

## 9. SITE 493<sup>1</sup>

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#### HOLE 493

**Date occupied:** 24 April 1979

**Date departed:** 28 April 1979

**Time on hole:** 95.2 hours

**Position:** 16°22.86'N; 98°55.53'W

**Water depth (sea level; corrected m, echo-sounding):** 645

**Water depth (rig floor; corrected m, echo-sounding):** 655

**Bottom felt (m, drill pipe):** 675

**Penetration (m):** 670.5

**Number of cores:** 60

**Total length of cored section (m):** 556.5

**Total core recovered (m):** 337.3

**Core recovery (%):** 61

**Oldest sediment cored:**

Depth sub-bottom (m): 652

Nature: Sand

Age: Early Miocene

**Basement:**

Depth sub-bottom (m): 652

Nature: Diorite

**Principal results:** Site 493 samples document the geologic history of the continental crust 25 to 30 km landward of the continent/accretionary zone boundary. A section complete except for the middle Miocene was recovered. Figure 1 summarizes our results.

The sedimentary record indicates a marine transgression approximately 21.5 Ma, followed by rapid subsidence to a depth about 3 km below sea level, then gradual uplift at a uniform rate to the present position.

Sediment deposition rates are consistent with the paleobathymetric pattern. Basal Miocene deposition was a relatively rapid 83 m/m.y., but the rate slowed to 39 m/m.y. throughout most of the lower Miocene. The middle Miocene is missing, prob-

ably because of erosion. Upper Miocene-Pliocene-Quaternary sediments were deposited at rates of about 45 m/m.y.

Diorites recovered from the basement closely resemble Cretaceous intrusive rocks outcropping on shore roughly 20 km from Site 493.

Gases, mainly of biogenic origin, were present in moderate amounts. We found no evidence of mature hydrocarbons.

#### HOLE 493A

**Date occupied:** 28 April 1979

**Date departed:** 28 April 1979

**Time on hole:** 2.0 hours

**Position:** 16°22.86'N; 98°55.53'W

**Water depth (sea level; corrected m, echo-sounding):** 645

**Water depth (rig floor; corrected m, echo-sounding):** 655

**Bottom felt (m, drill pipe):** 670.0

**Penetration (m):** 12.0

**Number of cores:** 2

**Total length of cored section (m):** 12.0

**Total core recovered (m):** 7.6

**Core recovery (%):** 63

**Oldest sediment cored:**

Depth sub-bottom (m): 12.0

Nature: Green mud

Age: Quaternary

**Principal results:** Inadvertent re-entry of Hole 493.

#### HOLE 493B

**Date occupied:** 28 April 1979

**Date departed:** 29 April 1979

**Time on hole:** 12.8 hours

**Position:** 16°22.86'N; 98°55.53'W

**Water depth (sea level; corrected m, echo-sounding):** 645

**Water depth (rig floor; corrected m, echo-sounding):** 655

**Bottom felt (m, drill pipe):** 670

**Penetration (m):** 126

**Number of cores:** 12

**Total length of cored section (m):** 114

**Total core recovered (m):** 60.1

**Core recovery (%):** 52

**Oldest sediment cored:**

Depth sub-bottom (m): 126

Nature: Muddy silt

Age: Early Pliocene

**Principal results:** Cored upper section bypassed in Hole 493 (see Hole 493 for results).

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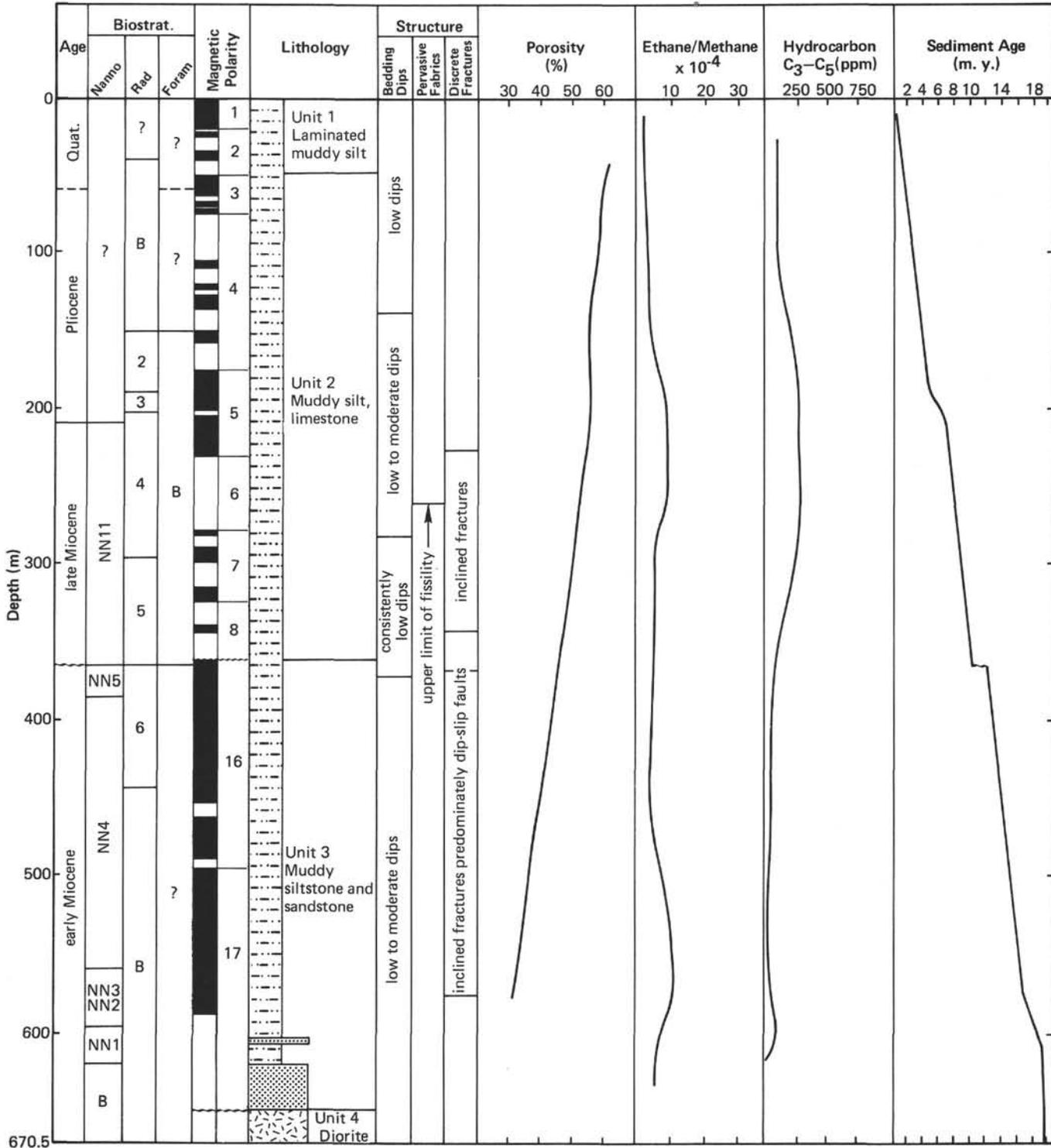


Figure 1. Summary of age, nannofossil and radiolarian zones (2 = *Spongaster pentas*, 3 = *Stichocorys peregrina*, 4 = *Ommatartus penultimus*, 5 = *O. antepenultimus*, 7 = *Calocycletta virginis*, B = barren), foraminiferal occurrences, magnetic polarity zones (black = normal, white = reversed), lithology, structures, porosity, organic geochemistry ( $C_2/C_1$  and  $C_{3-5}$ ), and age-depth relationships for recovered sediments. Radiolarian and nannofossil boundaries based on Berggren and Van Couvering (1974) and paleomagnetic ages based on Ryan et al. (1974).

## BACKGROUND AND OBJECTIVES

Site 493 was drilled in order to sample the 600 meters or more of sediment overlying metamorphosed(?) continental basement rocks. Data from Hole 493 provide a record of the geologic history of the continental crust adjacent to the subduction zone prior to and during subduction.

Previous drilling in active margins has demonstrated the value of drilling reference holes at continental and oceanic ends of transects. Holes in the body of the transect provide data about tectonic, sedimentologic, and other detailed geologic aspects of the margin. Data from the body of one transect, however, seldom provide information about the limiting parameters such as age of subduction, sediment provenance, sediment flux, and so on. Data from reference sites outside the zone of deformation, on the other hand, provide this information.

The sea transgressed Site 489 during the early Miocene. The site sank below the CCD; then erosion erased a large segment of the sedimentary record, leaving us with an unconformity separating lower Miocene and Quaternary sediments. It was hoped that Site 493 cores would provide depositional and subsidence data for the missing interval.

A second objective at 493 was to obtain additional paleobathymetric data to supplement that obtained at 489. Site 493 is higher up the slope than 489. Thus Site 493 sediments were deposited in shallower, more precisely defined bathymetric zones than Site 489 sediments. Once the 489 seafloor dips below the CCD, details of subsidence are lost, but the higher elevation of 493 sediments may provide a better-detailed subsidence history of the Mexican margin (Fig. 2).

Data obtained at 493 were also expected to reveal more clearly details of the presubduction history of the margin, the early subduction history, and nearshore sedimentation processes during these intervals.

## OPERATIONS

### Hole 493

The final scheduled drill site was situated 37 km north of Site 492 and only about 16 km off the shoreline of Bahia Dulce. Transit time was 3 hours, and the positioning beacon was dropped at 1215 hours, 24 April in 645 meters of water as measured by the echo sounder.

The echo sounder depth was again off by more than 20 meters, and one "water core" was taken before a punch core indicated water depth to be 675 meters.

Since operations in such shallow water pose a particular hazard to unsupported drill collars, the hole was drilled to 120 meters sub-bottom to bury the bottom hole assembly before continuous coring commenced.

Coring proceeded smoothly through mudstones and siltstones with no hole problems to about 625 meters sub-bottom, where very fine and pure loose sand was encountered. The sand produced increasing hole fill following each core despite copious mud flushes. The bit struck hard rock at the end of what was to be the final core, and basement rock was recovered. An addi-

tional 19 meters was cored by pulling the bit back into the sand interval before retrieving each core and by pumping mud between the cores. This produced sufficient recovery of basement material for sampling.

The hole was then given another 100-barrel mud flush in preparation for logging. Two unsuccessful attempts to actuate the hydraulic bit release were made by pumping go-devils to the bit. It was evident that the standard suite of open hole logs could not be run. The pipe was pulled to leave only the bottom hole assembly in the hole, and a modified inner core barrel was chopped to hold the float valve open. The temperature log sonde was then lowered through the bit into open hole. The log was successful in measuring the geothermal gradient to a depth of 176 meters sub-bottom, where passage was blocked by an obstruction in the hole.

Following the logging operation, the pipe was run back down and the hole filled with weighted mud to about 250 meters sub-bottom. The pipe was pulled to 250 meters and a cement plug emplaced from that depth to about 60 meters. The drill string was pulled and the bit arrived on deck at 0845 hours, April 28.

### Hole 493A

The special inner core barrel was recovered, the bit was inspected, and the drill string was run back to the seafloor with an abbreviated bottom hole assembly for the purpose of coring the upper 120 meters bypassed in Hole 493. The precision performance of the dynamic positioning system and excellent weather conditions on Hole 493 had proven this to be an acceptable risk.

Two punch cores were recovered to a total penetration of 12 meters. On the third attempt, the drill string took no weight and no sediment was recovered. A fourth attempt was made with the same results. It was deduced that the core bit had barely cleared the seafloor following Core 2 (as the pipe is routinely raised 12 meters) and that it had reentered Hole 493.

### Hole 493B

The bit was pulled well clear of the seafloor and the vessel offset 300 meters to the east. On respudding, the bit was washed to 12 meters BSF and continuous coring was reinitiated. Hole 493B was cored to a total depth of 126 meters sub-bottom without incident. The hole was filled with heavy mud and the drill string was recovered by 0230 hours, April 29.

## LITHOLOGIC SUMMARY

At Site 493, we penetrated 670.5 meters and recovered 75 cores (Table 1). The three holes, 493, 493A, and 493B, are considered together because of overlapping stratigraphy and proximity. The cores, divided into 4 units (see Fig. 3, Chart 1, back pocket), contain Quaternary, upper Pliocene, lower Pliocene, upper Miocene, and lower Miocene sediments as well as plutonic basement of probable pre-Neogene age.

*Unit 1, Quaternary* (Core 493-1, 0-6.0 m; 493A-1-493A-3, 0-21.5 m; 493B-1-493B-4, 12.0-50.0 m), consists of muddy silt. Woody debris, ash layers, fine

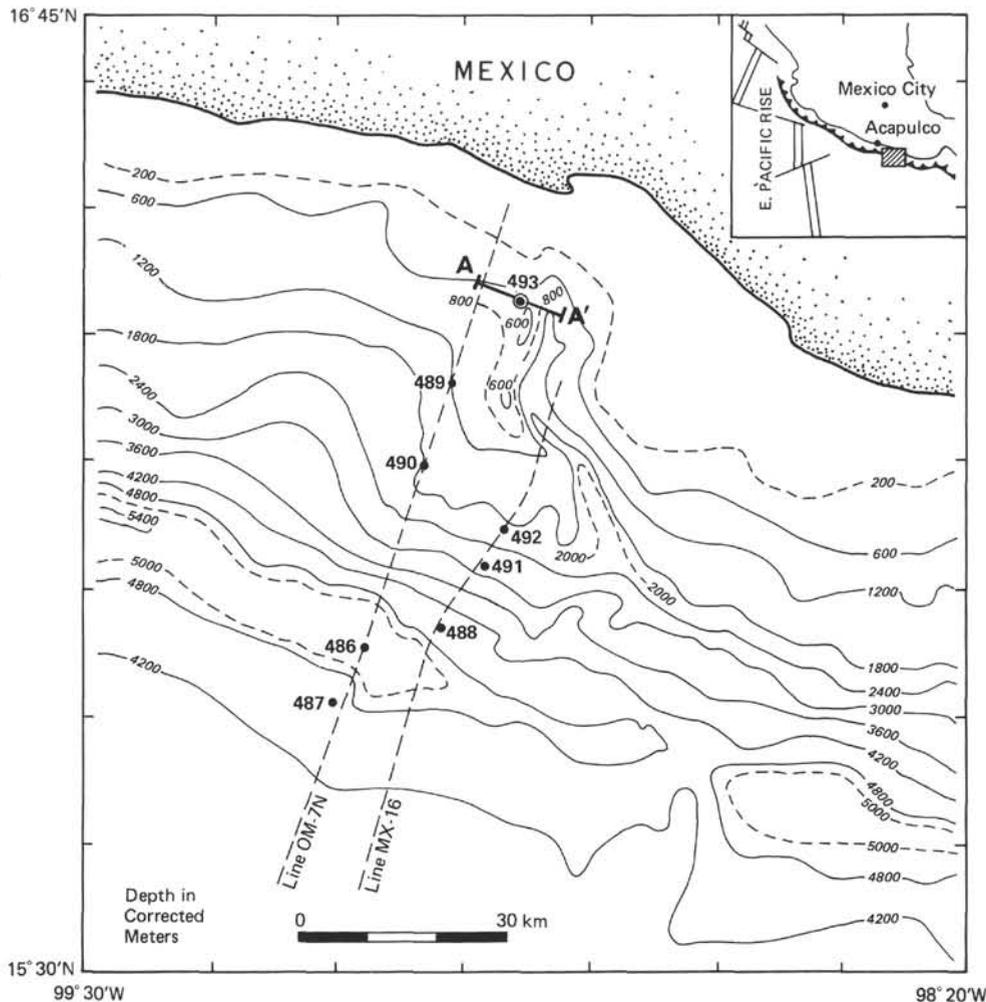


Figure 2. Location of Site 493. Gneisses were dredged from a wall of the canyon to the east of Site 493. A-A' indicates location of profile shown in Figure 8.

sands, foraminifer layers, and shell fragments are common. Parallel lamination occurs throughout much of the section.

*Unit 2, late Miocene and Pliocene* (Cores 493-2-493-27, 120.0-365.0 m; 493B-5-493B-12, 50.0-126.0 m), is comprised of muddy silt, muddy siltstone, mud, and mudstone, becoming finer grained at the base of the unit. Thin ash beds, siliceous mudstone, and limestone beds are also present. The upper Miocene section is in large part finely laminated. Unit 2 also contains calcareous concretions, carbonized wood fragments, shell fragments, and indurated mud clasts, as shown in Figure 3. Locally, muddy silt beds are graded. Burrowing is nearly absent in the upper part of Unit 2 but increases somewhat down-section.

Bedding dips in Unit 2 average less than  $15^\circ$ ; local higher dips may be due to slumping. Below 240 meters, the sediments become somewhat fissile, with fissility subparallel to bedding. Rarely, fissility is distinctly steeper than bedding. Inclined and vertical fractures, commonly slickensided, are also present below 240 meters. These are generally widely spaced, and local

areas of closely spaced fractures display wispy, discontinuous bedding.

In *Unit 3, early Miocene* (Cores 493-27-493-58, 365-652 m), grain size generally increases downward from muddy siltstone to sandstone (see sand-silt-clay ratios of Fig. 3), although the sand fraction in the muddy siltstone is lowest in the middle part of the section. Coarse sands and sandstones in poorly recovered intervals at the base of the section may aggregate tens of meters in thickness; sand thickness has been estimated using drilling times (Fig. 4). The sands are often graded and granule-bearing. Devitrified ash and tuff beds and pods are common in Unit 3. The muddy siltstone is locally radiolarian-rich.

Slight to moderate bioturbation characterizes most of the unit. Laminations are evident when bioturbation decreases. Shell fragments and carbonized woody debris are evident at the top and near the base of Unit 3.

Gently to steeply dipping fractures in the section have slickensided surfaces suggesting primarily dip-slip movement and minor strike-slip movement. Fissility, similar to Unit 2, is present in zones throughout Unit 3. Bed-

Table 1. Coring summary, Site 493.

