Rad slide	202-1237C- 7H-4, 59-61	66.880	66.900			X
25	202-1237D- Core gap						31	202-1237B- 7H-6, 85-88	66.940	66.970	3		
25	202-1237C- 5H-7, 59-61	50.320	50.340		X		31	202-1237C- Not found					
26	202-1237B- 6H-2, 17-18	50.900	50.910	1			31	202-1237D- Core gap					
26	202-1237C- Core gap						31	202-1237C- Core gap					
26	202-1237D- Core gap						Rad slide	202-1237C- 7H-5, 59-61	68.380	68.400			X
26	202-1237B- 6H-2, 20-23	50.930	50.960	3			Rad slide	7H-6, 59-61	69.880	69.900			X
27	202-1237C- 8H-2, 89-92	70.620	70.650	3			Rad slide	202-1237B- 8H-2, 59-61	70.320	70.340			X
27	202-1237D- Core gap						32	8H-2, 89-92	70.620	70.650	3		
27	202-1237B- 6H-2, 17-18	50.900	50.910	1			32	202-1237C- 7H-6, 130-140	70.590	70.690	10		
27	202-1237C- Core gap						32	202-1237D- Core gap					
27	202-1237D- Core gap						32	202-1237B- Core gap					
27	202-1237B- 6H-2, 20-23	50.930	50.960	3			Rad slide	202-1237B- 8H-3, 59-61	71.84	71.860			X
27	202-1237C- 8H-1, 141-148	73.380	73.450	7			Rad slide	8H-4, 59-61	73.34	73.360			X
27	202-1237C- 8H-1, 141-148	73.380	73.450	7			33	8H-4, 63-70	73.380	73.450	7		
27	202-1237C- 8H-1, 141-148	73.380	73.450	7			33	202-1237C- 8H-1, 141-148	73.380	73.450	7		

**Table T2 (continued).**

Ash layer number	Core, section, interval (cm)	Depth (mcd)		Thickness (cm)	Ash in radiolarian slides		Ash layer number	Core, section, interval (cm)	Depth (mcd)		Thickness (cm)	Ash in radiolarian slides	
		Top	Bottom		A	VA			Top	Bottom		A	VA
33	<b>202-1237D- Core gap</b>						42	202-1237B- 13H-3, 88-95	124.970	25.040	7		
Rad slide	202-1237C- 8H-2, 59-61	74.07	74.090			X	42	202-1237C- Not found					
34	<b>202-1237B- 9H-5, 0-15</b>	<b>85.400</b>	<b>85.550</b>	<b>15</b>			42	202-1237D- Core gap					
34	<b>202-1237C- 9H-3, 41-57</b>	<b>85.400</b>	<b>85.560</b>	<b>16</b>			43	<b>202-1237B- 14H-1, 29-33</b>	<b>131.540</b>	<b>131.580</b>	<b>4</b>		
34	<b>202-1237D- Core gap</b>						43	<b>202-1237C- 13H-5, 47-49</b>	<b>131.510</b>	<b>131.530</b>	<b>2</b>		
35	<b>202-1237B- 9H-7, 37-43</b>	<b>88.790</b>	<b>88.850</b>	<b>6</b>			43	<b>202-1237D- Core gap</b>					
35	<b>202-1237C- 9H-5, 64-72</b>	<b>88.650</b>	<b>88.730</b>	<b>8</b>			Rad slide	202-1237C- 13H-5, 58-60	131.62	131.640			X
35	<b>202-1237D- 6H-1, 127-133</b>	<b>88.640</b>	<b>88.700</b>	<b>6</b>			44	<b>202-1237B- 14H-1, 55-62</b>	<b>131.800</b>	<b>131.870</b>	<b>7</b>		
36	202-1237B- Core gap						44	<b>202-1237C- 13H-5, 67-75</b>	<b>131.710</b>	<b>131.790</b>	<b>8</b>		
36	202-1237C- 9H-6, 21-24	89.730	89.760	3			44	<b>202-1237D- Core gap</b>					
36	202-1237D- Not found						45	202-1237B- 14H-1, 109-110	132.340	132.350	1		
Rad slide	6H-6, 12-14	95.04	95.060			X	45	202-1237C- Not found					
Rad slide	202-1237C- 10H-5, 12-14	98.67	98.690			X	45	202-1237D- Core gap					
37	<b>202-1237B- 10H-6/7, (6)129-(7)9</b>	<b>99.580</b>	<b>99.890</b>	<b>31</b>			45	<b>202-1237B- 14H-1, 113-114</b>	<b>132.380</b>	<b>132.390</b>	<b>1</b>		
37	<b>202-1237C- 10H-5, 93-127</b>	<b>99.480</b>	<b>99.820</b>	<b>34</b>			46	<b>202-1237C- 13H-5, 123-124</b>	<b>132.270</b>	<b>132.280</b>	<b>1</b>		
37	<b>202-1237D- 7H-2, 10-46</b>	<b>99.430</b>	<b>99.790</b>	<b>36</b>			46	<b>202-1237D- Core gap</b>					
38	<b>202-1237B- 11H-5, 33-41</b>	<b>107.040</b>	<b>7.120</b>	<b>8</b>			46	<b>202-1237B- 14H-2, 76-82</b>	<b>133.520</b>	<b>133.580</b>	<b>6</b>		
38	<b>202-1237C- 11H-3, 91-99</b>	<b>106.910</b>	<b>106.990</b>	<b>8</b>			47	<b>202-1237C- 13H-6, 98-108</b>	<b>133.530</b>	<b>133.630</b>	<b>10</b>		
38	<b>202-1237D- 7H-CC, 17-21</b>	<b>106.640</b>	<b>106.680</b>	<b>4</b>			47	<b>202-1237D- Core gap</b>					
39	<b>202-1237B- 12H-4, 34-41</b>	<b>116.130</b>	<b>16.200</b>	<b>7</b>			47	<b>202-1237B- 14H-2, 82-83</b>	<b>133.580</b>	<b>133.590</b>	<b>1</b>		
39	<b>202-1237C- 12H-3, 21-26</b>	<b>116.150</b>	<b>116.200</b>	<b>5</b>			48	<b>202-1237C- 13H-6, 108-109</b>	<b>133.630</b>	<b>133.640</b>	<b>1</b>		
39	<b>202-1237D- 8H-6, 120-127</b>	<b>116.110</b>	<b>116.180</b>	<b>7</b>			48	<b>202-1237D- Core gap</b>					
40	<b>202-1237B- 12H-6, 83-88</b>	<b>119.640</b>	<b>19.690</b>	<b>5</b>			48	<b>202-1237B- 14H-5, 118-123</b>	<b>138.450</b>	<b>138.500</b>	<b>5</b>		
40	<b>202-1237C- 12H-5, 89-93</b>	<b>119.830</b>	<b>119.870</b>	<b>4</b>			49	<b>202-1237C- 14H-2, 52-59</b>	<b>138.370</b>	<b>138.440</b>	<b>7</b>		
40	<b>202-1237D- Core gap</b>						Rad slide	202-1237C- 14H-2, 67-69	138.53	138.550			X
41	202-1237B- 13H-2, 123-126	123.800	23.830	3			<b>49</b>	<b>202-1237D- Core gap</b>					
41	202-1237C- Core gap												
41	202-1237D- Core gap												

