

17. NANNOFOSSIL BIOSTRATIGRAPHY OF THE SOUTHWEST PACIFIC DEEP SEA DRILLING PROJECT, LEG 30

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INTRODUCTION

Calcareous nannofossils occur in 225 of the 230 sedimentary cores recovered at five sites during Leg 30 of the Deep Sea Drilling Project; locations of sites are shown in Figure 1. Only light microscopy was used to study the nannofossil assemblages. The biostratigraphic assessments of the holes are deduced from the study of their nannofossil contents are summarized in Table 1. Species checklists are compiled for Sites 285, 286, 287, and the Cenozoic of Sites 288 and 289 and presented in Tables 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6. Unconformities revealed by this study are documented and graphically summarized in Tables 7 and 8.

NANNOFOSSIL ZONES

The nannofossil biostratigraphic schemes in current use are based (a) on the bases and tops of ranges of selected species (e.g., Gartner, 1974) and (b) with the addition of variations in the abundance of a given species (e.g., Bukry, 1973).

The ease with which nannofossils can be reworked presents a special problem. In many cases, there is a pronounced gap in known stratigraphic ranges between apparently autochthonous and apparently allochthonous specimens; differences in preservation among specimens with similar response to dissolution provide further clues; mixing of near-shore elements into oceanic sediments can indicate the same thing. However, in the Pliocene and upper Miocene of Leg 30, routine biostratigraphic analysis has led to inconsistencies and confusion. The reason seems to be short upward reworking without the usual, more or less clear evidence for mixing. This is discussed for the relevant sites in the appropriate chapters. Site 289 is an exception; only minor reworking was noticed.

Accordingly, the practice of lumping zones defined by "extinctions" into zonal intervals based on initial appearances (up-sequence) is followed. Also, the defining events for zones used here are initial appearances wherever possible rather than "extinctions," because initial appearances are not obscured by reworking. Thus, the general approach in this cored material is precisely opposite to the approach used for subsurface material (other than core) where downhole contamination occurs.

The nannofossil zonation used for Leg 30 material is indicated below. Reworking, poor preservation, and/or unconformities hinder the recognition of the total extent of some zones. Data for constructing the zones are derived from all available sources, special attention being paid to the works of Bukry (1973) a, b, d, Gartner (1974), and Roth (1973). Only two events are "new" in

the sense that they have not, to the author's knowledge, been used previously to define biostratigraphic units. Zones are listed down-section but defined up-section, i.e., lower boundary then upper boundary.

Emiliania huxleyi/Gephyrocapsa oceanica Zonal Interval (age: Pleistocene-Holocene)

The interval from the base range of *Gephyrocapsa oceanica* to top of section. The interval is equivalent to the combined *Emiliania huxleyi* and *Gephyrocapsa oceanica* zones used by Bukry (1973d). *E. huxleyi* is usually difficult to identify under the light microscope, and correlation based on its base range is likely to be unreliable.

Gephyrocapsa caribbeanica Zone (age: Early Pleistocene)

The interval from the base range of *Gephyrocapsa caribbeanica* to the base range of *Gephyrocapsa oceanica*. The zone is equivalent to the *G. caribbeanica* Subzone of Bukry (1973d). Distinction between *G. oceanica* and *G. caribbeanica* was based on taxonomic discussion by Bukry (1973b).

Pseudoemiliania lacunosa Zone (age: Early Pleistocene)

The range of *Pseudoemiliania lacunosa* between the top range of *Discoaster brouweri* (below) and the base range of *Gephyrocapsa caribbeanica* (above). This characterization is a poor one since it relies on the absence of two index species. The top range of *Cyclococcolithina macintyreai* occurs near the top of the zone.

The zone correlates with the lower part of the *Pseudoemiliania lacunosa* Zone proposed by Gartner (1969) and with the *Emiliania annula* Subzone of Bukry (1973d). The lower boundary of the zone approximates the Pliocene/Pleistocene boundary. In cases of intense reworking, recognition of this event becomes impossible, and recognition of the Pliocene/Pleistocene boundary is consequently hindered. However, the zone is a short interval of about 0.2 m.y. (see Bukry, 1973b) and therefore the base range of *Gephyrocapsa caribbeanica* may be used as a guide for locating tentatively the Pliocene/Pleistocene boundary.

Discoaster brouweri Zone (age: Late Pliocene)

The interval from the top range of "*Discoaster*" *pentaradiatus* to the top range of *Discoaster brouweri*. The zone is correlative with the *Cyclococcolithina macintyreai* Subzone of Bukry (1973d).

"*Discoaster*" *pentaradiatus* Zone (age: Late Pliocene)

The interval from the top range of *Discoaster tamalis* to the top range of "*Discoaster*" *pentaradiatus*.

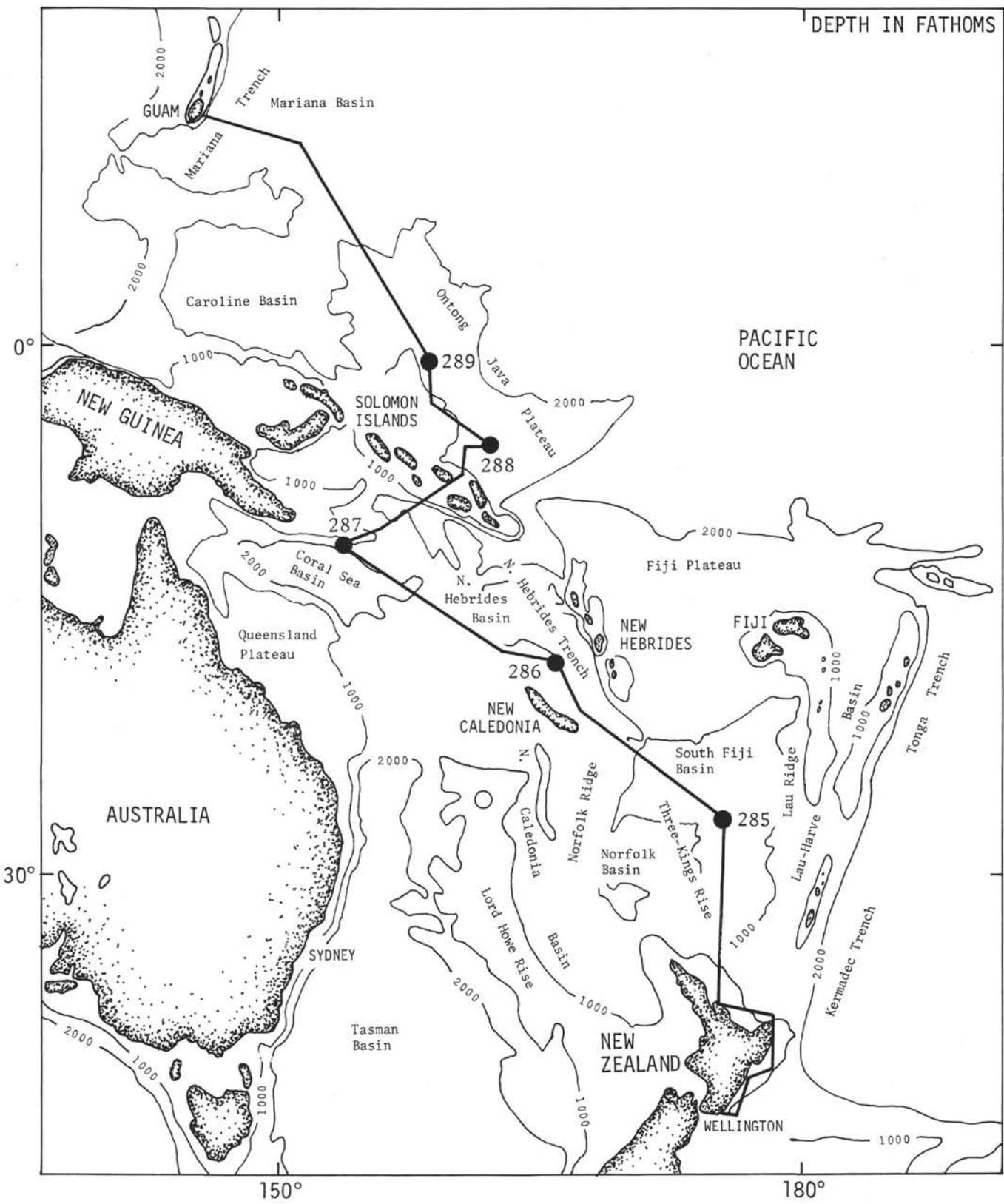


Figure 1. Location of sites drilled during Leg 30.

TABLE 1
Biostratigraphic Assessments of Leg 30 Cores From Southwest Pacific Region

Series or Subseries	Nannofossil Zones/Subzones	South Fiji Basin		New Hebrides		Coral Sea Basin		Ontong-Java Plateau		
		285	285A	286	287	288	288A	288B	288C	289
Holocene Pleistocene	<i>Emiliana huxleyi</i> - <i>Gephyrocapsa oceanica</i>	2-1		1-1, 110-111 cm 2-4, 32-33 cm	1-2, 130-131 cm 4, CC	1-1, 30-31 cm 2-2, 24-25 cm				1-1, 30-31 cm 2-6, 30-31 cm
	<i>Gephyrocapsa caribbeana</i>			2-5, 125-126 cm 2, CC	5-3, 120-121 cm 6-1, 120-121 cm	2-2, 50 cm 2-5, 30-31 cm				2, CC
	<i>Pseudoemiliania lacunosa</i>			?	6-2, 130-131 cm	2, CC				4-3, 110-111 cm
	<i>Discoaster brouweri</i>			3-4, 95-96 cm 3-5, 2 cm	10	10				4-4, 30-31 cm
	' <i>Discoaster</i> ' <i>pentaradiatus</i>			3-5, 120-121 cm 3, CC						4-6, 30-31 cm
	<i>Discoaster tamalis</i>				8-1, 10-11 cm	5, CC				4, CC
	<i>Reticulofenestra pseudoumbilica</i>									7-2, 35-36 cm
	<i>Ceratolithus rugosus</i>		2-2							7-2, 120-121 cm
	<i>Ceratolithus tricornutulus</i>									7-6, 30-31 cm
	<i>Triquetrorhabdulus rugosus</i>									7, CC
Pliocene	<i>Discoaster quinqueramus</i>	0		2-3, 77-78 cm 3-1, 36-37 cm						10-3, 30-31 cm
	<i>Discoaster berggrenii</i>									10-4, 30-31 cm
	<i>Discoaster neohamatus</i>			3-2, 51-52 cm 4, CC						13, CC
	<i>Catinaster calyculus</i>			5-1, 30-31 cm 5, CC						14-1, 30-31 cm
	<i>Discoaster hamatus</i>									15, CC
	<i>Helicopontosphera kamptneri</i>									16-1, 120-121 cm
	<i>Catinaster coelitus</i>									16-4, 30-31 cm
	<i>Discoaster exilis</i>									16-5, 30-31 cm
	<i>Sphenolithus heteromorphus</i>		Upper							17-3, 120-121 cm
			Lower							17-4, 120-121 cm
Miocene	<i>Sphenolithus belemnos</i>	Baren								25-1, 120-121 cm
	<i>Discoaster druggii</i>									27-3, 120-121 cm
	<i>Triquetrorhabdulus carinatus</i>									27-4, 30-31 cm
	<i>Discoaster deflandrei</i>									33-2, 120-121 cm
	<i>Cyclicargolithus abietinus</i>									33-3, 30-31 cm
	<i>Sphenolithus ciperoensis</i>									35-4, 120-121 cm
	<i>Sphenolithus distentus</i>									35, CC
	<i>Sphenolithus predistentus</i>									36, CC
	<i>Reticulofenestra hilae</i>									37-1, 30-31 cm
	<i>Cyclococcolithina formosa</i>									37-6, 35-36 cm
Eocene	<i>Discoaster barbadiensis</i>	Almost barren	Upper							37-6, 120-121 cm
			Lower							47-4, 30-31 cm
	<i>Discoaster saipanensis</i>									47-5, 30-31 cm
	<i>Cyclicargolithus reticulatus</i>									53-3, 120-121 cm
	<i>Reticulofenestra umbilica</i>									53-4, 120-121 cm
	<i>Chiasmolithus gigas</i>									57, CC
	<i>Nannotetraena fulgens</i>									58-1, 30-31 cm
	<i>Rhabdosphaera inflata</i>									60, CC
	<i>Discoaster sublorensis</i>									61-1, 30-31 cm
	<i>Discoasteroides kueppeli</i>									to
Paleocene	<i>Discoaster lodoensis</i>	Core 7								78, CC
										79-1, 60-61 cm
	<i>Tribrachiatus orthostylus</i>									85, CC
	<i>Discoaster diastypus</i>									86-2, 120-121 cm
	<i>Discoaster multiradiatus</i>									91, CC
	<i>Discoaster nobilis</i>									92-1, 120-121 cm
	<i>Discoaster mohleri</i>									100-1, 50-51 cm
	<i>Heliolithus kleinpellii</i>									100-1, 122-123 cm
	<i>Fasciculithus tympaniformis</i>									100-1, 64-66 cm
	<i>Cyclococcolithina robusta</i>									102-1, 112-113 cm
Maestrichtian	<i>Cruciplacolithus tenuis</i>	Unrecovered								102, CC
	<i>Micula mura</i>									104, CC
	<i>Lithraphidites quadratus</i>									105, CC
	<i>Tetralithus trifidus</i>									108-1, 74-75 cm
	<i>Broinsonia parca</i>									108, CC
	<i>Eiffellithus augustus</i>									110-1, 107-108 cm
	<i>Gartmengia obliquum</i>									110, CC
	<i>Marthasterites turcatus</i>									112, CC
	<i>Micula decussata</i>									
	<i>Eiffellithus turris eiffeli</i>									113-1, 117-118 cm
Coniacian										114-1, 148-150 cm
										115, CC
Aptian										116-1, 140-143 cm
										119, CC