Core	Cored Interval below Bottom (m)	Cored (m)	Recovered		Remarks
			(m)	(%)	
Hole 493					
1	0.0-6.0	6.0	6.00	100	
2	12.0-129.5	9.5	5.01	53	wash to 120 m
3	129.5-139.0	9.5	2.85	30	
4	139.0-148.5	9.5	2.02	21	
5	148.5-158.0	9.5	5.73	60	
6	158.0-167.5	9.5	3.73	39	
7	167.5-177.0	9.5	3.97	42	
8	177.0-186.5	9.5	6.39	67	
9	186.5-196.0	9.5	6.68	70	
10	196.0-205.5	9.5	7.21	76	
11	205.5-215.0	9.5	4.29	45	
12	215.0-224.5	9.5	1.59	17	
13	224.5-234.0	9.5	1.59	17	
14	234.0-243.5	9.5	7.62	80	
15	243.5-253.0	9.5	8.42	89	
16	253.0-262.5	9.5	3.73	39	
17	262.5-272.0	9.5	6.59	69	
18	292.0-281.5	9.5	9.62	101	
19	281.5-291.0	9.5	8.28	87	
20	291.0-300.5	9.5	9.59	101	
21	300.5-310.0	9.5	7.99	84	
22	310.0-319.5	9.5	7.57	80	
23	319.5-329.0	9.5	0.46	5	
24	329.0-338.5	9.5	9.17	97	
25	338.5-348.0	9.5	7.93	83	
26	348.0-357.5	9.5	2.62	28	
27	359.5-367.0	9.5	7.52	79	
28	367.0-376.5	9.5	7.80	83	
29	376.5-386.0	9.5	7.85	83	
30	386.0-395.5	9.5	9.30	98	
31	395.5-405.0	9.5	9.16	96	
32	405.0-414.5	9.5	5.37	57	
33	414.5-424.0	9.5	9.61	101	
34	424.0-433.5	9.5	8.42	89	
35	433.5-443.0	9.5	9.68	102	
36	443.0-452.5	9.5	6.25	66	
37	452.5-462.0	9.5	8.56	90	
38	462.0-471.5	9.5	4.63	49	
39	471.5-481.0	9.5	5.28	56	
40	481.0-490.5	9.5	2.54	27	
41	490.5-500.0	9.5	3.58	38	
42	500.0-509.5	9.5	7.59	80	
43	509.5-519.0	9.5	7.81	82	
44	519.0-528.5	9.5	4.82	51	
45	528.5-538.0	9.5	4.81	51	
46	538.0-547.5	9.5	9.16	86	
47	547.5-557.0	9.5	9.10	96	
48	557.0-566.5	9.5	4.44	47	
49	566.5-576.0	9.5	9.64	101	
50	576.0-585.5	9.5	7.19	76	
51	585.5-595.0	9.5	1.63	17	
52	595.0-604.5	9.5	2.58	27	
53	604.5-614.0	9.5	1.98	21	
54	614.0-623.5	9.5	7.01	94	
55	623.5-633.0	9.5	tr	0	loose sand
56	633.0-642.5	9.5	tr	0	loose sand
57	642.5-652.0	9.5	tr	0	
58	652.0-656.5	4.5	0.50	11	diorite
59	656.6-661.5	5.0	2.28	46	diorite
60	661.5-670.5	9.0	1.60	17	diorite + sand
		556.5	333.42	60	
Hole 493A					
1	0.0-2.5	2.5	2.63	105	
2	2.5-12.0	9.5	4.97	52	
Hole 493B					
1	12.0-21.5	9.5	5.31	56	wash to 12 m
2	21.5-31.0	9.5	9.49	100	
3	31.0-40.5	9.5	9.74	103	
4	40.5-50.0	9.5	9.66	38	
5	50.0-59.5	9.5	3.61	38	
6	59.5-69.0	9.5	5.24	55	
7	69.0-78.5	9.5	4.20	44	
8	78.5-88.0	9.5	2.06	22	
9	88.0-97.5	9.5	1.69	18	
10	97.5-107.0	9.5	1.35	14	
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12	116.5-126.0	9.5	2.78	29	
		114.0	59.83	52%	

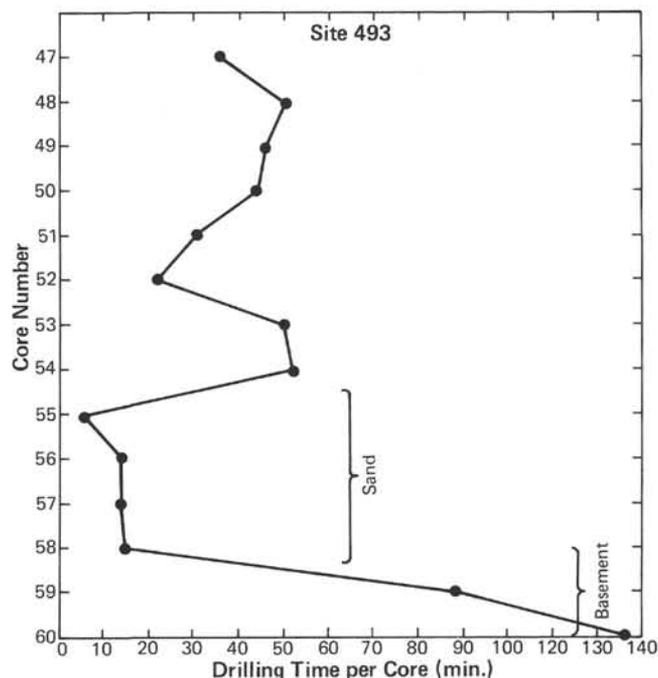


Figure 4. Drilling rates and inferred lithologic thicknesses.

ding dips from nearly horizontal to  $46^\circ$ , with higher dips probably associated with local slumping. Average dips increase downward in the section.

*Unit 4* (Cores 493-58-60, 652-670.5 m), a basal unit for which onshore geology suggests a pre-Neogene age, consists of diorite. Thin section determinations indicate a composition of 4% quartz, 68% plagioclase, slightly more than 1% microcline, 7% biotite, and 20% hornblende (see Bellon et al., this volume, regarding details of petrology and radiometric dating).

### Lithologic Interpretations

Site 493 is located above continental crust, landward of Site 489. Stratigraphic trends observed at Site 489 are repeated here, because a more complete section at Site 493 provides additional data.

Basal plutonic rocks represent continental crust probably correlative with igneous outcrops 20 km from Site 493 along the Mexican coast near Acapulco. Rb/Sr biotite dates near Acapulco are  $48 \pm 0.5$  Ma and 90 to 100 Ma, with suggestions that the younger dates were reset (Guerrero et al., 1979). The overlying sands probably represent nearshore deposits, followed by a lower Miocene transgressive sequence. Paleobathymetric analysis also suggests a relative sea level rise during this time. Using the arguments presented for Site 489, this relative sea level rise largely results from early Miocene subsidence at Site 493. The sandier upper part of Unit 3 and the paleobathymetric indicators suggest the onset of regression and uplift during latest early Miocene time.

The upper Miocene laminated sequence of Unit 2 contains few fossils other than low-diversity benthonic foraminiferal assemblages and has little evidence of burrowing in fauna. This suggests deposition in or near the oxygen minimum zone or in a restricted basin. Paleobathymetric analysis suggests continued uplift in the

Pliocene and Quaternary to bring the site to its present depth. Erosion, probably by bottom currents and slumping, is represented by hiatuses between the early Miocene and late Miocene, late Miocene and early Pliocene, late Pliocene and early Quaternary, and in the latest Quaternary.

### BIOSTRATIGRAPHY

Site 493 penetrates a lower Miocene through Quaternary transgressive-regressive sedimentary sequence consisting of coarse clastics and slope muds resting on diorite. Calcareous and siliceous microfossil groups occur, but carbonate dissolution hampers the record, particularly for planktonic foraminifers. Siliceous microfossils are poorly preserved in the early Miocene. Figure 1 shows the correlation of major microfossil groups at Site 493. In Hole 493 one large hiatus omits the entire middle Miocene, and a possible hiatus occurs in the late Miocene in Cores 9 and 10.

#### Calcareous Nannoplankton

Based on the nannofossil content, the sedimentary column at this site can be subdivided into four biostratigraphic zones:

1) Middle to upper Quaternary (0.15–1.6 Ma): The youngest part of the Quaternary the NN21 Zone (0.0–0.15 Ma), is missing at this site, either because of erosion or nondeposition. Cores 493-1,CC; 493A-1,CC to 493A-3,CC; and 493B-1,CC to 493B-4,CC contain a nannoflora assemblage which is assigned to the *Gephyrocapsa oceanica* Zone NN20. Common species are *Gephyrocapsa oceanica*, *Cyclococcolithus leptoporus*, *Helicosphaera carteri*, *Syracosphaera pulchra*, and *Thoracosphaera heimi*. Reworking is minor in these cores.

2) Upper Pliocene and lower Quaternary (about 1.6–2.5 Ma): The core intervals 493-5,CC to 493-10,CC and 493B-5,CC to 493B-12,CC have much reworking and mixing. Nannoplankton age determinations vary between upper Pliocene, lower Pliocene, upper Miocene, and lower Quaternary, possibly because of coring contamination. Among the rare discoasters, five-rayed species dominate. The youngest index fossil in core catcher 12,CC of 493B is *Emiliania annula*, which indicates upper Pliocene to lower Quaternary. Reworked sphenoliths are common.

3) Upper Miocene (5.0–9.5 Ma): A nannoplankton assemblage, which can be assigned to the *Discoaster quinqueramus* Zone NN11, is found in Cores 493-11,CC to 493-26,CC. The five-rayed form *D. quinqueramus* has heavy knobs on either side of the central disc, and some specimens may be assigned to *D. berggrenii*. There are also *Reticulofenestra pseudoumbilica*, *Sphenolithus abies*, *S. neoabies*, *Coccolithus miopelagicus*, *D. pseudovariabilis*, and *Lithostromation perdurum*.

4) Lower Miocene (19–24 Ma): The sediments from Sample 493-27-3, 89–90 cm down to 493-60-1 are assigned to Nannoplankton Zones NN5 to NN2 (or 1?). The *Sphenolithus heteromorphus* Zone (NN5) with *Discoaster variabilis*, *D. exilis*, *D. pansus*, *Cyclicargolithus floridanus*, and *Cyclococcolithus rotula* is found in Sections 493-27,CC to 493-29,CC. The *Helicosphaera ampliaperta* Zone (NN4) with both *H. ampliaperta* and *S.*

*heteromorphus* ranges from Sections 493-30,CC to 493-42,CC.

The *S. belemnos* Zone (NN3), with rare *S. belemnos* and *D. druggi*, occurs only in Sections 493-49,CC to 493-51,CC. *Triquetrorhabdulus tricarinatus*, which becomes extinct at the top of the NN2 zones, is very rare in Section 493-53,CC. Thus the oldest sediments at this site are assigned to NN1 to NN2. Common species are *Coccolithus miopelagicus*, *Cyclicargolithus floridanus*, *Reticulofenestra gartneri*, *Helicosphaera euphratis*, *S. moriformis*, and *D. deflandrei*.

Silicoflagellates and diatoms occur only in very few samples studied so far. At Site 493, Section 493-19,CC, the occurrence of *Dictyocha fibula* permits assignment to the *D. fibula* Zone (upper Miocene to lower Pliocene). In Sections 493-29,CC and 493-32,CC the occurrence of the diatom *Anellus californicus* indicates an age of about 16 m.y. The range of this index diatom is within lower Paleomagnetic Epoch 15 (17.2 Ma) and upper Epoch 16 (14.5 Ma). Associated with the mass occurrence of *A. californicus* are the silicoflagellates *Mesocena elliptica*, *D. ausonia*, and rare *Corbisema triacantha*. This assemblage may tentatively be assigned to the *C. triacantha* Zone, which corresponds to the NN4 to NN6 nannoplankton zones.

#### Foraminifers

At Site 493, the sedimentary section yields common to abundant Miocene through Quaternary foraminifers. Diagnostic planktonic species permit age determinations, and benthonic assemblages give environmental information. Cores 493-1, 493A-1 through 493A-3, and 493B-1 through 493B-5 contain common to abundant planktonic foraminifers. Their abundance declines in the lower section of Hole 493 (Cores 2–54). The planktonic foraminifers are well preserved and indicate a Quaternary age for Cores 493-1, 493A-1 through 493A-3, and 493B-1 through 493B-5. They include such species as *Globorotalia tumida*, *G. menardii*, *G. frimbriata*, *G. unguolata*, *Globigerinoides ruber*, *G. sacculifer*, *Neoglobobadrina dutertrei*, *Globigerina bulloides*, *G. falconensis*, *Orbulina universa*, and *Pulleniatina obliquiloculata*.

Cores 493B-6 through 493B-11 contain rare upper Pliocene planktonic foraminifers, although some samples in the sandy layers in Cores 6 and 8 contain concentrations of foraminifers. They include *Globorotalia tumida*, *G. acostaensis*, *N. humerosa*, *Globigerinoides ruber*, *G. fistulosus*, *G. triloba*, *O. universa*, and *P. obliquiloculata*.

The lower Pliocene through upper Miocene section in Cores 2 through 26 at Hole 493 contains very rare planktonic foraminifers; several samples (3,CC–8,CC and 15,CC–26,CC) are barren of planktonic species, but they contain rare to common benthic foraminifers. The planktonic species are long ranged and include *G. ruber*, *G. obliquus*, and *Globigerina falconensis*.

Cores 27 through 54 in Hole 493 yield lower Miocene planktonic foraminifers. Rare to common planktonic species occur in the following samples in Hole 493: 27,CC to 28,CC, 30,CC, 32,CC, 34,CC to 38,CC, 41,CC to 42, and 55,CC to 54; remaining samples

however, contain abundant terrigenous sand and are barren of planktonic foraminifers. Typical early Miocene species include *Globorotalia peripheroronda* (Cores 42-27), *Globigerinoides triloba*, *G. sicanus*, *G. diminutus*, *G. obliquus*, *Catapsydrax unicavus*, *Globigerina venezuelana*, and *Globoquadrina altispira*.

#### Depositional Environment

The benthic foraminifers in the Miocene through Quaternary sections represent the following four assemblages and indicate depositional history of the upper slope.

##### *Assemblage I (lower part of early Miocene)*

Assemblage I is associated with clastic transgressive sediments above basement. The assemblage indicates a relatively deep shelf environment and includes *Lenticulina*, *Dentalina*, *Gavelinella*, *Hoeglundina elegans*, *Epistomina*, and *Unicosiphonia*.

##### *Assemblage II (upper part of early Miocene)*

Assemblage II occurs in light gray greenish silty mud, commonly bioturbated owing to *Chondrites* burrows. The benthic foraminifers indicate upper mid-bathyal environment. The planktonic foraminifers are rare to common, but siliceous fossils such as diatoms and radiolarians are common to abundant in the sand fraction (e.g., Samples 32, CC and 34, CC). The assemblage includes *Hoeglundina elegans*, *Cibicidoides*, *Gyroidina* cf. *soldanii*, *Oridosalis* cf. *umbonatus*, *Uvigerina peregrina*, *U. aculeata*, *Cassidulina subglobosa*, *Siphonia*, *Vulvulina* sp., and *Stilostomella*.

##### *Assemblage III (late Miocene through Pliocene)*

Assemblage III occurs in the dark gray laminated facies. Planktonic foraminifers are very rare, but benthic foraminifers are relatively abundant. Other microfossils also include common diatoms (Core 493-26) and radiolarians (e.g., Core 493-20). The assemblage indicates a relatively shallow upper bathyal environment with low oxygen levels and restricted bottom circulation. The specialized assemblage possibly is composed of *Bolivina* and *Uvigerina* cf. *peregrina*, *U.* sp. (smooth walled), *Gavelinella*, *Anomalinoidea*, *Angulogerina*, *Valvulineria*, *Cassidulina crassa*, and *C. laevigata*. The fauna is also associated with very abundant fish bones and teeth and abundant pyrite.

##### *Assemblage IV (Quaternary)*

The benthic Assemblage IV is associated with abundant planktonic foraminifers and in contrast to Assemblage III includes large species corresponding to the present water depth of Site 493. The assemblage includes *Cassidulina*, *Gyroidina*, *Planulina*, *Uvigerina*, *Bolivina*, *Angulogerina*, *Cancriis*, and *Pullenia*.

#### Radiolarians

Radiolaria are well preserved at Site 493 up to the lower Miocene, where they become recrystallized and difficult to impossible to identify. Radiolarian abundance is generally high, but terrigenous dilution in the lower Quaternary to Pliocene section in the upper part

of Hole 493 and the lower part of Hole 493B creates local barren zones.

Cores 1 through 4 at Hole 493B are all Quaternary, but the absence of *Collosphaera tuberosa*, *Buccinosphaera invaginata*, and *Axoprunum angelinum* prevents zonation. Nannoplankton evidence places this interval in the NN20 to NN21 zones (0-0.35 Ma). Cores 493B-5 through 493B-10 are either barren or contain no significant stratigraphic species. Cores 11 and 12 have late Pliocene fauna from the *Spongaster pentas* Zone.

Hole 493 begins in unzonable Quaternary equivalent to the NN20 to NN21 nannofossil zones. Cores 2, 3, and 4 beneath the 120-meter wash interval are barren. Cores 5, 6, 7, and 8 are in the *S. pentas* Zone, based on the appearance of *S. pentas* and *Ommatartus penultimus* (Dinkelman, 1973). Cores 9 and 10 are in the *Stichocorys peregrina* Zone, based on the presence of *S. peregrina*, *O. penultimus*, *O. antepenultimus* and lack of *S. pentas* (Dinkelman, 1973). Cores 11 through 19 are in the *O. penultimus* Zone, based on the presence of *O. penultimus*, *O. antepenultimus*, and *Stichocorys delmontensis* and lack of *S. peregrina* (Dinkelman, 1973). Cores 20 through the upper part of Core 27 are in the *O. antepenultimus* Zone, based on the presence of *O. antepenultimus*, *O. hughesi*, *S. delmontensis* and lack of *O. penultimus* (Riedel and Sanfilippo, 1971).

The lower part of Hole 493 from Cores 27 through 35 is in the early Miocene *Calocycletta costata* zone, based on the presence of *C. costata*, *C. virginis*, *Cannartus mammiferus*, *S. delmontensis*, and *Cannartus violina*. Cores below 35 have badly recrystallized radiolarians that are unidentifiable. The entire middle Miocene seems to be missing from Site 493.

Reworking radiolarians are rare at Site 493. In Hole 493 only late Pliocene Core 2 and late Miocene Core 17 have reworked early Miocene microfossils.

#### SEDIMENT ACCUMULATION RATES

A lack of siliceous and calcareous microfossils precludes an accurate determination of Quaternary and Pliocene sediment accumulation rates, but the rate is grossly about 44 m/m.y. (Fig. 5). Accumulation slows in the upper Miocene-lower Pliocene *Stichocorys peregrina* radiolarian zone, possibly because of a hiatus there. Upper Miocene accumulation rates of 45 m/m.y. are similar to Pliocene-Pleistocene rates. The entire middle Miocene section is missing, probably owing to submarine erosion. Most lower Miocene sediments accumulated at rates of 39 m/m.y., similar to upper Miocene and Pliocene-Pleistocene rates. Basal Miocene sediments seem to have accumulated at a higher rate of 83 m/m.y.

Most of the deposition at Site 493 is at a uniform rate, with one definite hiatus at the middle Miocene and two possible ones in the lower and uppermost Miocene, all of which may mark episodic occurrences of submarine erosion.

