

45. LATE PLIOCENE-TO-HOLOCENE BENTHIC FORAMINIFERS OF THE GUAYMAS BASIN, GULF OF CALIFORNIA: SITES 477 THROUGH 481¹

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ABSTRACT

Eight holes were drilled at five sites in the Guaymas Basin in the central part of the Gulf of California during Deep Sea Drilling Project (DSDP) Leg 64. Most of the sediment from these holes is from the Pleistocene-to-Holocene epochs. As indicated by planktonic foraminifers, the lowest section from Hole 479 is from the late Pliocene epoch. An unconformity occurs above the section. We classified the holes at the five sites into two groups by water depth. Sites 477 and 481 lie over two distinct spreading rifts, and Site 478 lies over the smooth floor; all three sites are in the central part of the Guaymas Basin at depths of around 2000 meters. Sites 479 and 480 are on the continental slope of the Guaymas Basin at depths of about 700 meters in the present oxygen-minimum zone. Samples from each group of holes contain benthic foraminiferal fauna similar to the fauna currently found in the bottom sediment of the same depth in the Gulf of California. No significant faunal changes with depth occur in any hole. Downslope displacement of benthic foraminifers is frequent in deeper basin-floor holes, but is not significant in shallower slope holes. This evidence agrees with the sediment characteristics; turbidites are frequently intercalated in the sequences of deeper holes, whereas the sequences in shallower holes consist chiefly of laminated or homogenized ooze or mud. The vertical frequency distribution of some benthic foraminiferal species known to live in an anaerobic environment demonstrates the low-oxygen condition in Holes 479 and 480, which are in the present oxygen-minimum zone. The distribution also suggests that the oxygen-minimum zone at this depth in the Gulf of California reappeared in the early late Pleistocene epoch after its disappearance during an interval in the middle Pleistocene epoch. Magnetic-anomaly profiles indicate that the present phase of spreading in the Gulf of California probably began in the early Pliocene epoch. A proto-Gulf of California probably existed before the present phase of separation from Baja California. The upper Pliocene sediment at the lowest part of Hole 479 seems to belong to an earlier phase of Gulf history. The unconformity between the upper Pliocene and the younger sediments was formed during the early Pleistocene epoch and not during the beginning of the present phase of spreading. Previous reports on the foraminifers of Carmen Island in the Gulf also suggest that a vertical tectonic movement occurred in the early Pleistocene epoch in the Gulf of California.

INTRODUCTION

DSDP Leg 64 included two distinct drilling areas: off the tip of Baja California and the Guaymas Basin in the central part of the Gulf of California (Fig. 1). We studied late Pliocene-to-Holocene benthic foraminifers in samples from five sites in the Guaymas Basin. The samples also contained planktonic foraminifers (see Matoba and Oda, this volume). One of the purposes of drilling in the Guaymas Basin was to investigate the paleoceanography and paleoenvironment of the Gulf of California during its present phase of spreading. Magnetic-anomaly profiles indicate that spreading probably began about 4 Ma (Larson et al., 1968).

Sites 477 and 481 lie, respectively, over the south and north spreading rifts of the central Guaymas Basin and are separated by a 20-km transform fault. Site 478 lies over the smooth basin floor. The Quaternary sediment of these sites is intruded by basaltic sills. Sites 479 and 480 lie over the northern continental slope of the Guaymas Basin, within the water depth of the present oxygen-minimum layer and over the sediment of the proto-Gulf of California (Moore, 1973). The sediment is Quaternary, except for late Pliocene cores recovered from the lowest section of Hole 479 (Matoba and Oda, this volume).

Bandy (1961) and Phleger (1964, 1965) studied recent depth distribution of benthic foraminifers in the Gulf. Ingle (1967b) compared both data. Brenner (1962) and Phleger and Ayala-Castañares (1969) reported the areal distribution of shallow-water benthic foraminifers. Recent sediment samples from the Gulf of California were included in the taxonomic studies of Cushman and McCulloch (1939, 1940, 1942, 1948, 1950) and McCulloch (1977). Natland (1950), Smith (1970), and Ingle (1973c, 1974) reported on upper Miocene-to-Pleistocene foraminifers from land sections of islands in the Gulf of California and from land sections and wells in the northern extension of the Gulf. Moore (1973) studied the Miocene-to-Pleistocene foraminifers of some dredged rocks from the continental slope in the Gulf. Many studies have been made on the ecology and distribution of Recent benthic foraminifers off the west coast of North America. Among those, some of the important papers are as follows: Cushman (1927a), Natland (1933, 1938), Bandy (1953), Bandy and Arnal (1957a), Bandy and Chierici (1966), Walton (1955), Uchio (1960), Smith (1964), Lankford and Phleger (1973), Douglas and Heitman (1979), and Bergen and O'Neil (1979).

GEOGRAPHIC AND OCEANOGRAPHIC SETTING

The Gulf of California is a long, narrow marine basin approximately 1200 km long and 150 km wide. It is open to the Pacific at the southeastern end and closed at the northwestern end. Shepard (1950) and Rusnak et al.

¹ Curran, J. R., Moore, D. G., et al., *Init. Repts. DSDP*, 64; Washington (U.S. Govt. Printing Office).

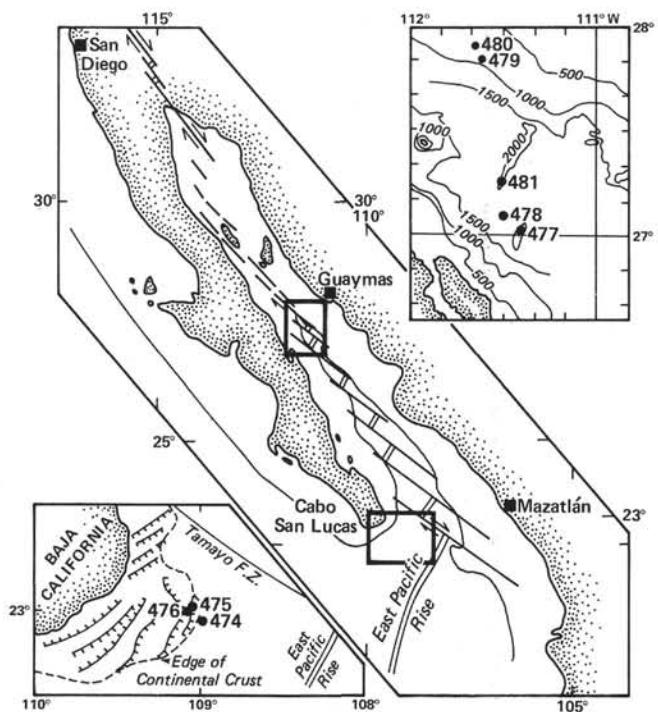


Figure 1. Guaymas Basin drilling sites, DSDP Leg 64.

(1964) reported on the bathymetry of the Gulf, and Bischoff and Niemitz (1979) published a bathymetry chart. Van Andel (1964) studied Recent sediment, and Roden and Groves (1959) and Roden (1964) reported the results of oceanographic observations.

The northern area of the Gulf is relatively shallow, mostly less than 200 meters. The Colorado River flows into the Gulf at the northwestern end. The central and southern Gulf is characterized by a series of deep basins along its axis, deepening from 980 meters in the northwest to 3700 meters at the entrance to the Pacific in the southeast. The basins are separated by sills, which also deepen southeastward from 880 to 3300 meters. The Guaymas Basin in the central Gulf is the largest, and the maximum depth exceeds 2000 meters, with the sill depth at about 1500 meters. The basin has a smooth floor, gently sloping to the central part where it encounters two rifts of a north-northeast trend (Fig. 1). Each rift is flat floored and has a depth of about 150 meters below the smooth basin floor.

Most of the adjacent land is arid, and runoff into the Gulf is small; hence, evaporation exceeds precipitation. The permanent streams are only on the mainland, southeast of Guaymas. The Colorado River, which once supplied the Gulf with abundant fresh water and sediment is now a negligible source. The surface-water salinities are thus higher than those near the entrance to the Pacific. In the northern Gulf, the annual range of the surface water temperature varies from approximately 15°C to 30°C. This is much warmer than that of the same latitude outside the Gulf in summer but nearly equal or colder in winter. In the southern Gulf, it ranges from about 21°C to 30°C. In the winter, considerable upwelling occurs along the northeastern side because

of northwesterly winds; along the peninsula coast, the same occurs in summer with southeasterly winds (Roden, 1964). The result is extremely high plankton productivity (van Andel, 1964).

The surface of the Gulf is derived chiefly from the tropical equatorial Pacific water modified by evaporation. It contains tropical planktonic and benthic faunas in the southern Gulf. The cool California Current flows southeastward along the western side of the peninsula and converges with the northern equatorial water between 25°N and the tip of the Baja California peninsula (Sverdrup et al., 1946). In the central and southern Gulf, the water below the bottom of the thermocline is identical in salinity and temperature to the equatorial Pacific water. The oxygen-minimum zone (<0.2 ml/l) occurs between 400 and 800 meters (Roden, 1964).

METHODS

Benthic foraminifers occur in 164 of the 258 samples from Holes 477 through 481A. Each sample consists of about 10 cm³ of sediment. We disaggregated the samples by soaking them in hot water. Depending on the consolidation of sediment, varying amounts of hydrogen peroxide were added. We washed the disaggregated samples through a 250-mesh (0.063-mm) screen and then dried them. Several samples, especially those from the upper few cores from each hole, contained abundant diatom remains and flocculated when dried. We boiled the samples in a concentrated solution of sodium hydroxide to dissolve the diatoms and then washed them again. Before extracting the foraminifers, we sieved each sample through a 115-mesh (0.125-mm) screen; the benthic foraminifers were taken from the coarser fraction. In instances where benthic foraminifers were especially abundant, the samples were split into workable sizes, and 150 to 250 specimens were removed.

We distinguished 154 taxa of benthic foraminifers, including named and unnamed species, subspecies, and morphotypes. The results are given in Tables 1 through 3, where the occurrence is presented in percentages (we calculated no percentages for samples containing less than 10 specimens). The stratigraphic occurrence of several selected species is shown in Figures 4 through 8.

PRESERVATION AND ABUNDANCE

Figure 2 shows preservation, abundances of benthic and planktonic foraminifers, and ratios of planktonic to benthic foraminifers. There are two categories for poor or very poor preservation: dissolution and thermal alteration. All benthic foraminifers have calcareous tests, and we found no agglutinated foraminifers insoluble in acid. In the samples near basaltic sills, there is a change in the foraminiferal tests: The test wall changes to brown or, in extreme cases, is completely recrystallized. Except for the effect of alteration, preservation is generally better in the deeper holes than in the shallower ones (i.e., Holes 479 and 480). In Holes 479 and 480, within the present oxygen-minimum zone, preservation is poor or very poor because of strong dissolution.

All of the benthic foraminifers have calcareous tests, and no agglutinated foraminifers were found, although many agglutinated foraminiferal species have been recorded from the surface sediments in the Gulf of California (Phleger, 1964, 1965). Hydrogen peroxide, which was used to disaggregate the sediments, may have decomposed the organic cement and lining of most of the agglutinated tests; the result may have been the destruction of agglutinated foraminifers. Furthermore, several samples were boiled in a concentrated solution of so-

dium hydroxide to dissolve diatom silica. This treatment may have destroyed all the agglutinated tests. No faunal difference, however, occurs between samples treated or not treated in this manner. This suggests that all the agglutinated tests were destroyed before the sodium hydroxide treatment—probably a result of the hydrogen peroxide. Therefore, abundances of benthic foraminifers and ratios of planktonic to planktonic and benthic foraminifers in this study are different from those in the studies of surface sediments.

We calculated the abundance of benthic and planktonic foraminifers for each 10 ml of sediment. Abundance seems to be related to preservation. In the deeper holes, planktonic foraminifers are more abundant than benthic foraminifers. But in many samples from the shallower holes, there are fewer planktonic than benthic foraminifers, and in some samples planktonic foraminifers are absent entirely. Parker and Berger (1971) suggest that this is the result of selective dissolution of planktonic foraminifers—a function of preservation. Calcareous benthic tests were more resistant to solution than planktonic tests. In the lower sections of Hole 479, dissolution is especially significant. Of 35 samples from Cores 479-29 through 479-41, only 8 yielded benthic foraminifers and were very poorly preserved. We found no planktonic tests within the interval.

CORRELATION AND AGE BASED ON PLANKTONIC FORAMINIFERS

Planktonic foraminifer samples from the Guaymas Basin used by Matoba and Oda (this volume; Pt. 2) are the same as those of this chapter on benthic foraminifers. Figure 3 shows the results of correlation and age assignment. All the sequences are Quaternary, except for the late Pliocene cores in Hole 479 below Section 479-42,CC. The presence of benthic foraminifers indicates that the late Pliocene fauna extends upward to Sample 479-40-3, 43–45 cm, and an unconformity occurs just above the horizon. A comparison with changes in planktonic foraminiferal fauna which occurred during the Quaternary epoch in Hole 173 (off northern California and under the California Current) (Ingle, 1973a, 1973b; Keller, 1978) suggests that the interval D-D' in the Guaymas Basin, which is characterized by abundant occurrences of *Neogloboquadrina pachyderma* forma A and *N. pachyderma* (s. s.), is correlated to a middle Pleistocene interval dated 0.7 to 0.92 Ma (Keller, 1979). But Schrader (this volume) discovered *Mesocena elliptica*, a silicoflagellate, in the interval between Sections 479-39,CC and 479-32, CC, dated 0.93 and 0.7 Ma, respectively, for the first and last occurrences of the species.

Cooler and warmer oceanographic fluctuations existed in the Guaymas Basin sequence, and we noted three cooler intervals in the middle-to-upper Pleistocene sections, although the faunal difference was not large. The late Pliocene epoch was generally warmer than was the middle to late Pleistocene and was dominated by species of *Globigerinoides*.

SITE 477

The occurrence of benthic foraminifers in Holes 477 and 477A is shown in Table 1, and Figure 4 shows the stratigraphic distribution of selected species. Only eight samples from Holes 477 and 477A yielded benthic foraminifers. The two basal samples (477-20-1, 90–92 cm and 477A-5-1, 51–53 cm) contained a small number of specimens, and we identified *Uvigerina peregrina curticosta*, *Buliminella tenuata*, *Bolivina seminuda*, and a few others. In the upper section of Hole 477, *Bolivina seminuda* is the most common, and *Buliminella tenuata*, *Bolivina pacifica*, *B. subadvena* forma A, *Brizaliba argentea* forma A, “*Islandiella*” *cushmani*, *Uvigerina peregrina curticosta*, *Epistominella smithi*, *Fursenkoina cornuta*, and *Cassidulina subcarinata* are abundant.

SITE 478

The occurrence of benthic foraminifers in Hole 478 is shown in Table 1, and the stratigraphic distribution of selected species is illustrated in Figure 5. *Uvigerina peregrina curticosta* and *Epistominella smithi* are the most common species nearly throughout the hole. *Epistominella cf. pacifica* and *Cassidulina subglobosa* are abundant only in the lowest section. *E. cf. pacifica* occurs only in this hole. *Oridorsalis umbonatus* is abundant in two intervals: the lower and uppermost sections of the hole. *Buliminella tenuata*, *Bolivina seminuda*, “*Islandiella*” *cushmani*, *Valvularia araucana*, *Fursenkoina cornuta*, *Gyroidina(?) gemma* are abundant in some separate sections. Many species that commonly occur in one or two samples occur only sporadically in the other part of the section.