TABLE 2
Checklist of Calcareous Nannofossils Recovered at Site 285

Sample (Interval in cm)	<i>Catinaster calyculus</i>	<i>Catinaster coalitus</i>	<i>Ceratolithus acutus</i>	<i>Ceratolithus amplificus</i>	<i>Ceratolithus cristatus</i>	<i>Ceratolithus primus</i>	<i>Ceratolithus rugosus</i>	<i>Ceratolithus tricorniculatus</i>	<i>Coccolithus eipelagicus</i>	<i>Coccolithus miopelagicus</i>	<i>Coccolithus pelagicus</i>	<i>Coronocyclus sp.</i>	<i>Cyclococcolithus abisectus</i>	<i>Cyclococcolithus floridanus</i>	<i>Cyclococcolithina leptopora</i>	<i>Cyclococcolithina macintyrei</i>	<i>Cyclococcolithina rotula</i>	<i>Discocaster asymmetricus</i>	<i>Discocaster aulakos</i>	<i>Discocaster bellus</i>	<i>Discocaster bergerenii</i>	<i>Discocaster browneri</i>	<i>Discocaster bollii</i>	<i>Discocaster calcaris</i>	<i>Discocaster challengerii</i>	<i>Discocaster deflandrei</i>	<i>Discocaster dilatatus</i>	<i>Discocaster drugii</i>	<i>Discocaster exilis</i>	<i>Discocaster hamatus</i>	<i>Discocaster icarus</i>	<i>Discocaster intercalaris</i>	<i>Discocaster kugleri</i>	<i>Discocaster loeblichii</i>	<i>Discocaster moorei</i>	<i>Discocaster neohamatus</i>	<i>Discocaster neorectus</i>	<i>Discocaster nephados</i>
2-1, 102-103																																						
2-1, 115	+	+	cf.	+	+	+	+	+								+	+																					
2-1, 145-146	+	+	cf.	+	+	+	+	+								+	+																					
2-2, 76-77	+	+		+	+	+	+	+								+	+																					
2-3, 33-34	+	+		+	+	+	+	+								+	+																					
2-3, 77-78		+		+	+		+									+	+																					
2-3, 86-87	aff. +		cf. +		+		+									+	+																					
2-4, 24-25	aff.			+	+		+									+	+																					
2-4, 59-60	+			+	+		+									+	+																					
2-5, 30-31	+	+		+			+									+	+																					
2-5, 99-100	+	cf.			cf.											+	+																					
2-5, 142	+					+										+	+																					
2, CC	+					+										+	+																					
3-1, 36-37	+					+	+	+								+	+																					
3-1, 66-67	+					+										+	+																					
3-1, 100-101																+	+																					
3-1, 131-133	+															+	+	cf.	+																			
3-1, 140-141	+															+	+	cf.	+																			
3-2, 51-52																+	+																					
3-3, 60-61																+	+																					
3-3, 120-121																+	+																					
3-4, 80-82																+	+																					
3-4, 125-126																+	+																					
3-5, 8-9																+	+																					
3-5, 115-116																+	+	cf.	+																			
3-6, 47-48																+	+																					
3-6, 106-108																+	+																					
3, CC																+	+	cf.	+																			
4-1, 45-46	+															+	+																					
4-1, 145-146																+	+																					
4-2, 10-11	+															+	+																					
4-2, 40-41	+															+	+																					
4-3, 35-36	+															+	+																					
4-3, 120-121																+	+																					
4-4, 61-63																+	+																					
4-4, 120-121																+	+																					
4-5, 30-31																+	+																					
4-5, 120-121																+	+																					
5-2, 30-31	+															cf.	+	+																				
5-2, 120-121	+															cf.	+																					
5-3, 30-31	+															+	+																					
5-3, 135-136	+	+														+	+																					
5-4, 30-31	+															+	+																					
5-4, 120-121	+															+	+																					
5-5, 30-31	+															cf.	+	+																				
5-5, 120-121	+															cf.	+	+																				

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Sample (Interval in cm)	<i>Catinaster calyxulus</i>	<i>Catinaster coeruleus</i>	<i>Ceratolithus acutus</i>	<i>Ceratolithus amplificus</i>	<i>Ceratolithus cristatus</i>	<i>Ceratolithus primus</i>	<i>Ceratolithus rugosus</i>	<i>Ceratolithus tricorniculatus</i>	<i>Coccolithus epipelagicus</i>	<i>Coccolithus miopelagicus</i>	<i>Coccolithus pelagicus</i>	<i>Coronocyclus</i> sp.	<i>Cyclargolithus abisectus</i>	<i>Cyclargolithus floridanus</i>	<i>Cyclococcolithina leptopora</i>	<i>Cyclococcolithina macintyrei</i>	<i>Cyclococcolithina rotula</i>	<i>Discoaster asymmetricus</i>	<i>Discoaster aulakos</i>	<i>Discoaster bellus</i>	<i>Discoaster berggrenii</i>	<i>Discoaster browni</i>	<i>Discoaster bolivi</i>	<i>Discoaster calcaris</i>	<i>Discoaster challengerii</i>	<i>Discoaster deflandrei</i>	<i>Discoaster dilatatus</i>	<i>Discoaster druegii</i>	<i>Discoaster exilis</i>	<i>Discoaster hamatus</i>	<i>Discoaster icarus</i>	<i>Discoaster intercalaris</i>	<i>Discoaster kugleri</i>	<i>Discoaster loeblichii</i>	<i>Discoaster moreei</i>	<i>Discoaster neohamatus</i>	<i>Discoaster neorectus</i>	<i>Discoaster nephados</i>
5-6, 45-46	+	+																																				
5-6, 130-131	+	+																																				
5, CC	+	+																																				
1A-1, 124-125																																						
1A-1, 138-139																																						
1A-2, 30-31																																						
1A-3, 25-26																																						
1A-3, 130-131																																						
1A-4, 10-11																																						
1A-6, 66-67																																						
1A, CC																																						
2A-1, 99-101																																						
2A, CC																																						
3A-1, 110-111																																						
3A-2, 85-86																																						
3A, CC																																						
4A-1, 108-110																																						
4A-2, 124-125																																						
4A, CC																																						
5A-1, 110-112																																						
5A-2, 45-46																																						
5A-3, 82-83																																						
5A-4, 117-118																																						
5A-5, 9-10																																						
5A-5, 106-107																																						
5A, CC																																						
6A-1, 21-22																																						
6A-3, 25-26																																						
6A-5, 129-131																																						
6A, CC																																						
7A-3, 137-138																																						
7A-4, 10-11																																						
7A-6, 46-47																																						
7A-6, 130-131																																						

Discoaster tamalis Zone (age: Late Pliocene)

The total range of *Discoaster tamalis*.

The lower upper Pliocene boundary is tentatively drawn at the base of this zone (discussion in Bukry, 1973d).

The *D. brouweri*, "D." *pentaradiatus*, and *D. tamalis* zones are based on the sequential disappearance down-section of the nominate species and in case of reworking, their differentiation becomes impossible. Therefore, these zones, together with the *P. lacunosa* Zone are lumped into the *Discoaster triradiatus/Pseudoemiliania lacunosa* zonal interval delimited by the base ranges of *Discoaster tamalis* and barred *Gephyrocapsa* species (*G. caribbeanica*). This interval corresponds roughly to the upper Pliocene.

Reticulofenestra pseudoumbilica Zone (age: Early Pliocene)

The interval from the last occurrence of non-birefringent ceratoliths (*Ceratolithus tricorniculatus* and *C. primus*) to the base range of *Discoaster tamalis*.

The upper boundary as originally defined by the last occurrence of *R. pseudoumbilica* (Gartner, 1969), is rather difficult to determine because *R. pseudoumbilica* becomes quite rare and is usually represented by small specimens (Gartner, 1974 and own observation). Bukry (1973d) reinforces the recognition of this boundary by the disappearance of representatives of *Sphenolithus*. *Discoaster tamalis* first appears shortly before the disappearance of *R. pseudoumbilica* and *Sphenolithus* spp.

TABLE 2 - *Continued*

<i>Discoaster pansus</i>														
" <i>Discoaster</i> " <i>pentaradiatus</i>														
<i>Discoaster perclarus</i>														
<i>Discoaster prepentaradiatus</i>														
<i>Discoaster pseudovariabilis</i>														
" <i>Discoaster</i> " <i>quadramus</i>														
<i>Discoaster quinqueramus</i>														
<i>Discoaster rutellus</i>														
<i>Discoaster signus</i>														
<i>Discoaster surculus</i>														
<i>Discoaster tamalis</i>														
<i>Discoaster trinidadensis</i>														
<i>Discoaster triradiatus</i>														
<i>Discoaster variabilis</i>														
<i>Discolithina japonica</i>														
<i>Discolithina multipora</i>														
<i>Discolithina plana</i>														
<i>Hayaster perplexus</i>														
<i>Helicopontosphaera granulata</i>														
<i>Helicopontosphaera intermedia</i>														
<i>Helicopontosphaera kampnieri</i>														
<i>Helicopontosphaera obliqua</i>														
<i>Helicopontosphaera recta</i>														
<i>Helicopontosphaera romba</i>														
<i>Holodiscolithus macroporus</i>														
<i>Lithostromalium perdurum</i>														
<i>Minyliitha connallis</i>														
<i>Ocitholithus antillarum</i>														
<i>Reticulofenestra pseudoumbilica</i>														
<i>Reticulofenestra scissura</i>														
<i>Reticulofenestra sp.</i>														
<i>Rhabdosphaera sp.</i>														
<i>Scyphosphaera apsteinii</i>														
<i>Scyphosphaera globulata</i>														
<i>Scyphosphaera pulcherrima</i>														
<i>Scyphosphaera recurvata</i>														
<i>Sphenolithus abies</i>														
<i>Sphenolithus heteromorphus</i>														
<i>Sphenolithus neobies</i>														
<i>Sphenolithus moriformis</i>														
<i>Triquetrorhabdulus carinatus</i>														
<i>Triquetrorhabdulus milowii</i>														
<i>Triquetrorhabdulus rugosus</i>														

The base range of *D. tamalis* is used here instead of the top ranges of *R. pseudoumbilica* and *Sphenolithus* spp. to avoid the biostratigraphic hazard caused by reworking.