Notes: Bold = ash layers that could be correlated between holes. A = abundant ash, VA = very abundant ash. Rad slide = radiolarian slide, this study.

**Table T3.** Median species ages used in this study.

Biostratigraphic event	Paleomagnetism,		Difference	Reference for published age
	Leg 202, Site 1237	Age		
LO <i>Stylatractus universus</i>	0.427	0.420	0.007	Sanfilippo and Nigrini, 1998
		0.460	0.033*	Moore, 1995
LO <i>Lamprocyrtis neoheteroporos</i>	1.032	1.070	0.038	Moore, 1995
LO <i>Anthocyrtidium nosicae</i>	1.127	1.250	0.123	Nigrini and Caulet, 1988
FO <i>Lamprocyrtis nigrinae</i>	1.296	1.330	0.034	Moore, 1995
LO <i>Lamprocyrtis heteroporos</i>	1.296	1.790	0.494	Moore, 1995
LO <i>Theocorythium vetulum</i>	1.464	1.900	0.436*	Sanfilippo et al., 1985
		1.210	0.254	Moore, 1995
FO <i>Theocorythium trachelium trachelium</i>	1.772	1.630	0.142	Moore, 1995
LO <i>Stichocorys peregrina</i>	3.035	2.760	0.275*	Sanfilippo and Nigrini, 1998
		2.690	0.345	Moore, 1995
FO <i>Cycladophora davisiana</i>	2.735	2.710	0.025	Moore, 1995
LO <i>Anthocyrtidium pliocencia</i>	2.802	2.500	0.302	Nigrini and Caulet, 1988
		3.380	0.578*	Moore, 1995
FO <i>Lamprocyrtis neoheteroporos</i>	3.434	3.250	0.184	Moore, 1995
LO <i>Anthocyrtidium prolatum</i>	3.84	3.900	0.060	Nigrini and Caulet, 1988†
FO <i>Phormostichoartus fistula</i>	3.910	3.420	0.490	Sanfilippo and Nigrini, 1998
		4.410	0.500*	Moore, 1995
FO <i>Amphirhopalum ypsilon</i>	4.117	3.800	0.317	Moore, 1995
LO <i>Didymocyrtis penultima</i>	4.880	4.190	0.690*	Sanfilippo and Nigrini, 1998
		4.490	0.390	Moore, 1995
LO <i>Anthocyrtidium ehrenbergi</i>	4.915	3.500	1.415	Nigrini and Caulet, 1988
FO <i>Lamprocyrtis heteroporos</i>	5.308	3.290	2.018*	Moore, 1995
		4.900	0.408	Anderson, 1988
<i>Stichocorys delmontensis</i> > <i>Stichocorys peregrina</i>	7.080	6.710	-0.370*	Sanfilippo and Nigrini, 1998
		6.685	-0.395	Moore, 1995
LO <i>Diartus hughesi</i>	7.951	7.700	0.251	Sanfilippo and Nigrini, 1998
		7.670	0.281*	Moore, 1995
<i>Diartus petterssoni</i> > <i>Diartus hughesi</i>	9.510	8.770	0.740	Sanfilippo and Nigrini, 1998
		8.660	0.850*	Moore, 1995
FO <i>Cyrtocapsella japonica</i>	10.231	10.100	0.131	Moore, 1995
Absolute mean $ \Delta m  = 0.232$				

Notes: \* = not used in calculation of absolute mean difference. † = found only in western Pacific Ocean. FO = first occurrence, LO = last occurrence.