#### PALEOBATHYMETRY

Three lines of evidence are used to reconstruct the paleobathymetry of Site 493: (1) benthic foraminiferal assemblages, (2) trace fossil assemblages, and (3)

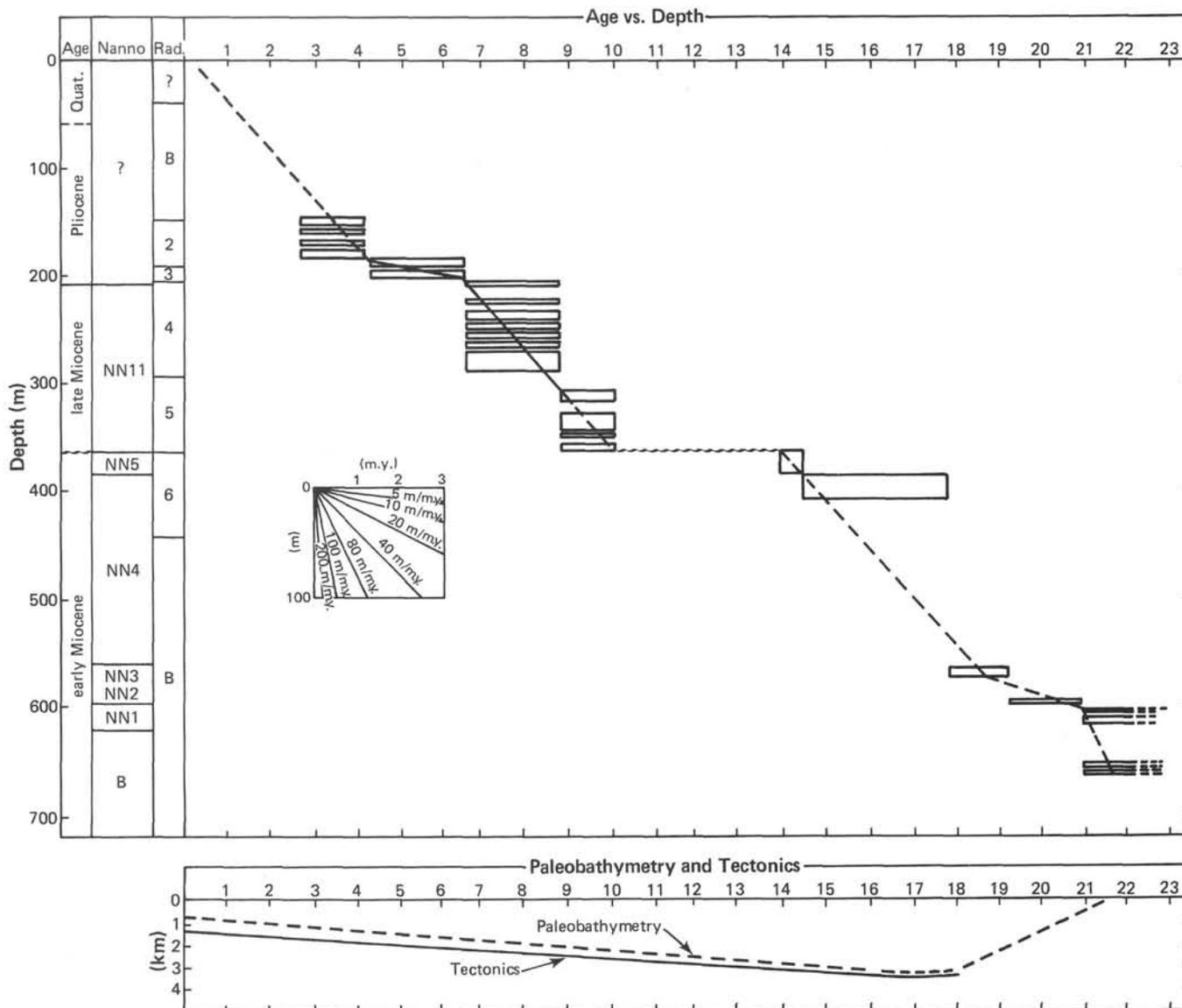


Figure 5. Depth versus age and paleobathymetry at Site 493.

carbonate preservation of foraminifers (Fig. 5). Benthonic foraminiferal assemblages show a deepening trend in transgressive lower Miocene sediments from neritic and upper bathyal to middle bathyal, with a mixture of shallower water forms. The lower Miocene sediments also contain a trace fossil assemblage composed of *Zoophycos* and *Chondrites* (indicated on Fig. 1) that is indicative of deep water (Ekdale, 1977).

A lack of foraminifers in sediments of Hole 493B, between Cores 38 and 48, suggests deposition below the CCD at roughly 3 km depth, between 16 and 18 Ma. Subsequent uplift raised the seafloor to its present position at a rate of 125 m/m.y. (McMillen and Bachman, this volume).

**PALEOMAGNETISM**

Paleomagnetic analyses in Holes 493, 493A, and 493B established magnetostratigraphy and determined dips of bedding planes and fault planes.

Cores from the upper 60 meters of Hole 493B were disturbed by drilling, with laminations concave downward along core tube margins. We collected 121 oriented samples of sediments from less disturbed parts with regular bedding direction in Holes 493, 493A, and 493B, using a plastic tube in Hole 493A and 493B and in the upper 270 meters of Hole 493 and minicore drill below 270 meters in Hole 493. Stability of remanent magnetization of selected samples was examined with stepwise AF demagnetization (Niitsuma, this volume). All samples were cleaned with 15 mT AF demagnetization. The samples from the upper 360 meters of Hole 493 were cleaned twice with 15 mT AF demagnetization.

All inclination values were corrected for dip. Average intensity was  $10^{-6.8 \pm 0.5}$  emu/cc. The noise level during the measurements was  $10^{-7.6 \pm 0.4}$  emu/cc. Dual measurements of samples above 360 meters in Site 493 showed that the remanent magnetization after 15 mT AF demagnetization was not affected by ARM and that the

orientation of remanent magnetization is reliable when intensity is larger than  $1 \sim 2 \times 10^{-7}$  emu/cc. Cores above subdepth of 360 meters in Holes 493, 493A, and 493B show alternation of positive and negative inclination. Sediment cores from below 360 meters in Hole 493 have mainly positive inclinations, with two intervals of negative inclination. Changes in inclination suggest eight magnetozones. These magnetozones can be correlated with intervals from the Brunhes normal polarity epoch to Epoch 8 and Epoch 16 to 17 (Fig. 1).

Sediments from 275 to 285 meters in Hole 493 and below 360 in Hole 493 dip up to  $42^\circ$ . Since the drilling core axis is nearly vertical, orientation of bedding plane can be calculated from magnetic inclination and declination (Niitsuma, this volume). Dips at 275 to 285 meters strike north-south, with one dipping east and the other west. Slumping probably caused the difference in direction. Other bedding plane dips are generally southward, which is concordant with slope of submarine topography and with seismic data. Dips are predominantly either southeast or south-southwest. South-southwest direction is concordant with slope direction of submarine topography, and southeast direction agrees with the direction of the dip of the fault planes. Anticlockwise change in dip direction appears from northwest to south with subdepth in the interval from 370 to 510 meters (Niitsuma, this volume).

Several conjugate fault sets and fracture zones were observed in the lower portion of the cored section at Site 493, 560 to 580 meters. The tensional axis is horizontal and has northwest-southeast direction. This direction agrees with one of the predominant bedding plane dip directions.

Seven oriented samples were collected from basement igneous rocks of Hole 493, using minicore drill. Intensities of natural remanent magnetization are scattered, and the average value is  $10^{-4.7 \pm 0.9}$  emu/cc. The strongest intensity of the igneous rocks is  $10^{-3.34}$  emu/cc, which is one order of magnitude weaker than the intensity of basalt. Average susceptibility is  $10^{-4.1 \pm 0.2}$  CGS. Inclination of NRM is  $63.7^\circ \pm 7.5^\circ$ , which is remarkably steeper than that of axial dipole ( $29^\circ$ ). Stability of the remanent magnetization was examined with stepwise AF demagnetization (Niitsuma, this volume). The remanent magnetization has unstable direction with AF demagnetization.

## ORGANIC GEOCHEMISTRY

The shipboard organic geochemistry monitoring program consisted of analysis of gases released in core liners and visual inspection for fluorescence in split core.

### Gases

Moderate amounts of gas were released in core liners from depths of about 30 meters and below. The gas initially contained  $\text{CH}_4$ ,  $\text{CO}_2$ , and small amounts of  $\text{H}_2\text{S}$ . The last, detectable by its distinctive odor, was present down to depths of about 40 meters. Methane content remained fairly constant with depth (Fig. 6), increasing slightly for the lower section (350+ m) of the hole. Some

intervals correspond to sediments with a high sand content, which causes substantial gas and sediment loss from washout and dilution of core liner gas with air gases, resulting in a dispersion of the analytical results.

In cores above 50 meters, ethane content was below the detection limit of the Carle gas chromatograph. It increased gradually with depth and reached a concentration of about 0.06% by volume (Fig. 6) before decreasing near the bottom of the hole. The methane to ethane ratio remained fairly constant near a value of about  $8 \times 10^{-4}$  throughout the cored section.

$\text{CO}_2$  content in core liner gases varied from 8.1% to 0.03%, was higher in the upper portion of the cored sequence, and decreased to very low values below 400 meters.

$\text{C}_{3-5}$  hydrocarbons were monitored on the Hewlett-Packard 5710-A gas chromatograph from a depth of 30 meters to the bottom of the hole. Their abundance was found to decrease with depth, as shown in Figure 6, reaching a maximum in the upper portion of the cored section and decreasing toward the bottom of the hole. Some variations in gas composition were observed near the 386- and 550-meter levels.

### Fluorescence

Split cores showed no evidence of fluorescence due to crude oil or bitumen impregnation.

### Conclusions

Gases in the  $\text{C}_1$  to  $\text{C}_5$  range were detected throughout this site, causing a low to moderate degassing of the cores.  $\text{C}_{3-5}$  hydrocarbon concentration decreased with depth and showed relative maxima near 150 meters and 340 meters, suggesting that emplacement by migration is not significant and *in situ* origin for the gases is most likely.

No evidence of petroleum or bitumen impregnation was detected.

## PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

Physical property analyses of Site 493 sediments included porosity, water content, bulk density, compressional sound velocity, and undrained shear strength (Fig. 7). Sound velocity and shear strength measurements were limited because of attenuation and core disturbance. Measurements were made according to standard DSDP procedures (Boyce, 1976).

Major variations in Site 493 physical property trends correspond to a Miocene unconformity at 365 meters and increasing amounts of sand below 435 meters.

### Porosity, Water Content, and Bulk Density

Porosity decreases gradually from 62.5% at 40 meters to 48% at 360 meters. Below 360 meters porosity decreases to 43% at 365 meters, then gradually to 32% at 570 meters. Scatter in the porosity depth profile results from variations in sand silt clay ratios, gas expansion, and sediment spalling during volume measurements. Water content decreases gradually from 44% at 43 meters to 27% at 360 meters. From 360 meters to 435 meters water content remains relatively constant (24%).

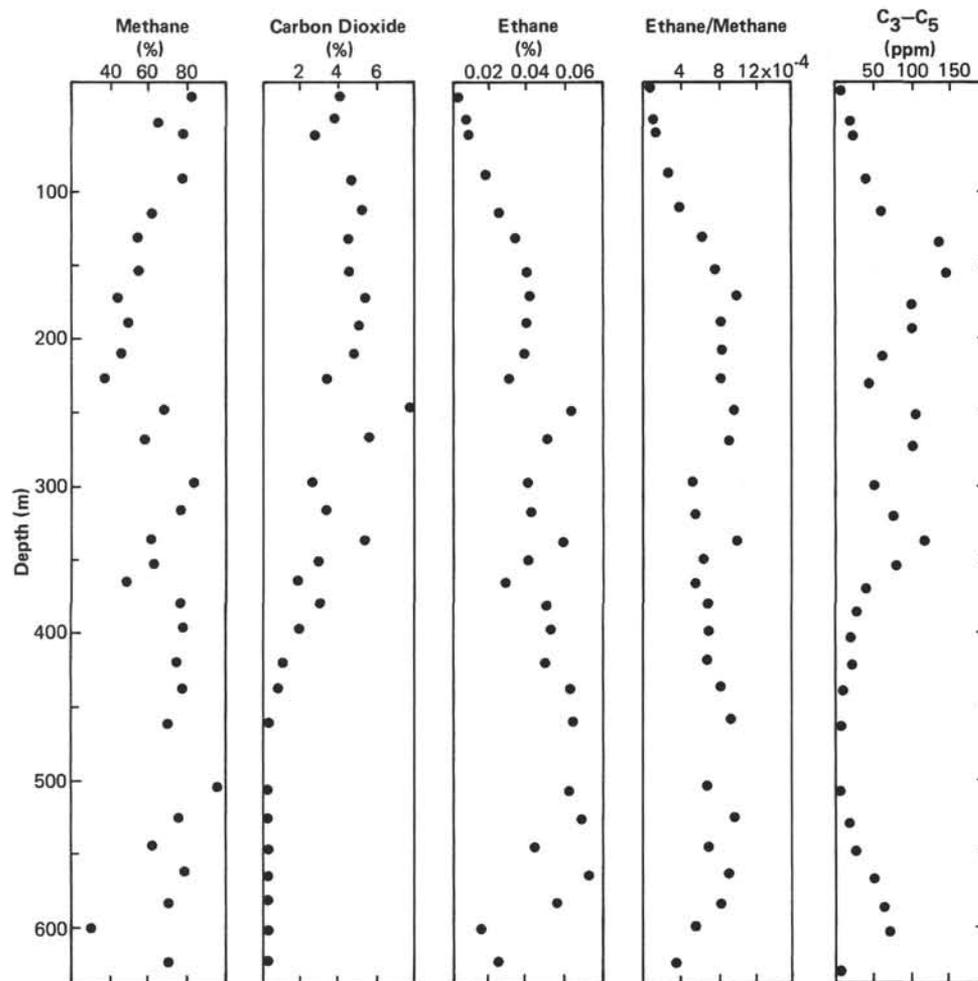


Figure 6. Core liner gas composition.

Below 435 meters water content decreases (19%), then remains constant to 579 meters.

Bulk density is variable in the upper 365 meters, increasing from 1.60 Mg/m<sup>3</sup> at 40 meters to 1.79 Mg/m<sup>3</sup> at 360 meters. Below 360 meters density abruptly increases to 1.95 Mg/m<sup>3</sup> at 365 meters, then continues to increase to 2.10 Mg/m<sup>3</sup> at 465 meters. Below 465 meters bulk density remains relatively constant.

#### Shear Strength

Shear strength increases from 17 kPa at 12.45 meters to 121 kPa at 127 meters (Fig. 7). Scatter in the shear strength profile results from variations in silt:clay ratios and core disturbance.

#### INHOLE TEMPERATURE MEASUREMENTS

Inhole temperature measurements were made possible at Site 493 by passing the Gearhart-Owens differential temperature logging tool through the bit. We were still unable to release the bit for full logging. Hole conditions and the light weight of the temperature tool prevented penetration to maximum hole depth. Open hole measurements yield a gradient of 3.2°C/100 m.

#### CORRELATION OF SEISMIC REFLECTION DATA AND DRILLING RESULTS

Site 493 lies on the upper slope just west of a submarine canyon deeply incised into the slope and crystalline basement. The upper slope sedimentary section has several important unconformities identified on the seismic sections in the area.

Figure 8 is a northwest-trending (strike line) seismic profile about 2200 meters northeast of the site, and Figure 9 is a line drawing of the same line. The data show three major unconformities inclusive of the sea floor (labeled 1, 2, and 3 in Fig. 9). Three sedimentary intervals are thus defined by the termination of reflections and by significantly different velocities which increase with depth (1.8, 2.0, and 2.3 km/s, respectively). Basement at Site 493 is about 0.65 s sub-bottom and has a refraction velocity of 3.3 to 4.0 km/s.

Unconformities were predicted at 270 meters (0.30 s), 440 meters (0.47 s), and basement at 647 meters (0.67 s). Drilling results record a break in the sedimentation rate or hiatus of about 2 m.y. at about 200 meters, a hiatus of 3 m.y. at about 360 meters, and diorite, presumably a Cretaceous intrusion into the Precambrian basement, at

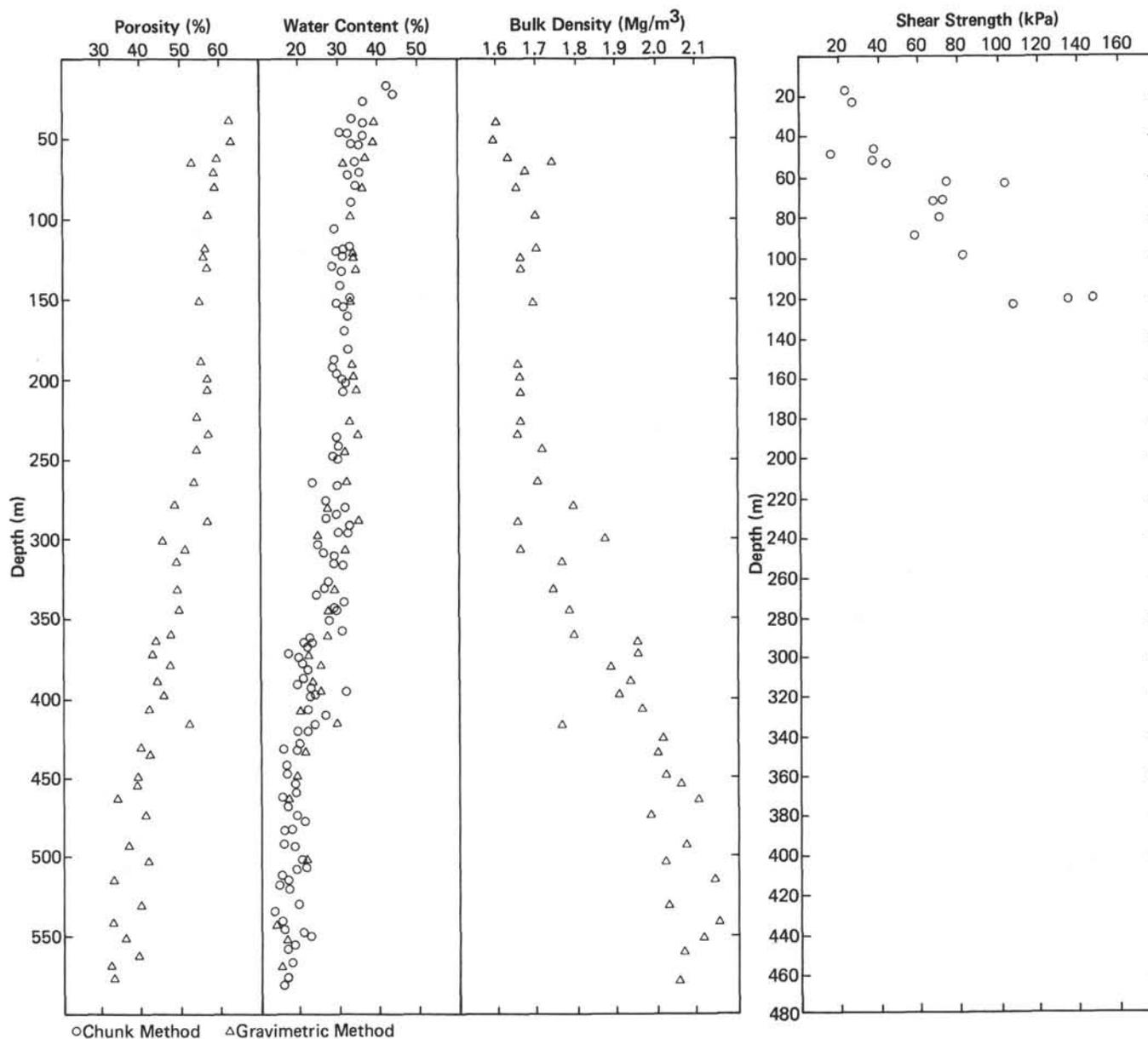


Figure 7. Physical properties summary profiles, Site 493.

655 meters. Thus the seismic data do not correlate well with the drilling results, possibly because the seismic line is about 2200 meters northeast of the actual drilling site. The *Challenger* seismic data at the site are useless because of reverberations.

#### SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

Site 493 comprises three holes drilled in 675 meters of water about 15 km from the Mexican mainland (Fig. 2). Hole 493 covered the 120- to 676.5-meter interval sub-seafloor, 493B the 12- to 120-m interval and 493A the 0- to 12-meter interval. 493B was spudded after inadvertent reentry into 493 at 12 meters while drilling 493A.

Site 493 constitutes the continental reference site. Seismic and dredge evidence strongly suggested continental basement between 650 and 700 meters sub-bottom. Sediments above basement were expected to pro-

vide paleoenvironmental data from continental parts of the margin, in contrast to Site 488, 491, and 492, which probably overlie accreted deep sea sediments.

Results from Site 493 were similar to but more definitive than results from 489. Complementary data from these sites on continental crust of the North American Plate add support to our interpretation.

Data from 493 reveal a marine transgression in the early Miocene at roughly the same time as at 489. Both Sites 489 and 493 began to rebound at 18 to 19 Ma. The 489 sediment record during rebound is missing but is relatively complete at 493 and indicates a gradual rising at the rate of 125 m/m.y. There is no evidence to suggest that Site 489 did otherwise.

We interpret the sinking as the thermal response of the Mexican margin to the rifting or transforming away of a seaward segment of the margin in the pre-Miocene or

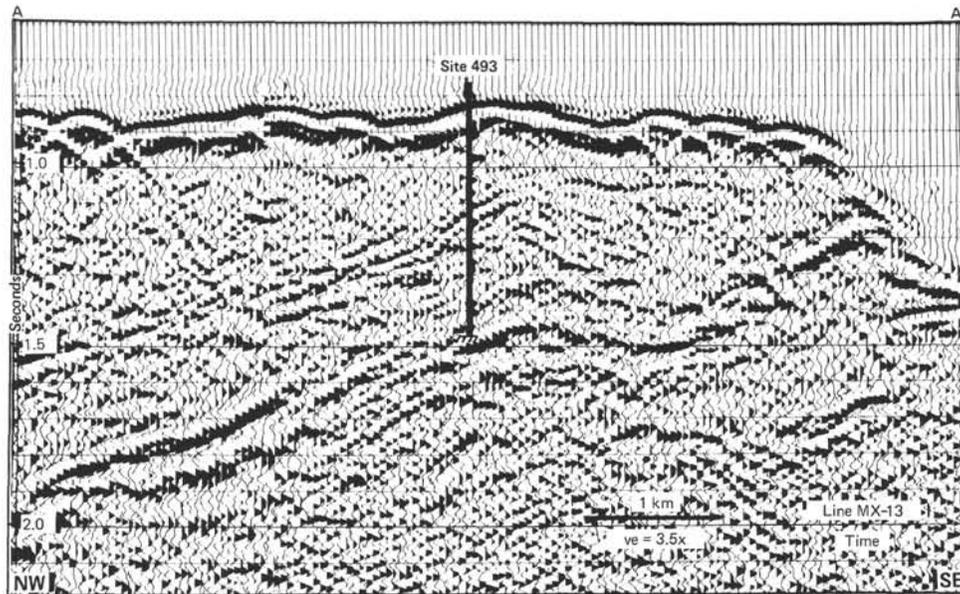


Figure 8. Portion of multichannel seismic reflection profile, Line MX-13, near Site 493.

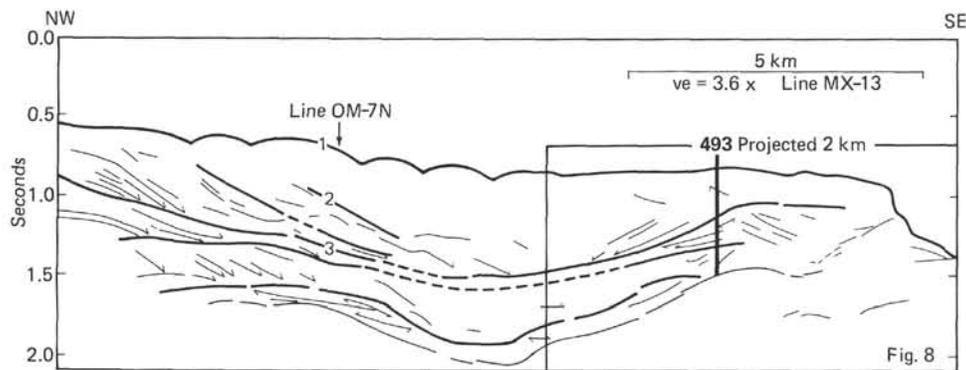


Figure 9. Line drawing interpretation of Line MX-13 reflection profile.

possibly as due to tectonic erosion of the base of the crust. Uplift may represent the beginning of underplating during the early stages of subduction, or it may represent an upward buckling of the continental margin during trench formation.

Depositional rates were remarkably uniform, ranging from 83 m/m.y. in the basal Miocene, to 39 m/m.y. in the lower Miocene, to 44 to 45 m/m.y. during the upper Miocene, Pliocene, and Quaternary. Unconformities mark periods of erosion, including one in which the middle Miocene was removed.

Impoverished faunal assemblages and thinly laminated sediment suggest an oxygen-deficient environment from the late Miocene through the Quaternary. This condition may have been caused by elevation of the section through the oxygen minimum zone or by formation of a basin with restricted circulation.

Basement rocks consist of diorite closely resembling outcrops of Cretaceous intrusives on shore roughly 20 km from the site. Basement rocks in the region are diverse, as evidenced by diorites at 493, schists at 489, and gneisses dredged from a canyon wall about 5 to 10 km from 493.