Ceratolithus rugosus Zone (age: Early Pliocene)

The interval from the base range of *Ceratolithus rugosus* to the last occurrence of nonbirefringent ceratoliths.

This zone is equivalent to the *C. rugosus* Subzone of Bukry (1973d).

Ceratolithus tricorniculatus Zone (age: Miocene-Pliocene)

The interval from the top range of *Discoaster quinqueramus* to the base range of *Ceratolithus rugosus*.

The base and top ranges of *Ceratolithus acutus* and *Triquetrorhabdulus rugosus*, respectively, are near the base of the *C. tricorniculatus* Zone almost at the same level. Bukry (1973b, d) uses these criteria to subdivide an interval equivalent to the *C. tricorniculatus* Zone into the *Triquetrorhabdulus rugosus* and *Ceratolithus acutus* subzones and considers the boundary separating these subzones as the Pliocene/Miocene boundary.

Discoaster quinqueramus Zone (age: Late Miocene)

The interval with the concurrent occurrence of *Ceratolithus primus* and *Discoaster quinqueramus*.

This zone is equivalent to the *Ceratolithus primus* Subzone of Bukry (1973d) and to the *D. quinqueramus* Zone of Gartner (1974).

TABLE 3A
Checklist of Calcareous Nannofossils Recovered at Site 286

7-4, 30-31				+ +	+ +			+ +					
7-5, 35-36				+ +	+ +			+ +					
7-5, 120-121				+ +	+ +			+ +					+
7-6, 120-121		cf.		+ +	+ +			+ +					
7, CC				+ +	+ +			+ +					
8-1, 30-31		+		+ +	+ +			+ +					+
8-2, 120-121		+		+ +	+ +			+ +					cf.
8-3, 30-31	+			+ +	+ +			+ +					+
8, CC	+			+ +	cf. +			+ +					+
9-1, 55-56	+		+	+ +	+ +			+ +	+ +				
9-2, 8-9	+			+ +	+ +			+ +	+ +				
9-2, 45-46	+			+ +	+ +			+ +	+ +				+
9-2, 125-126				+ +	+ +			+ +	+ +				+
9-3, 8-9				+ +	+ +			+ +					
9-3, 85-86	+			+ +	+ +			+ +	+ +				
9-4, 8-9	+		cf.	+ +	+ +			+ +	+ +				+
9-4, 30-31				+ +	+ +			+ +	+ +				
9-4, 85-86				+ +	+ +			+ +	+ +				+
9-5, 8-9				+ +	+ +			+ +	+ +				
9-5, 45-46				+ +	+ +			+ +	+ +				
9-5, 65-66				+ +	+ +			+ +	+ +				+
9-5, 110-111				+ +	+ +			+ +	+ +				+
9, CC	+			+ +	? +	+ +		+ +	+ +	+ +	+ +		+
10-1, 67-68													+
10-1, 125-126													+
10-2, 35-36													+
10-2, 125-126													+
10-3, 30-31							+						+
10-3, 120-121													+
10-4, 25-26													+
10-4, 135-136													+
10, CC													+
11-1, 80-81													+
11-1, 120-121													+
11, CC													+
12-2, 31-32													+
12-2, 120-121													+
12, CC													+
13-1, 140-141													
13-2, 29-30													
13-2, 119-120													
13, CC													
14-1, 105-106													
14-2, 30-31													
14-2, 120-121													
14, CC													
15-1, 80-81													
15, CC													
16-1, 90-91													
16-2, 7-8													
16, CC													
17-1, 15-16													
17-1, 110-111													
17-2, 61-62													
17-2, 97-98													
17-2, 133-134													
17-3, 36-37													
17-3, 120-121													

TABLE 3A – *Continued*

***Discoaster berggrenii* Zone (age: Late Miocene)**

The interval from the base range of *Discoaster berggrenii* to the base range of *Ceratolithus primus*. The zone is equivalent to the *D. berggrenii* Subzone of Bukry (1973d).

***Discoaster neohamatus* Zone (age: Late Miocene)**

The interval from the top range of *Discoaster hamatus* to the base range of *Discoaster berggrenii*. Obviously, the zone is a gap interval relying on the absence of two index species. In case of upward displacement of *Discoaster hamatus*, the base range of *Minylitha convallis* is taken to approximate the extinction of *D. hamatus*. The lower boundary of the *D. neohamatus* Zone is considered to approximate the middle upper Miocene boundary (e.g., Bukry, 1973d).

***Discoaster hamatus* Zone (age: Middle Miocene)**

The total range of *Discoaster hamatus*. Following Bukry (1973d) the base range of *Catinaster calyculus* within this zone is used to distinguish between an upper *Catinaster calyculus* Subzone and a lower *Helicopontosphaera kampfneri* Subzone.

***Catinaster coalitus* Zone (age: Middle Miocene)**

The short interval from the base range of *Catinaster coalitus* to the base range of *Discoaster hamatus*.

***Discoaster exilis* Zone (age: Middle Miocene)**

The interval from the top range of *Sphenolithus heteromorphus* to the base range of *Catinaster coalitus*. The interval is a gap zone, however, it is characterized by the presence of *Triquetrorhabdulus rugosus* and *Sphenolithus abies*.

***Sphenolithus heteromorphus* Zone (age: Early to Middle Miocene)**

The total range of *Sphenolithus heteromorphus*.

The zone correlates with the *S. heteromorphus* Zone of Gartner (1974). Bukry (1973d) uses the end acme horizon of *Discoaster deflandrei* to subdivide an interval equivalent to the *S. heteromorphus* Zone into two zones. This practice is followed here, but only to differentiate between a lower and an upper part of the zone.

***Sphenolithus belemnos* Zone (age: Early Miocene)**

The interval from the base range of *Sphenolithus belemnos* to the base range of *Sphenolithus heteromorphus*. The zone corresponds roughly to the total range of the nominate species.

***Triquetrorhabdulus carinatus* Zone (age: Oligocene-Miocene)**

The interval from the top range of *Sphenolithus ciperoensis* to the base range of *Sphenolithus belemnos*. The zone is equivalent to the *T. carinatus* Zone of Bukry (1973d). Criteria for subdividing this zone into three subzones are given in Bukry (1973d) and have been used here. The Oligocene/Miocene boundary lies within this zone.

27, CC 28-1, 108-109						
28-2, 118-119						
28, CC 29-1, 133-136						
29-2, 101-103						
29-3, 135-135						
29-4, 135-137						
29-5, 132-133						
29, CC 30-1, 77-79						
30, CC 31-1, 121-123						
31-2, 26-27						
31-2, 113-114						
31, CC 32-1, 30-31						
32-2, 43-44						
32-2, 110-111						
33-1, 110-111						
33-2, 131-132						
33, CC 34-1, 119-120						
34-2, 145-146						
34, CC 35-1, 80-81						
35, CC						

TABLE 3B
Checklist of Calcareous Nannofossils Recovered at Site 268

7-5, 35-36	+		+					+	+	+	+	+	+		
7-5, 120-121	+		cf.					+	+	+	+	+	+		
7-6, 120-121	+							+	+	+	+	+	+	+	
7, CC	+		cf.					+	+	+	+	+	+	+	
8-1, 30-31	+							+	+	+	+	+	+	+	
8-2, 120-121	+			+				+	+	+	aff.	+	+	+	+
8-3, 30-31	+							+	+	+	aff.	+	+		+
8, CC	+		+					+	+	+	aff.	+	+	+	+
9-1, 55-56	+	+	+	+	+	aff.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	
9-2, 8-9	+	+	+	+	+	aff.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+		+
9-2, 45-46	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+		
9-2, 125-126	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+		
9-3, 8-9			cf.					+	+	+		+	+	+	
9-3, 85-86				+				+	+	+		+	+		+
9-4, 8-9	+	+	cf.					+	+	+		+	+		
9-4, 30-31			cf.					+	+	+		+	+		
9-4, 85-86								+	+	+		+	+		
9-5, 8-9								+	+	+		+	+		
9-5, 45-46								+	+	+		+	+		+
9-5, 65-66								+	+	+		+	+		
9-5, 110-111								+	+	+		+	+		
9, CC			cf.					+	+	+		+	+		+
10-1, 67-68									+	+					
10-1, 125-126	+							+	+	+					
10-2, 35-36									+	+					
10-2, 125-126									+	+					
10-3, 30-31	+							+	+	+					
10-3, 120-121									+	+					
10-4, 25-26									+	+					
10-4, 135-136	+								+	+					
10, CC									+	+					
11-1, 80-81									+	+					
11-1, 120-121	+		+					+	+	+		+	+		
11, CC									+	+		+	+		
12-2, 31-32									+	+					
12-2, 120-121	+								+	+			+		
12, CC									+	+					
13-1, 140-141										+					
13-2, 29-30										+					
13-2, 119-120	+		+	+					+	+		+	+	+	
13, CC									+	+		+	+	+	
14-1, 105-106									+	+					
14-2, 20-21	+								+	+		+			
14-2, 120-121	+								+	+		+			
14, CC	+		+	+					+	+		+	+	+	
15-1, 80-81									+	+		+			
15, CC	+								+	+					
16-1, 90-91									+	+		+			
16-2, 7-8									+	+					
16, CC									+	+		+	+		
17-1, 15-16									+	+		+			
17-1, 110-111									+	+					
17-2, 61-62										+					
17-2, 97-98									+	+		+			
17-2, 133-134									+	+		+			
17-3, 36-37									+	+					
17-3, 120-121									+	+		+			

TABLE 3B – *Continued*

27, CC						
28-1, 108-109						
28, CC						
29-1, 133-136						
29-2, 101-103						
29-3, 135-135						
29-4, 135-137						
29-5, 132-133						
29, CC						
30-1, 77-79						
30, CC						
31-1, 121-123						
31-2, 26-27						
31-2, 113-114						
31, CC						
32-1, 30-31						
32-2, 43-44						
32-2, 110-111						
33-1, 110-111						
33-2, 131-132						
33, CC						

***Sphenolithus ciperoensis* Zone (age: Late Oligocene)**

The total range of the nominate species.

***Sphenolithus distentus* Zone (age: Late Oligocene)**

The interval from the evolutionary base of *Sphenolithus distentus* (phytic emergence from its ancestor *Sphenolithus predistentus*) to the evolutionary base of *Sphenolithus ciperoensis* (phytic emergence from *distentus*). The zone correlates with the *S. distentus* of Bukry (1973d).

***Sphenolithus predistentus* Zone (age: Early Oligocene)**

The interval from the top range of *Reticulofenestra umbilica* or its late sibling *R. hillae* to the evolutionary base of *Sphenolithus distentus*.

***Reticulofenestra hillae* Zone (age: Early Oligocene)**

The interval from the top range of *Cyclococcolithina formosa* to the top range of *Reticulofenestra hillae* or *R. umbilica*.