SITE 479

Table 2 shows the occurrence of benthic foraminifers in Hole 479, and Figure 6 shows the stratigraphic distribution of selected species. In the lowest part of this hole, below Sample 479-40-3, 25–27 cm, the benthic fauna differs somewhat from that in the upper section. The lowest part of the section, below Section 479-42,CC is upper Pliocene, as determined by planktonic foraminifers (Matoba and Oda, this volume), but planktonic foraminifers were absent in the interval between Cores 479-29 and 479-41. Therefore, the upper limit of the Pliocene is the horizon above Sample 479-40-3, 25–27 cm. *Buliminella curta basispinata* (this subspecies is included in *B. curta* in Table 2 and Fig. 6), *Bolivina cf. humilis*, *Pseudoparrella* sp. C, and *Hanzawaia(?)* sp. A are abundant but confined to the Pliocene cores. *Cassidulina tumida*, *Suggrunda eckisi*, *Gyroidina(?)* sp. A, and *Pseudoparrella bradyana* are abundant in these cores but rarely occur in the Quaternary section of the hole. *Bolivina seminuda*, *B. subadvena* forma A, and “*Islandiella*” *cushmani* are very abundant throughout the Pliocene and Quaternary parts of the hole. *Buliminella curta* (s.l.) and *Bolivina subadvena* forma B are abundant in the Pliocene and in the lower part of the Quaternary sections. *Buliminella tenuata*, *Brizalina ar-*

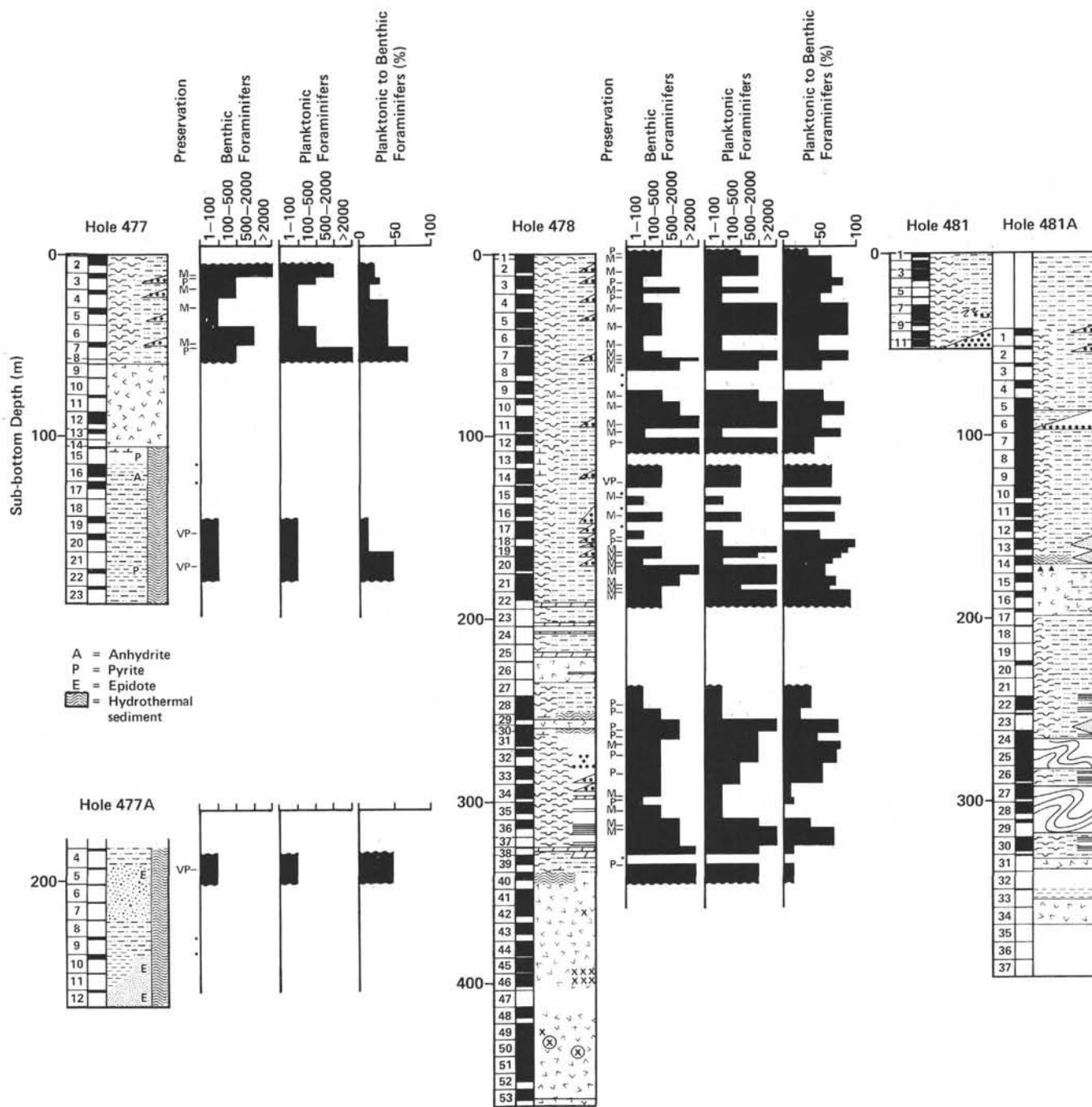


Figure 2. Preservation, abundance of benthic and planktonic foraminifers, and ratio of planktonic to benthic foraminifers at each site in the Guaymas Basin. (Preservation: M = moderate, P = poor, VP = very poor. Abundance calculated for number of specimens per 10 ml of sediment.)

gentea forma A and B, *B. spissa*, *B. semiperforata*, *Bolivina subadvena* forma C, *Uvigerina peregrina curticosta*, "Loxostomum" pseudobeyrich, and *Epistominella smithi* are abundant and generally confined to the Quaternary section, but some range downward to the Pliocene section.

SITE 480

The occurrence of benthic foraminifers in Hole 480 is shown in Table 2 and the stratigraphic distribution of selected species in Figure 7. *Bolivina seminuda* is com-

mon throughout the hole. *B. subadvena* forma A and C are abundant in the upper section. *Buliminella tenuata*, *Brizalina argentea* forma A and B, and "Islandiella" *cushmani* are also abundant in several samples. *Brizalina spissa* is abundant only in the upper portion of the hole.

SITE 481

Table 3 and Figure 8 show the occurrence and stratigraphic distribution of benthic foraminifers in Holes 481 and 481A. *Uvigerina peregrina curticosta*, *Epistom-*

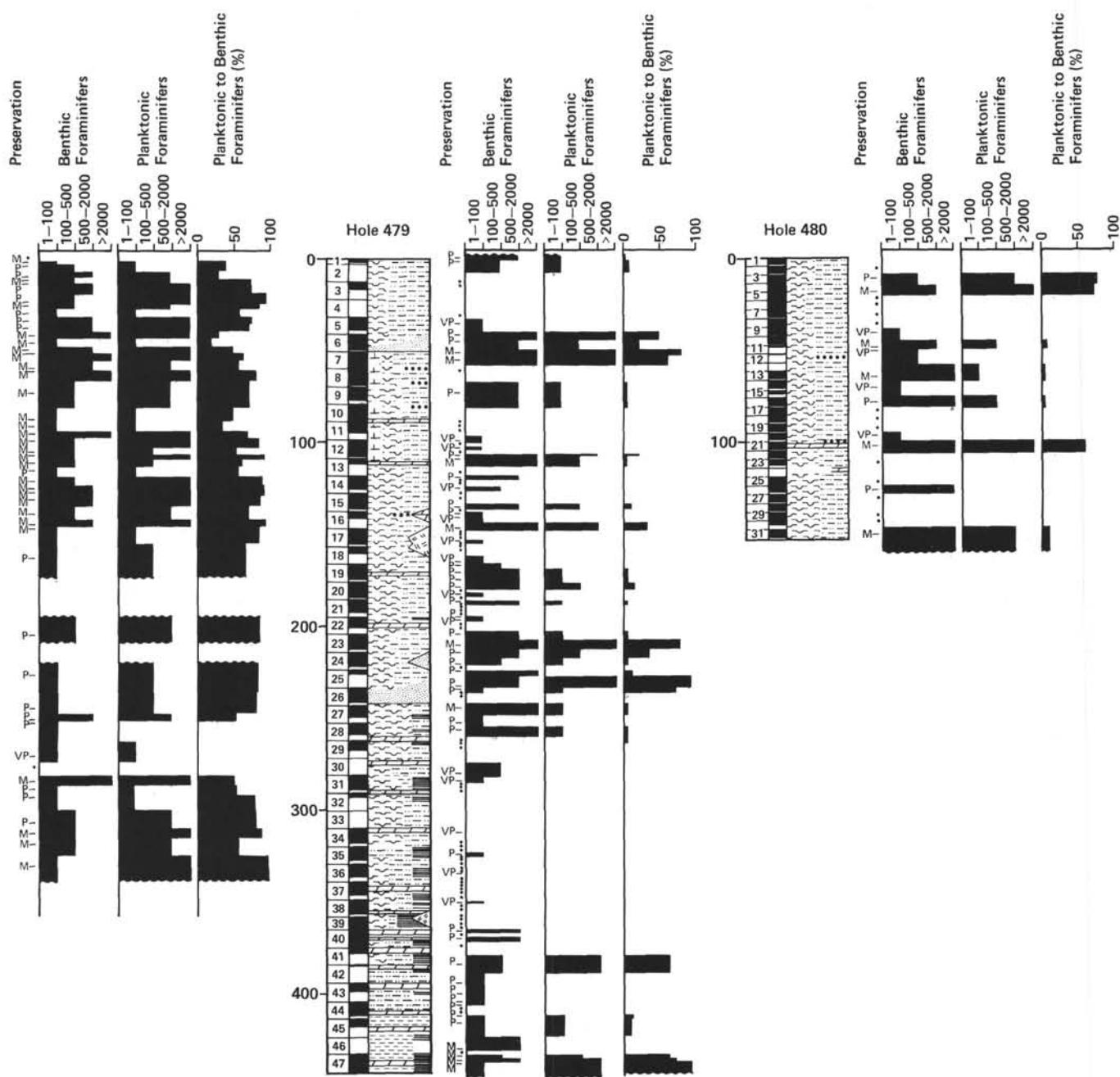


Figure 2. (Continued).

inella smithi, *Cassidulina* sp. A, *Buliminella tenuata*, and *Bolivina seminuda* are the dominant species in both holes. *Cassidulina* sp. A is more abundant in the lower-to-middle section of the holes, whereas *Bolivina seminuda* is abundant in the upper section. "*Islandiella*" *cushmani* occurs in the lower and upper parts of the holes and is nearly absent in the middle section. *Fursetkoina cornuta* occurs in the middle-to-upper section of the hole and is abundant in the upper section. *F. rotundata*, *Nonionella* sp. A, *Oridorsalis umbonatus*, *Cassidulina subcarinata*, and *C. tumida* all occur in the upper section.

COMPARISON WITH THE RECENT DISTRIBUTION IN THE GULF OF CALIFORNIA

Depths of Deposition

Figure 9 shows the Recent depth distribution of selected benthic foraminiferal species compiled from Bandy (1961) and Phleger (1964, 1965). The depth ranges indicated by "P" are from Phleger and are based on the living distribution. The others are from Bandy and are based on total (living and dead) distribution. The total distribution may include various amounts of tests displaced from a shallower- to a deeper-water bottom. It

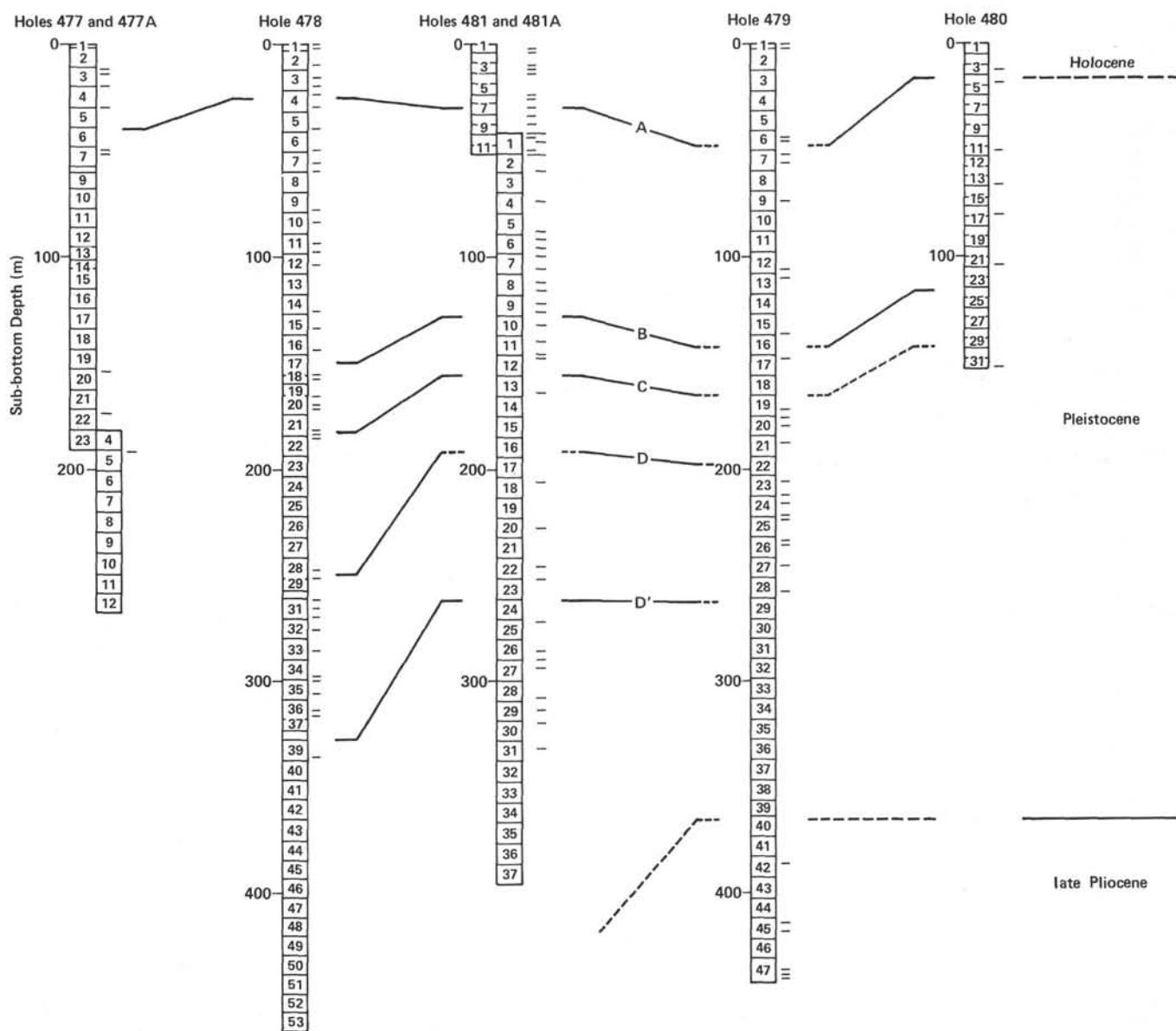


Figure 3. Guaymas Basin sites correlated by occurrence of planktonic foraminifers (after Matoba and Oda, this volume, Pt. 2).

generally has a wider depth range to the deeper part than the living distribution. The depth classification of marine benthic environments is after Bandy (1961).

In Holes 477, 477A, 478, 481, and 481A, *Uvigerina peregrina curticosta*, *Epistominella smithi*, *Bolivina seminuda*, and *Buliminella tenuata* are predominant, and *Gyroidina soldanii*, *G.(?) gemma*, *Oridorsalis umbonatus*, *Melonis parkerae*, *Pullenia bulloides*, and *Eilohaedra levicula* occur in several samples. This fauna suggests that the depths of these holes were lower middle bathyal, similar to the present water depths of the holes. We detected no distinct depth changes in the benthic faunas within the sequences. Although several variations in occurrence and abundance of species exist within each hole, correlating them among Holes 477, 477A, 481, and 481A, is difficult. Displacement down along the slope and faunal mixing by turbidite currents are probably the major causes. The difference in bottom environment between the holes (i.e., two holes in two

separate rifts and one on the basin floor) is also a possible cause.

In Holes 479 and 480, *Bolivina seminuda*, *B. sub-advena* forma A, B, and C, "*Islandiella*" *cushmani*, *Buliminella tenuata*, and *Brizalina argentea* forma A and B are common. This fauna indicates that these holes were at the lower-upper to upper-middle bathyal depths similar to their present water depths. The upper Pliocene sequence at the lowest section of Hole 479 includes some species that do not occur in the Quaternary sequence. But predominant species in the upper Pliocene samples suggest no significant difference in depth of deposition between the upper Pliocene and the Quaternary sequences in Hole 479.