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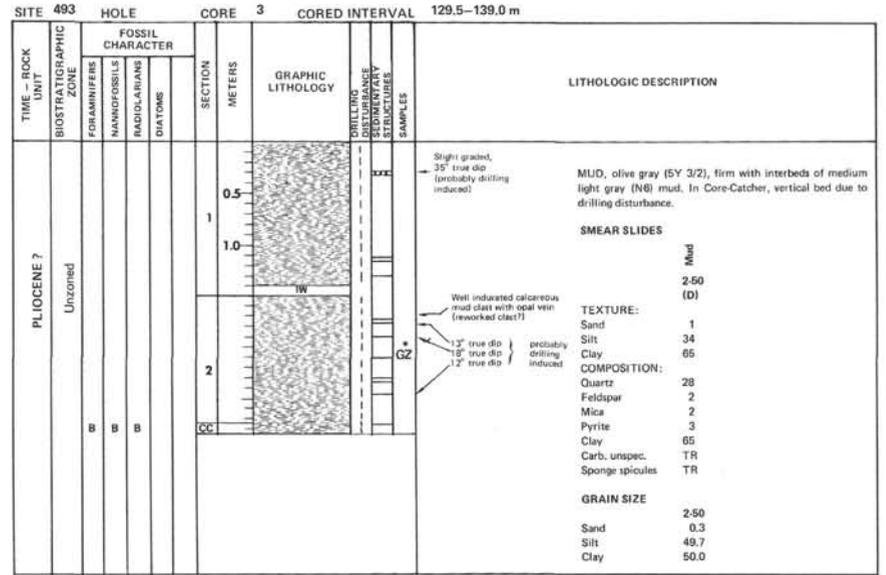
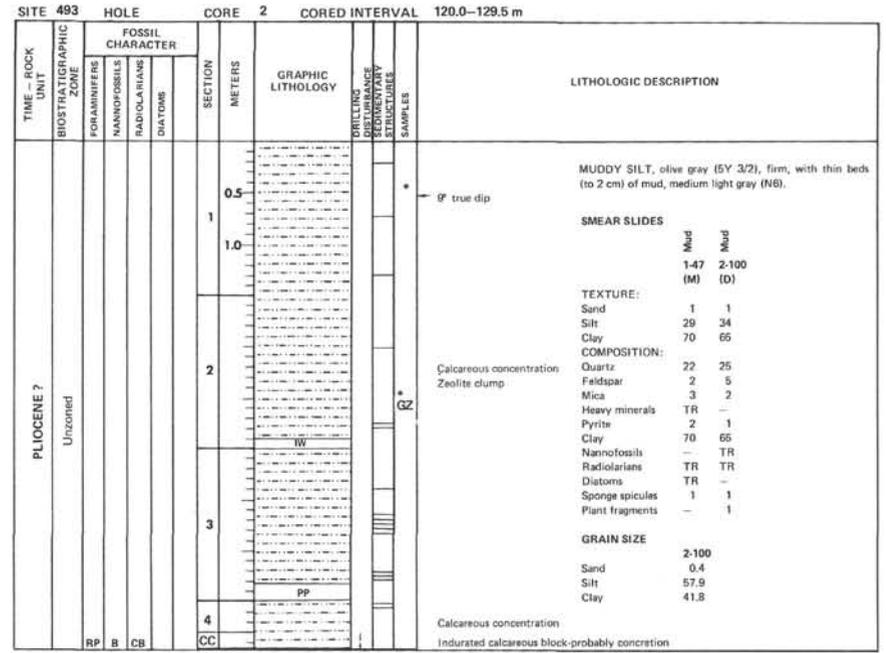
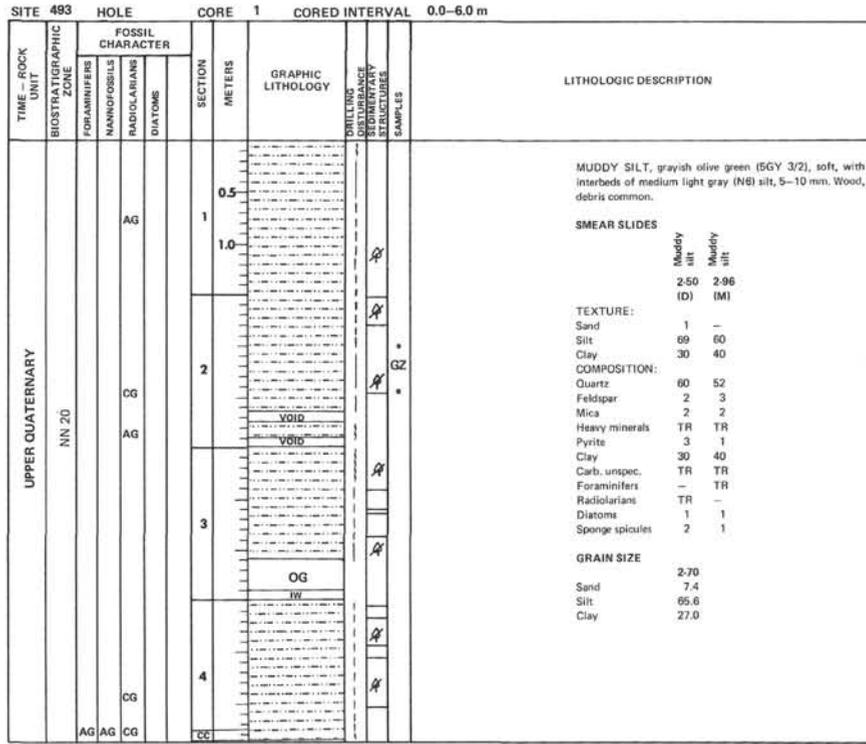
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		FORAMINIFERS	NANNOFOSSILS	RADIOLARIANS						
UPPER MIOCENE	<i>Ommartartus penultimus</i>									<p>MUD, firm, olive gray (5Y 3/2) with a dark greenish gray (5G 4/1) color band at Section 1, 60 cm and indurated limestone nodules at Section 2, 2 cm and Section 3, 9 cm and 52-63 cm.</p> <p><b>SMEAR SLIDES</b></p> <p>Mud</p> <p>1-100 (D)</p> <p><b>TEXTURE:</b></p> <p>Sand 2 Silt 40 Clay 58</p> <p><b>COMPOSITION:</b></p> <p>Quartz 35 Feldspar 5 Mica 1 Heavy minerals TR Pyrite 4 Clay 45 Glass 2 Carb, unspec. 3 Foraminifers 1 Nannofossils 4 Radiolarians TR Diatoms TR Sponge spicules TR</p> <p><b>GRAIN SIZE</b></p> <p>1-50 Sand 0.2 Silt 47.7 Clay 52.0</p>
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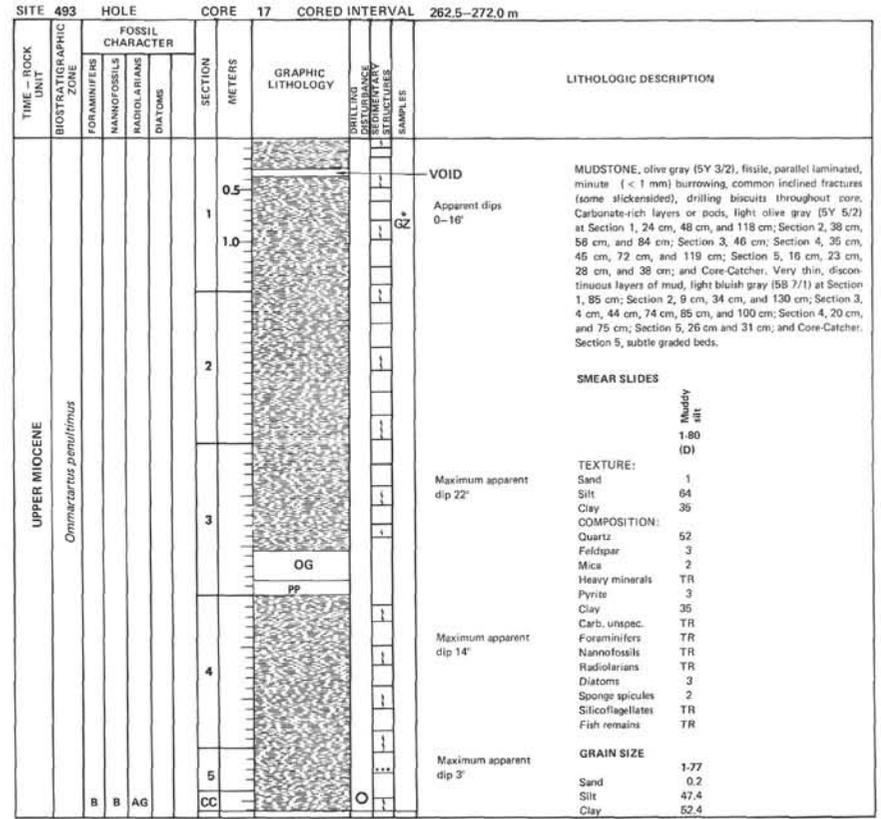
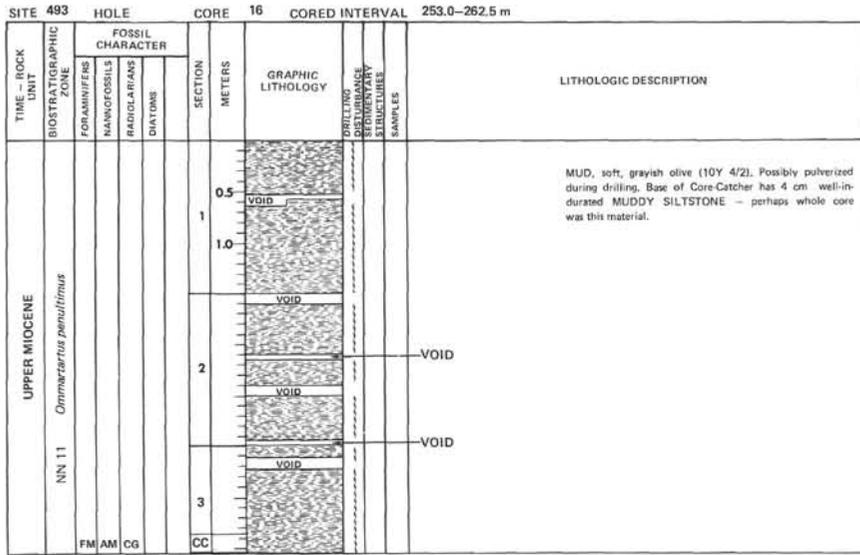
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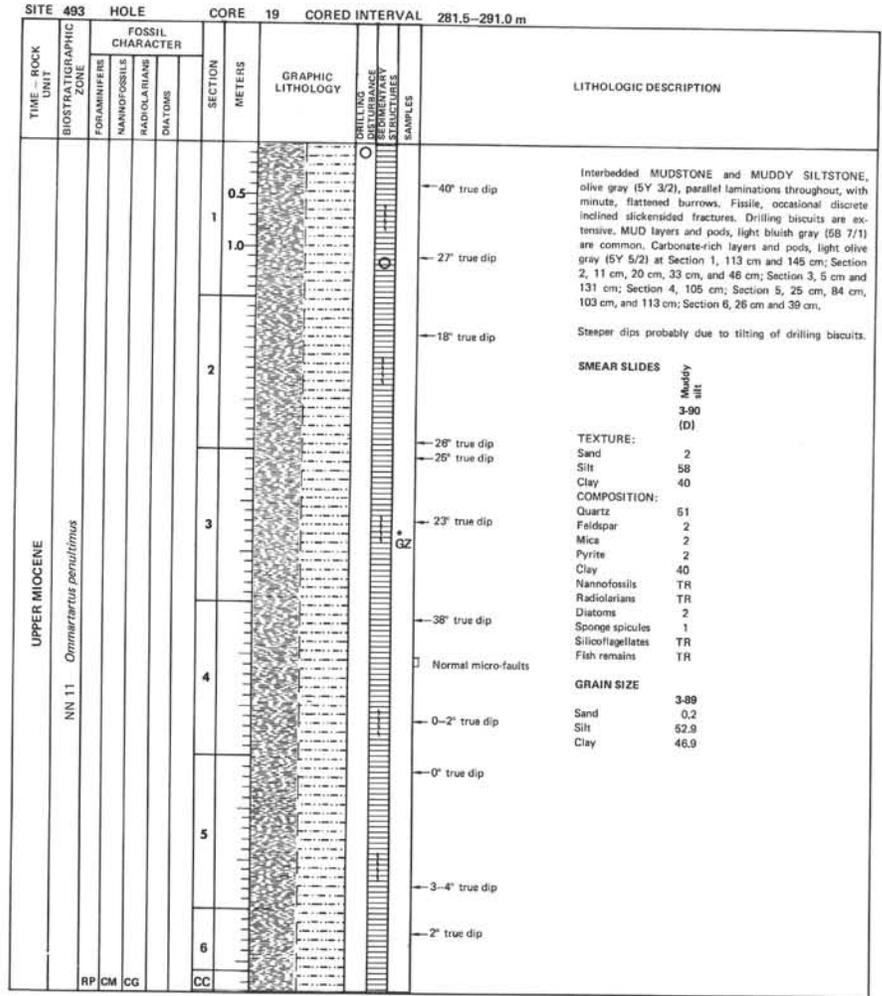
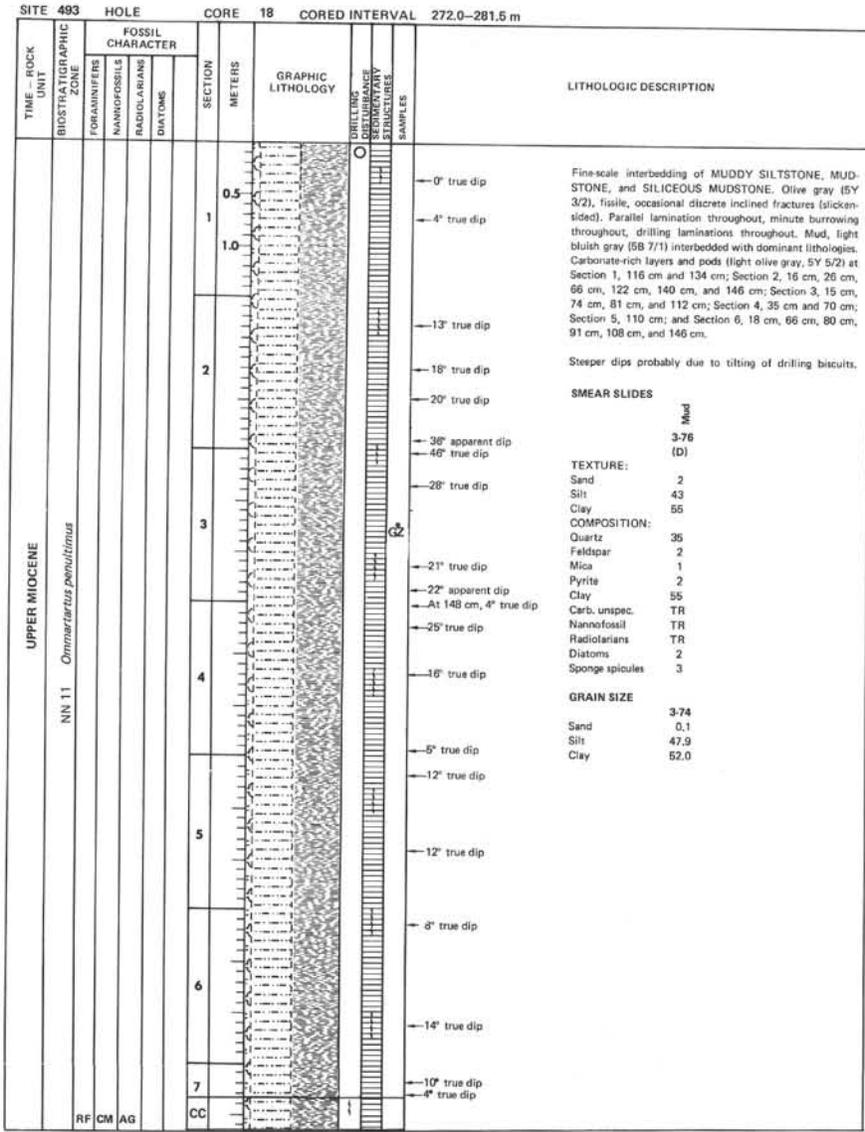
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UPPER MIOCENE	<i>Ommartartus penultimus</i>									<p>LIMESTONE blocks, greenish black (5G 2/1), very fine-grained, structureless. Non-calcareous dark areas, hard, may be opal. Blocks appear to break on veins of non-calcareous material.</p>
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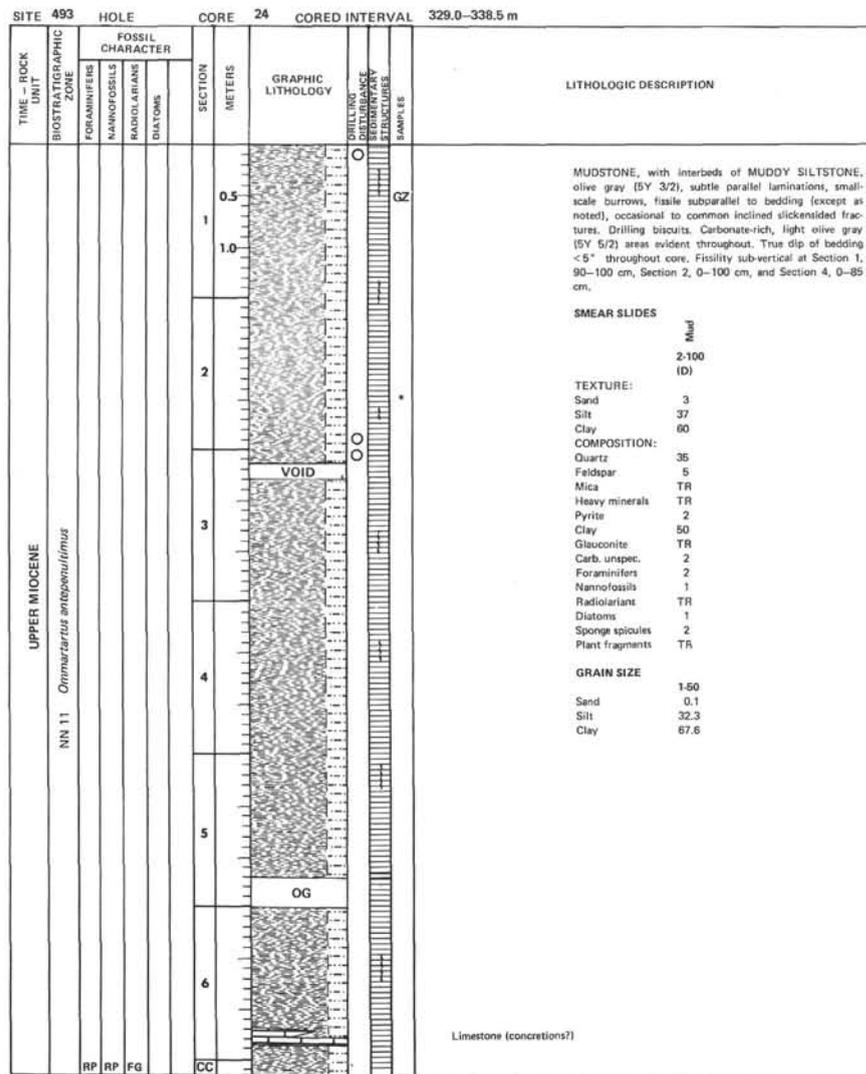
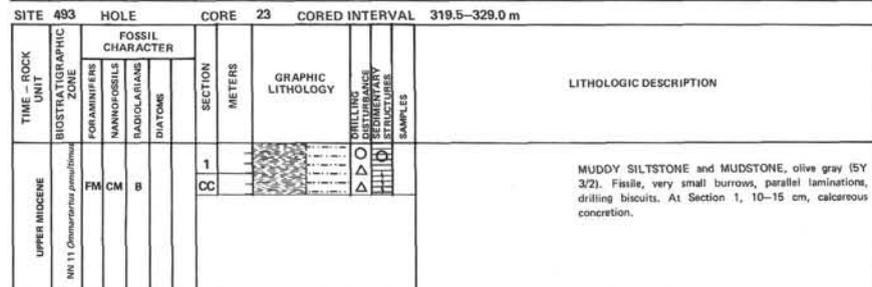
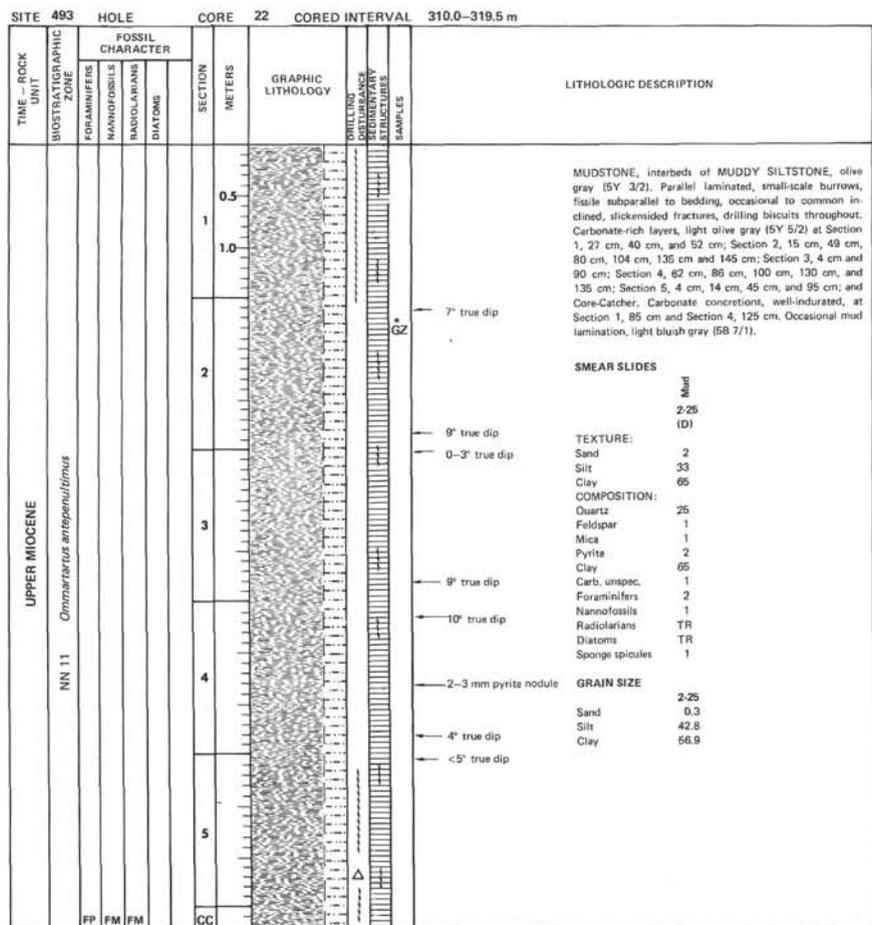
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UPPER MIOCENE	<i>Ommartartus penultimus</i>									<p>SILICEOUS MUD, olive gray (5Y 3/2) firm. LIMESTONE blocks, very fine-grained, greenish black (5G 2/1) at Section 1, 15-24 cm and 141 cm. Fine silt layers, dark greenish gray (5G 4/1) at Section 1, 53 cm, 111 cm and 122 cm. ASH spots at Section 1, 135-140 cm.</p> <p><b>SMEAR SLIDES</b></p> <p>Siliceous muddy silt</p> <p>1-82 1-111 (D) (M)</p> <p><b>TEXTURE:</b></p> <p>Sand 2 - Silt 78 92 Clay 20 8</p> <p><b>COMPOSITION:</b></p> <p>Quartz 54 82 Feldspar 5 5 Mica TR 1 Heavy minerals - TR Pyrite 4 3 Clay 20 8 Carb, unspec. 3 - Foraminifers TR TR Nannofossils 3 TR Radiolarians TR - Diatoms TR - Sponge spicules 1 1 Unidentified siliceous 10 -</p> <p><b>GRAIN SIZE</b></p> <p>1-50 Sand 0.2 Silt 44.8 Clay 55.0</p>
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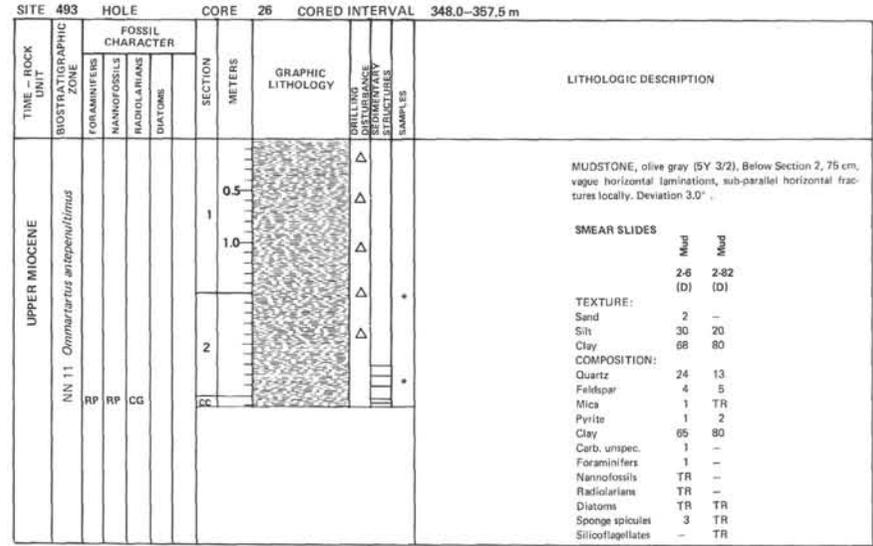
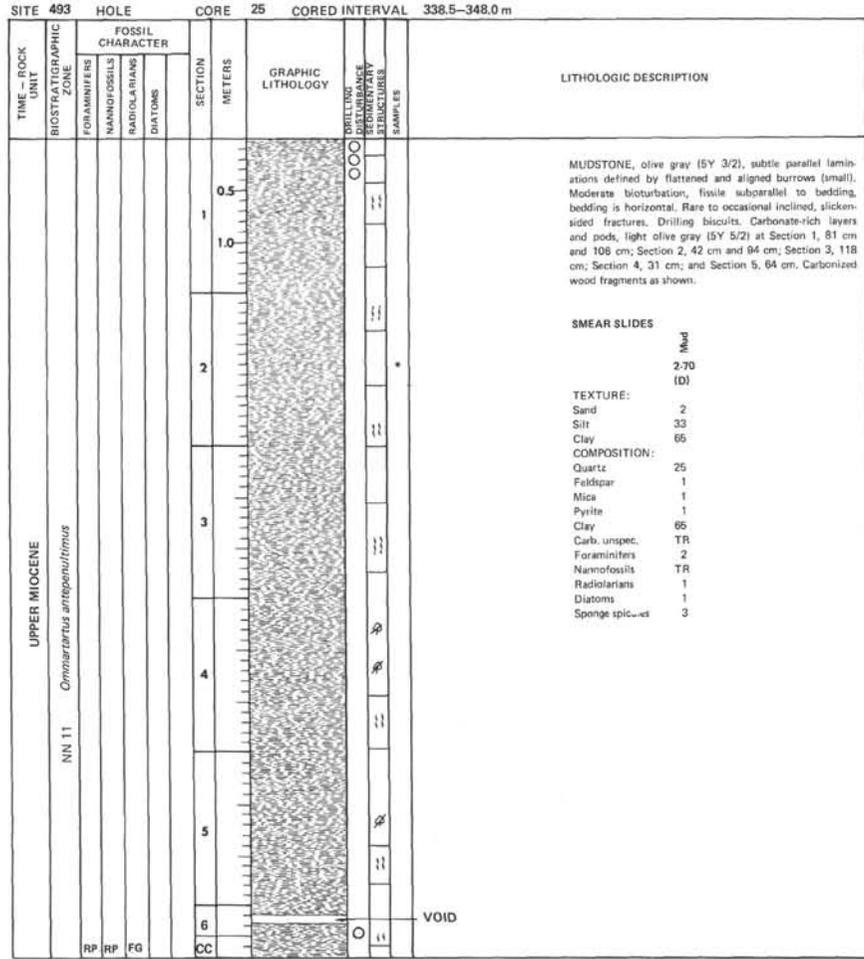


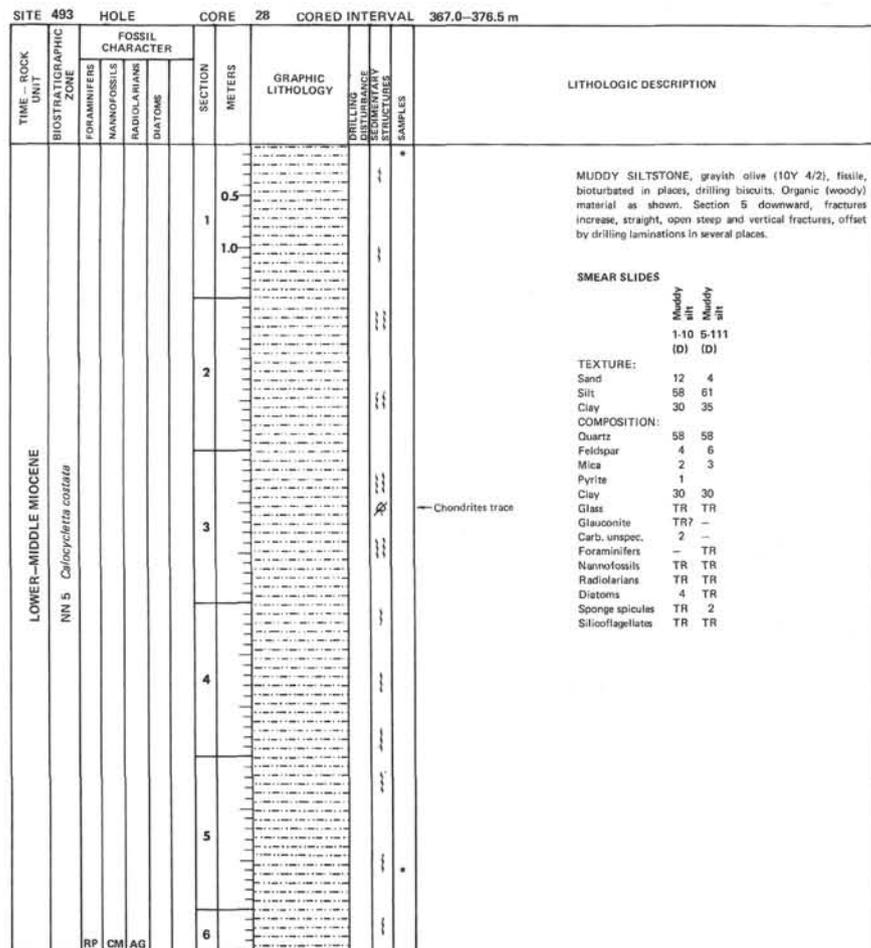
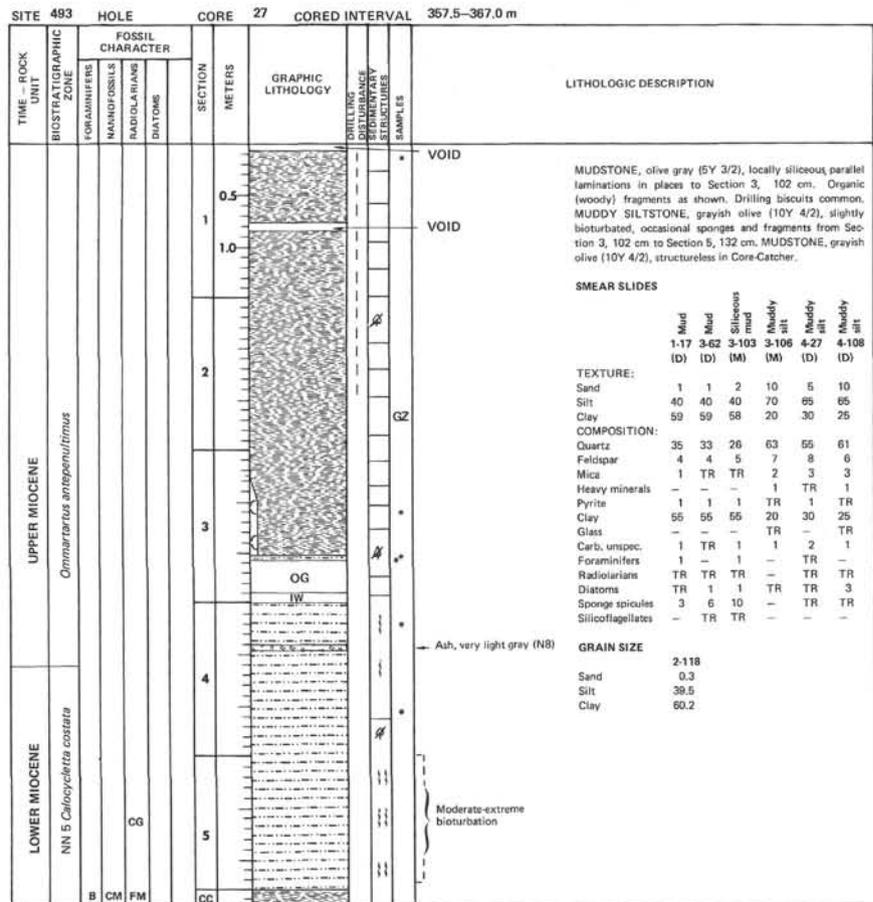