***Cyclococcolithina formosa* Zone (age: Early Oligocene)**

The interval from the top range of *Discoaster barbadiensis* or *D. saipanensis* to the range of *Cyclococcolithina formosa*.

***Discoaster barbadiensis* Zone (age: Late Eocene)**

The interval from the top range of *Chiasmolithus grandis* to the top range of *Discoaster barbadiensis* or *D. saipanensis*.

The top range of *Cyclicargolithus reticulatus* is within this zone. The event proved to be useful in the biostratigraphy of the southern margin of Australia. On this evidence, a differentiation between a lower and upper *D. barbadiensis* Zone is achieved (e.g., Site 286).

This zone correlates with the combined *Chiasmolithus oamaruensis* and *Isthmolithus recurvus* zones usually recognized in extratropical near-shore facies, e.g., southern margin of Australia.

The Eocene/Oligocene boundary is tentatively placed at the top of the *D. barbadiensis* Zone.

***Discoaster saipanensis* Zone (age: Middle Eocene)**

The interval from the top range of *Chiasmolithus solitus* to the top range of *Chiasmolithus grandis*.

The top range of *C. grandis* is taken as the middle/upper Eocene boundary.

***Cyclicargolithus reticulatus* Zone (age: Middle Eocene)**

The interval from the base range of *Cyclicargolithus reticulatus* to the top range of *Chiasmolithus solitus*.

***Reticulofenestra umbilica* Zone (age: Middle Eocene)**

The interval from the base range of *Reticulofenestra umbilica* to the base range of *Cyclicargolithus reticulatus*.

***Chiasmolithus gigas* Zone (age: Middle Eocene)**

The interval from the base range of *Chiasmolithus gigas* to the base range of *Reticulofenestra umbilica*. This zone is equivalent to the combined *C. gigas* and *Coccolithus staurion* subzones of Bukry (1973d).

TABLE 4
Checklist of Calcareous Nannofossils Recovered at Site 287

Species	Brauridospaera bigelowi	Brauridospaera discula	Campylosphaera dela	Campylosphaera eodela	Ceratolithus cristatus	Ceratolithus rugosus	Chiasmolithus consuetus	Chiasmolithus expansus	Chiasmolithus gigas	Chiasmolithus granulatus	Chiasmolithus solitus	Coccolithus cribellatum	Coccolithus eopelagicus	Coccolithus magnicrassus	Coronocyclus serratus	Cruciplacolithus staurion	Cyclicololithus absectus	Cyclicololithus floridanus	Cyclicololithus gammation	Cyclicololithus pseudogammation	Cyclococcolithina formosa	Cyclococcolithina leptopora	Cyclococcolithina macintyrei	Cyclococcolithina protoannula	Discoaster asymmetricus	Discoaster barbadensis	Discoaster bergerenii	Discoaster bimodosus	Discoaster broweri	Discoaster decorus	Discoaster deflandrei	Discoaster diastypus	Discoaster distinctus	Discoaster gemmifer	Discoaster lodoensis	Discoaster mirus	Discoaster multiradiatus	Discoaster nobilis	Discoaster ornatus	"Discoaster" penanadiatus	Discoaster salpanensis	Discoaster sublodoensis	Discoaster surculus	Discoaster tanalis	Discoaster tani	Discoaster wemmenensis
Sample (Interval in cm)																																														
8-1, 10-11	+	+															+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+																					
8-1, 120-121																																														
10-1, 120-121																																														
10-2, 4-5																																														
10-2, 70-71																																														
10-2, 120-121																																														
10-3, 8-9																																														
10-3, 120-121																																														
10-4, 30-31																																														
10-4, 120-121																																														
10, CC																																														
11-0	+																																													
11-1, 30-31																																														
11-1, 120-121																																														
11-2, 30-31																																														
11-2, 120-121																																														
11-3, 30-31																																														
11-3, 120-121																																														
11-4, 30-31	+	+																																												
11-4, 109-110	+																																													
11-5, 30-31																																														
11-5, 118-119	+																																													
11-6, 1-3																																														
11, CC																																														
12-1, 100-101	+																																													
12-2, 30-31	+																																													
12-2, 120-121																																														
12-3, 30-31																																														
12-4, 30-31	+																																													
12-4, 120-121																																														
12-5, 30-31																																														
12-5, 120-121																																														
12, CC																																														
13-1, 145-146																																														
13-2, 30-31																																														
13-2, 120-121																																														
13-3, 30-31																																														
13-3, 120-121																																														
13, CC																																														
14-1, 100-101																																														
14-2, 30-31	+																																													
14-2, 120-121																																														
14-3, 30-31																																														
14-3, 120-121																																														
14, CC	+																																													
15-1, 100-101																																														
15-2, 30-31	+																																													
15-2, 120-121	+																																													
15, CC	+																																													
16-1	+	+	+	+																																										

Nannotetrina fulgens Zone (age: Middle Eocene)

The interval from the base range of *Nannotetrina fulgens* to the base range of *Chiasmolithus gigas*. The zone is equivalent to the *Discoaster strictus* Subzone of Bukry (1973d).

Discoaster sublodoensis Zone (age: Early to Middle Eocene)

The interval from the base range of *Discoaster sublodoensis* to the base range of *Nannotetrina fulgens*.

Following Bukry (1973d), this zone is subdivided into the *Rhabdosphaera inflata* and *Discoasteroides kuepperi* subzones on the initial appearance of *R. inflata*. Where recognized this event locates the middle/lower Eocene boundary.

Discoaster lodoensis Zone (age: Early Eocene)

The interval from the top of abundant *Tribrachiatus orthostylus* to the base range of *Discoaster sublodoensis*. The older event is the extinction of *T. orthostylus* of

TABLE 4 – *Continued*

several authors, but observations support Bukry's (1973d) suggestion that the event is rather a sharp drop in abundance.

***Tribrachiatus orthostylus* Zone (age: Early Eocene)**

The interval from the base range of *Discoaster lodoensis* to the top abundance of *Tribrachiatus orthostylus*.

Discoaster diastypus Zone (age: Early Eocene)

The interval from the base of *Discoaster diastypus* to the base range of *Discoaster lodoensis*.

The base of this zone is taken as the Eocene/Paleocene boundary.

Discoaster multiradiatus Zone (age: Late Paleocene)

The interval from the base range of *Discoaster multiradiatus* to the base range of *Discoaster diastypus*.

Discoaster nobilis Zone (age: Middle Paleocene)

The interval from the base range of *Discoaster nobilis* to the base range of *Discoaster multiradiatus*. This zone has not been identified in Leg 30 material.

TABLE 5A
Checklist of Calcareous Nannofossils Recovered at Site 288

7, CC	+					+	+	++	++	++	+++	+	
8-1, 33-34	+					++	+						
8-1, 118-119	++			+		++	+					cf.	
8, CC				+		++							+
9-1, 31-32						+							+
9-1, 105-106				+									
9, CC				+			+						
10-1, 94-95				+	+		+						
10-2, 22-23				+	+	+			+				
10-2, 123-124				+		+							
10, CC				+		++							
11-1, 79-80				+	+	++							
11-2, 38-39	+			++		++	+						
11, CC				+	+	++							
1A-1, 39-40				+		++							
1A-2, 25-26				+	+	++							
1A-3, 47-48				++		+							
1A, CC				++		++							
2A-1, 134-135				+		++							
2A-2, 67-68				++		++							
2A-2, 131-132				+		++							
2A, CC				++		++							
3A-1, 110-111				+		+							
3A-2, 25-26				+		++							
3A-2, 124-125				+		++							aff.
3A, CC				+		++							
4A-1, 100-101				+		++							
4A-2, 5-6				+		++							
4A-2, 100-101				+		++							
4A, CC				+		+							
5A-1, 80-82				+		+							+
5A-1, 124-129				+		+							+
5A, CC				+		?	+						+
6A-1, 9-10				+		+							+
6A-1, 74-76				++		+							+
6A-1, 115-116				+		+							+
6A-2, 96-99	++			+	+	+	+	+	+			aff.	+
8A-1, 102-104			+			+			+				
8A-1, 131-132						+							
8A-2, 13-14			+			+							
8A-2, 30-31			+			+							
8A-2, 102-103			+			+			+				
8A-2, 122-123			+			+							
8A-2, 134-135			?	?									
8A-2, 138-139						+							
8A, CC						+							

TABLE 5B
Checklist of Calcareous Nannofossils Recovered at Site 288.

Species	
Sample (Interval in cm)	
1-1, 30-31	<i>Discoaster trinidadensis</i>
1-2, 30-31	<i>Discoaster irridiatus</i>
1, CC	<i>Discoaster variabilis</i>
2-1, 143-144	<i>Discoasteroides</i> sp.
2-2, 30-31	<i>Ellipsolithus cf. macelius</i>
2-3, 30-31	<i>Emilia huxleyi</i>
2-3, 77-79	<i>Ericsonia cava</i>
2-4, 30-31	<i>Fasciculithus cf. involutus</i>
2-5, 30-31	<i>Fasciculithus cf. tympaniformis</i>
2, CC	<i>Gephyrocapsa caribeanica</i>
3-1, 50-51	<i>Gephyrocapsa lumina</i>
3-2, 8-9	<i>Gephyrocapsa oceanica</i>
3-3, 8-9	<i>Gephyrocapsa producta</i>
3-4, 20-21	<i>Haploster perplexus</i>
3-5, 20-21	<i>Helicopontosphaera compacta</i>
3-6, 30-31	<i>Helicopontosphaera granulata</i>
3, CC	<i>Helicopontosphaera kampfneri</i>
4-1, 70-71	<i>Helicopontosphaera sellii</i>
4-2, 30-31	<i>Heliolithus kleinpellii</i>
4-2, 120-121	<i>Heliolithus sp.</i>
4, CC	<i>Heliolithus concinnus</i>
5-1, 30-31	<i>Markalitus astroporus</i>
5-2, 30-31	<i>Minylitha convallis</i>
5-3, 30-31	<i>Oolitholithus antillarum</i>
5-4, 30-31	<i>Orthorhabdus serratus</i>
5-5, 30-31	<i>Pseudomiliaria lacunosa</i>
5-6, 30-31	<i>Reticulofenestra pseudoumbilica</i>
5, CC	<i>Reticulofenestra scissura</i>
6-1, 120-121	<i>Reticulofenestra scriptae</i>
6-2, 30-31	<i>Reticulofenestra umbilica</i>
6-3, 30-31	<i>Rhabdospaera clavigera</i>
6-4, 30-31	<i>Scapholithus fossilis</i>
6-5, 30-31	<i>Scyphosphaera apsteinii</i>
6, CC	<i>Scyphosphaera globulata</i>
7-1, 132-133	<i>Scyphosphaera intermedia</i>
7-2, 120-121	<i>Sphenolithus abies</i>
7, CC	<i>Sphenolithus aff. ciperoensis</i>
	<i>Sphenolithus conicus</i>
	<i>Sphenolithus cf. delphix</i>
	<i>Sphenolithus disentus</i>
	<i>Sphenolithus heteromorphus</i>
	<i>Sphenolithus moriformis</i>
	<i>Sphenolithus neobates</i>
	<i>Sphenolithus predistinctus</i>
	<i>Sphenolithus pseudoradians</i>
	<i>Thoracosphaera heimi</i>
	<i>Thoracosphaera saxea</i>
	<i>Triquetrorhabdulus carinatus</i>
	<i>Triquetrorhabdulus milowii</i>
	<i>Zygodiscus sigmoides</i>
	<i>Zyghabolithus bijugatus</i>
	<i>Zygerhabolithus crassus</i>

