Site: PAT-18A

Priority: Alternate

Position: 12°57.032′N, 143°49.338′W **Water Depth:** 5058 m (uncorrected) **Sediment Thickness:** 232 m (0.292 s)

Target Drilling Depth: 232 m

Approved Maximum Penetration: 300 m **Seismic Coverage:** EW9709 PAT-18 survey

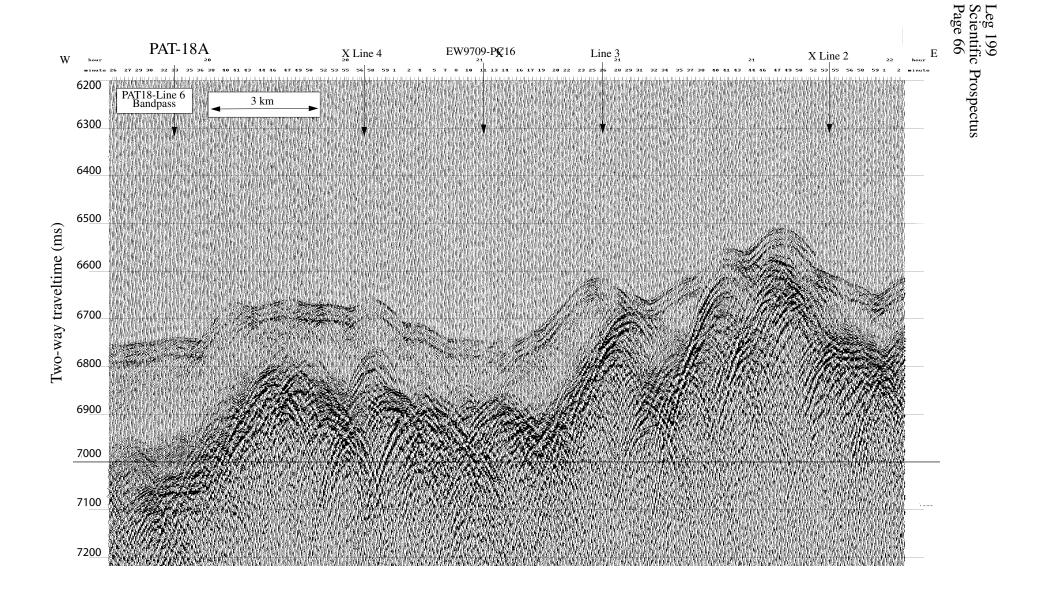
Objectives: The objectives of Site PAT-18A are to:

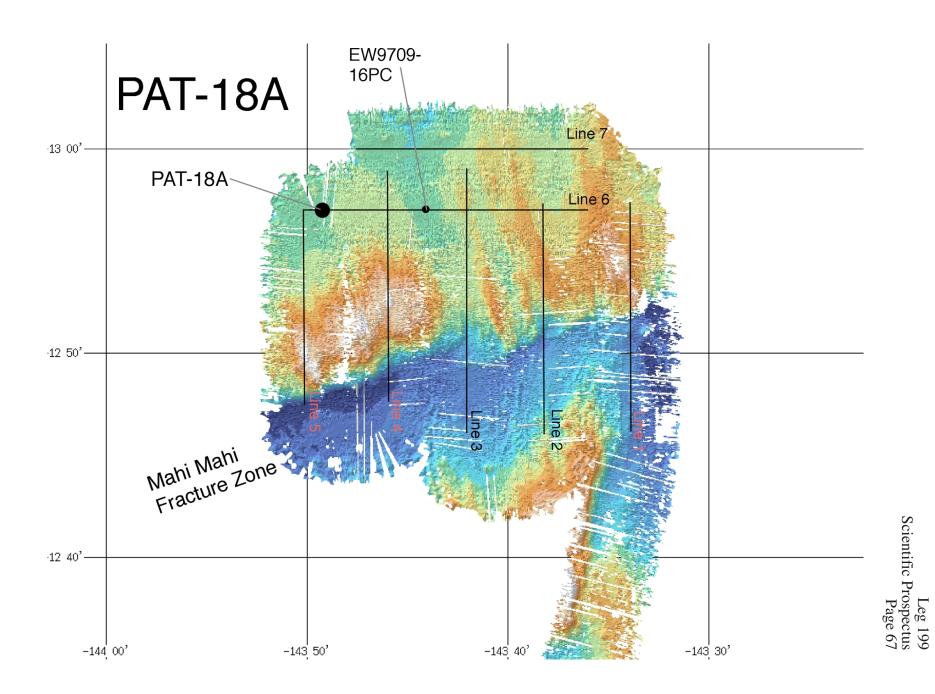
- 1. Determine the nature of sediments in the late Paleocene equatorial region
- 2. Determine the paleolatitude of the drill site
- 3. Determine the rate of accumulation and types of biogenic sediments
- 4. Collect an LPTM section

Drilling Program: One APC/XCB to basement; if time is available, second and third APC to refusal and second and third XCB.

Logging and Downhole: Triple combo, MGT, and FMS-sonic if time is available.

Nature of Rock Anticipated: Soft sediments except perhaps some chert-chalk in basal layers. Basement is midocean ridge basalt.