Displaced Fauna

On the basis of the Recent distribution of benthic foraminifers in the Gulf of California reported by Bandy (1961) and Phleger (1964, 1965), we examined the spe-

cies in the Guaymas Basin samples, thereby determining their depth habitat and, thus, the displaced species. *Quinqueloculina* spp., *Buliminella elegantissima*, *Brizalina acutula*, *Bulimina marginata*, *Buccella frigida*, *B. tenerrima*, *Ammonia* spp., *Elphidium* spp., *Cibicides fletcheri*, *C. lobatulus*, *Montfortella bramlettei*, and *Hanzawaia nitidula* are defined as the shelf (0–150 m) species. *Sigmoilina tenuis*, *Buliminella curta*, *Brizalina acuminata*, *Bulimina denudata*, *Angulogerina angulosa*, *Cancris panamensis*, and *Planulina ornata* are the outer shelf (50–150 m) to upper bathyal (150–600 m) species. *Bolivina subadvena*, *Brizalina interjuncta bicosta*, *B. spissa*, "Loxostomum" *pseudobeyrichi*, *Angulogerina carinata*, *Cibicides mckannai*, *Fursenkoina cornuta*, *Suggrunda eckisi*, *Ehrenbergina compressa*, *Gyroidina altiformis*, and *Pseudoparrella bradyana* are grouped in the upper (150–600 m) to upper middle bathyal (600–1500 m) species. Figure 10 shows the vertical frequency distribution of these faunal groups in each hole in the Guaymas Basin.

Holes 477, 477A, 478, 481, and 481A are in the lower middle bathyal zone (about 2000 m), and some species included in the upper bathyal to upper middle bathyal fauna may extend to the depths of these holes. Attention should thus be given to the frequency occurrences of the shelf fauna and the outer shelf to upper bathyal fauna for the distinct downslope displacement. But Holes 479 and 480 are in depths of approximately 700 meters in the uppermost part of the upper middle bathyal zone; thus, it is possible to include the outer shelf to upper bathyal fauna in the depths of these holes. Only the shelf fauna, therefore, warrants our attention in these shallower holes. The data indicate that a considerable quantity of displaced fauna occurs in Holes 478, 481, and 481A in contrast to the shallower holes (479 and 480), where we detected scarcely any displaced fauna. This agrees with the nature of the sediment. Most of the sequences in the deeper-water holes consist of turbidites, whereas the shallower sequences are chiefly composed of laminated or homogeneous diatomaceous ooze or mud.

Low-Oxygen Environment

Along the margin of the eastern Pacific, some anaerobic benthic foraminiferal species live in waters of low-oxygen content of the continental slopes or in silled basins (Harman, 1964; Ingle, 1967a, 1967b; Phleger and Souter, 1973). *Bolivina humilis*, *B. seminuda*, *Globobulimina pacifica*, *G. ovula*, *Suggrunda eckisi*, *Chilostomella ovoidea*, and *Nonionella stella* represent such species. The combined frequency occurrence of these species may indicate the low-oxygen condition of the ancient sea bottom.

Figure 11 shows the combined vertical frequency distribution of the species, including *Bolivina* cf. *humilis*, in the holes of the Guaymas Basin. *Bolivina seminuda* forma A, B, and C are the most common, but *Suggrunda eckisi* (or *B. cf. humilis*) occurs in several samples. The fauna that indicates the low-oxygen condition is common in Holes 479 and 480 but occurs less frequently in Holes 477, 477A, 478, 481, and 481A. Holes

479 and 480 were drilled to depths within the present oxygen-minimum zone, and the drilling result suggests that a similar low-oxygen condition occurred in the past. A distinct change in frequency occurs between the middle and the upper sections in Hole 479. This faunal change suggests that an oceanographic change took place during the early late Pleistocene epoch, resulting in the reappearance of the oxygen-minimum zone (after its disappearance during an interval in middle Pleistocene epoch) at this same depth. The upper Pliocene section below Core 479-40, which is a part of the earlier Gulf history, is also indicative of the low-oxygen condition and include abundant *Suggrunda eckisi* in one sample. *Suggrunda eckisi* is common in the top sample from Hole 481, but this seems to be caused by downslope displacement, as inferred from the present depth distribution of the species.

GULF OF CALIFORNIA: PLIOCENE

Magnetic-anomaly profiles indicate that the present spreading phase of the Gulf of California probably began about 4 Ma in the early Pliocene epoch (Larson et al., 1968). A proto-Gulf of California probably existed during the early-to-middle Miocene and early Pliocene epochs, prior to the present phase of spreading (Moore and Buffington, 1968; Karig and Jensky, 1972; Moore, 1973). The presence of planktonic foraminifers indicates that the lowest part of the section in Hole 479 was deposited in the latest Pliocene epoch (Matoba and Oda, this volume). An unconformity is suggested between this section and the overlying Quaternary sequence, which has middle Pleistocene silicoflagellates at the base (Schrader, this volume). The reflection profile passing through near Hole 479 also suggests a low-angle unconformity near this depth below the bottom surface (Moore, 1973). The upper Pliocene sequence in Hole 479, therefore, seems to belong to the Pliocene phase of Gulf history. This conclusion implies that the unconformity between the late Pliocene Gulf sequence and the younger sediment was formed during the early Pleistocene epoch, not, as Moore (1973) infers, at the beginning of the present phase of spreading. The late Pliocene (N20 or N21) sequence, which is unconformably overlain by Pleistocene, shallow-marine deposits, exposed on Carmen Island in the southern Gulf of California (Natland, 1950; Ingle, 1974), contains upper bathyal benthic foraminifers (Natland, 1950). This suggests that a vertical tectonic movement occurred in the early Pleistocene epoch in the Gulf of California, probably during the present phase of spreading. If this is true, the proto-Gulf of California sediment defined in the reflection profile (Moore, 1973) also includes younger sediment deposited after the present phase of spreading began (4 Ma).

FAUNAL REFERENCE LIST

The species, subspecies, and morphotypes of benthic foraminifers from Sites 477 through 481 are listed herewith. The classification, with some exceptions, is after Loeblich and Tappan (1964, 1974). The original references are given for all named taxa, and a few subsequent references and brief remarks are added to some. Of the 154 taxa, 55 are illustrated by light microphotographs in Plates 1 through 4; all were

Table 1. Abundance and occurrence of benthic foraminifers, Holes 477, 477A, and 478.

Taxon	Sample (interval in cm)												
<i>Pyrgo depressa</i>	477-3-1, 86-88												
<i>P. murrhina</i>	477-3-2, 101-103												
<i>P. sp.</i>	1	2											
<i>Pyrgoella sphaera</i>													
<i>Quinqueloculina elongata</i>	477-5-1, 29-31												
<i>Q. laevigata</i>													
<i>Q. lamarckiana</i>													
<i>Q. vulgaris</i>													
<i>Q. sp. A</i>													
<i>Q. sp. B</i>													
<i>Q. spp.</i>													
<i>Triloculina laevigata</i>	1												
<i>T. trigonula</i>	1												
<i>T. sp. A</i>													
<i>T. sp. B</i>													
<i>Bilobulimella</i> sp.													
Miliolidae gen. sp. indet.													
<i>Lagena elongata</i>													
<i>L. mollis</i>													
<i>L. cf. striata</i>													
<i>L. feildeniana</i>													
<i>Lenticulina</i> spp.													
<i>Fissurina</i> spp.													
<i>Parafissurina</i> spp.													
<i>Oolina melo</i>													
<i>O. lineata</i>													
<i>Buliminella curta</i>	3	1	1	2	2	3							
<i>B. elegantissima</i>	1												
<i>B. tenuata</i>	16	9	10	3	13	8	23	1					
<i>Bolvina humilis</i>													
<i>B. cf. humilis</i>													
<i>B. pacifica</i>	2	5	15	1	1	1							
<i>B. peirsonae</i>													
<i>B. plicata</i>													
<i>B. seminuda</i> forma A	5	2	3	2	6	3	8	1					
<i>B. seminuda</i> forma B	8	14	12	7	9	5	21						
<i>B. seminuda</i> forma C	10	15	10	9	4								
<i>B. subadvena</i> forma A	7	1	3	2	5	7							
<i>B. subadvena</i> forma B													
<i>B. subadvena</i> forma C													
<i>B. sp. C</i>													
<i>B. spp.</i>													
<i>Brizalina acuminata</i>													
<i>B. acutula</i>													
<i>B. argentea</i> forma A	5	5	4	2	9	9							
<i>B. argentea</i> forma B													
<i>B. interjecta bicostata</i>													
<i>B. semiperforata</i>	1	3	3	1									
<i>B. spissa</i>	2	1	2	2	1								
" <i>Loxostomum</i> " pseudobeyrichi	2	5	3	1									
" <i>L.</i> " limbatum													
" <i>Isthniello</i> " cushmani	5	16	7	4	8	3	1						
<i>Bulimina denudata</i>													
<i>B. marginata</i>	1												
<i>B. mexicana</i>													
<i>B. pagoda</i>													
<i>B. spinosa</i>													
<i>B. sp. A</i>													
<i>B. spp.</i>													
<i>Globobulimina affinis</i> forma A	2	3		8		1	3	1					
<i>G. affinis</i> forma B	2	2											
<i>G. affinis</i> forma C	2												
<i>G. affinis</i> forma D													
<i>G. pacifica</i>	1			8		1							
<i>G. ovula</i>	1												
<i>Praeglobobulimina barbata</i>													
<i>P. spinifera</i>													
" <i>Globobulimina</i> " spp.	2	1	1	1	14		3	1					
<i>Reussellina pacifica</i>													
<i>Uvigerina</i> cf. <i>junccea</i>													

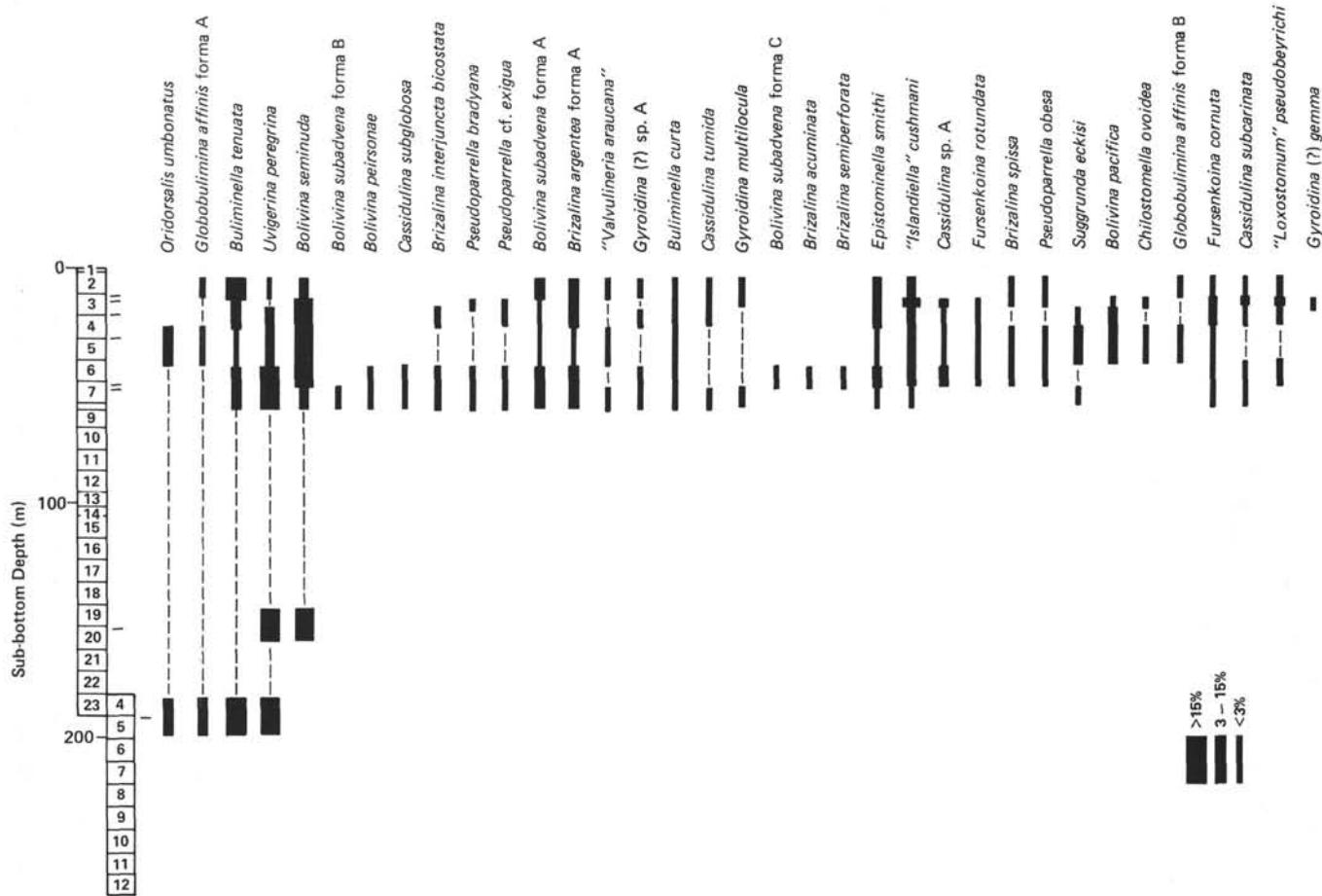


Figure 4. Stratigraphic occurrence of selected benthic foraminifers, Holes 477 and 477A.

retouched by the senior author. All the types are catalogued and deposited in the Institute of Mining Geology, Mining College, Akita University, Akita, Japan.

Ammonia cf. *beccarii* (Linné). Cf. *Nautilus beccarii* Linne, 1758, p. 710 (*fide* Ellis and Messina, 1940 *et seq.*).

Angulogerina angulosa (Williamson). *Uvigerina angulosa* Williamson, 1858, p. 67, pl. 5, fig. 140. Loeblich and Tappan (1964) included *Angulogerina* in *Trifarina*. The uvigerinid-like forms have a triangular cross section but lack a distinct uniserial portion: they are, however, distinguished from *Trifarina*.

Angulogerina carinata Cushman. Cushman, 1927a, p. 159, pl. 4, fig. 3. *Anomalina* sp.

Biloculinella sp.

Bolivina humilis Cushman and McCulloch (Plate 1, Figs. 6A, B). *Bolivina seminuda* Cushman var. *humilis* Cushman and McCulloch, 1942, p. 211, pl. 26, figs. 1-6.

Bolivina cf. *humilis* Cushman and McCulloch (Plate 1, Figs. 7A, B). This species is distinguished from *B. humilis* in having narrower chambers and a shorter, relatively wider, and more compressed test. This is one of the characteristic species of the upper Pliocene sequence at the basal part of Hole 479. Some specimens from two Quaternary samples were questionably included in this species.

Bolivina pacifica Cushman and McCulloch (Plate 1, Figs. 8A-9). *Bolivina acerosa* Cushman var. *pacifica* Cushman and McCulloch, 1942, p. 185, pl. 21, figs. 2, 3. This species is variable in width of test. Wider and narrower forms are shown in Plate 1.

Bolivina peirsonae Uchio. Uchio, 1960, p. 63, pl. 7, figs. 3, 4.

Bolivina plicata d'Orbigny. D'Orbigny, 1839b, p. 81, pl. 8, figs. 4-7.

Bolivina seminuda Cushman. Cushman, 1911, p. 34, fig. 55 (text). This species varies greatly in test width and general test size; it is tentatively divided into three morphotypes.

Bolivina seminuda Cushman forma A (Plate 1, Figs. 10A-11). This form is the largest; compared with the specimens having similar test lengths, it has the widest test within the three morphotypes.

Bolivina seminuda Cushman forma B (Plate 1, Figs. 12A-13). The width of the test and general test size of this form is intermediate. The microspheric (Figs. 12A, B) and megalospheric (Fig. 13) forms are shown in Plate 1.

Bolivina seminuda Cushman forma C (Plate 1, Figs. 14A, B). This form has the narrowest and smallest test and is similar in appearance to *Bolivina pacifica* Cushman and McCulloch; it is distinguished, however, by the somewhat larger test and nearly horizontal sutures.