8-1, 33-34	+				+								+
8-1, 118-119	+				+								+
8, CC	+	+			+								+
9-1, 31-32	++	+			+								+
9-1, 105-106	++	+			+								+
9, CC													
10-1, 94-95	+	+			+								+
10-2, 22-23	+				+								+
10-2, 123-124		+			+								+
10, CC	+												+
11-1, 79-80		+											+
11-2, 38-39	+												+
11, CC	+												+
1A-1, 39-40	+	+											+
1A-2, 25-26	+												+
1A-3, 47-48	+												+
1A, CC	+	+											+
2A-1, 134-135	+	+											+
2A-2, 67-68													+
2A-2, 131-132		+											+
2A, CC	+												+
3A-1, 110-111													+
3A-2, 25-26													+
3A-2, 124-125		+											+
3A, CC	+												
4A-1, 100-101													+
4A-2, 5-6													
4A-2, 100-101													
4A, CC													
5A-1, 80-82		+											+
5A-1, 124-129					+								
5A, CC					+								
6A-1, 9-10		+											
6A-1, 74-76													
6A-1, 115-116		+											
6A-2, 96-99					+								
8A-1, 102-104		+											+
8A-1, 131-132													+
8A-2, 13-14	++	++											+
8A-2, 30-31		++											+
8A-2, 102-103													+
8A-2, 122-123													
8A-2, 134-135			?										
8A-2, 138-139													
8A, CC													

TABLE 6A
Checklist of Cenozoic Calcareous Nannofossils Recovered at Site 289

TABLE 6A – *Continued*

22-2, 120-121	+	+			+	.	+	+	+	+			+	cf.	+	+
22-3, 120-121	+						+	+	+	+					+	
22-4, 120-121	+				+		+	+	+	+					+	
22, CC							+	+	+	+					+	+
23-1, 120-121	+								+	+					+	+
23-2, 120-121		+						+							+	+
23-3, 30-31		+			+			+	+						+	
23-3, 120-121					+				+						+	+
23-4, 30-31		+			+				+						+	+
23-5, 30-31		+													+	+
23-6, 120-121		+													+	+
23, CC					+			+	+						+	+
24-1, 120-121								+								
24-2, 35-36		+							+							
24-3, 30-31					+				+							+
24-4, 30-31		+			+				+							+
24-5, 30-31		+														
24-6, 30-31																
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25-5, 120-121																+
25, CC					+				+	+					+	+
26-1, 30-31					+			+	+	+						cf.
26-2, 35-36					+				+	+					+	
26-3, 30-31					+			+	+	+						
26-4, 30-31					+			+	+	+						+
26-5, 30-31					+				+	+						
26-6, 30-31								+	+	+						+
26, CC					+				+	+					+	+
27-1, 45-46					+				+	+						
27-2, 30-31					+			+	+	+						
27-3, 120-121					+				+	+						
27-4, 30-31					+			+	+	aff. +						+
27-4, 120-121					+				+	aff. +						+
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27-6, 30-31					+			+	+	aff. +						+
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28-3, 30-31					+			+	+	aff. +					+	+
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28-5, 30-31					+			+	+	aff. +					+	+
28-6, 30-31								+	+							cf.
28, CC					+				+	+					+	
29-1					+				+	+						
29-2, 35-36					+			+	+	+					+	
29-3, 120-121					+				+	+					+	
29, CC					+				+	+					+	
30-1, 120-121					+				+	+					+	
30-2, 120-121					+			+	+	+						
30-3, 120-121					+			+	+	+						
30, CC					+				+	+					+	aff.

TABLE 6A - *Continued*

Species	Bramletteia serraculoides	Catinaster calyculus	Catinaster coaditus	Ceratolithus acutus	Ceratolithus amplificus	Ceratolithus bizarrus	Ceratolithus cristatus	Ceratolithus primus	Ceratolithus rugosus	Chiasmolithus bidentis	Chiasmolithus californicus	Chiasmolithus gigas	Chiasmolithus grandis	Chiasmolithus solitus	Coccolithus bisulcus	Coccolithus cribellum	Coccolithus eopelagicus	Coccolithus magnicassus	Coccolithus miopelagicus	Coccolithus pelagicus	Coronocyathus serratus	Cruciplacolithus tenuis	Cyclargolithus abiseptus	Cyclargolithus floridanus	Cyclargolithus reticulatus	Cyclococcolithina formosa	Cyclococcolithina gammation	Cyclococcolithina leporina	Cyclococcolithina macroryei	Cyclococcolithina protoannula	Cyclococcolithina robusta	Discoaster aster	Discoaster asymmetricus	Discoaster barbadiensis	Discoaster bellus	Discoaster bergenii	Discoaster brouweri	Discoaster calcaris	Discoaster challengerii	Discoaster decorus	Discoaster defflandrei	Discoaster diastypus	Discoaster druggii	Discoaster exilis	Discoaster formosus	Discoaster hamatus	Discoaster kugleri	Discoaster lidizi	Discoaster lodoensis	Discoaster mohleri	Discoaster multiradiatus	Discoaster neohamatus	Discoaster neorectus	Discoaster nobilis	Discoaster nodifer	Discoaster ornatus	Discoaster pansus	"Discoaster" pentaradiatus	Discoaster prepentaradiatus	Discoaster quinqueramus	Discoaster rutellus
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33-3, 80-81																																																													
33-4, 120-121																																																													
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36-6, 30-31	cf. cf.																																																												
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37-1, 30-31	+																																																												
37-2, 120-121	+																																																												
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37-5, 120-121	+																																																												

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37-6, 120-121					+	+				+	cf.		
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38-1, 30-31						+							
38-1, 120-121						+							
38-2, 30-31						+	+				+		
38-2, 120-121	?					+	+				+		
38-3, 30-31						+	+				+		cf.
38-4, 30-31						+	+				+		
38-5, 30-31						+	+				+		
38-6, 30-31						+	+				+		
38, CC						+	+					cf.	
39-1, 30-31						+	+					cf.	
39-2, 30-31						+	+				+		
39-3, 30-31						+	+					cf.	
39-4, 35-36						+	+					cf.	
39-5, 30-31						+	+					cf.	
39-6, 30-31						+	+				+	cf.	
39, CC						+	+				+		
40-1, 30-31						+	+				+	cf.	
40-2, 40-41						+	+				+	cf.	
40-3, 30-31						+	+				+	+	
40-4, 30-31						+	+				+	cf.	
40-5, 30-31						+	+				+	cf.	
40-6, 30-31						+	+				+	cf.	
40, CC						+	+				+		
41-1, 50-51						+	+				+		
41-2, 120-121						+	+				+	cf.	
41, CC						+	+						
42-1, 30-31						+	+						
42-2, 30-31						+	+				+	cf.	
42-3, 30-31						+	+				+	+	
42-4, 30-31						+	+				+	+	
42-5, 30-31						+	+				+	+	
42-6, 30-31						+	+				+	+	
42, CC						+	+						
43-1, 30-31						+	+				+	+	
43-2, 35-36						+	+				+	+	
43-3, 30-31						+	+				+	+	
43-4, 35-36						+	+				+	+	
43-5, 30-31						+	+				+	+	
43-6, 40-41						+	+				+	cf.	
43, CC						+	+				+		
44-1, 30-31						+	+				+	+	
44-2, 30-31						+	+				+	+	
44-3, 30-31						+	+				+	cf.	
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44-5, 30-31						+	+				+	+	
44-6, 30-31						+	+				+	+	
44, CC						+	+						
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45-2, 30-31						+	+				+	+	
45-3, 30-31						+	+				+	+	
45-4, 30-31						+	+				+	+	
45-5, 30-31						+	+				+	+	

TABLE 6A - *Continued*

Species	<i>Bramletteus serraculoides</i>	<i>Catinaster calyculus</i>	<i>Catinaster coalitus</i>	<i>Ceratolithus acutus</i>	<i>Ceratolithus amplifrons</i>	<i>Ceratolithus bizarrus</i>	<i>Ceratolithus cristatus</i>	<i>Ceratolithus primus</i>	<i>Ceratolithus rugosus</i>	<i>Chiasmolithus bidens</i>	<i>Chiasmolithus californicus</i>	<i>Chiasmolithus gigas</i>	<i>Chiasmolithus grandis</i>	<i>Chiasmolithus solitus</i>	<i>Coccolithus bisulcus</i>	<i>Coccolithus cribellum</i>	<i>Coccolithus eopelagicus</i>	<i>Coccolithus magnicassus</i>	<i>Coccolithus miopelagicus</i>	<i>Coccolithus pelagicus</i>	<i>Coronocyclus serratus</i>	<i>Cruciplacolithus tenuis</i>	<i>Cyclargolithus abiectus</i>	<i>Cyclargolithus floridanus</i>	<i>Cyclargolithus reticulatus</i>	<i>Cyclococcolithina formosa</i>	<i>Cyclococcolithina gammatica</i>	<i>Cyclococcolithina leptopora</i>	<i>Cyclococcolithina macintyrei</i>	<i>Cyclococcolithina protoammonia</i>	<i>Cyclococcolithina robusta</i>	<i>Discoaster aster</i>	<i>Discoaster asymmetricus</i>	<i>Discoaster barbadiensis</i>	<i>Discoaster bellus</i>	<i>Discoaster berggrenii</i>	<i>Discoaster brouweri</i>	<i>Discoaster calcaris</i>	<i>Discoaster challengerii</i>	<i>Discoaster decorus</i>	<i>Discoaster deflandrei</i>	<i>Discoaster diastypus</i>	<i>Discoaster druggii</i>	<i>Discoaster exilis</i>	<i>Discoaster formosus</i>	<i>Discoaster hamatus</i>	<i>Discoaster kugleri</i>	<i>Discoaster lizzi</i>	<i>Discoaster lodoensis</i>	<i>Discoaster mohleri</i>	<i>Discoaster multiradiatus</i>	<i>Discoaster neohamatus</i>	<i>Discoaster neorectus</i>	<i>Discoaster nobilis</i>	<i>Discoaster nodifer</i>	<i>Discoaster ornatus</i>	<i>Discoaster pansus</i>	<i>Discoaster pentaradiatus</i>	<i>Discoaster prepentaradiatus</i>	<i>Discoaster quinqueramus</i>	<i>Discoaster nitellus</i>
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52-6, 30-31					+	+				+	+	+	cf.				
52, CC					+	+				+	+	+					
53-1, 120-121					+	+	+			+	+	+					
53-2, 119-120					+	+	+			+	+	+					
53-3, 120-121					+	+				+	+	+					
53-4, 120-121					+	+				+	+	+					
53, CC					+	+		+		+	+	+					
54-1, 120-121					+	+		+		+	+	+					
54-2, 120-121					+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+					
54-3, 120-121					+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+					
54-4, 120-121					+	+	+	+		+	+	+	cf.				
54, CC					+	+		+		+	+	+					
55-1, 30-31					+	+				+	+	+					
55-2, 30-31					+	+	+			+	+	+					
55-3, 30-31					+	+	+			+	+	+					
55-4, 30-31					+	+				+	+	+					
55-5, 30-31					+	+				+	+	+					
55-6, 30-31					+	+				+	+	+					
55, CC					+	+				ff.	+	+					
56-1, 120-121					+	+				+	+	+					
56-2, 120-121					+	+	+			+	+	+					
56-3, 120-121					+	+	+			+	+	+					
56-4, 120-121					+	+	+			+	+	+					
56, CC					+	+	+			+	+	+					
57-1, 30-31					+	+	+	+		+	+	+					
57-2, 30-31						+	+	+		+	+	+					
57-3, 35-36						+	+				+	+					
57-4, 30-31						+	+	+			+	+					
57-5, 30-31						+	+	+			+	+					
57-6, 30-31						+	+	+			+	+					
57, CC						+	+	+			+	+					
58-1, 30-31						+	+	+			+	+					
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58-6, 30-31						+	+	+			+	+					
58, CC						+	+	+			+	+					
59-1, 115-116						+	+	+			+	+					
59-2, 120-121						+	+	+			+	+					
59, CC						+	+	+			+	+					
60-1, 120-121						+	+	+			+	+					
60-2, 30-31						+	+	+			+	+					
60-3, 30-31							+	+			+	+					
60-4, 30-31						+	+	+			+	+					
60-5, 30-31						+	+	+			+	+					
60-6, 30-31							+	+			+	+					
60-6, 120-121						+	+	+			+	+					
60, CC						+	+	+			+	+					
61-1, 30-31							+	+			+	+					
61-2, 30-31						+	+	+			+	+					
61-3, 30-31						+	+	+			+	+					
61-4, 30-31							+	+			+	+					
61-5, 30-31						+	+	+		cf.							
61-6, 30-31						+	+	+		cf.							