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Site: PAT-19A

Priority: 1

Position: 16°52.082′N, 138°05.998′W **Water Depth:** 5291 m (uncorrected)

Sediment Thickness: 177 m (0.229 s TWTT)

Target Drilling Depth: 177 m

Approved Maximum Penetration: 250 m **Seismic Coverage:** EW9709 PAT-19 survey

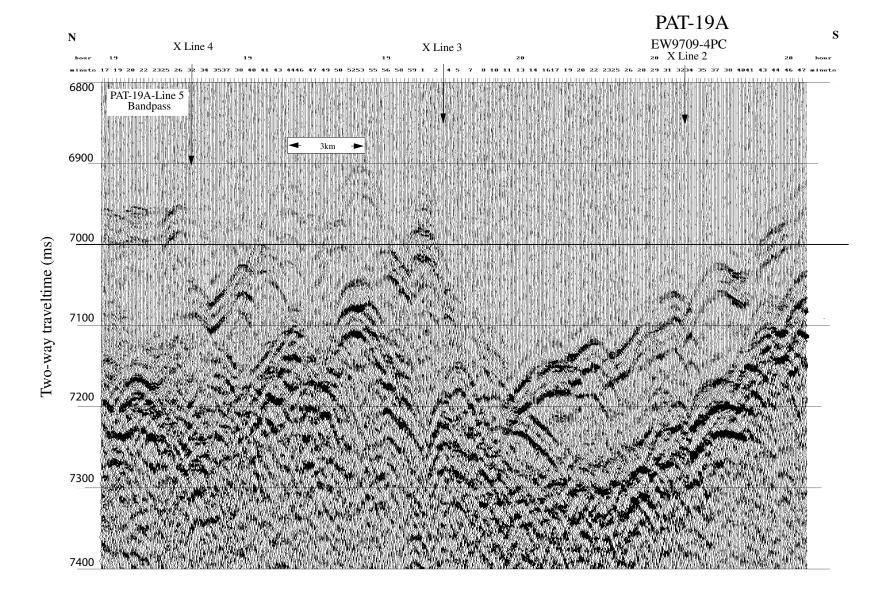
Objectives: The objectives of Site PAT-19A are to:

- 1. Determine the nature of sediments in Eocene/Paleocene tropical Pacific near boundary of the NEC and north equatorial countercurrent (NECC)
- 2. Determine the paleolatitude of the drill site
- 3. Determine the rate of accumulation and types of biogenic sediments
- 4. Collect an LPTM section

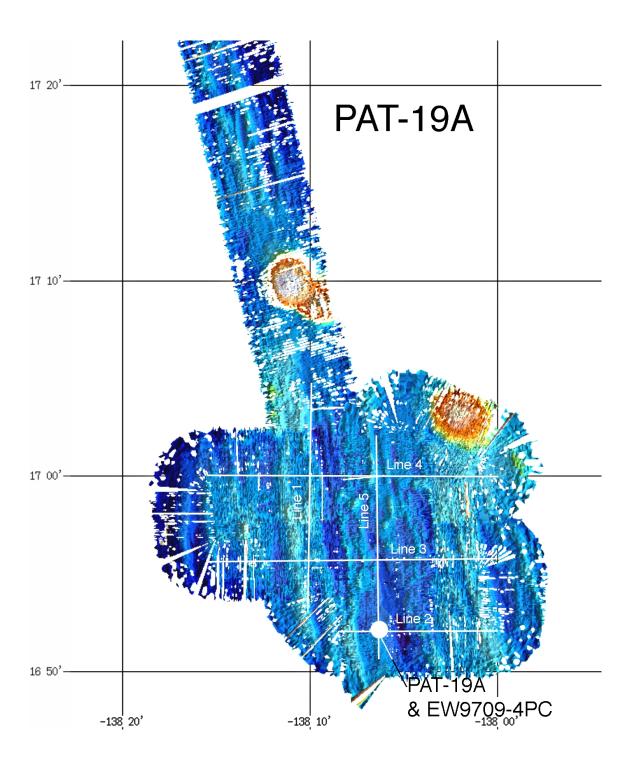
Drilling Program: One APC/XCB to basement; second and third APC/XCB if time available.

Logging and Downhole: Triple combo, MGT, and FMS-sonic if time is available.

Nature of Rock Anticipated: Soft sediments except perhaps some chert-chalk in basal layers. Basement is midocean ridge basalt.



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Site: PAT-21

Priority: Alternate

Position: 10°12.277′N, 135°31.990′W **Water Depth:** 4914 m (uncorrected)

Sediment Thickness: 226 m (0.281 s TWTT)

Target Drilling Depth: 226 m

Approved Maximum Penetration: 300 m **Seismic Coverage:** EW9709 PAT-21 Survey

Objectives: The objectives of Site PAT-23A are to:

- 1. Determine the nature of sediments deposited near the late Eocene equator
- 2. Determine the paleolatitude of the drill site
- 3. Determine the rate of accumulation and types of biogenic sediments
- 4. Collect an Eocene/Oligocene boundary section above the CCD

Drilling Program: One APC/XCB to basement. If time is available, second and third APC to refusal, second and third XCB.

Logging and Downhole: Triple combo, MGT, and FMS-sonic if time is available.

Nature of Rock Anticipated: Soft sediments except perhaps some chert-chalk in basal layers. Basement is midocean ridge basalt.