Bolivina subadvena Cushman. Cushman, 1926, p. 44, pl. 6, figs. 6a, b; Phleger, 1964, p. 382, pl. 3, figs. 14, 15. The peripheral condition of this species from the Guaymas Basin varies greatly from broadly rounded to acute and slightly keeled. On the basis of the peripheral condition, this species is tentatively divided into three morphotypes.

Bolivina subadvena Cushman forma A (Plate 1, Figs. 15A, B). This form has a broadly rounded periphery.

Bolivina subadvena Cushman forma B (Plate 1, Figs. 16A, B). The periphery of this form is narrowly rounded but is sometimes acute in larger specimens in the later part of growth.

Bolivina subadvena Cushman forma C (Plate 1, Figs. 17A, B). This form has an acute periphery throughout and is slightly keeled in the later part of growth. The cross section is lenticular.

Bolivina tongi filacostata Cushman and McCulloch. *Bolivina tongi* Cushman var. *filacostata* Cushman and McCulloch, 1942, p. 214, pl. 27, figs. 7-11.

Bolivina vaughani Natland. Natland, 1938, p. 146, pl. 5, fig. 11.

Bolivina sp. C

Brizalina acuminata (Natland). *Bolivina subadvena* Cushman var. *acuminata* Natland, in Cushman and Gray, 1946, p. 34, pl. 5, figs. 46a-c. Loeblich and Tappan's (1964) emendation restricted *Bolivina* to species with chamber retral projections or overlaps and placed species without chamber overlaps in *Brizalina*, which are commonly keeled and strongly compressed. It is sometimes diffi-

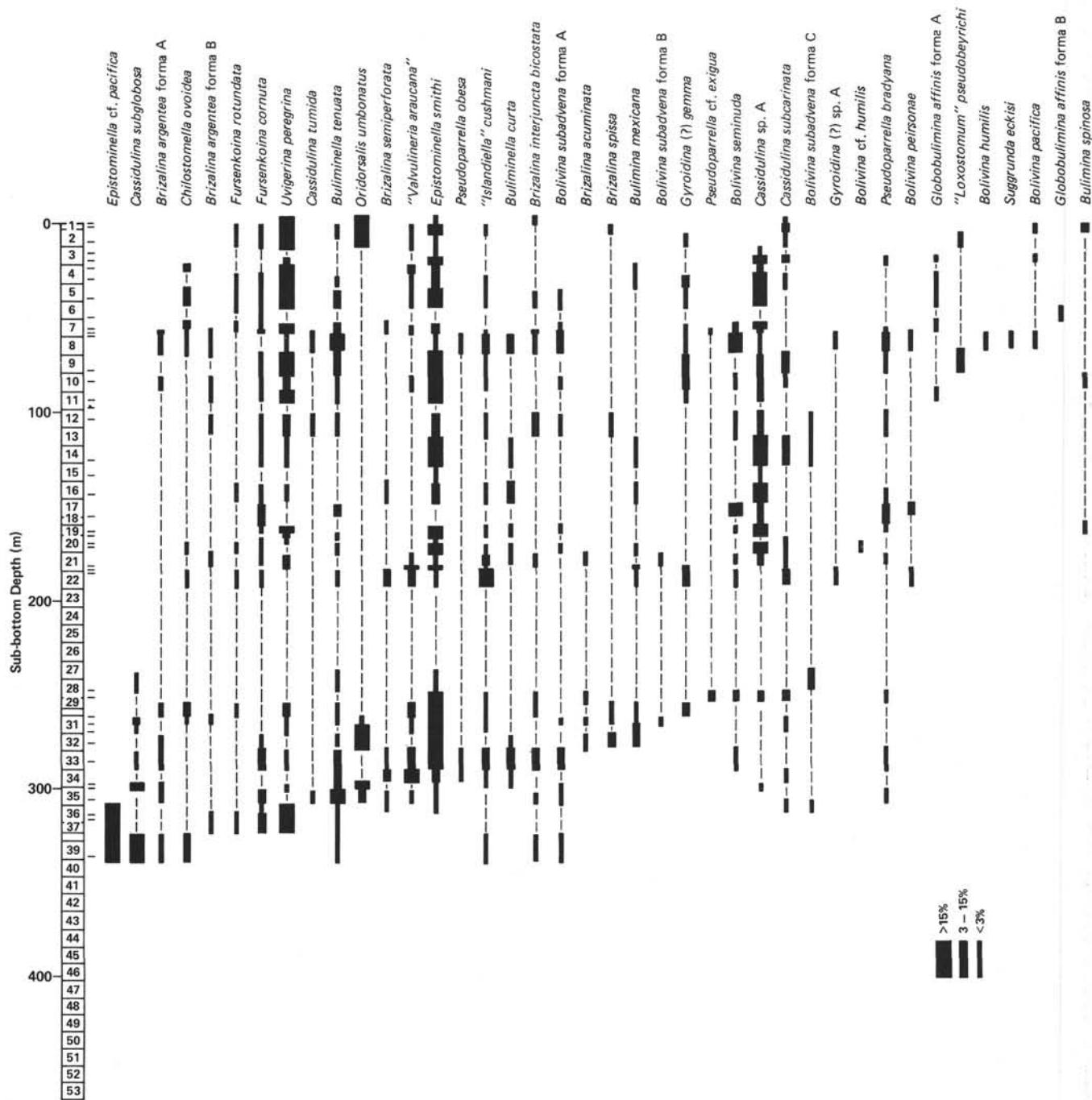


Figure 5. Stratigraphic occurrence of selected benthic foraminifers, Hole 478.

cult, however, to determine whether chamber overlaps occur in the bolivinid species, because in several species they occur only in the latest stage of ontogeny. Therefore, *Brizalina* is used in this study for species with a strongly compressed test and an acute, commonly keeled periphery.

Brizalina acutula (Bandy). *Bolivina advena* Cushman var. *acutula* Bandy, 1953, p. 180, pl. 24, figs. 7a, b.

Brizalina argentea (Cushman). *Bolivina argentea* Cushman, 1926, p. 42, pl. 6, fig. 5. *B. argentea* Cushman var. *monicana* Zalesny, 1959, p. 121, pl. 1, figs. 1a, b. *B. subargentea* Uchio, 1960, p. 64, pl. 6, figs. 21, 22. The senior author examined the holotype and paratype specimens of *B. argentea* Cushman, *B. argentea* var. *monicana* Zalesny, and *B. subargentea* Uchio at the U.S. National

Museum. The periphery of the holotype of *B. argentea* is nearly acute and slightly keeled, rather than being "periphery subacute, and is usually not keeled" as in the original description. In the paratypes (two specimens) the periphery is subacute and not keeled, but the periphery of the latest chambers of one of the paratypes is acute. Therefore, the peripheral condition of the species seems to be variable. Both *B. argentea* var. *monicana* and *B. subargentea* have a distinct acute periphery with a keel but are considered to be conspecific with *B. argentea*. In this study, the two forms are distinguished as morphotypes.

Brizalina argentea (Cushman) forma A (Plate 1, Figs. 18A-19B). This form has a subacute periphery without keel and appears to fit the original description.

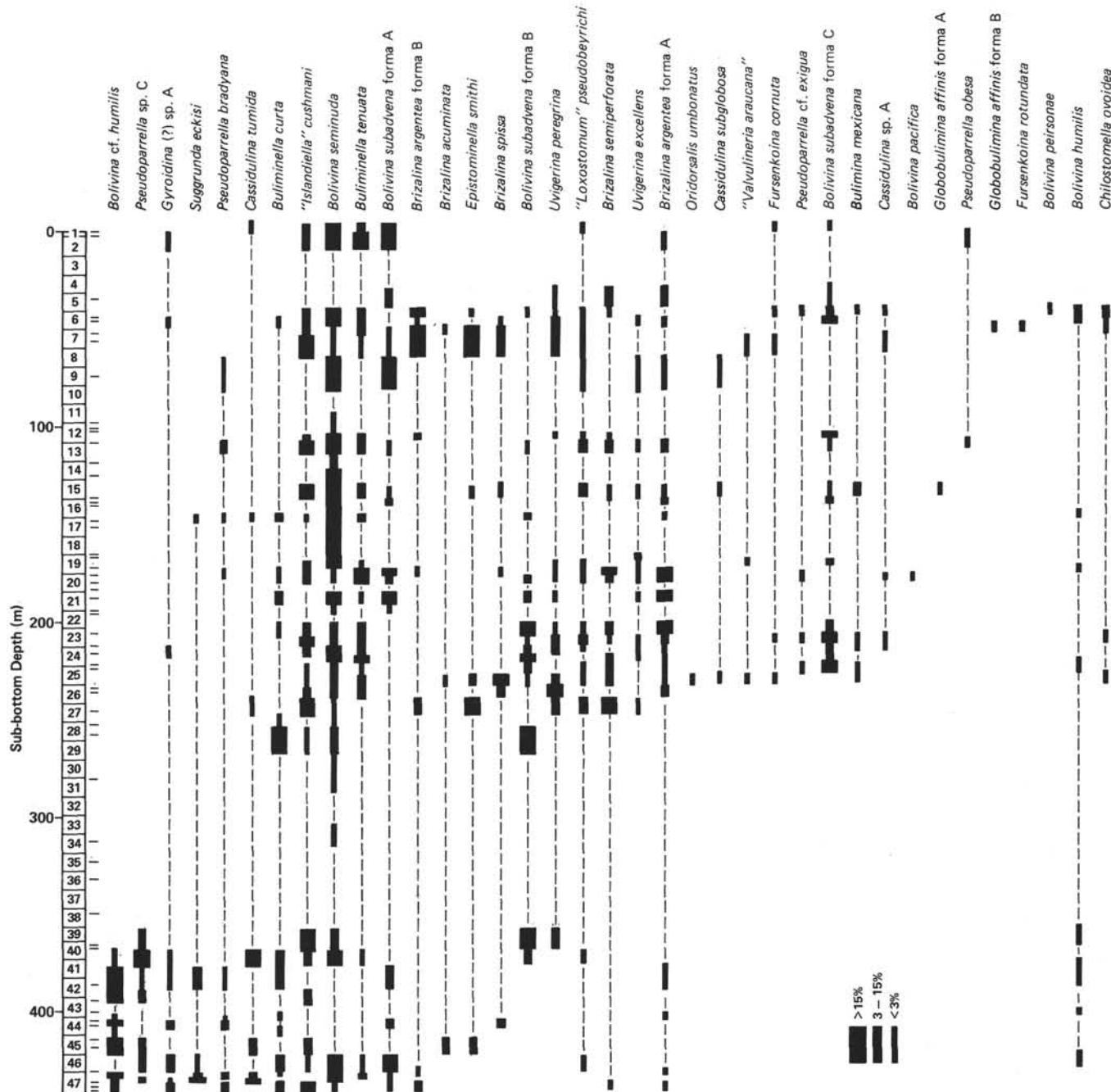


Figure 6. Stratigraphic occurrence of selected benthic foraminifers, Hole 479.

Brizalina argentea (Cushman) forma B (Plate 1, Figs. 20A, B). This is the acute, keeled form similar to *B. argentea* var. *monicana* and *B. subargentea*.

Brizalina interjuncta bicostata (Cushman) (Plate 1, Fig. 21). *Bolivina costata* d'Orbigny var. *bicostata* Cushman, 1926, p. 42. *B. interjuncta* Cushman var. *bicostata* Cushman, Cushman and McCulloch, 1942, p. 195, pl. 23, figs. 9-11, 13-16.

Brizalina semiperforata (Martin) (Plate 1, Figs. 23A-24). *Bolivina semiperforata* Martin, 1952, p. 129, pl. 21, figs. 10A-11B.

Brizalina spissa (Cushman) (Plate 1, Figs. 22A, B). *Bolivina subadvena* Cushman var. *spissa* Cushman, 1926, p. 45, pl. 6, figs. 8a, b.

Buccella frigida (Cushman). *Pulvinulina frigida* Cushman, 1922b, p. 144. *Buccella frigida* (Cushman), Andersen, 1952, p. 144, figs. 4a-6c.

Buccella mansfieldi (Cushman). *Eponides mansfieldi* Cushman, 1930, p. 54, pl. 11, figs. 1A-C (fide Ellis and Messina, 1940 et seq.).

Buccella mansfieldi (Cushman), Andersen, 1952, p. 148, figs. 12a-13c.

Buccella tenerima (Bandy) (Plate 3, Figs. 7A-C). *Rotalia tenerima* Bandy, 1950, p. 278, pl. 42, figs. 3a-c.

Buccella sp. A. This species has a compressed test, an acute periphery with a slight keel, and about 13 chambers in the final whorl.

Bulimina denudata Cushman and Parker. *Bulimina pagoda* Cushman var. *denudata* Cushman and Parker, 1938, p. 57, pl. 10, figs. 1a-2c.

Bulimina marginata d'Orbigny. D'Orbigny, 1826, p. 269, pl. 12, figs. 10-12 (fide Ellis and Messina, 1940 et seq.).

Bulimina mexicana Cushman (Plate 2, Fig. 2). *Bulimina inflata* Seguenza var. *mexicana* Cushman, 1922a, p. 95, pl. 21, fig. 2. *B. mexicana* Uchio, 1960, pl. 6, fig. 4.

Bulimina pagoda Cushman (Plate 2, Fig. 3). Cushman, 1927a, p. 152, pl. 2, fig. 16; Uchio, 1960, pl. 6, fig. 5.

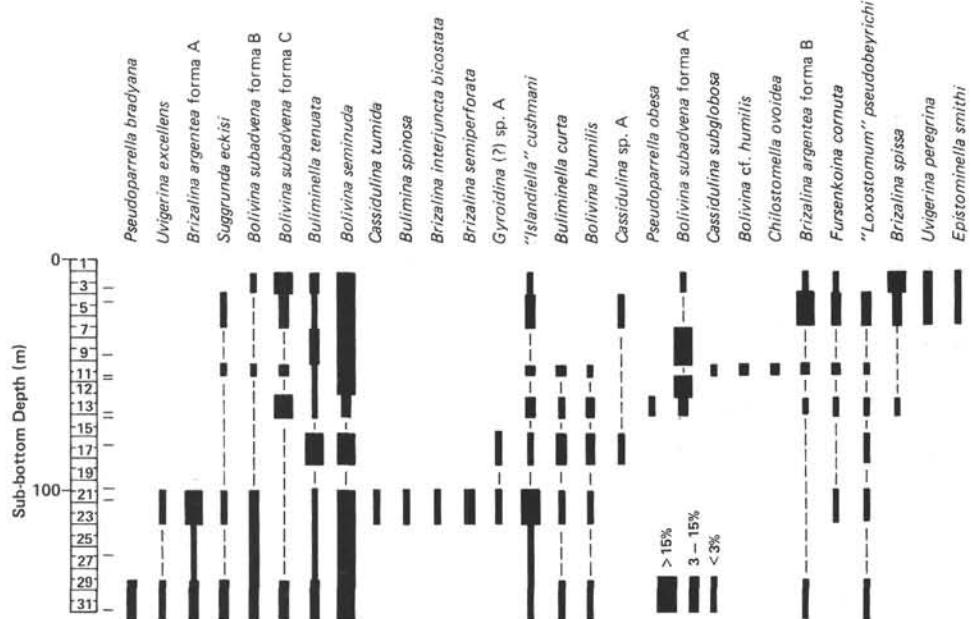


Figure 7. Stratigraphic occurrence of selected benthic foraminifers, Hole 480.

Bulimina spinosa (Heron-Allen and Earland) (Plate 2, Fig. 4). *Virgulina schreibersiana* Čížek var. *spinosa* Heron-Allen and Earland, 1932, p. 352, pl. 9, figs. 3, 4. *Virgulina spinosa* Heron-Allen and Earland, Bandy, 1961, p. 17, pl. 5, fig. 10. *Furstenkoina spinosa* (Heron-Allen and Earland), Phleger, 1964, p. 383, pl. 3, fig. 13. This species has a radial wall structure rather than the granular wall of *Furstenkoina* (= *Virgulina*) and is placed in *Bulimina*.

Bulimina sp. A. This species is nearly identical to *Bulimina* sp. of Bandy (1961, pl. 5, fig. 3).

Buliminella curta Cushman (Plate 1, Fig. 2). Cushman, 1925, p. 33, pl. 5, fig. 13; Cushman and McCulloch, 1948, pl. 29, fig. 1.