TABLE 6A – *Continued*

Species	
Sample (Interval in cm)	
61, CC	<i>Bramletteius serraculoides</i>
62-1, 120-121	<i>Catinaster calyculatus</i>
62-2, 120-121	<i>Catinaster coalitus</i>
62, CC	<i>Ceratolithus acutus</i>
63-1, 33-35	<i>Ceratolithus amplificus</i>
63-2, 120-121	<i>Ceratolithus bizarrius</i>
63, CC	<i>Ceratolithus cristatus</i>
64-1, 119-120	<i>Ceratolithus primus</i>
64-2, 115-116	<i>Ceratolithus rugosus</i>
64-3, 120-121	<i>Chiasmolithus bidentis</i>
64, CC	<i>Chiasmolithus californicus</i>
65-1, 65-66	<i>Chiasmolithus gigas</i>
65-2, 27-28	<i>Chiasmolithus grandis</i>
65-3, 25-28	<i>Chiasmolithus solitus</i>
65, CC	<i>Coccolithus bisulcus</i>
66-1, 120-121	<i>Coccolithus cribellatum</i>
66-2, 120-121	<i>Coccolithus epelegicus</i>
66-3, 118-119	<i>Coccolithus magnicerassus</i>
66, CC	<i>Coccolithus miopelagicus</i>
67-1, 30-31	<i>Coccolithus pelagicus</i>
67-2, 30-31	<i>Coronocyclus serratus</i>
67-3, 30-31	<i>Oriacoplacolithus tenuis</i>
67-4, 30-31	<i>Cycliangularithus obsecutus</i>
67-5, 30-31	<i>Cycliangularithus floridanus</i>
67-6, 30-31	<i>Cycliangularithus reticulatus</i>
67, CC	<i>Cyclococcocolithina formosa</i>
68-1, 120-121	<i>Cyclococcocolithina gammation</i>
68-2, 120-121	<i>Cyclococcocolithina leptopora</i>
68-3, 30-31	<i>Cyclococcocolithina macintyreai</i>
68-4, 30-31	<i>Cyclococcocolithina protoannula</i>
68-5, 30-31	<i>Cyclococcocolithina robusta</i>
68-6, 30-31	<i>Discoaster aster</i>
68, CC	<i>Discoaster asymmetricus</i>
69-1, 120-121	<i>Discoaster barbadensis</i>
69-2, 120-121	<i>Discoaster bellus</i>
69-3, 120-121	<i>Discoaster bergenii</i>
69-4, 120-121	<i>Discoaster brouweri</i>
69-5, 114-115	<i>Discoaster calcaris</i>
69, CC	<i>Discoaster challengerii</i>
70-1, 30-31	<i>Discoaster decorus</i>
70-2, 30-31	<i>Discoaster deflandrei</i>
70-3, 30-31	<i>Discoaster diastypus</i>
70-4, 30-31	<i>Discoaster drugii</i>
70-5, 30-31	<i>Discoaster exilis</i>
70-6, 30-31	<i>Discoaster formosus</i>
70, CC	<i>Discoaster fodenensis</i>
	<i>Discoaster humatus</i>
	<i>Discoaster kugleri</i>
	<i>Discoaster lidzi</i>
	<i>Discoaster mohleri</i>
	<i>Discoaster multiradiatus</i>
	<i>Discoaster neohamatus</i>
	<i>Discoaster neorectus</i>
	<i>Discoaster nobilis</i>
	<i>Discoaster nodifer</i>
	<i>Discoaster ornatus</i>
	<i>Discoaster pensus</i>
	<i>Discoaster pentaradiatus</i>
	<i>Discoaster prepentaradiatus</i>
	<i>Discoaster quinqueramus</i>
	<i>Discoaster rutellus</i>

71-1, 118-119				+ + +	-		+ +				
71-2, 120-121				+ + +			+ +				
71-3, 120-121				+ + +			+ +				
71-5, 120-121				+ + +			+ +				
71, CC				+ + +			+ +				
72-1, 120-121				+ + +			+ +				
72-2, 30-31				+ + +			+ +				
72-3, 30-31				+ + +			+ +				
72-4, 30-31				+ + +			+ +				
72-5, 30-31				+ + +			+ +				
72-6, 30-31				+ + +			+ +				
72, CC				+ + +			+ +				
73-1, 120-121				+ + +			+ +				
73-2, 25-26				+ + +			+ +				
73-3, 30-31				+ + +			+ +				
73-4, 35-36				+ + +			+ +				
73-5, 30-31				+ + +			+ +				
73-5, 120-121				+ + +			+ +				
73, CC				+ + +	cf.		+ +				
74-1, 30-31				+ + +			+ +				
74-2, 30-31				+ + +			+ +				
74-3, 30-31				+ + +			+ +				
74-4, 35-36				+ + +			+ +				
74-5, 30-31				+ + +			+ +				
74-6, 30-31				+ + +			+ +				
74, CC				+ + +			+ +				
75-1, 133-134				+ + +			+ +				
75-2, 36-37				+ + +			+ +				
75-3, 30-31				+ + +			+ +				
75-4, 30-31				+ + +			+ +				
75, CC				+ + +			+ +				
76-1, 125-126			?	+ + +			+ +				
76-2, 120-121				+ + +			+ +				
76-3, 120-121				+ + +			+ +				
76-4, 120-121				+ + +			+ +				
76-5, 120-121				+ + +			+ +				
76, CC				+ + +			+ +				
77-1, 120-121				+ + +			+ +				
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78-2, 120-121				+ + +			+ +				
78-3, 120-121				+ + +			+ +				
78, CC				+ + +			+ +				
79-1, 60-61				+ + +			+ +				
79-2, 30-31				+ + +			+ +				
79-3, 120-121				+ + +			+ +				
79, CC				+ + +			+ +				
80-2, 30-31				+ + +			+ +				
80-2, 115-116				+ + +			+ +				
80-3, 120-121				+ + +			+ +				
80-4, 120-121				+ + +			+ +				
80, CC				+ + +			+ +				
81-1, 134-136				+ + +			+ +				

TABLE 6A – *Continued*

91, CC				+	+				+						
92-1, 120-121				+	+				+						
92, CC				+					+						
93-1, 120-121				+		+	+								
93-2, 120-121				+		+	+								
93-3, 120-121				+		+	+								+
93, CC				+			+								
94-1, 130-131				+		+	+								+
94-2, 120-121				+			+								+
94-3, 120-121				+		+	+								+
94-4, 130-131				+		+	+								+
94, CC															
95-1, 136-137				+	+		+	+							+
95-2, 115-116				+			+	+							+
95, CC				+			+	+							cf.
96-1, 100-102				+				+							+
96, CC				+				+							+
97-1, 119-120				+				+							+
97-2, 133-134				+				+	cf.						+
97-3, 79-80				+	+				cf. +						
97-4, 114-115				+				+	+						+
97, CC															
98-2, 30-31				+	+			+	+						+
98-2, 120-121				+				+	+						+
98-3, 120-121				+				+	+						+
98-4, 120-121				+					+						+
98, CC				+				+	+						+
99-1, 120-121				+				+	+						+
99-2, 120-121				+				+	+						+
99-3, 120-121				+				ff.	+						+
99-4, 115-116				+				ff.	+						+
99-5, 120-121				+				ff.	+						+
99, CC				+				ff.	+						+
100-1, 50-51				+				ff.	+						+
100-1, 122-123				+	+			ff.	+						+
100, CC								ff.	+						+
101-1, 65-66				+	+			ff.	+	+					+
101-1, 120-121				+				+							+
101-2, 35-36				+				+							+
101-2, 117-118	+			+				+	+						
101, CC	+			+	+			+	+						+
102-1, 112-113	+			+				+	+						?
102, CC	+			+				+	+						?
103-1, 130-131	+			+				+	+	+	+				+
103, CC	+							+	+	+	+				
104-1, 149	+			+				+	+	+	+				+
104, CC	+			+				+	+		+				
105, CC	+							+	+	+	+				+
106-1, 120-121	+			+				+	+	+	+				+
106-2, 115-116	+			+				+	+	+	+				+
106-3, 120-121	+			+				+	+	+	+				+
106-4, 120-121	+			+				+	+	+	+				+
106-5, 120-121	+			+				+	+	+	+				+
106, CC	+			+				+	+	+	+				+
107-1, 140-141	+			+				+	+	+	+				+

TABLE 6A – *Continued*

***Discoaster mohleri* Zone (age: Middle Paleocene)**

The interval from the base range of *Discoaster mohleri* to the base range of *Discoaster nobilis*.

***Heliolithus kleinpellii* Zone (age: Middle Paleocene)**

The interval from the base range of *Heliolithus kleinpellii* to the base range of *Discoaster mohleri*.

***Fasciculithus tympaniformis* Zone (age: Middle Paleocene)**

The interval from the base range of *Fasciculithus tympaniformis* to the base range of *Heliolithus kleinpellii*. This Zone has not been identified among Leg 30 material.

***Cyclococcolithina robusta* Zone (age: Early to Middle Paleocene)**

The interval from the base range of *Cyclococcolithina robusta* to the base range of *Fasciculithus tympaniformis*.

***Cruciplacolithus tenuis* Zone (age: Early Paleocene)**

The interval from the base range of *Cruciplacolithus tenuis* to the base range of *Cyclococcolithina robusta*. *C. tenuis* develops distinct advanced forms in the upper part of this zone.

The Cretaceous/Tertiary boundary is placed between the *Micula mura* and the *C. tenuis* zones.

***Micula mura* Zone (age: Late Maestrichtian)**

The interval from the base range of *Micula mura* to the base range of *Cruciplacolithus tenuis*.

***Lithraphidites quadratus* Zone (age: Middle Maestrichtian)**

The interval from the top range of *Tetralithus trifidus* to the base range of *Micula mura*.

***Tetralithus trifidus* Zone (age: Campanian-Maestrichtian)**

The total range of *Tetralithus trifidus*.

***Broinsonia parca* Zone (age: Campanian)**

The interval from the top range of *Eiffellithus augustus* to the base range of *Tetralithus trifidus*. Apparently, this zone is a comparatively short interval.

***Eiffellithus augustus* Zone (age: Campanian)**

The interval from the base range of *Broinsonia parca* to the top range of *Eiffellithus augustus*.

***Gartnerago obliquum* Zone (age: Santonian)**

The interval from the top range of *Marthasterites furcatus* to the base range of *Broinsonia parca*. This zone has not been identified in Leg 30 material.

***Marthasterites furcatus* Zone (age: Santonian to Coniacian)**

The total range of *Marthasterites frucatus*.