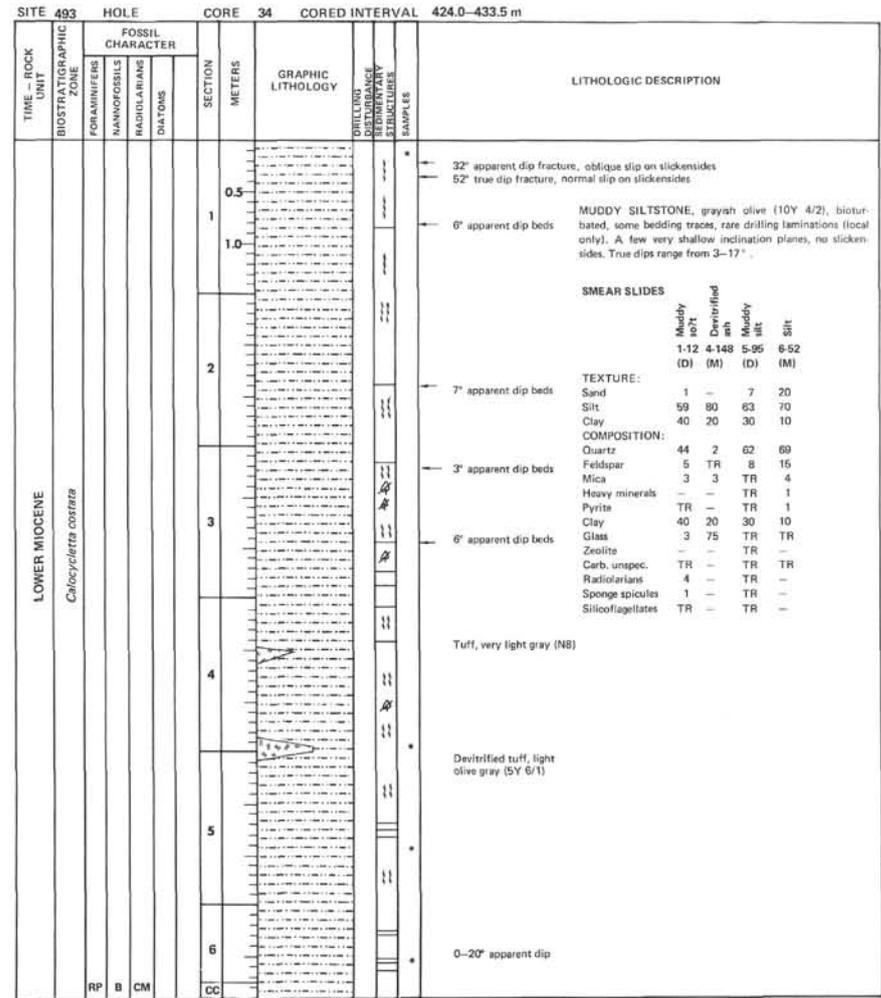
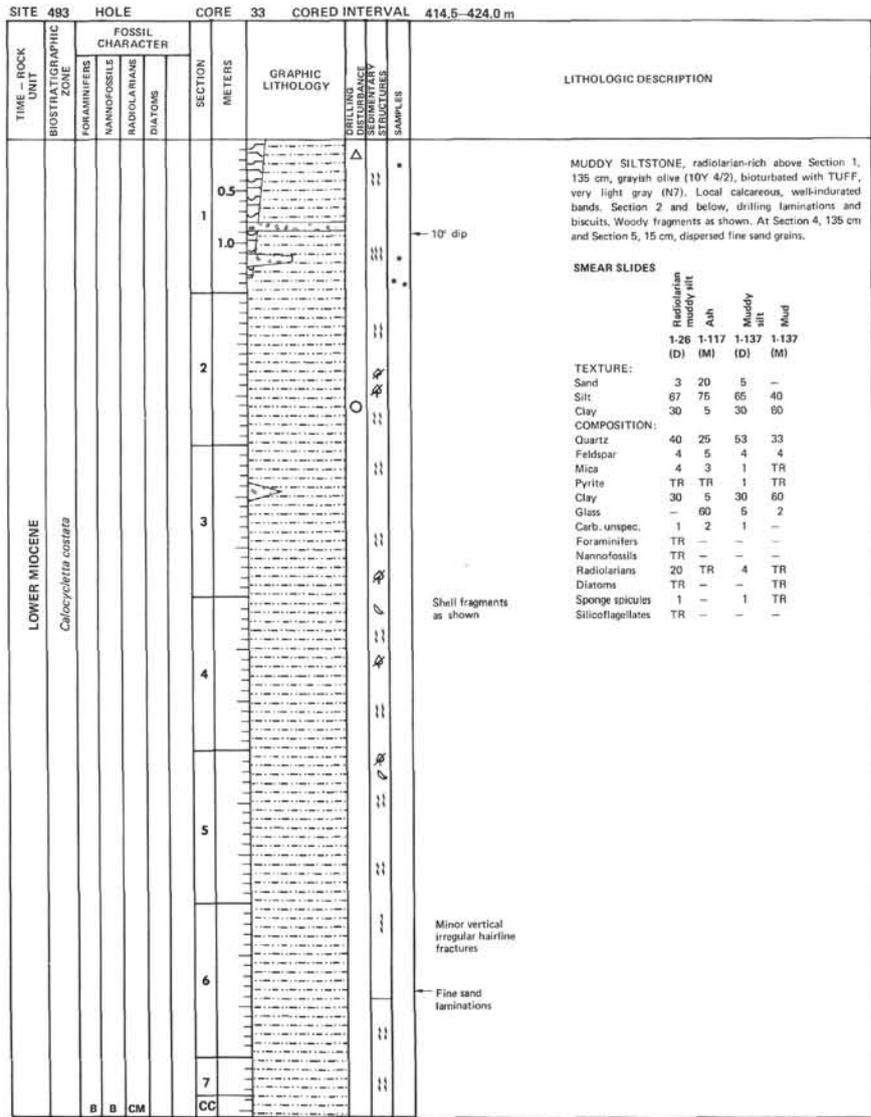


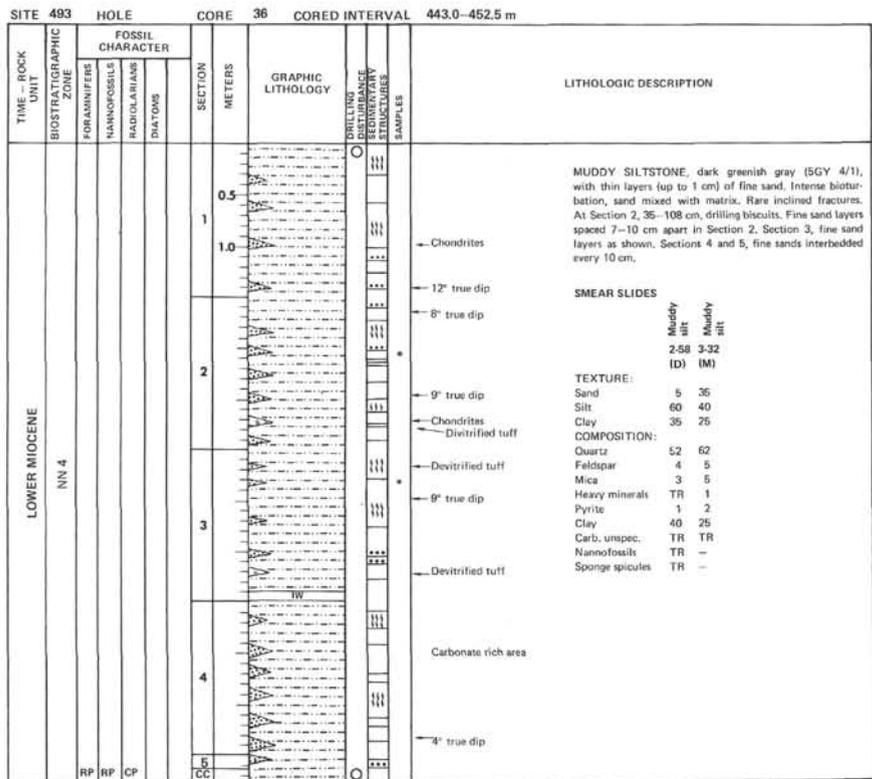
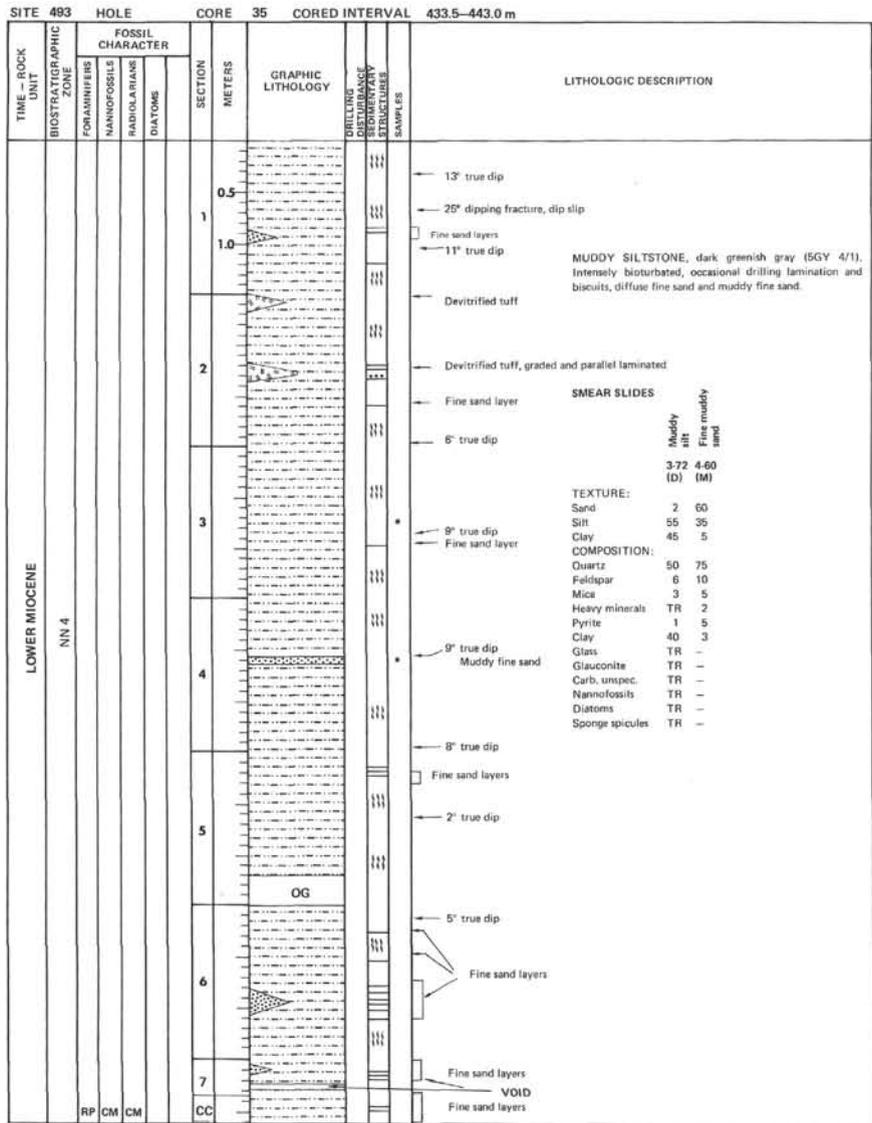