Buliminella curta basispinata Stewart and Stewart (Plate 1, Fig. 3).

Buliminella curta Cushman var. *basispinata* Stewart and Stewart, 1930, p. 63, pl. 8, fig. 6. Cushman and Parker, 1947, p. 65, fig. 23. *B. inconstans* (Egger) var. *basispinata* (Stewart and Stewart), Coryell and Mossman, 1942, p. 243, pl. 36, fig. 46. This subspecies occurs only in the upper Pliocene sequence at the basal part of Hole 479 (Sections 479-40-3, 479-40-7, 479-42, CC, 479-43-2, 479-45-2, 479-45, CC, 479-47-1). The occurrence of this subspecies, however, is included in *Buliminella curta* and *Bulimina* spp. in Table 3 and Figure 6. The illustrated specimen (Plate 1, Fig. 3) is immature; an adult form is about three times as long and is without surface spines in the middle and later stage of growth.

Buliminella elegantissima (d'Orbigny). *Bulimina elegantissima* d'Orbigny, 1839b, p. 51, pl. 7, figs. 13, 14.

Buliminella tenuata Cushman (Plate 1, Figs. 4A-5). *Buliminella subfusiformis* Cushman var. *tenuata* Cushman, 1927a, p. 149, pl. 2, fig. 9. *Bulimina exilis* Brady var. *tenuata* Cushman, Cushman and McCulloch, 1948, p. 248, pl. 31, figs. 2a-c. *B. exilis* (Brady) var. *tenuata* Cushman, Bandy, 1961, p. 14, pl. 4, fig. 10. *B. tenuata* Cushman, Uchio, 1960, pl. 6, fig. 1. This species varies greatly in the diameter of its test. The thick (Figs. 4A, B) and slender (Fig. 5) forms are shown in Plate 1.

Cancris panamensis Natland. Natland, 1938, p. 148, pl. 6, figs. 1a-c; Bandy, 1961, p. 14, pl. 3, figs. 15a-c.

Cassidulina brasiliensis Cushman (Plate 3, Figs. 13A, B). Cushman, 1922a, p. 130, pl. 25, figs. 4, 5; Uchio, 1960, pl. 9, figs. 13, 14. Loeblich and Tappan (1964) included species with a tripartite aperture and globular, nonkeeled test in *Globocassidulina*. In this study these forms are tentatively included in *Cassidulina*.

Cassidulina subcarinata Uchio (Plate 3, Figs. 11A, B). Uchio, 1960, p. 68, pl. 9, figs. 15, 16. *Cassidulina laevigata* d'Orbigny var. *carinata* Silvestri (1896, p. 104, pl. 2, figs. 10a-c; *fide* Ellis and Messina, 1940 *et seq.*) and *Cassidulina laevigata* d'Orbigny var. *carinata* Cushman (1922a, p. 124, pl. 25, figs. 6, 7 [= *C. neocarinata*]

Thalmann, *nom. nov.*, 1950, p. 44]) are similar to this species. The senior author examined the holotypes of *C. laevigata* var. *carinata* Cushman and *C. subcarinata* Uchio at the U.S. National Museum and many specimens of *C. carinata* Silvestri—identified by F. L. Parker from cores of the Swedish Deep-Sea Expedition in the eastern Mediterranean and North Atlantic—at the Scripps Institution of Oceanography and found that *C. subcarinata* Uchio is a species distinct from the other two forms. In addition to Uchio's comparison, *C. subcarinata* differs from *C. neocarinata* in the aperture. *Cassidulina subcarinata* has an elongate aperture diagonal to the base of the apertural face; the aperture of *C. neocarinata* is a long slit at the base of the apertural face. *Cassidulina carinata* Silvestri has a larger test and a more coarsely perforate wall, but the aperture of its immature form resembles that of *C. subcarinata*.

Cassidulina subglobosa Brady. Brady, 1881, p. 60 (*fide* Ellis and Messina, 1940 *et seq.*; Brady, 1884, p. 430, pl. 54, figs. 17a-c).

Cassidulina tumida Natland (Plate 3, Figs. 12A, B). Natland, 1938, p. 148, pl. 6, figs. 2-3b.

Cassidulina sp. A. This is a small species similar to *C. minutula* Cushman of Bandy (1961, p. 15, pl. 3, figs. 4a, b), *C. sp 1* of Phleger (1964, p. 383, pl. 2, fig. 32), and *C. depressa* Asano of Uchio (1960, p. 68, pl. 9, figs. 18, 19).

Cassidulina sp. B

"*Cassidulinoides*" cf. *tenuis* Phleger and Parker. Cf. *Cassidulinoides tenuis* Phleger and Parker, 1951, p. 27, pl. 14, figs. 14a-17. This species has an optically granular wall but is tentatively placed in the genus.

"*Cassidulinoides*" sp. A

"*Cassidulinoides*" sp. B

Chilostomella ovoidea Reuss (Plate 4, Fig. 1). Reuss, 1850, p. 380, pl. 48, figs. 12a-e (*fide* Ellis and Messina, 1940 *et seq.*).

Cibicides fletcheri Galloway and Wissler. Galloway and Wissler, 1927, p. 64, pl. 10, figs. 8a-9c

Cibicides cf. *lobatus* (Walker and Jacob). Cf. *Nautilus lobatus* Walker and Jacob, 1978, p. 642, pl. 14, fig. 36 (*fide* Ellis and Messina, 1940 *et seq.*).

Cibicides mckannai Galloway and Wissler. Galloway and Wissler, 1927, p. 65, pl. 10, 5a-6c.

Ehrenbergina compressa Cushman. Cushman, 1927a, p. 168, pl. 6, fig. 7.

Eiloedra levicula (Resig). *Epistominella levicula* Resig, 1958, p. 304, fig. 16 (text).

Elphidium crispum (Linné). *Nautilus crispus* Linné, 1758, p. 709 (*fide* Ellis and Messina, 1940 *et seq.*).

<i>P. spinifera</i>	10	2	5	3	4	1	8	2	1	1	3	6	1	3	46	X	12	2	
" <i>Globobulimina</i> " spp.																			
<i>Stainforthia complanata</i>																			
<i>Uvigerina excellens</i>																			
<i>U. cf. juncea</i>																			
<i>U. peregrina</i>		7	4	13	9	57	14	9	1	5	3	19	15	16	17	17	23	13	10
<i>U. senticosa</i>		2		6	1		3				1	1			5	10	22	29	8
<i>U. spp.</i>				1	2	1		1				1				22	29	58	6
<i>Angulogerina angulosa</i>															2	4			
<i>A. carinata</i>		1																	
<i>Cancris panamensis</i>															2				
<i>C. spp.</i>		2				1	3	3	2	1	1	1	1	1		1	8		
" <i>Valvulineria araucana</i> "						18	3	3	2	1	1								
<i>V. inflata</i>																			
<i>V. sp. A</i>																			2
<i>V. sp. B</i>																			
<i>Rosalina</i> spp.		1				1	4		2	1	1	1	1	1	2				
<i>Elophedra levicula</i>																			
<i>Epistominella smithi</i>		4	8	1	14	2	6	8	5	1	4	4	1	1	18	12	5	14	17
<i>Pseudoparella bradyana</i>						2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	3	6	10	7	1	14
<i>P. cf. exigua</i>		6	5				1		1	4	2	2	1	3	1	1			
<i>P. obesa</i>			2				1	1	1	2	1	2	1	1					4
<i>P. sp. A</i>															3				2
<i>Planulina limbata</i>							1	1			1								
<i>P. spp.</i>															2				
<i>Cibicides mckannai</i>															3				
<i>C. spp.</i>							3	4							1		1	2	4
<i>Montfortella bramlettei</i>							1								2		2		
<i>Ammonia</i> cf. <i>beccarii</i> vars.																			
<i>Buccella frigida</i>																			
<i>B. mansfieldi</i>															1				
<i>B. tenerrima</i>															1				
<i>B. spp.</i>																			
<i>Elphidium</i> cf. <i>discoidale</i>																			
<i>E. lene</i>																			
<i>E. translucens</i>																			
<i>E. spp.</i>															4		3	1	
<i>Furcinerina cornuta</i>		8	22	31	6	6	5	7	2	1	11	9	15	4	3	12	1	1	1
<i>F. rotundata</i>						5	6	1			1	1	1	1	3	1	9	2	5
<i>F. sandiegoensis</i>											3				1	2	3	1	
<i>F. spp.</i>																			
<i>Suggrunda eckisi</i>		50	4	3			5	4			4	2	1	1	3		1		2
<i>Cassidulina brasiliensis</i>			2	2	1	13	4	1	3	3	3	2	2	1	3	1	2	2	1
<i>C. subcarinata</i>						4	2	1	5	4	2	1	3	1					
<i>C. tumida</i>																			
<i>C. sp. A</i>		2	2	7	14	10	17	3	2	1	4	5	3	1	28	54	32	45	28
<i>C. sp. B</i>					4	1	2	1			1	1	6	12	1	2	3	2	30
<i>C. spp.</i>																			9
" <i>Cassidulinoides</i> " cf. <i>tenuis</i>																			X
" <i>C.</i> " sp. A																			35
" <i>C.</i> " sp. B																			53
<i>Ehrenbergina compressa</i>		2	1		2	4	4	4	4	4	1	1	1	1	1	6	1	1	3
<i>Chilostomella ovoidea</i>																			
<i>Quadrimeropina glabra</i>																			
<i>Astromonion</i> spp.																			
<i>Nonionella basiloba</i>		2									3	1	2	2	1				X
<i>N. stella</i>											3	3	1	1	2				
<i>N. sp. A</i>		4	14	3	5	1	4	1	2	1	1	2	1	1	12	2	3	1	28
<i>N. spp.</i>					5	1													
<i>Pseudonionion basispinatum</i>																			
<i>Pulenia quinqueloba</i>																			
<i>Gyrodina multilocula</i>																			
<i>G. soldanii</i>																			
<i>G. (?) gemma</i>																			
<i>G. (?) cf. gemma</i>																			
<i>G. (?) sp. A</i>		1																	
" <i>G.</i> " spp.		4																	
<i>Oridorsalis umbonatus</i>			25	11	4	2	1		1	2	1	1	3	2		1	1	1	3
<i>Hanzawaia nitidula</i>					3						1	1	1	1					
Miscellaneous benthic foraminifers			1	4	1		2				1	1	1	1		1	1	1	1
Total number examined		95	44	28	91	163	155	75	68	58	179	149	78	204	35	34	143	110	8
		99	107	101	113	113	101	107	107	101	157	157	157	157	157	157	157	157	26
		66	44	28	91	163	155	75	68	58	179	149	78	204	35	34	143	110	142
		93	104	119	119	119	119	119	119	119	157	157	157	157	157	157	157	157	2
		69	53	46	46	46	46	46	46	46	157	157	157	157	157	157	157	157	142
		10	52	52	52	52	52	52	52	52	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10

See note to Table 1.

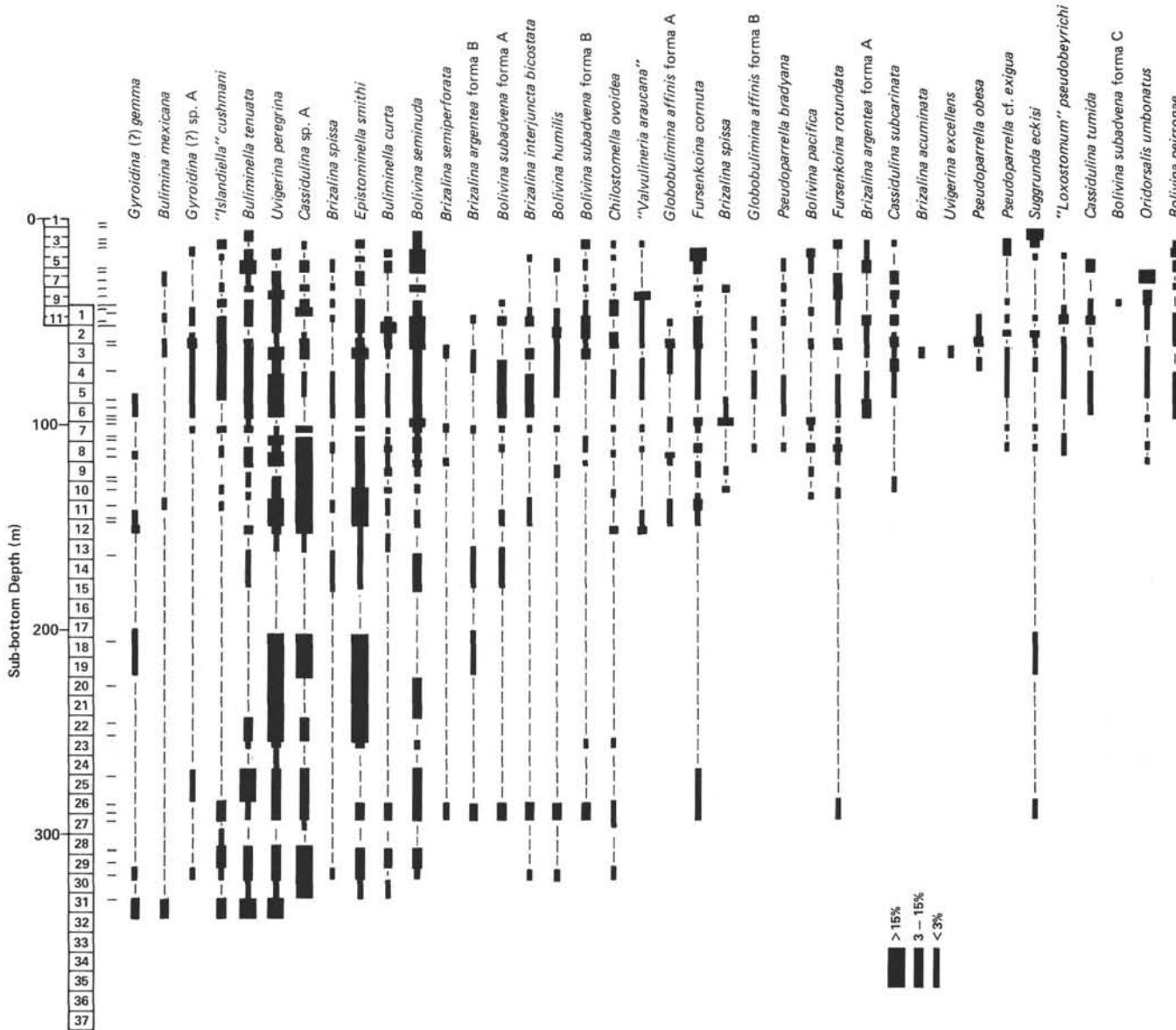


Figure 8. Stratigraphic occurrence of selected benthic foraminifers, Holes 481 and 481A.

Elphidium cf. discoidale (d'Orbigny). Cf. *Polystomella discoidalis* d'Orbigny, 1839a, p. 56, pl. 6, figs. 23, 24.

Elphidium jensei (Cushman). *Polystomella jensei* Cushman, 1924, p. 49, pl. 16, figs. 4, 6.

Elphidium lene Cushman and McCulloch. *Elphidium incertum* (Williamson) var. *lene* Cushman and McCulloch, 1940, p. 170, pl. 19, figs. 2a, b.

Elphidium translucens Natland. Natland, 1938, p. 144, pl. 5, figs. 3, 4.

Epistominella cf. pacifica (Cushman) (Plate 2, Figs. 14A-15C). Cf. *Pulvinulinella pacifica* Cushman, 1927a, p. 165, pl. 5, figs. 14, 15.

This species resembles *E. pacifica* in its strongly convex umbilical side but differs in having the earlier whorls on the dorsal side, which is more convex and usually roughened (Plate 2, Fig. 14A). The roughness varies, and in several specimens the earlier part of the dorsal side is almost smooth, showing the appearance of typical *E. pacifica* (Plate 2, Fig. 15A). This species is only abundant in three samples at the base of Hole 478 (middle Pleistocene) and is not found in samples from other sites in the Guaymas Basin.

Epistominella smithi (Stewart and Stewart) (Plate 3, Figures 1A-C).