***Micula decussata* Zone (age: Late Turonian)**

The interval from the base range of *Micula decussata* to the base range of *Marthasterites furcatus*.

Zonation of the remaining part of the Upper Cretaceous has not been attempted and only the *Eiffellithus turriseiffeli* Zone from the Lower Cretaceous has been identified among Leg 30 material.

***Eiffellithus turriseiffeli* Zone (age: Late Albian)**

The lower boundary is recognized by the base range of the nominate species and the upper boundary by the base range of *Chiastozygus cuneatus* (see Roth, 1973).

UNCONFORMITIES IN THE SOUTHWEST PACIFIC

Discussion

The biostratigraphic recognition of unconformities is related primarily to the resolution of the fossils used and depends largely on the sampling intervals. Accordingly, disturbance in the biostratigraphic sequence (reworking and/or contamination); inherent deficiency in the zonal scheme (e.g., provincialism of some zonal forms); poor preservation and induced diversity limitations (selective dissolution and diagenesis); and long gaps in sampling (especially if these involve thin biostratigraphic units) may result in uncertain perception of unconformities. Deep-sea coring is not always continuous and recovery is variable; the location of biostratigraphic boundaries between spaced cores or within a poorly recovered core might indicate a reduced accumulation rate rather than an actual break.

The hiatuses or suspected hiatuses detected during routine biostratigraphic investigation are documented below. Coeval hiatuses at two sites from Leg 21 are mentioned also. The data for the Cenozoic are summarized graphically in Tables 7 and 8.

Pliocene-Quaternary

Paleontologic and lithologic evidence indicate the occurrence of two hiatuses within the calcareous oozes of Core 288-2; the hiatuses are apparently of small magnitude. The younger hiatus (intra-Pleistocene) is within Section 2 and probably represented by a sediment color change at 50 cm; derived elements occur at and below this level; *Gephyrocapsa oceanica* has its initial appearance in Sample 288-2-2, 24-26 cm. An abrupt foraminiferal change exists at the same level and a disconformity is inferred. The older hiatus (Pliocene-Pleistocene) is within Section 5 and is partly obscured by the presence of reworked forms above and below it. However, *Gephyrocapsa caribbeanica* occurs rarely in Sample 288-2-5, 30-31 cm above a glass ash band (located between 35 and 45 cm) which probably represents the hiatus.

A doubtful hiatus may be placed between the upper Pliocene Sample 288-5, CC and the upper Miocene Section 288-6-1; coring gap (9.5 m) between these cores is the main cause of doubt. However, rates of sedimentation at Site 289 during the Pliocene were sufficiently high to support the suggestion of a hiatus.

In Hole 285, the top two sections of Core 2 are dated as early Pliocene (a maximum age) and Section 3 is placed tentatively in the upper Miocene *Discoaster quinqueramus* Zone; reworking hinders precise zonal

TABLE 6B
Checklist of Cenozoic Calcareous Nannofossils Recovered at Site 289

TABLE 6B – *Continued*

23-3, 30-31								+ +	+ +	+ +	+ +										
23-3, 120-121								+ +	cf.	+ +	+ +										
23-4, 30-31								+ +		+ +	+ +										
23-5, 30-31																					
23-6, 120-121																					
23, CC																					
24-1, 120-121	+	+						+													+
24-2, 35-36	+																				+
24-3, 30-31	+																				+
24-4, 30-31	+	+						+													+
24-5, 30-31	+																				+
24-6, 30-31																					+
24, CC	+	+						+													+
25-1, 120-121	+	+																			+
25-2, 30-31	+																				+
25-3, 120-121		+	+																		+
25-4, 30-31	+	+						+													+
25-5, 120-121	+	+						+													+
25, CC	+	+																			+
26-1, 30-31																					+
26-2, 35-36	+	+																			+
26-3, 30-31																					+
26-4, 30-31	+																				+
26-5, 30-31	+	+																			+
26-6, 30-31	+																				+
26, CC																					+
27-1, 45-46																					+
27-2, 30-31	+	+																			+
27-3, 120-121																					+
27-4, 30-31	+	+																			+
27-4, 120-121	+	+																			+
27-5, 30-31																					+
27-6, 30-31	+																				+
27, CC	+	+																			+
28-1, 30-31	+	+																			+
28-2, 30-31																					+
28-3, 30-31	+	+																			+
28-4, 30-31																					+
28-5, 30-31	+																				+
28-6, 30-31																					+
28, CC	+	+																			+
29-1	+	+																			+
29-2, 35-36																					+
29-3, 120-121																					+
29, CC																					+
30-1, 120-121																					+
30-2, 120-121																					+
30-3, 120-121																					+
30, CC	+																				+

TABLE 6B - *Continued*

39-1, 30-31		cf.		+				+	+	+			+	+		+	
39-2, 30-31		cf.		+				+	+	+			+	+		+	
39-3, 30-31		+		+				+	+	+			+	+		+	
39-4, 35-36		+		+				+	+	+			+	+		+	
39-5, 30-31		+		+				+	+	+			+	+		+	
39-6, 30-31		+		+				+	+	+			+	+		+	
39, CC		+						+	+	+			+	+		+	
40-1, 30-31		+						+	+	+			+	+		+	
40-2, 40-41		+						+	+	+			+	+		+	
40-3, 30-31		+						+	+	+			+	+		+	
40-4, 30-31		+						+	+	+			+	+		+	
40-5, 30-31		+						+	+	+			+	+		+	
40-6, 30-31		+						+	+	+			+	+		+	
40, CC								ff.					+	+		+	
41-1, 50-51				+					+	+			+	+		+	
41-2, 120-121				+					+	+			+	+		+	
41, CC									+	+			+	+		+	
42-1, 30-31				+					+	+			+	+		+	
42-2, 30-31				+					+	+			+	+		+	
42-3, 30-31				+					+	+			+	+		+	
42-4, 30-31				+					+	+			+	+		+	
42-5, 30-31				+					+	+			+	+		+	
42-6, 30-31				+					+	+			+	+		+	
42, CC	cf.			+				all.		+	+		+	+		+	
43-1, 30-31				+					+	+			+	+		+	
43-2, 35-36				+					+	+			+	+		+	
43-3, 30-31				+					+	+			+	+		+	
43-4, 35-36				+					+	+			+	+		+	
43-5, 30-31				+					+	+			+	+		+	
43-6, 40-41									+	+			+	+		?	
43, CC				+					+	+			+	+		+	
44-1, 30-31				+					+	+			+	+			
44-2, 30-31								+	+	+		+	+	+		+	
44-3, 30-31				+					+	+			+	+		+	
44-4, 30-31				+					cf.	+			+	+		?	
44-5, 30-31				+					+	+			+	+		aff.	
44-6, 30-31				+					+	+			+	+		aff.	
44, CC				+					+	+			+	+			
45-1, 30-31				+				+	+	+			+	+		+	
45-2, 30-31				+					+	+			+	+		aff.	
45-3, 30-31				+					+	+			+	+		aff.	
45-4, 30-31				+					+	+			+	+		aff.	
45-5, 30-31				+					+	+			+	+		aff.	

TABLE 6B – *Continued*

55-1, 30-31			+		+				cf.			+	+	+		
55-2, 30-31			+		+				cf.			+	+	+		
55-3, 30-31			+		+				*			+	+	+		
55-4, 30-31			+		+				*			+	+	+		
55-5, 30-31			+		+							+	+	+		
55-6, 30-31			+		+							+	+	+		
55, CC			+									+	+	+		
56-1, 120-121			+		+							+	+	+		
56-2, 120-121			+		+							+	+	+		
56-3, 120-121			+									+	+	+		
56-4, 120-121			+		+							+	+	+		
56, CC			+									+	+	+		
57-1, 30-31			+						cf.			+	+	+		
57-2, 30-31			+						aff.			+	+	+		
57-3, 35-36			+									+	+	+		
57-4, 30-31			+									+	+	+		
57-5, 30-31			+									+	+	+		
57-6, 30-31			+									+	+	+		
57, CC			+									+	+	+		
58-1, 30-31		cf.	+									+	+	+		
58-2, 30-31			+									+	+	+		
58-3, 30-31			+									+	+	+		
58-4, 30-31			+									+	+	+		
58-5, 30-31			+									+	+	+		
58-6, 30-31			+									+	+	+		
58, CC			+									+	+	+		
59-1, 115-116			+							cf.						?
59-2, 120-121			+									+	+	+		
59, CC												+	+	+		
60-1, 120-121			+									+	+	+		
60-2, 30-31												+	+	+		?
60-3, 30-31												+	+	+		?
60-4, 30-31												+	+	+		+
60-5, 30-31										cf.		+	+	+		+
60-6, 30-31												+	+	+		+
60-6, 120-121												+	+	+		+
60, CC												+	+	+		+
61-1, 30-31												cf.	+	+		
61-2, 30-31										cf.		+	+	+		+
61-3, 30-31										cf.		+	+	+		?
61-4, 30-31										cf.						
61-5, 30-31										cf.						
61-6, 30-31										cf.						

TABLE 6B – *Continued*

					F										
72, CC				+											
73-1, 120-121			+	+											
73-2, 25-26				+											
73-3, 30-31				+											
73-4, 35-36				+											
73-5, 30-31															
73-5, 120-121															
73, CC															
74-1, 30-31															
74-2, 30-31															
74-3, 30-31															
74-4, 35-36															
74-5, 30-31															
74-6, 30-31															
74, CC															
75-1, 133-134															
75-2, 36-37															
75-3, 30-31															
75-4, 30-31															
75, CC															
76-1, 125-126															
76-2, 120-121															
76-3, 120-121															
76-4, 120-121															
76-5, 120-121															
76, CC															
77-1, 120-121	+		+												
77, CC															
78-1, 120-121	cf.														
78-2, 120-121															
78-3, 120-121															
78, CC															
79-1, 60-61															
79-2, 30-31															
79-3, 120-121															
79, CC															
80-2, 30-31															
80-2, 115-116															
80-3, 120-121															
80-4, 120-121															
80, CC															
81-1, 134-136															

TABLE 6B – *Continued*

95-1, 136-137		+									+	+	+	+	+	+
95-2, 115-116		+									+	+	+	+	+	+
95, CC		+									+	+	+	+	+	+
96-1, 100-102	cf.	+			+						+				+	+
96, CC	+	+			+						+				+	+
97-1, 119-120		+									+				+	
97-2, 133-134	+	+									+				+	
97-3, 79-80		+									+				+	
97-4, 114-115	+		+			+					+				+	+
97, CC			+												+	+
98-2, 30-31	+		+			+						+			+	+
98-2, 120-121			+								+				+	+
98-3, 120-121			+								+				+	+
98-4, 120-121			+								+				+	+
98, CC	+		+								+				+	+
99-1, 120-121			+								+				+	+
99-2, 120-121			+								+				+	+
99-3, 120-121			+			+					+	+	+		+	+
99-4, 115-116	+		+								+	+			+	+
99-5, 120-121			+								+	+			+	+
99, CC	+		+			+						+			+	+
100-1, 50-51			+			+					+				+	+
100-1, 122-123			+			+					+	+	+		+	+
100, CC			+			+	+				+	+	+		+	+
101-1, 65-66			+				+				+	+	+		+	+
101-1, 120-121			+								+	+	+		+	+
101-2, 35-36			+				+				+	+	+		+	+
101-2, 117-118			+			+					+	+	+		+	+
101, CC	+										+	+	+		+	+
102-1, 112-113	+			+							+	+	+		+	+
102, CC	+			+							+	+	+		+	
103-1, 130-131	+			+			+				+	+	+		+	+
103, CC	+	+		+			+				+	+	+		+	+
104-1, 149	+				+						+	+	+		+	
104, CC	+	+			+						+	+	+		+	
105, CC	+	+			+		+				+	+	+		+	
106-1, 120-121	+	+			+		+				+	+	+		+	
106-2, 115-116	+				+		+				+	+	+		+	
106-3, 120-121	+			+							+	+	+		+	
106-4, 120-121	cf.	+		+			+				+	+	+		+	
106-5, 120-121			+								+	+	+		+	
106, CC	cf.	+		+							+	+	+		+	
107-1, 140-141			+								+	+	+		+	