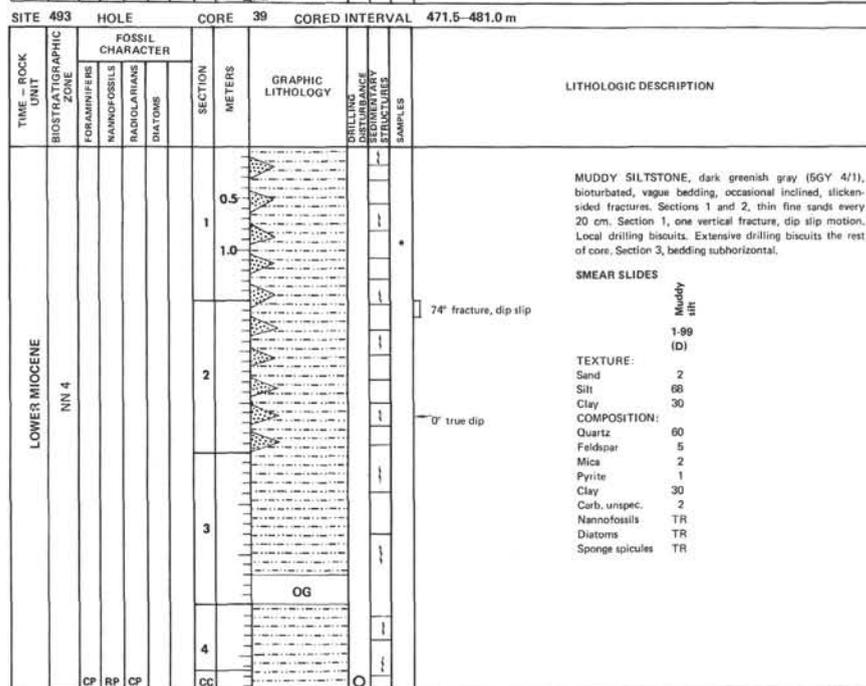
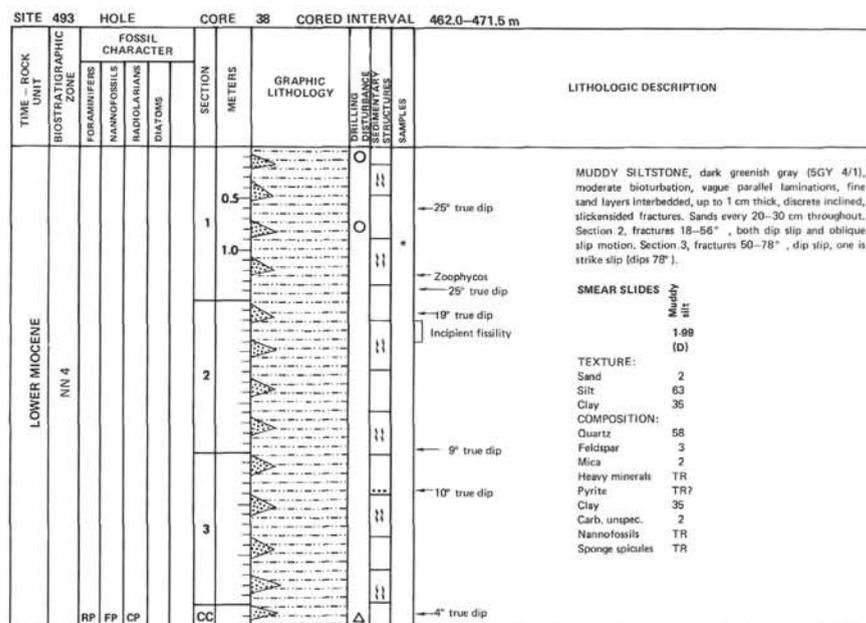
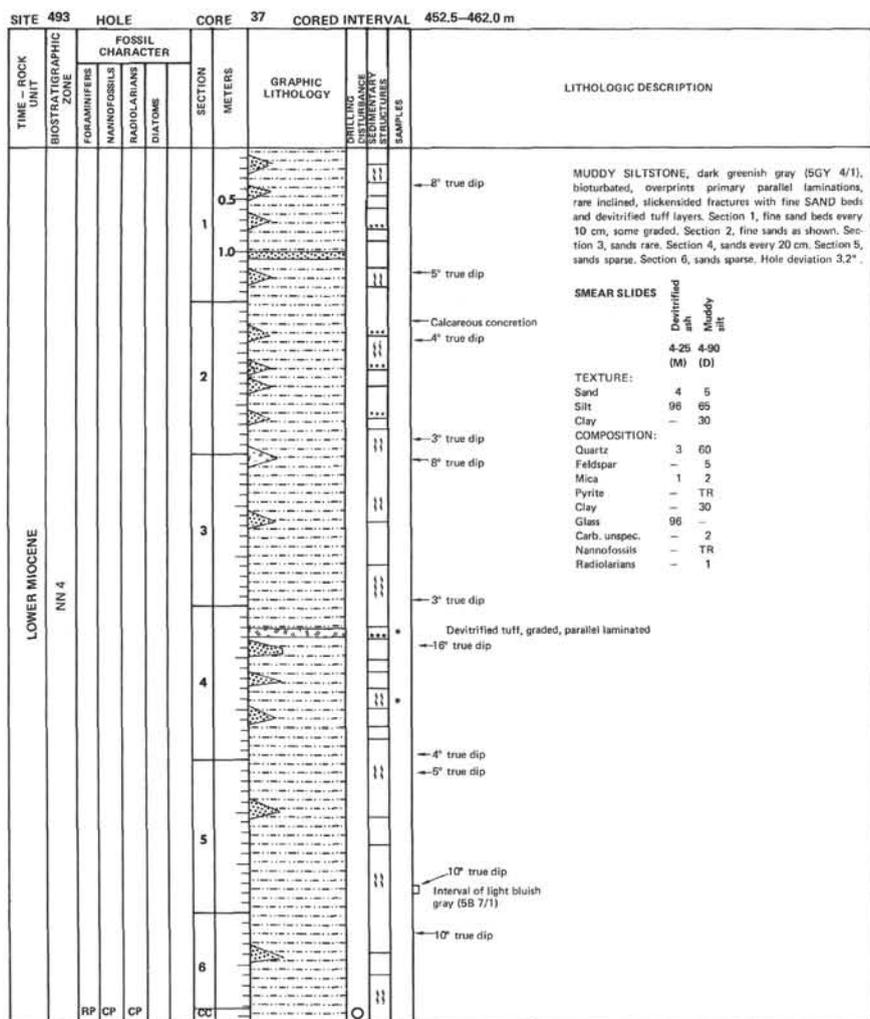
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	<i>Calocyclus costata</i>				0.5			Chondrites						
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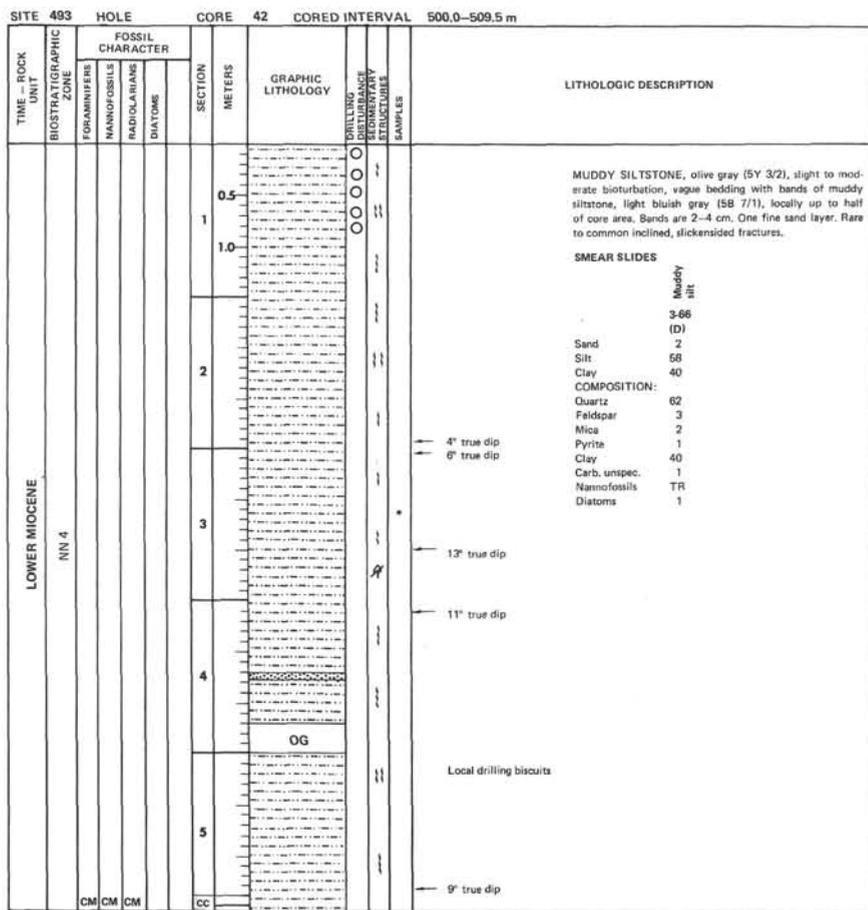
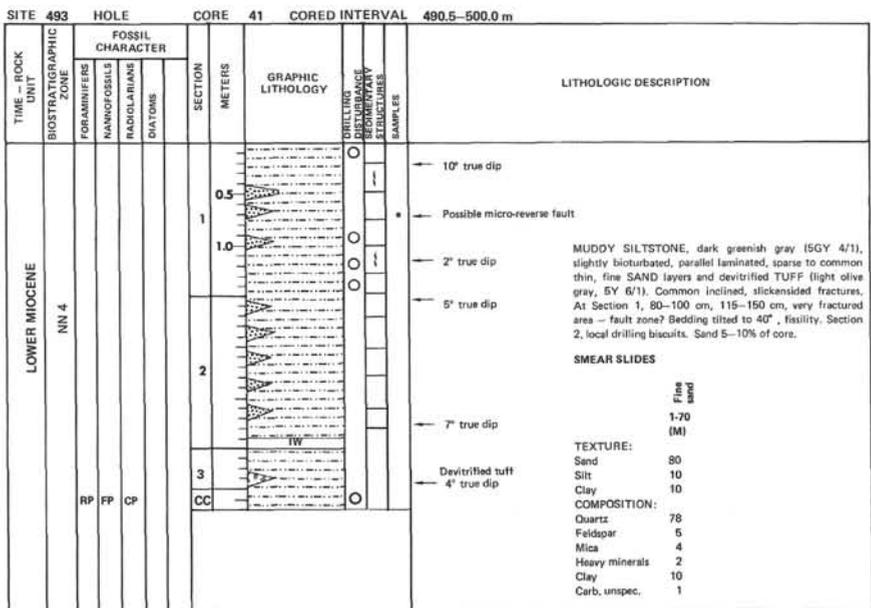
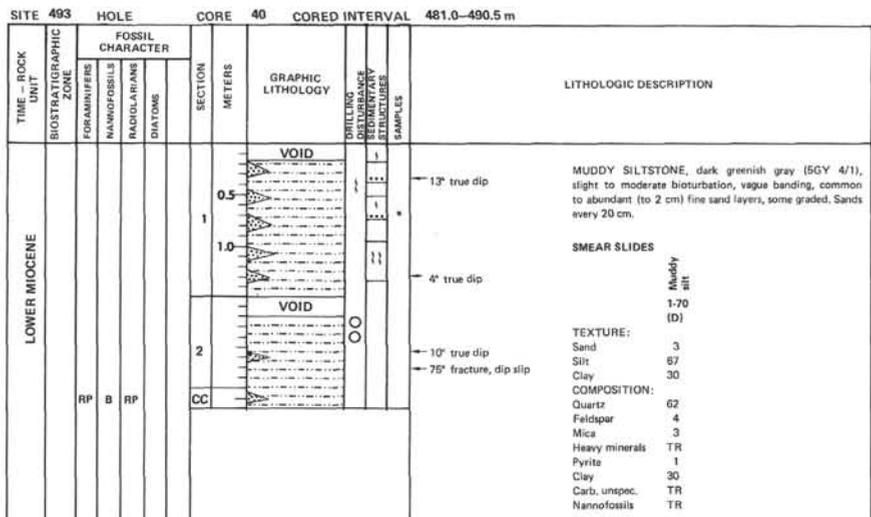
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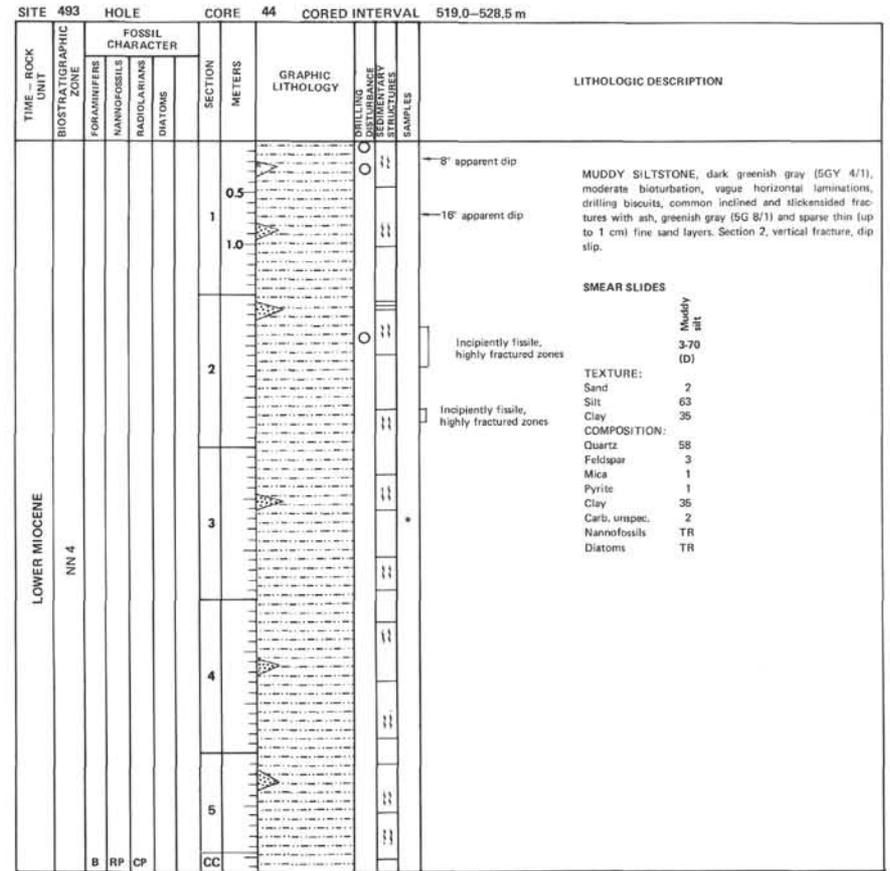
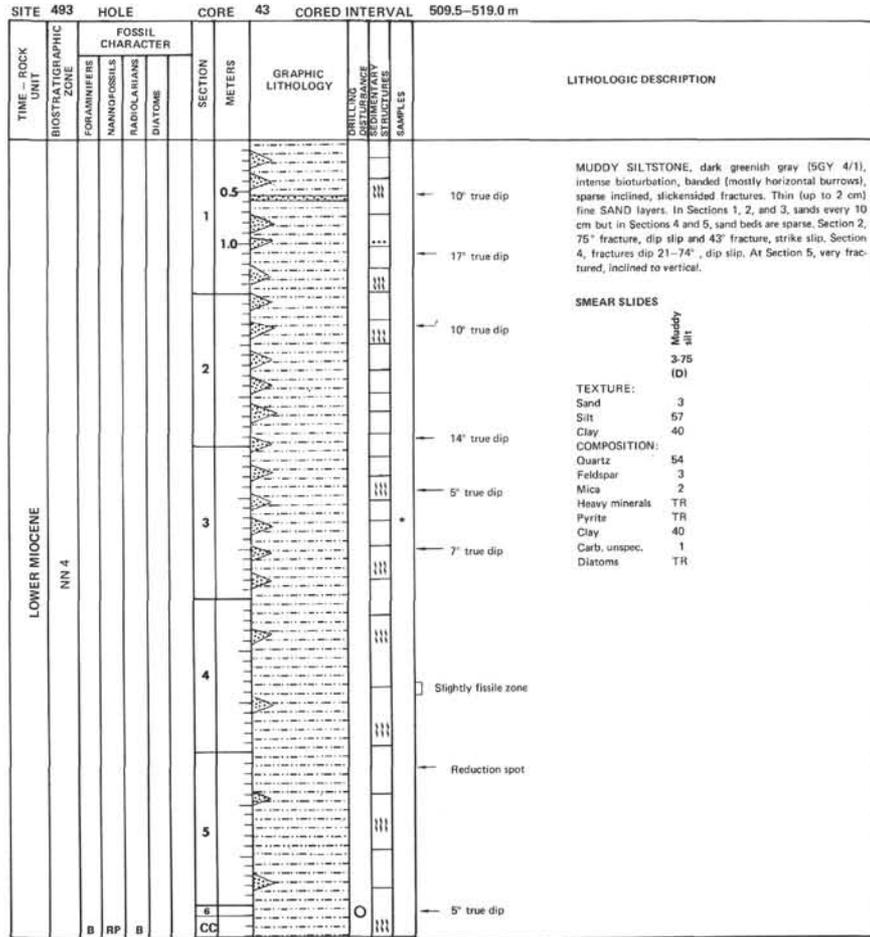


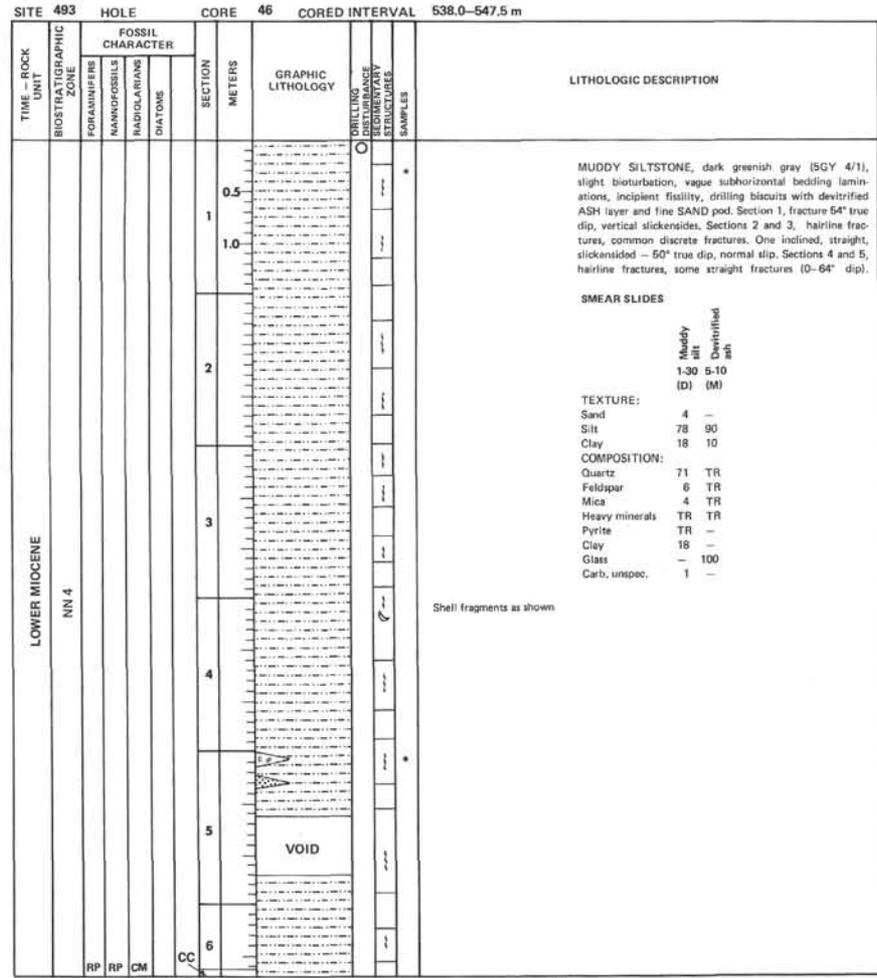
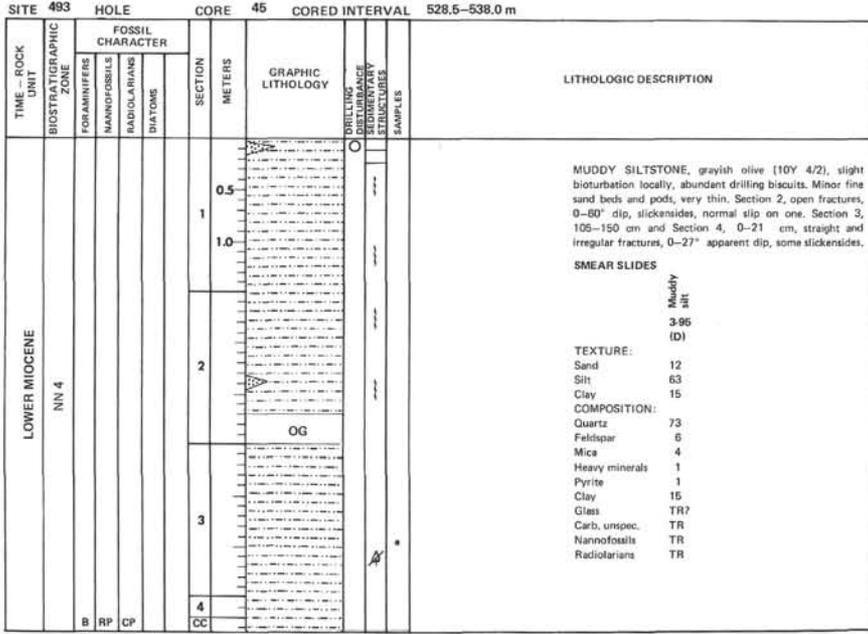


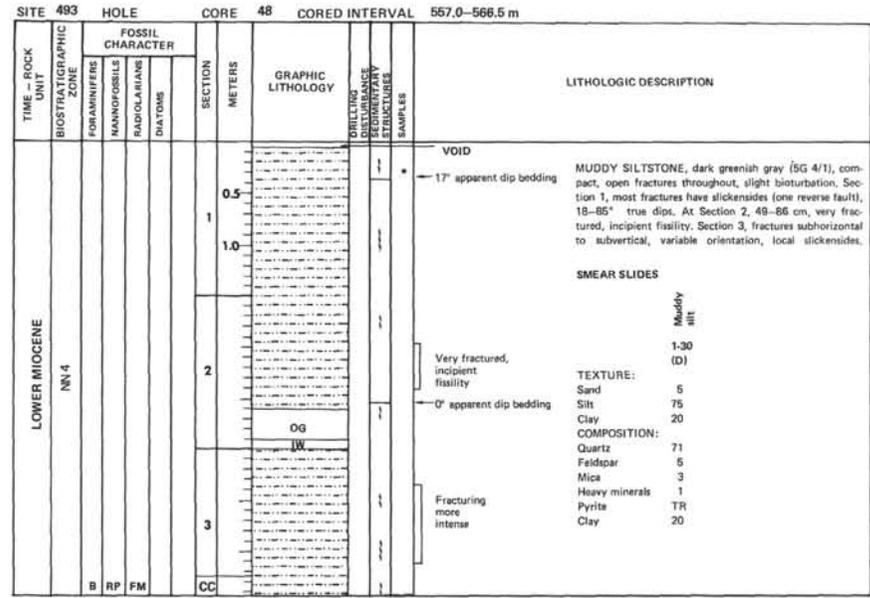
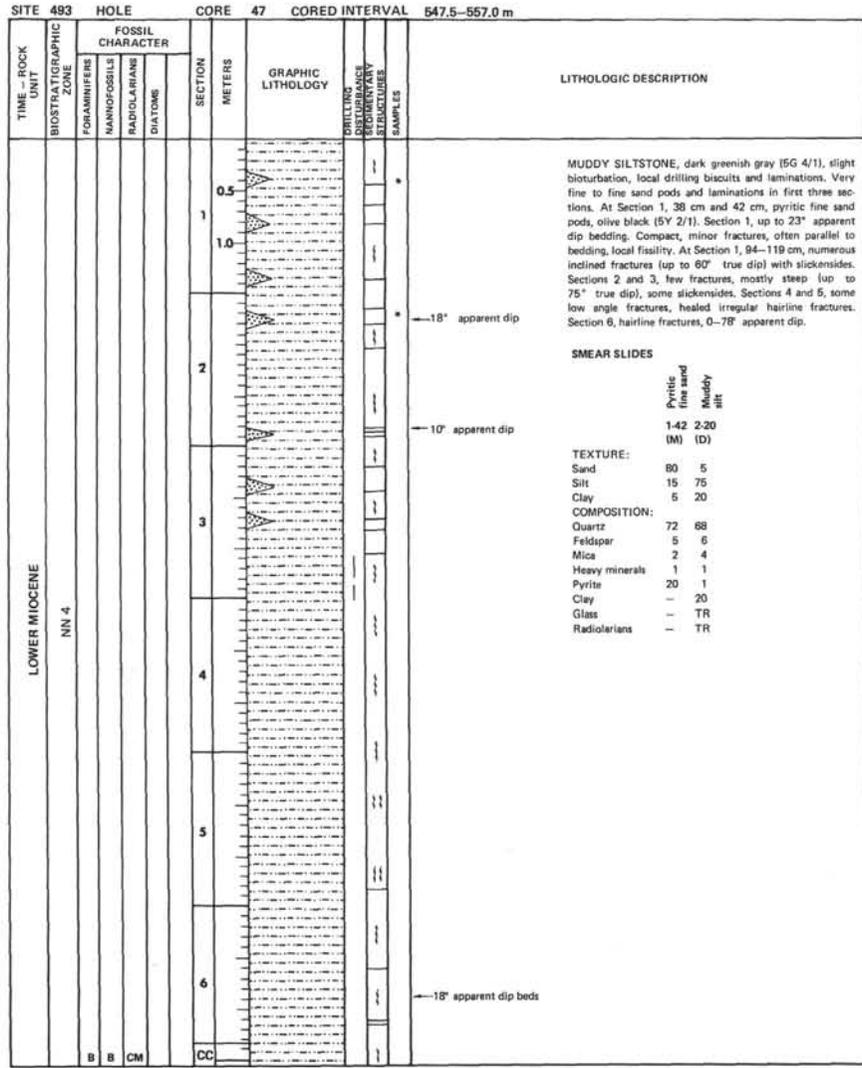