Pulvinulinella smithi Stewart and Stewart, 1930, p. 70, pl. 9, figs. 4a-c; *Epistominella smithi* (Stewart and Stewart), Bandy, 1961, p. 15, pl. 5, figs. 6a-c.

Frondicularia sp.

Furcénkoïna bramlettei (Galloway and Morrey). *Virgulina bramlettei* Galloway and Morrey, 1929, p. 37, pl. 5, fig. 14; Uchio, 1960, pl. 6, fig. 12.

Furcénkoïna cornuta (Cushman) (Plate 3, Figs. 8A, B). *Virgulina cornuta* Cushman, 1913, p. 637, pl. 80, fig. 1.

Furcénkoïna rotundata (Parr) (Plate 3, Figs. 9A, B). *Virgulina rotundata* Parr, 1950, p. 337, figs. 14a, b.

Furcénkoïna sandiegoensis (Uchio). *Virgulina sandiegoensis* Uchio, 1960, p. 63, pl. 6, figs. 17, 18.

Furcénkoïna seminuda (Natland). *Virgulina seminuda* Natland, 1938, p. 145, pl. 5, fig. 12.

Gavelinopsis avalonensis (Natland). *Rotalia depressa* Natland, 1938, p. 147, pl. 5, figs. 15a-c. *Rotalia avalonensis* Natland, nom. nov., 1950, p. 30, pl. 8, figs. 4a-c.

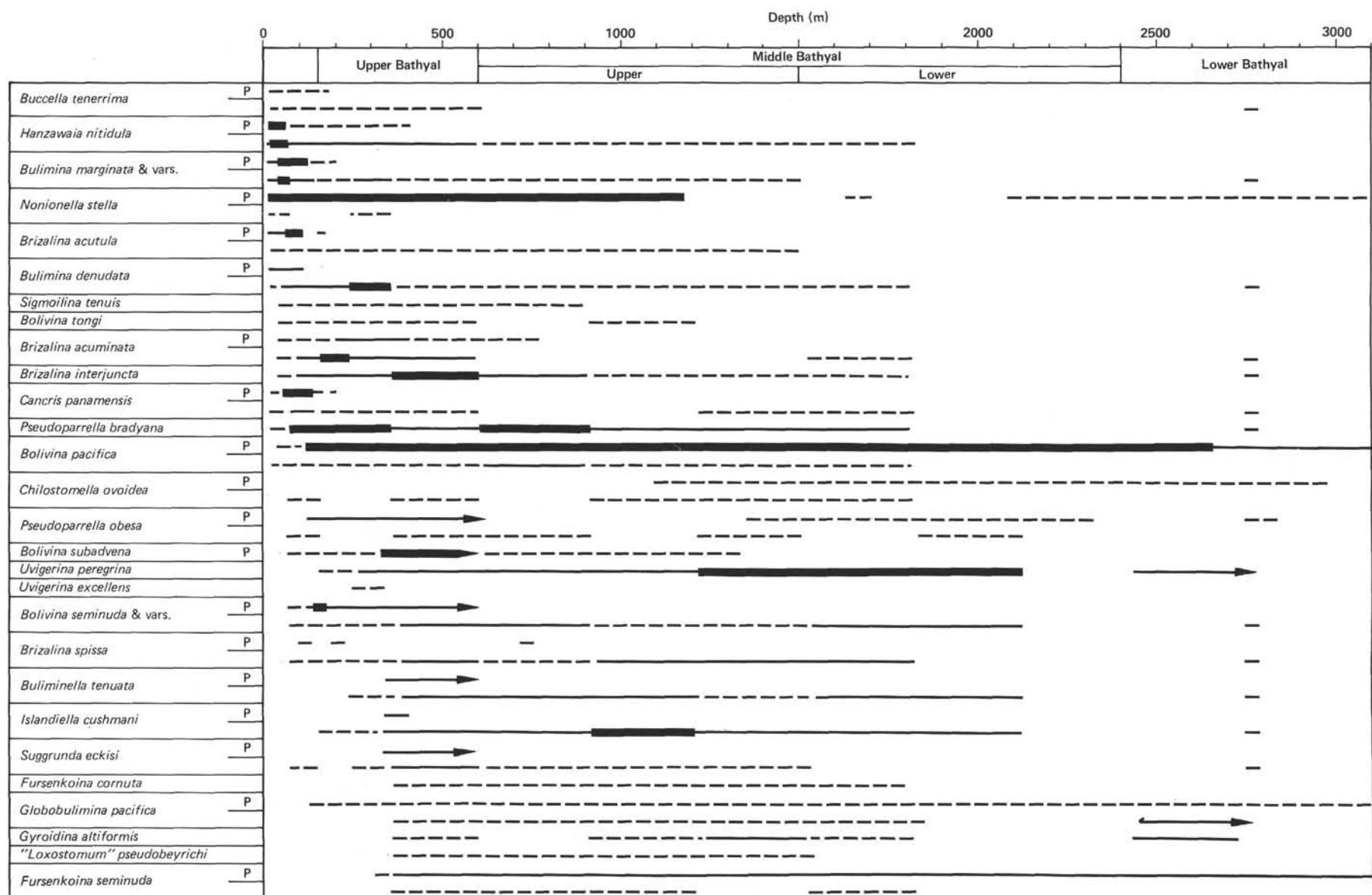
Globobulimina affinis (d'Orbigny). *Bulimina affinis* d'Orbigny, 1839a, p. 105, pl. 2, figs. 25, 26. This species varies in inflation of test and is tentatively divided into four morphotypes.

Globobulimina affinis (d'Orbigny) forma A (Plate 2, Fig. 5). This is the most inflated form and is similar to *G. ovula*.

Globobulimina affinis (d'Orbigny) forma B (Plate 2, Fig. 6). This form is the intermediate between forma A and forma C.

Globobulimina affinis d'Orbigny forma C (Plate 2, Fig. 7). This is the most slender form.

- Globobulimina affinis* (d'Orbigny) forma D. This form has a test shape similar to forma C but has more inflated chambers and is tentatively included in this species.
- Globobulimina ovula* (d'Orbigny). *Bulimina ovula* d'Orbigny, 1839b, p. 51, pl. 1, figs. 10, 11.
- Globobulimina pacifica* Cushman (Plate 2, Fig. 8). Cushman, 1927b, p. 67, pl. 14, fig. 12.
- Gyroidina altiformis* Stewart and Stewart. *Gyroidina soldanii* d'Orbigny var. *altiformis* Stewart and Stewart, 1930, p. 67, pl. 9, figs. 2a-c.
- Gyroidina?* *gemma* Bandy (Plate 4, Fig. 9A-C). *Gyroidina gemma* Bandy, 1953, p. 179, pl. 23, figs. 4a-c.
- Gyroidina?* cf. *gemma* Bandy.
- Gyroidina multilocula* Coryell and Mossman (Plate 4, Fig. 6A-C). *Gyroidina soldanii* d'Orbigny var. *multilocula* Coryell and Mossman, 1942, p. 237, pl. 36, fig. 20? *G. multilocula* Coryell and Mossman, Bandy, 1961, p. 15. *G. soldanii* var. *rotundimargo*, Natland (not Stewart and Stewart), 1950, p. 29, pl. 7, figs. 7a-c. Natland (1950) regarded *G. soldanii* var. *multilocula* as a junior synonym of *G. soldanii* var. *rotundimargo* Stewart and Stewart. The original figures of *G. soldanii* var. *rotundimargo*, however, are different from the species illustrated by Natland.
- Gyroidina?* *rothwelli* Natland (Plate 4, Figs. 7A-C). *Gyroidina rothwelli* Natland, 1950, p. 29, pl. 7, figs. 8a-c. Our specimens have a slightly convex dorsal side rather than the planoconvex test of the original figures.
- Gyroidina soldanii* d'Orbigny. D'Orbigny, 1826, p. 278 (*fide* Ellis and Messina 1940 et seq.).
- Gyroidina?* sp. A (Plate 4, Fig. 8A-C). This species resembles *Eponides* cf. *rosaformis* Cushman and Kleinpell of Natland (1950, p. 30, pl. 7, figs. 10a-c).
- Gyroidina?* sp. B
- Hanzawaia mexicana* Lankford. In Lankford and Phleger, 1973, p. 122, pl. 6, figs. 20a-c.
- Hanzawaia nitidula* (Bandy). *Cibicidina basiloba* (Cushman) var. *nitidula* Bandy, 1953, p. 178, pl. 22, figs. 3a-c.
- Hanzawaia?* sp. A (Plate 4, Figs. 10A-C). This species has a broadly rounded periphery and a nearly asymmetrically planispiral test. Because of the distinct flaps on the lower margin of the chambers on the dorsal side, this species is included in *Hanzawaia*.
- Islandiella californica* (Cushman and Hughes). *Cassidulina californica* Cushman and Hughes, p. 12, pl. 2, figs. 1a-c.
- "*Islandiella*" *cushmani* (Stewart and Stewart) (Plate 2, Figs. 1A, B). *Cassidulina cushmani* Stewart and Stewart, 1930, p. 71, pl. 9, figs. 5a, b. Uchio, 1960, p. 68, pl. 9, fig. 17. *C. asanoi* Uchio, in Kawai et al., 1950, p. 190, fig. 13. Uchio, 1951, p. 39, pl. 3, figs. 2a, b. *C. delicata* Cushman, Uchio (not Cushman), 1960, p. 68, pl. 9, fig. 17. This species has a *Cassidulina* (not *Islandiella*) type of aperture as emended by Loeblich and Tappan (1964) but has an optically radial wall structure and is only tentatively included in *Islandiella*. The wall structure of the primary types of *C. cushmani* is also reported to be radial (Feyling-Hanssen and Buzas, 1976). The senior author examined the holotype and paratype specimens of *C. delicata* and *C. cushmani* and paratypes of *C. asanoi* at the U.S. National Museum. *Cassidulina delicata* differs from *C. cushmani* in having a larger test (approximately 1.5 times larger), very long aperture, and narrowly rounded, nonkeeled periphery; in the adult specimens, *C. cushmani* is acute to subacute and keeled. In addition, the paratypes (six specimens) of *C. delicata* have five pairs of chambers in the final whorl, although its holotype has four pairs. Therefore, *C. cushmani* is considered to be a distinct species from *C. delicata*, and *C. delicata* of some authors seems to be *C. cushmani*. *Cassidulina asanoi* appears to be conspecific with *C. cushmani*.
- Islandiella* sp.
- Lagena amphora* Reuss. Reuss, 1863, p. 330, pl. 4, fig. 57, (*fide* Ellis and Messina, 1940 et seq.).
- Lagena elongata* (Ehrenberg). *Miliola elongata* Ehrenberg, 1844, p. 274 (*fide* Ellis and Messina, 1940 et seq.).
- Lagena feildeniana* Brady. Brady, 1878, p. 434, pl. 20, fig. 4 (*fide* Ellis and Messina, 1940 et seq.). Brady, 1884, p. 469, pl. 48, figs. 38-39b.
- Lagena mollis* Cushman. *Lagena gracillima* (Segenza) var. *mollis* Cushman, 1944, p. 21, p. 3, fig. 3.
- Lagena perlucida* (Montagu). *Vermiculum perlucidum* Montagu, 1803, p. 525; pl. 14, fig. 3 (*fide* Ellis and Messina, 1940 et seq.).
- Lagena* cf. *striata* (d'Orbigny). Cf. *Oolina striata* d'Orbigny, 1839b, p. 21, pl. 5, fig. 12.
- Lagena williamsoni* (Alcock). *Entosolenia williamsoni* Alcock, 1865, p. 193 (*fide* Ellis and Messina, 1940 et seq.).
- "*Loxostomum*" *limbatum* (Brady). *Bolivina limbata* Brady, 1881, p. 57 (*fide* Ellis and Messina, 1940 et seq.). Brady, 1884, p. 419, pl. 52, figs. 26-28. Bolivinid-like forms with a terminal aperture, but having a radial wall structure, are tentatively included in this genus.
- "*Loxostomum*" *pseudobeyrich* (Cushman) (Plate 1, Figs. 25A, B). *Bolivina pseudobeyrich* Cushman, 1926, p. 45; 1927, p. 156, pl. 3, fig. 7.
- Melonis parkerae* (Uchio) (Plate 4, Figs. 12A, B). *Nonion parkerae* Uchio, 1960, p. 60, pl. 4, figs. 9, 10.
- Montfortella bramlettei* Loeblich and Tappan. Loeblich and Tappan, 1963, p. 213, figs. 7-9b.
- Neoconorbina parkerae* (Natland). *Discorbis parkeri* Natland, 1950, p. 27, pl. 6, figs. 11a-c.
- Nonionella basiloba* Cushman and McCulloch (Plate 4, Figs. 3A, B). Cushman and McCulloch, 1940, p. 162, pl. 18, figs. 3a-c.
- Nonionella stella* Cushman and Moyer (Plate 4, Figs. 4A, B). *Nonionella miocenica* Cushman var. *stella* Cushman and Moyer, 1930, p. 56, pl. 7, figs. 17a-c. *N. stella* Cushman and Moyer, Uchio, 1960, p. 4, figs. 15, 16.
- Nonionella* sp. A (Plate 4, Figs. 5A-C). This species differs from *N. stella* in the thicker test, broadly rounded periphery, and deeply incised ventral sutures. This species resembles *N. (?) fragilis* Uchio (1960, p. 62, pl. 4, figs. 19-21), but differs in having finger-like processes at the lobate ventral end of the last chamber and not having sutural openings.
- Oolina lineata* (Williamson). *Entosolenia globosa* var. *lineata* Williamson, 1858, p. 9, pl. 1, fig. 17.
- Oolina melo* d'Orbigny. D'Orbigny, 1839b, p. 20, pl. 5, fig. 9.
- Oridorsalis umbonatus* (Reuss) (Plate 4, Fig. 11A-C). *Rotaliana umbonata* Reuss, 1851, p. 75, pl. 5, figs. 35a-c (*fide* Ellis and Messina, 1940 et seq.).
- Planulina limbata* Natland (Plate 3, Figs. 6A-C). Natland, 1938, p. 151, pl. 7, figs. 4a-5.
- Planulina ornata* (d'Orbigny). *Truncatulina ornata* d'Orbigny, 1839b, p. 40, pl. 6, figs. 7-9.
- Praeglobobulimina barbata* (Cushman). *Bulimina barbata* Cushman, 1927a, p. 151, pl. 2, fig. 11. Cushman and McCulloch, 1948, p. 248, pl. 31, figs. 3a-c. *Globobulimina barbata* (Cushman), Uchio, 1960, pl. 6, fig. 6.
- Praeglobobulimina spinifera* (Cushman). *Bulimina spinifera* Cushman, 1927a, p. 151, pl. 2, fig. 15. *Globobulimina spinifera* (Cushman), Uchio, 1960, pl. 6, fig. 10.
- Pseudononion basispinatum* (Cushman and Moyer). *Nonion pizarrensis* Berry var. *basispinata* Cushman and Moyer, 1930, p. 54, pl. 7, figs. 18a, b.
- Pseudoparrella bradyana* (Cushman) (Plate 3, Figs. 2A-C). *Pulvinulina bradyana* Cushman, 1927a, p. 165, pl. 5, figs. 11-13.
- Pseudoparrella* cf. *exigua* (Brady). Cf. *Pulvinulina exigua* Brady, 1884, p. 696, pl. 103, figs. 13a-14c. Our specimens do not have so acute a periphery as Brady's species but instead are narrowly rounded and have six chambers in the final whorl instead of five. *Epistominella sandiegoensis* Uchio (1960, p. 68, pl. 9, figs. 6, 7) is tentatively included in this species, because the authors do not understand the variability of this species group.
- Pseudoparrella obesa* (Bandy and Arnal) (Plate 3, Figs. 3A-C). *Epistominella obesa* Bandy and Arnal, 1957b, p. 56, pl. 7, figs. 8a-c.
- Pseudoparrella* sp. A (Plate 3, Figs. 4A-C). This is a small species similar to *P. cf. exigua*; it differs in having seven chambers in the final whorl.
- Pseudoparrella* sp. B
- Pseudoparrella* sp. C (Plate 3, Figs. 5A-C). This species, having eight chambers in the final whorl, differs from *P. bradyana* in the smaller test and rounded periphery; it differs from *P. obesa* in the smaller and thinner test and mode of convolution on the dorsal side.
- Pullenia bulloides* (d'Orbigny). *Nonionina bulloides* d'Orbigny, 1826, p. 293 (*fide* Ellis and Messina, 1940 et seq.).
- Pullenia quinqueloba* (Reuss). *Nonionina quinqueloba* Reuss, 1851, p. 71, pl. 5, fig. 31 (*fide* Ellis and Messina, 1940 et seq.).
- Pullenia* sp. A
- Pyrgo depressa* (d'Orbigny). *Biloculina depressa* d'Orbigny, 1826, p. 298, no. 7 (*fide* Ellis and Messina, 1940 et seq.).