TABLE 7
Upper Tertiary-Quaternary Hiatuses Detected by the Use of Nannofossils,
Absolute Ages Slightly Modified After BUKRY (1973d)

TABLE 6B - *Continued*

Age (m.y.)	Series or Subseries	Zones	Coral Sea			Ontong-Java Plateau		South Fiji Basin	
			286	210	287	288	289	205	285
1	Pleistocene	<i>E. huxleyi-G. oceanica</i>						□	
2		<i>Gephyrocapsus caribbeanica</i>						□	
3		b							
4		" <i>Discoaster</i> " <i>pentaradiatus</i>							
5		<i>Discoaster tamalis</i>							
6		<i>Reticulofenestra pseudoumbilica</i>							
7		c							
8		<i>Ceratolithus tricorniculatus</i>	□						
9		<i>Discoaster quinqueramus</i>		□					
10		<i>Discoaster berggreni</i>			□				
11	Miocene	<i>Discoaster neohamatus</i>			?				
12			?						
13		<i>Discoaster hamatus</i>		□				□	
14		d							
		<i>Discoaster exilis</i>							
		<i>Sphenolithus heteromorphus</i>							
Note: □ evidence good, □ evidence reasonable, □ evidence tenuous									
a <i>Pseudoinfillaria lacunosa</i>									
b <i>Discoaster brouweri</i>									
c <i>Ceratolithus rugosus</i>									
d <i>Catinastrus coquilletti</i>									
TABLE 8									
Lower Tertiary Hiatuses Detected by the Use of Nannofossils, Absolute Ages Slightly Modified After Bukry (1973d)									
Age (m.y.)	Series or Subseries	Zones	Coral Sea			Ontong-Java Plateau			
			286	210	287	288	289		
15	Miocene	<i>Sphenolithus heteromorphus</i>	□					□	
20		<i>Sphenolithus belemnos</i>	?					□	
25		<i>Triquetrorhabdulus carinatus</i>						□	
30		<i>Sphenolithus ciperoensis</i>							
35		<i>Sphenolithus distentus</i>							
40		<i>Sphenolithus predistentus</i>							
45		<i>Reticulofenestra hilae</i>							
50		<i>Cyclococcolithina formosa</i>							
55		<i>Discoaster harhadiensis</i>							
60									
	Oligocene	<i>Discoaster saipanensis</i>							
		<i>Cyclocargolithus reticulatus</i>							
		<i>Reticulofenestra umbilica</i>							
		<i>Chiasmolithus gigas</i>							
		<i>Nannotetra fulgens</i>							
		<i>Discoaster sublodoensis</i>							
		a							
		<i>Tribrachiatus orthostylus</i>							
		<i>Discoaster diastypus</i>							
	Paleocene	<i>Discoaster multiradiatus</i>							
		b							
		<i>Discoaster mohleri</i>							
		<i>Heliolithus kleinpelli</i>							
		<i>Fasciculithus tympaniformis</i>							
		<i>Cyclococcolithina robusta</i>							
		<i>Cruciplacolithus tenuis</i>							
	Cretaceous	<i>Micula mura</i>						?	

Note: evidence good, evidence reasonable, evidence tenuous.

³*Discoaster lodoensis*

^b*Discoaster nobilis*

allocations. A possible existence of a hiatus between Sections 2 and 3 cannot be ruled out since the sequence of the paleontological events is largely masked by reworking.

Miocene

The upper Miocene sediments in most of the southwest Pacific region either contain an unconformity or are relatively thin and almost totally barren of calcareous microplankton remains and virtually becoming absent. The unconformity is usually represented by the absence of the *Discoaster berggrenii* Zone.

In the South Fiji Basin, the two sites (205 and 285) preserve a hiatus between the upper Miocene *Discoaster quinqueramus* and *D. neohamatus* zones. Sample 205-4, CC contains, among the assemblage listed by Edwards (1973, Table 5), *D. quinqueramus*, *D. berggrenii*, and *Ceratolithus tricorniculatus* and therefore fits in the *D. quinqueramus* Zone (sensu this chapter). Section 205-5-1 belongs to the lower subzone of the *D. neohamatus* Zone according to Bukry (1973c). A hiatus between these cores is therefore inferred; a lithologic boundary at or near this level is recorded by Burns, Andrews, et al. (1973). A similar and almost identical hiatus is recorded at Site 285 (this volume) between the *D. quinqueramus* Zone (base, sample 285-3-1, 36-37 cm) and the *D. neohamatus* Zone (top, Sample 285-3-2, 51-52 cm). Surprisingly, the hiatus established at Site 285 is almost at the same level below the present sea floor as the one deduced at Site 205.

In the Coral Sea, there are indications suggesting a rather different history for the Miocene; hiatuses seem to be enlarged and/or deposition was essentially below the total nannofossil solution depth. Section 210-29-4 is placed in the *Ceratolithus primus* Subzone (Bukry, 1973c) which correlates with the *D. quinqueramus* Zone (sensu this chapter), and Section 210-30-1 is assigned to the *Discoaster hamatus* Zone (Edwards, 1973). It seems rather unlikely that the segment between these two cores (ca 12 m) contains, in addition to the long *D. neohamatus* Zone (ca 4.2 m.y.: Bukry, 1973b), the *D. berggrenii* Zone; a hiatus is therefore inferred. At Site 287, the sediments between the upper Pliocene Sample 287-8-1, 10-11 cm and the upper Oligocene Sample 287-16-2, 4-5 cm are essentially devoid of nannofossils; the whole Miocene is barren and unconformity is likely.

At Site 286, between the South Fiji Basin and the Coral Sea, the Miocene sediments are scarcely fossiliferous, exceptionally thin (maximum thickness: 19 m), and appear in the major part of Core 286-5; existence of a hiatus cannot be ruled out.

At Site 288 on the Ontong-Java Plateau, a hiatus similar to that recognized at the South Fiji Basin sites is established. The hiatus is represented by the absence of the *D. berggrenii* Zone between the *D. quinqueramus* Zone (Sample 288-6-6, 30-31 cm) and the *D. neohamatus* Zone (Sample 288-6-6, 120-121 cm).

Sample 288-8-1, 118-119 cm belongs to the *Catinaster calyculus* Subzone (*D. hamatus* Zone) and Sample 288-8, CC to the *Discoaster exilis* Zone; the relatively thin *Helicopontosphaera kampfneri* Subzone and *Catinaster*

coalitus Zone were not identified. The poor recovery of Core 288-8 and to a lesser degree the short span of the unidentified biostratigraphic units make recognition of a hiatus largely uncertain. Within the *Sphenolithus heteromorphus* Zone, a hiatus probably exists on the evidence of a sharp drop in the abundance of *Discoaster deflandrei* between Samples 288-10, CC and 288-10-2, 123-124 cm; notwithstanding, this may indicate a biostratigraphic boundary (see Bukry, 1973d for the *S. heteromorphus-Helicopontosphaera ampliapertura* zonal boundary). Poor preservation of the nannofossils and poor recovery of Core 288-10 sediments cause uncertainty in establishing a hiatus. Similarly, two doubtful hiatuses may be contained in the noncoring gaps between 288-11, CC and 288A-1-1 and between 288A-2, CC and 288A-3-1. Core 288-11 belongs to the *S. heteromorphus* Zone and Core 288A-1 is placed in the *Discoaster druggii* Subzone (*Triquetrorhabdus carinatus* Zone). Core 288A-2 is assigned to the *Discoaster deflandrei* Subzone (*Triquetrorhabdus carinatus* Zone) and 288A-3 belongs to the *Sphenolithus distentus* Zone.

Eocene-Oligocene

The Eocene-Oligocene regional unconformity in the Coral Sea recognized at Site 210 (Burns, Andrew, et al., 1973) is recorded at Site 287. Sample 287-11-0, 24-25 cm belongs to the upper Oligocene *S. distentus* Zone and Sample 287-11-0, 29-30 cm is within the middle middle Eocene *Chiasmolithus gigas* Zone; a distinct lithologic break occurs in 287-11-0 at 27 cm. The hiatus at Site 287 is of greater magnitude than that recorded at Site 210 where it appears to be between the lower Oligocene Core 210-34 and the upper middle Eocene Core 35 (see Edwards, 1973).

A hiatus is suspected between the lower Oligocene Core 228A-6 and the Paleocene Core 288A-8; the fossils in Core 288A-6 are drastically mixed and no recovery was obtained for Core 288A-7. At Site 289, however, Eocene sediments were recovered and a hiatus is suspected within the lower Oligocene-upper Eocene Core 289-102. Another hiatus is detected between the middle Eocene *C. gigas* Zone Sample 289-113-1, 117-118 cm and the lower Eocene *Discoaster lodoensis* Zone Sample 289-114-1, 148-150 cm; samples investigated are limited by poor recovery. A doubtful hiatus may exist within the lower Eocene sediments of Site 289 (Core-115).

Paleocene

A hiatus is suspected between the *Discoaster multiradiatus* Zone Core 289-119, CC and the *Discoaster mohleri* Zone Core 120-1, 80-81 cm. Two intra-Paleocene hiatuses associated with increases in reworked forms, are recognized at Site 288. Sample 288A-8-2, 102-103 cm is placed tentatively in the *Heliolithus kleinpellii* Zone and Sample 2-8A-8-2, 138-139 cm is assigned to the *Cruciplacolithus tenuis* Zone. Sample 288A-8-2, 122-123 cm is high in the *Cyclococcolithina robusta* Zone indicating a position bracketed by two hiatuses. A similar situation is detected at Site 289. Two

hiatuses separate the *C. robusta* Zone (Samples 289-121-1, 125-126 cm and 289-121-2, 62-63 cm from the overlying *H. kleinpellii* Zone Sample 289-120, CC and the underlying *C. tenuis* Zone Sample 289-121 (top).

Cretaceous

The Cretaceous-Tertiary boundary at Site 288 is in noncored segment, but it was recovered at Site 289; poor preservation of the nannofossils straddling the boundary (in Core 289-122) hinders elucidating its nature; however, a part of the Maestrichtian seems to be missing.

The Upper Cretaceous sediments at Site 288 probably contain two hiatuses. Between the *Tetralithus trifidus* Zone (base, Sample 288A-11-2, 29-30 cm and the *Eiffellithus augustus* Zone (top, Sample 288A-11-2, 100-102 cm) the *Brunsonia parca* Zone may occur in Sample 288A-11-2, 80-81 cm, suggesting however, an intra-Campanian hiatus.

The other possible hiatus is between the *E. augustus* Zone (base, 288A-12-1, 122-125 cm) and the *Marthasterites furcatus* Zone (top, 288A-12, CC) on account of the apparent absence of *Gartnerago obliquum* Zone; poor recovery of Core 288A-12 renders establishing a hiatus uncertain.

At Site 289, a drop in the diversity and quality of preservation of the nannofossils associated with the occurrence of barren levels occur in Section 289-131-1 separating the Campanian *E. augustus* Zone Sample 239-131-1, 2-4 cm from the probably Aptian Sample 289-131-2, 10-14 cm.

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