<i>Brizalina argentea</i>	P
<i>Cassidulina tumida</i>	P
<i>Bulimina mexicana</i>	
<i>Epistominella smithi</i>	
<i>Praeglobobulima spinifera</i>	
<i>Oridorsalis umbonatus</i>	
<i>Valvularia araucana</i>	
<i>Globobulimina affinis</i>	
<i>Eilohedra levicula</i>	P
<i>Melonis parkerae</i>	P
<i>Uvigerina proboscidea & U. hispida</i>	
<i>Bulimina spinosa</i>	P
<i>Gyroïdina gemma & G. soldanii</i>	
<i>Pullenia bulloides</i>	P
<i>Uvigerina senticosa</i>	
<i>Melonis pompilioides</i>	P



Figure 9. Recent depth distribution of selected benthic foraminifers in the Gulf of California (compiled from Bandy [1961] and Phleger [1964, 1965]; depth ranges indicated by "P" are from Phleger and are based on a living distribution).

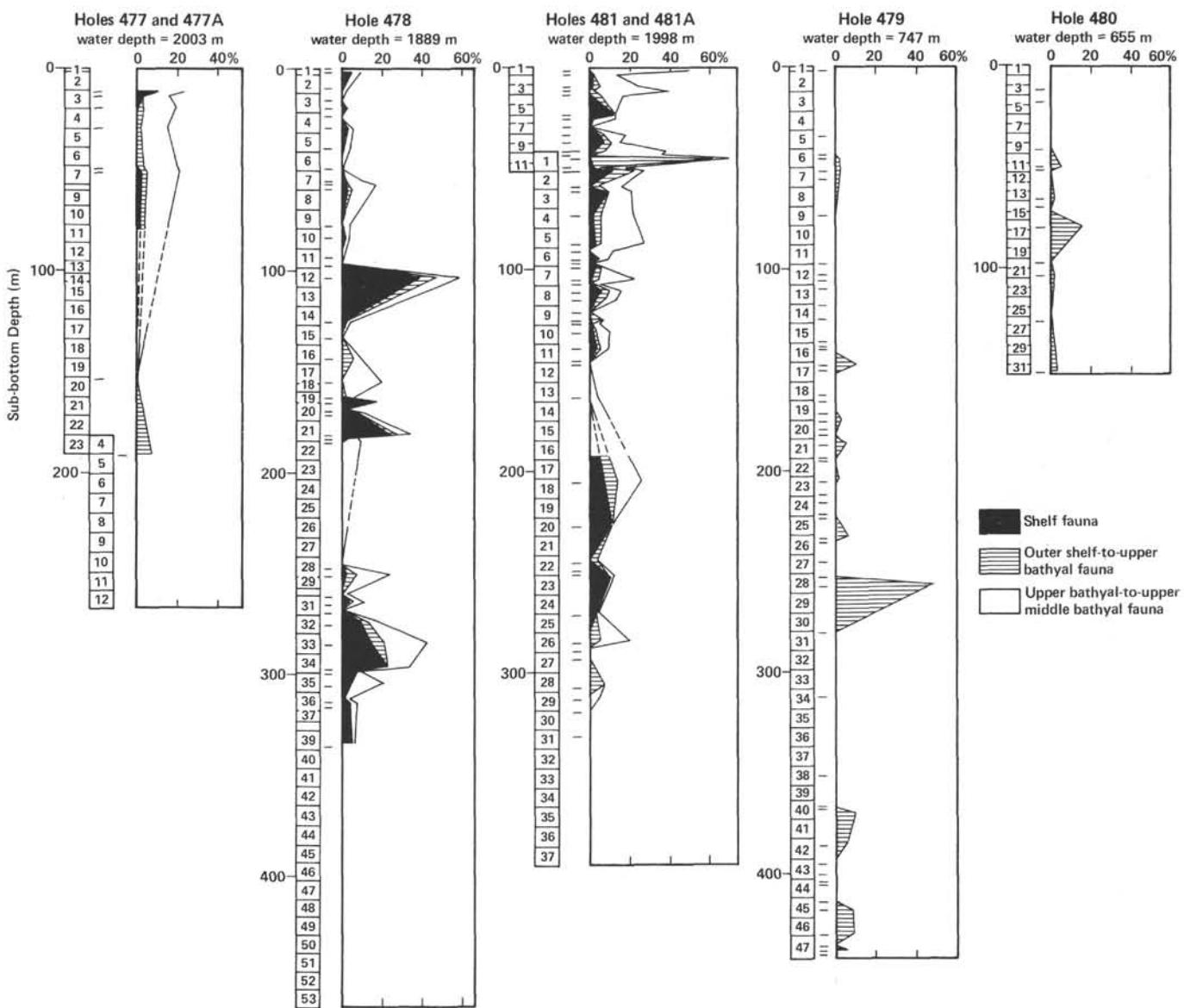


Figure 10. Stratigraphic frequency distribution of displaced fauna. (See text for species composition.)

Pyrgo murrhina (Schwager). *Biloculina murrhina* Schwager, 1866, p. 203, pl. 4, figs. 15a-c.

Pyrgo sp.

Pyrgoella sphaera (d'Orbigny). *Biloculina sphaera* d'Orbigny, 1839b, p. 66, pl. 8, figs. 13-16.

Quadrimerophina laevigata (Phleger and Parker) (Plate 4, Figs. 2a-C).

Valvulineria laevigata Phleger and Parker, 1951, p. 25, pl. 13, figs. 11a-12b. Ingle et al., 1980, p. 146, pl. 8, figs. 5-7. *Rotamorphina laevigata* (Phleger and Parker), Parker, 1954, p. 537, pl. 11, figs. 10, 11. *Valvulineria glabra* Cushman, Uchio, 1960 (not Cushman), pl. 8, figs. 6, 7. Phleger, 1964, p. 384, pl. 2, figs. 16, 17. (This species is presented as *Quadrimerophina glabra* in the tables and figures of this chapter). This species was originally described under *Valvulineria*; Parker (1954) placed it in *Rotamorphina*. Loeblich and Tappan (1964) regarded *Rotamorphina* as a junior synonym of *Valvulineria*, which has a radial wall structure. We examined several specimens of this species (topotypes included) from both the Gulf of Mexico and the Gulf of California and found that this species has a granular wall. Therefore, this species was placed in *Quadrimerophina*. Specimens from the Gulf of California have a slightly more broadly rounded periphery and a wall very slightly

and more coarsely perforated. Smith (1964) included Uchio's (1960) species in her *V. vilardeboana* (d'Orbigny), but d'Orbigny's species seems to be distinct from this species.

Quinqueloculina elongata Natland. Natland, 1938, p. 141, pl. 4, figs. 5a-c.

Quinqueloculina laevigata d'Orbigny. d'Orbigny, 1826, p. 301, no. 6 (fide Ellis and Messina, 1940 et seq.).

Quinqueloculina lamarckiana d'Orbigny. d'Orbigny, 1839a, p. 189, pl. 11, figs. 14, 15.

Quinqueloculina vulgaris d'Orbigny. d'Orbigny, 1826, p. 302, no. 33 (fide Ellis and Messina, 1940 et seq.).

Quinqueloculina sp. A

Quinqueloculina sp. B

Quinqueloculina sp. C

Reussella pacifica Cushman and McCulloch. Cushman and McCulloch, 1948, p. 251, pl. 31, figs. 6a, b.

Sigmavirgulina torqueata (Cushman and McCulloch). *Bolivina torqueata* Cushman and McCulloch, 1942, p. 215, pl. 27, figs. 5a-6.

Sigmoilina tenuis (Czjzek) (Plate 1, Figs. 1a, b). *Quinqueloculina tenuis* Czjzek, 1848, p. 149, pl. 13, figs. 31-34 (fide Ellis and Messina, 1940 et seq.).

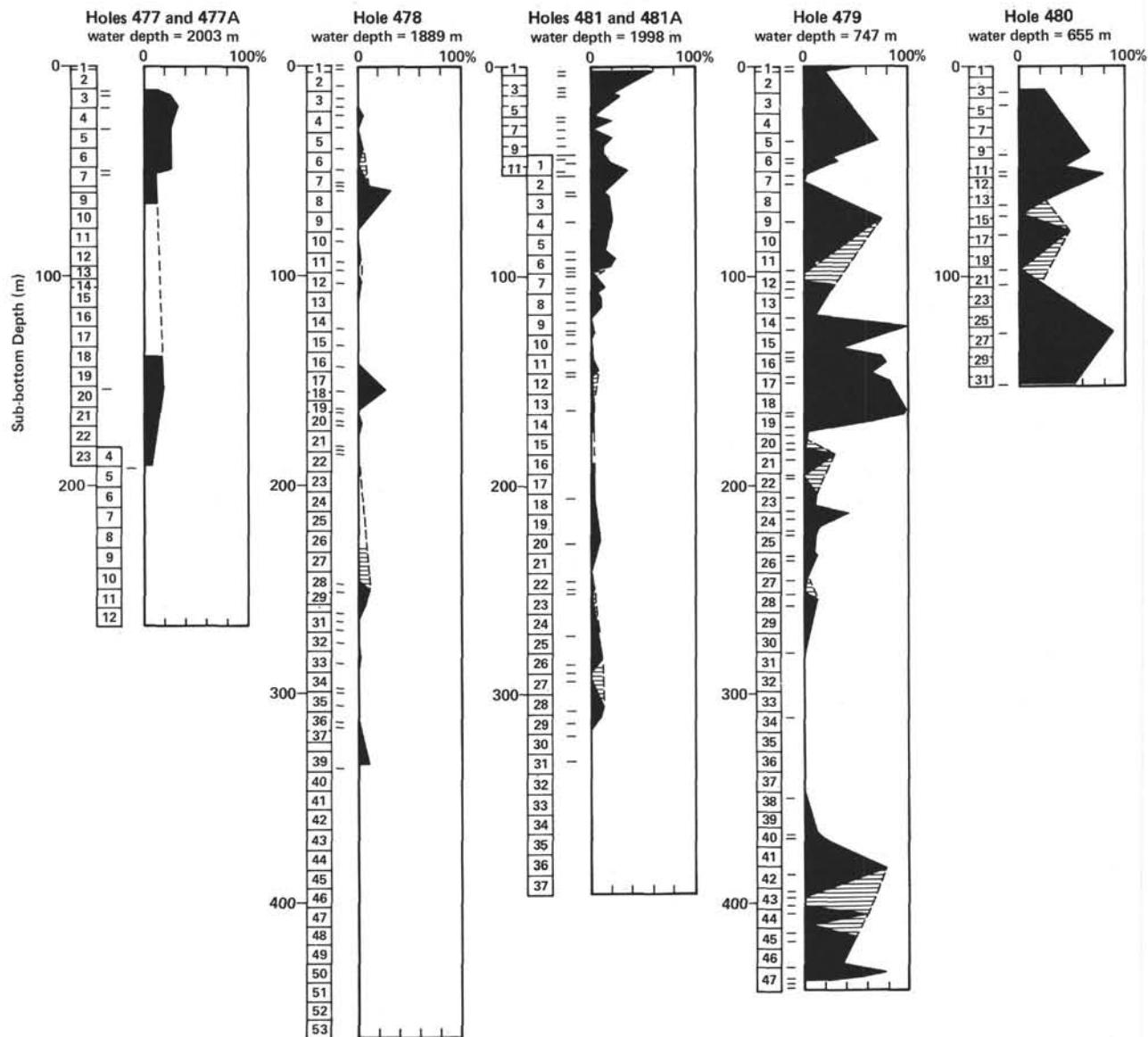


Figure 11. Stratigraphic frequency distribution of some species known to live under low-oxygen bottom conditions. (See text for species. Horizontal hatching indicates samples containing <20 benthic foraminiferal specimens disregarded.)

Stainforthia complanata (Egger). *Virgulina schreibersiana* Czjžek var. *complanata* Egger, 1893, p. 292, pl. 8, figs. 91, 92 (*fide* Ellis and Messina, 1940 *et seq.*). *V. complanata* Egger, Uchio, 1960, p. 63, pl. 6, fig. 13.

Sugrunda eckisi Natland (Plate 3, Figs. 10a, b). Natland, 1950, p. 23, pl. 9, figs. 12a, b. S. (?) *eckisi* Natland, Uchio, 1960, pl. 7, figs. 5, 6.

Triloculina laevigata d'Orbigny. D'Orbigny, 1826, p. 300, no. 15 (*fide* Ellis and Messina, 1940 *et seq.*).

Triloculina trigonula (Lamarck). *Miliolites trigonula* Lamarck, 1804, p. 351. Lamarck, 1807, pl. 17, figs. 4a-c (*fide* Ellis and Messina, 1940 *et seq.*).

Triloculina sp. A

Triloculina sp. B

Uvigerina excellens Todd (Plate 2, Fig. 9). Todd, *in* Cushman and McCulloch, 1948, p. 258, pl. 33, figs. 2a-e.

Uvigerina hispida Schwager. Schwager, 1866, p. 249, pl. 7, fig. 95.

Uvigerina hispidocostata Cushman and Todd. Cushman and Todd, 1945, p. 51, pl. 7, figs. 27, 31.

Uvigerina cf. *junccea* Cushman and Todd. Cf. *Uvigerina juncea* Cushman and Todd, 1941, p. 78, pl. 20, figs. 4-11.

Uvigerina peregrina curticosta (Cushman) (Plate 2, Figs. 10-12). *Uvigerina pigmea* d'Orbigny var. *curticosta* Cushman, 1927a, p. 157, pl. 4, fig. 1. *U. peregrina* Cushman var. *curticosta* (Cushman), Todd *in* Cushman and McCulloch, 1948, p. 266, pl. 34, figs. 2a, b. *U. peregrina* Cushman var. *dirupta* Todd *in* Cushman and McCulloch, 1948, p. 267, pl. 34, figs. 3a-d. *U. curticosta* Cushman, Uchio, 1960, p. 65, pl. 7, figs. 12, 13. *U. peregrina* Cushman, Smith, 1964 (not Cushman), p. 34, pl. 2, figs. 15, 16. (This subspecies is presented in the tables and figures as *U. peregrina*).

Uvigerina proboscidea vadescens Cushman. *Uvigerina proboscidea* Schwager var. *vadescens* Cushman, 1933, p. 85, figs. 14a-15. Todd *in* Cushman and McCulloch, 1948, p. 268, pl. 34, fig. 5.

Uvigerina senticosa Cushman. Cushman, 1927a, p. 159, pl. 3, fig. 14; Todd *in* Cushman and McCulloch, 1948, p. 269, pl. 34, figs. 7a-c.

"*Valvularia araucana* (d'Orbigny)" (Plate 2, Figs. 13A-C). Not *Rosalina araucana* d'Orbigny, 1839b, p. 44, pl. 6, figs. 16-18. *Valvularia araucana* (d'Orbigny), Cushman, 1927a (not d'Orbigny), p. 160, pl. 4, figs. 7, 8. Walton, 1955, p. 1016, pl. 103, figs. 15, 20. Uchio, 1960, pl. 8, figs. 3-5. Ingle, et al., 1980, p. 146, pl. 8, figs. 9-11. *V. glabra* Cushman, Smith, 1964 (not Cushman), p. 44, pl. 5, figs. 3a, b. D'Orbigny's species is quite different from this form

in that it has a very depressed, discoidal test with a subacute, subcarinate periphery. As authors have long used the species, d'Orbigny's species is tentatively adopted in this study. *Valvularia sadonica* Asano (1951, p. 8, figs. 55-57) is very similar to this species. *Valvularia vilardeboana* (d'Orbigny) var. *glabra* Cushman (1927, p. 161, pl. 4, figs. 5, 6) differs from this species in having only five chambers in the final whorl.

Valvularia inflata (d'Orbigny). *Valvularia inflata* d'Orbigny, 1839b, p. 48, pl. 7, figs. 7-9.

Valvularia sp. A

Valvularia sp. B

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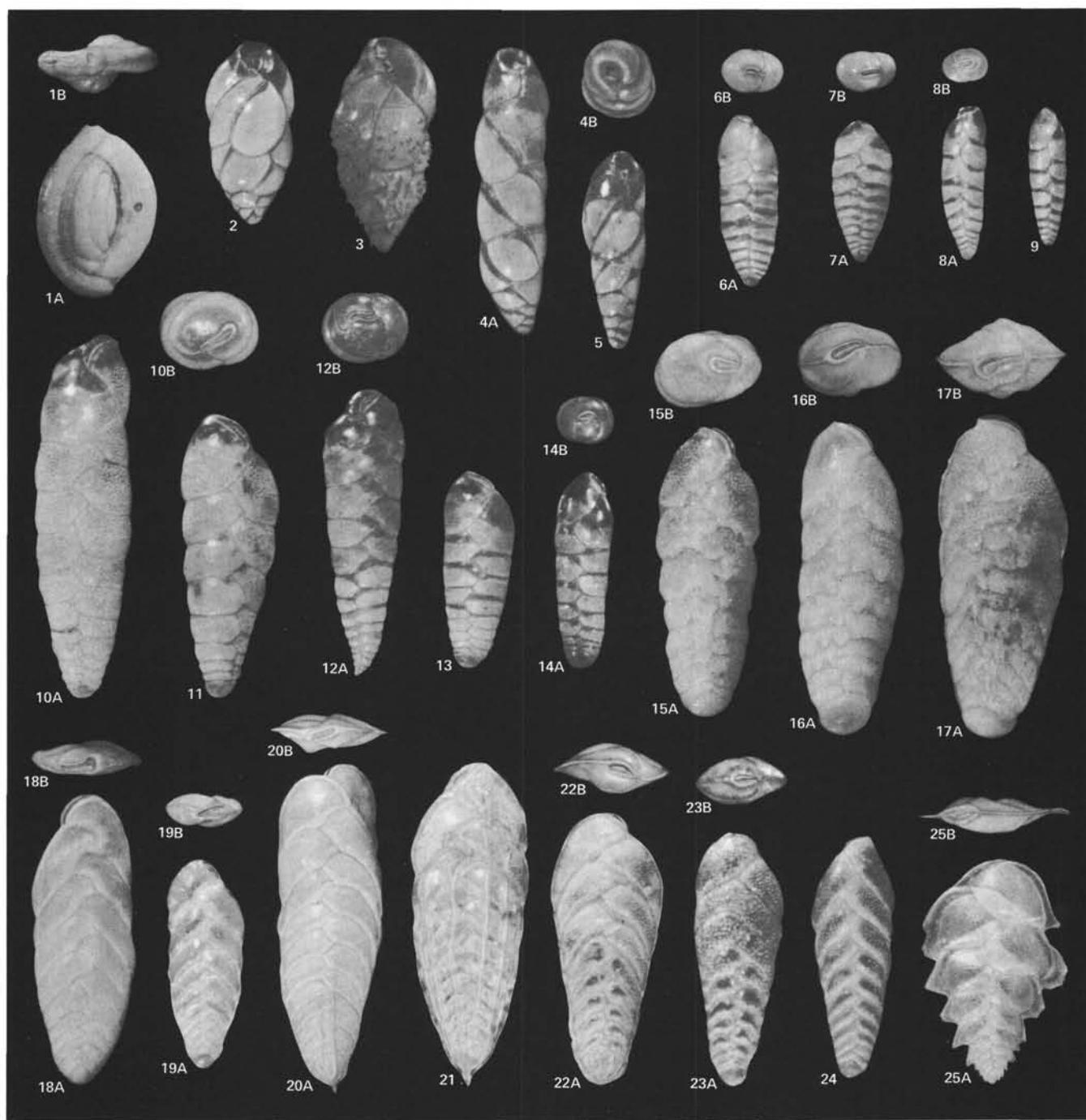


Plate 1. Late Pliocene to Holocene benthic foraminifers. 1A, B. *Sigmoilina tenuis* (Czjzek). $\times 60$. AKMG 11044. Sample 479-7-4, 46-48 cm. 2. *Buliminella curta* Cushman. $\times 60$. AKMG 11045. Section 478-7, CC. 3. *Buliminella curta basispinata* Stewart and Stewart. $\times 60$. AKMG 11046. Sample 479-40-7, 28-30 cm. 4A-5. *Buliminella tenuata* Cushman. $\times 60$. AKMG 11047a, b. Section 478-7, CC. 6A, B. *Bolivina humilis* Cushman and McCulloch. $\times 60$. AKMG 11048. Sample 481A-4-3, 41-43 cm. 7A, B. *Bolivina cf. humilis* Cushman and McCulloch. $\times 60$. AKMG 11049. Section 479-42, CC. 8A-9. *Bolivina pacifica* Cushman and McCulloch. $\times 60$. (8A, B) AKMG 11050a. Section 478-7, CC. (9) AKMG 11050b. Sample 477-4-1, 17-19 cm. 10A-11. *Bolivina seminuda* Cushman forma A. $\times 60$. (10A, B) AKMG 11051a. Sample 479-47-1, 70-72 cm, (11) AKMG 11051b. Sample 477-4-1, 17-19 cm. 12A-13. *Bolivina seminuda* Cushman forma B. $\times 60$. AKMG 11052a, b. Sample 477-4-1, 17-19 cm. 14A, B. *Bolivina seminuda* Cushman forma C. $\times 60$. AKMG 11053. Sample 477-4-1, 17-19 cm. 15A, B. *Bolivina subadvena* Cushman forma A. $\times 60$. AKMG 11054. Section 479-1, CC. 16A, B. *Bolivina subadvena* Cushman forma B. $\times 60$. AKMG 11055. Sample 481-10-2, 69-71 cm. 17A, B. *Bolivina subadvena* Cushman forma C. $\times 60$. AKMG 11056. Section 480-31, CC. 18A-19B. *Brizalina argentea* (Cushman) forma A. $\times 40$. (18A, B) AKMG 11057a, Sample 481-10-2, 69-71 cm, (19A, B) AKMG 11057b. Section 480-21, CC. 20A, B. *Brizalina argentea* (Cushman) forma B. $\times 40$. AKMG 11058. Section 480-4, CC. 21. *Brizalina interjuncta bicostata* (Cushman). $\times 60$. AKMG 11059. Sample 481A-4-3, 41-43 cm. 22A, B. *Brizalina spissa* (Cushman). $\times 60$. AKMG 11060. Sample 479-7-2, 73-75 cm. 23A-24. *Brizalina semiperforata* (Martin). $\times 60$. (23A, B) AKMG 11061a. Sample 478-34-5, 6-8 cm, (24) AKMG 11061b. Sample 479-13-1, 95-97 cm. 25A, B. "Loxostomum" *pseudobeyrichi* (Cushman), $\times 40$. AKMG 11062. Section 480-4, CC.



Plate 2. Late Pliocene to Holocene benthic foraminifers. 1A, B. "*Islandiella*" *cushmani* (Stewart and Stewart). $\times 60$. AKMG 11063. Sample 477-3-2, 101–103 cm. 2. *Bulimina mexicana* Cushman. $\times 60$. AKMG 11064. Section 478-30, CC. 3. *Bulimina pagoda* Cushman. $\times 60$. AKMG 11065. Sample 481A-3-1, 50–52 cm. 4. *Bulimina spinosa* (Heron-Allen and Earland). $\times 80$. AKMG 11066. Sample 481A-9-6, 117–119 cm. 5. *Globobulimina affinis* (d'Orbigny) forma A. $\times 60$. AKMG 11067. Sample 477-3-1, 86–88 cm. 6. *Globobulimina affinis* (d'Orbigny) forma B. $\times 60$. AKMG 11068. Sample 477-3-1, 86–88 cm. 7. *Globobulimina affinis* (d'Orbigny) forma C. $\times 60$. AKMG 11069. Sample 477-3-1, 86–88 cm. 8. *Globobulimina pacifica* Cushman. $\times 60$. AKMG 11070. Sample 477-3-1, 86–88 cm. 9. *Uvigerina excellens* Todd. $\times 60$. AKMG 11071, Sample 479-6-3, 106–108 cm. 10–12. *Uvigerina peregrina curticosta* (Cushman). $\times 60$. (10) AKMG 11072a. Sample 478-11-4, 38–40 cm, (11–12) AKMG 11072b, c. Sample 479-7-4, 46–48 cm. 13A–C. "*Valvulinaria araucana* (d'Orbigny)". $\times 60$. AKMG 11073. Sample 477-5-1, 29–30 cm. 14A–15C. *Epistominella* cf. *pacifica* (Cushman). $\times 60$. AKMG 11074a, b. Section 478-36, CC.



Plate 3. 1A-C. *Epistominella smithi* (Stewart and Stewart). $\times 60$. AKMG 11075. Section 478-10, CC. 2A-C. *Pseudoparrella bradyana* (Cushman). $\times 60$. AKMG 11076. Sample 479-13-1, 95-97 cm. 3A-C. *Pseudoparrella obesa* (Bandy and Arnal). $\times 60$. AKMG 11077. Sample 481-10-2, 69-71 cm. 4A-C. *Pseudoparrella* sp. A. $\times 80$. AKMG 11078. Section 478-7, CC. 5A-C. *Pseudoparrella* sp. C. $\times 80$. AKMG 11079. Sample 479-40-7, 28-30 cm. 6A-C. *Planulina limbata* Natland. $\times 40$. AKMG 11080. Section 478-31, CC. 7A-C. *Buccella tenerima* (Bandy). $\times 60$. AKMG 11081. Sample 478-12-3, 139-141 cm. 8A, B. *Fursenkoina cornuta* (Cushman). $\times 60$. AKMG 11082. Section 481-3, CC. 9A, B. *Fursenkoina rotundata* (Parr). $\times 60$. AKMG 11083. Sample 478-16-5, 41-42 cm. 10A, B. *Suggrunda eckisi* Natland. $\times 80$. AKMG 11084. Sample 477-5-1, 29-31 cm. 11A, B. *Cassidulina subcarinata* Uchio. $\times 80$. AKMG 11085. Sample 477-3-2, 101-103 cm. 12A, B. *Cassidulina tumida* Natland. $\times 60$. AKMG 11086. Sample 481-10-2, 69-71 cm. 13A, B. *Cassidulina braziliensis* Cushman. $\times 60$. AKMG 11087. Sample 479-23-5, 72-74 cm.

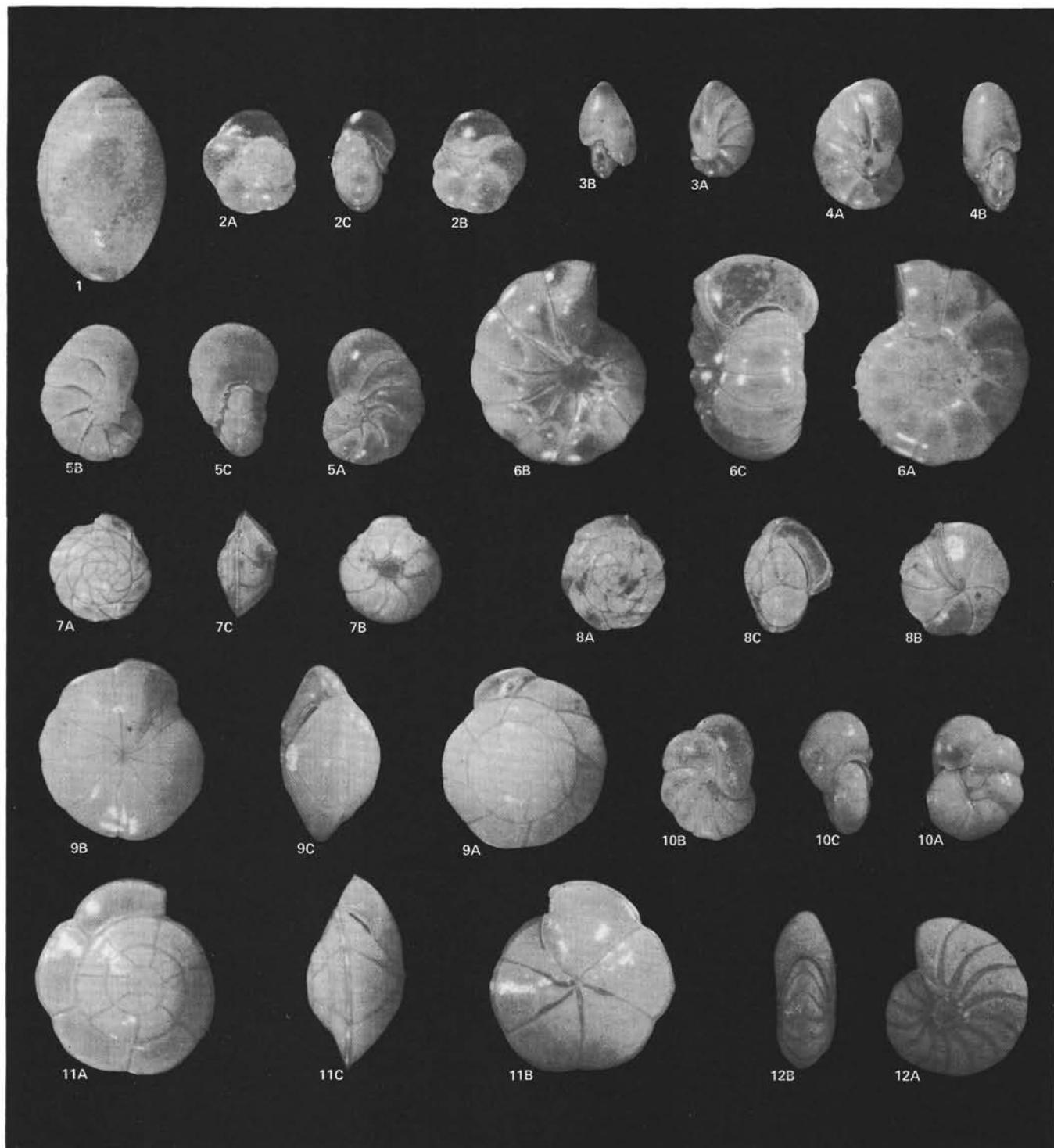


Plate 4. Late Pliocene to Holocene benthic foraminifers. 1. *Chilostomella ovidea* Reuss. $\times 60$. AKMG 11088. Section 478-5,CC. 2A-C. *Quadrimorphina laevigata* (Phleger and Parker). $\times 60$. AKMG 11089. Sample 478-22-1, 28-31 cm. 3A, B. *Nonionella basiloba* Cushman and McCulloch. $\times 60$. AKMG 11090. Sample 481A-1-1, 36-38 cm. 4A, B. *Nonionella stella* Cushman and Moyer. $\times 60$. AKMG 11091. Sample 481A-4-3, 41-43 cm. 5A-C. *Nonionella* sp. A. $\times 60$. AKMG 11092, Section 481-3,CC. 6A-C. *Gyroidina multilocula* Coryell and Mossman. $\times 60$. AKMG 11093. Section 478-7,CC. 7A-C. *Gyroidina(?) rothwelli* Natland. $\times 60$. AKMG 11094. Sample 478-33-4, 48-50 cm. 8A-C. *Gyroidina(?)* sp. A. $\times 80$. AKMG 11095. Sample 481A-6-4, 110-112 cm. 9A-C. *Gyroidina(?) gemma* Bandy. $\times 60$. AKMG 11096. Section 478-4,CC. 10A-C. *Hanzawaia(?)* sp. A. $\times 60$. AKMG 11097. Section 479-42,CC. 11A-C. *Oridorsalis umbonatus* (Reuss). $\times 60$. AKMG 11098. Section 478-2,CC. 12A, B. *Melonis parkerae* (Uchio). $\times 60$. AKMG 11099. Section 478-21,CC.