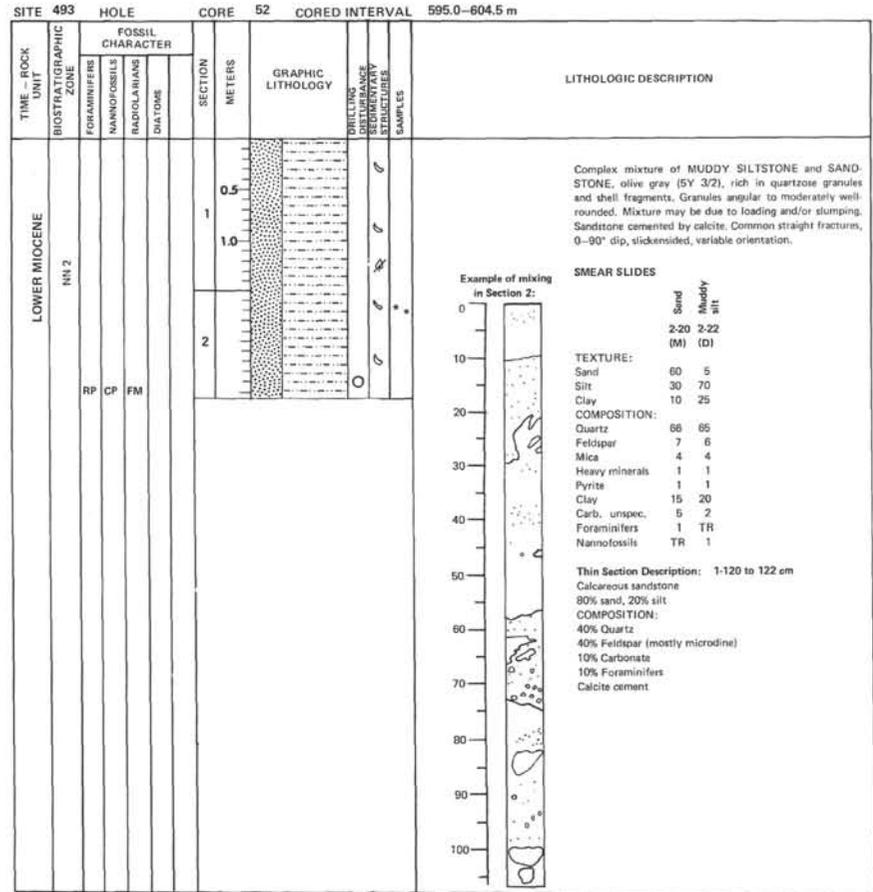
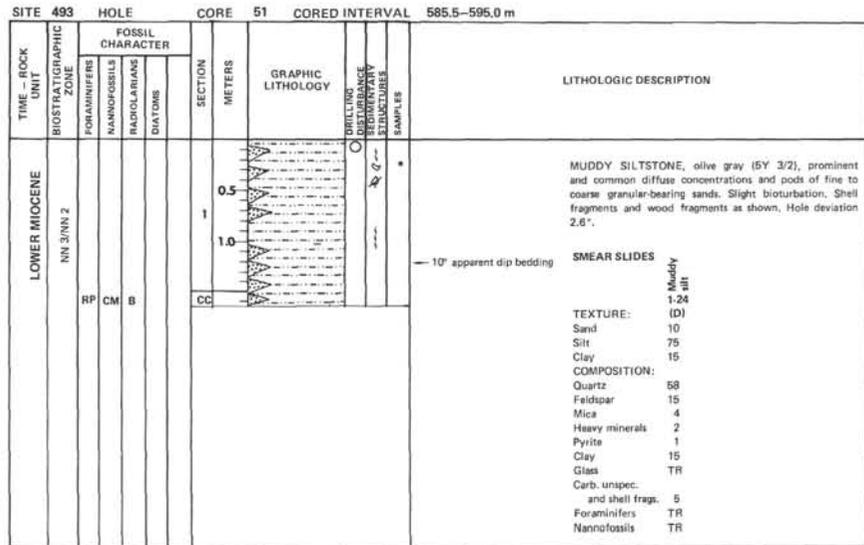












SITE 493 HOLE CORE 53 CORED INTERVAL 604.5-614.0 m

TIME - ROCK UNIT	BIOSTRATIGRAPHIC ZONE	FOSSIL CHARACTER			SECTION METERS	GRAPHIC LITHOLOGY	DRILLING DISTURBANCE STUDIES	SAMPLER	LITHOLOGIC DESCRIPTION
		FORAMINIFERS	NANNOFOSSILS	RADIOLARIANS					
LOWER MIOCENE	NN 17				0.5		e	*	Interbedded SANDSTONE, calcareous, coarse to very coarse, with shell fragments, and MUDDY SILTSTONE with coarse sand grains. Olive gray (5Y 3/2). Muddy siltstone fissile locally. Sandstone is often muddy.
		RP	CM	B	1.0				
					2		e		<p><b>SMEAR SLIDES</b></p> <p>Muddy silt 1-45 (D)</p> <p><b>TEXTURE:</b> Sand 30 Silt 55 Clay 15</p> <p><b>COMPOSITION:</b> Quartz 73 Feldspar 6 Mica 1 Heavy minerals TR Pyrite 1 Clay 15 Carb. unspec. 3 Nannofossils 1</p>
				CC					

SITE 493 HOLE CORE 54 CORED INTERVAL 614.0-623.5 m

TIME - ROCK UNIT	BIOSTRATIGRAPHIC ZONE	FOSSIL CHARACTER			SECTION METERS	GRAPHIC LITHOLOGY	DRILLING DISTURBANCE STUDIES	SAMPLER	LITHOLOGIC DESCRIPTION	
		FORAMINIFERS	NANNOFOSSILS	RADIOLARIANS						DIATOMS
LOWER MIOCENE	NN 17				0.5		e	O	<p>MUDDY SILTSTONE, olive gray (5Y 3/2), fissile sub-parallel to bedding, bedding faint, bioturbation faint with fine SAND layers, MUDDY SANDSTONE, olive gray (5Y 3/2), calcareous, medium to coarse in Section 5. Section 1, fissility and bedding dip 15-30° true, Section 2, fine sand layers common, bedding up to 22° true, fractures dip 57-85°, dip slip. At Section 2, 115 cm and 130 cm, calcareous coarse SANDSTONE, shell fragments, granitic lithic fragments. Section 3, fissility slightly steeper than bedding. Fractures dip 16° and 72-78°, dip slip, 35° apparent dip bedding. Section 4, fractures dip 9° and 40-74°, dip slip. Section 5, 12° true dip, 19° apparent dip bedding.</p>	
					1.0					
					2					<p><b>SMEAR SLIDES</b></p> <p>Muddy silt 1-30 (D)</p> <p><b>TEXTURE:</b> Sand 35 Silt 50 Clay 15</p> <p><b>COMPOSITION:</b> Quartz 74 Feldspar 5 Mica 3 Heavy minerals 1 Pyrite 1 Clay 15 Carb. unspec. 1</p>
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← 46° true dip bedding

SITE 493 HOLE CORE 55 CORED INTERVAL 623.5–633.0 m

TIME – ROCK UNIT	BIOSTRATIGRAPHIC ZONE	FOSSIL CHARACTER			SECTION METERS	GRAPHIC LITHOLOGY	DRILLING DISTURBANCE	STRAIGHTENED	SAMPLES	LITHOLOGIC DESCRIPTION
		FORAMINIFERS	NANNOFOSSILS	RADIOLARIANS						
LOWER MIOCENE	Unzoned				CC					SAND on side of Core-Catcher – only recovery.

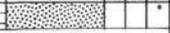
SITE 493 HOLE CORE 56 CORED INTERVAL 633.0–642.5 m

TIME – ROCK UNIT	BIOSTRATIGRAPHIC ZONE	FOSSIL CHARACTER			SECTION METERS	GRAPHIC LITHOLOGY	DRILLING DISTURBANCE	STRAIGHTENED	SAMPLES	LITHOLOGIC DESCRIPTION
		FORAMINIFERS	NANNOFOSSILS	RADIOLARIANS						
LOWER MIOCENE	Unzoned				CC					Small fragment of medium to coarse SANDSTONE, medium light gray (N6) in Core-Catcher, calcite-cemented.

SITE 493 HOLE CORE 57 CORED INTERVAL 642.5–652.0 m

TIME – ROCK UNIT	BIOSTRATIGRAPHIC ZONE	FOSSIL CHARACTER			SECTION METERS	GRAPHIC LITHOLOGY	DRILLING DISTURBANCE	STRAIGHTENED	SAMPLES	LITHOLOGIC DESCRIPTION
		FORAMINIFERS	NANNOFOSSILS	RADIOLARIANS						
LOWER MIOCENE	Unzoned				CC					Small fragment SANDSTONE in Core-Catcher, coarse, calcite-cement.

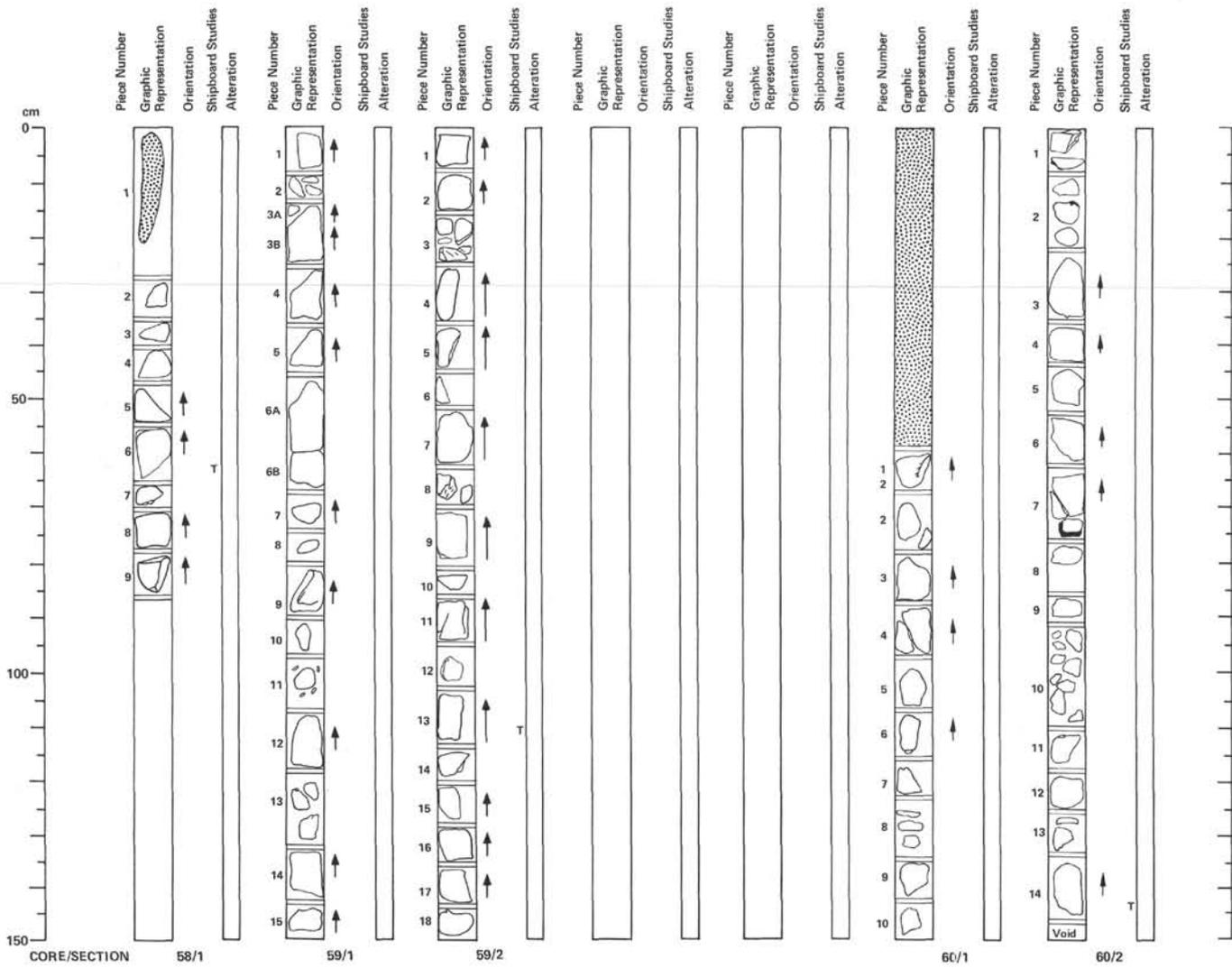
SITE 493 HOLE CORE 58 CORED INTERVAL 652.0–652.2 m

TIME – ROCK UNIT	BIOSTRATIGRAPHIC ZONE	FOSSIL CHARACTER			SECTION METERS	GRAPHIC LITHOLOGY	DRILLING DISTURBANCE	STRAIGHTENED	SAMPLES	LITHOLOGIC DESCRIPTION
		FORAMINIFERS	NANNOFOSSILS	RADIOLARIANS						
LOWER MIOCENE	Unzoned				1					FINE SAND, loose, quartzose, possibly washed down the hole from upper section.  SMEAR SLIDES  Fine sand, moderately well-sorted 1-1 (D)  TEXTURE: Sand 95 Silt 5 Clay 1 COMPOSITION: Quartz 91 Feldspar 6 Mica 1 Heavy minerals 1 Pyrite 1

Core 59: See page 379

SITE 493 HOLE CORE 60 CORED INTERVAL 661.5–662.1 m

TIME – ROCK UNIT	BIOSTRATIGRAPHIC ZONE	FOSSIL CHARACTER			SECTION METERS	GRAPHIC LITHOLOGY	DRILLING DISTURBANCE	STRAIGHTENED	SAMPLES	LITHOLOGIC DESCRIPTION
		FORAMINIFERS	NANNOFOSSILS	RADIOLARIANS						
PRE-MIOCENE					1 0.5					Fine to medium sand, greenish gray (5GY 6/1), caved from hole above (originally surrounding pieces of plutonic rock when core opened).



**SITE 493, CORE 58, SECTION 1, 652.2–652.8 m**

**Macroscopic Description**  
 DIORITE, medium light gray (N6). 1–3 mm equant crystals of plagioclase, quartz, hornblende, biotite, and sulfides (pyrite and chalcopyrite).

**SITE 493, CORE 59, SECTION 1, 656.5–658.0 m**

**Macroscopic Description**  
 DIORITE, medium light gray (N6) (average color), up to 3 mm equant crystals of plagioclase, quartz, hornblende, biotite, and sulfides (pyrite and chalcopyrite). Occasional fracturing and veining.

**SITE 493, CORE 59, SECTION 2, 658.0–659.5 m**

**Macroscopic Description**  
 Same as Core 59, Section 1.

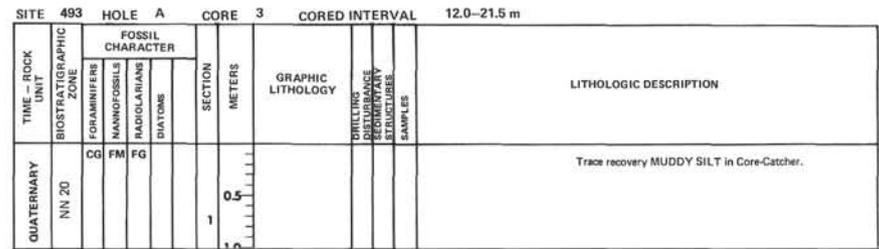
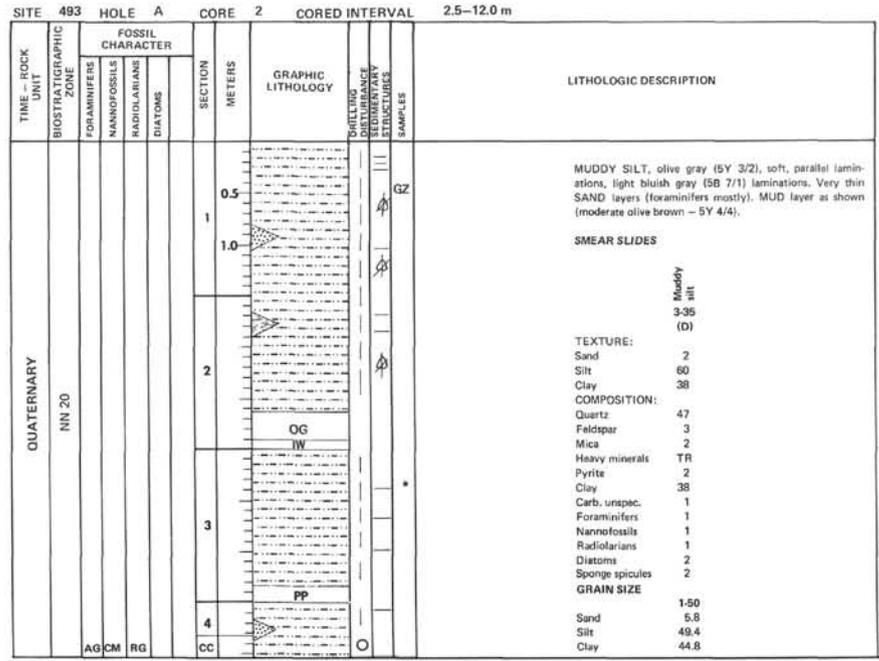
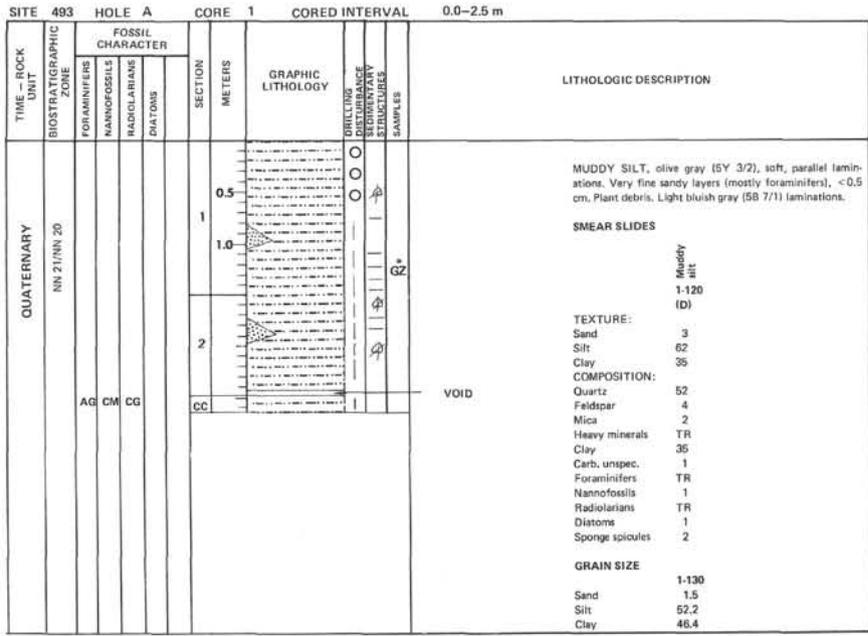
**SITE 493, CORE 60, SECTION 1, 662.1–663.0 m**

**Macroscopic Description**  
 DIORITE, medium light gray (N6).

**SITE 493, CORE 60, SECTION 2, 663.0–664.5 m**

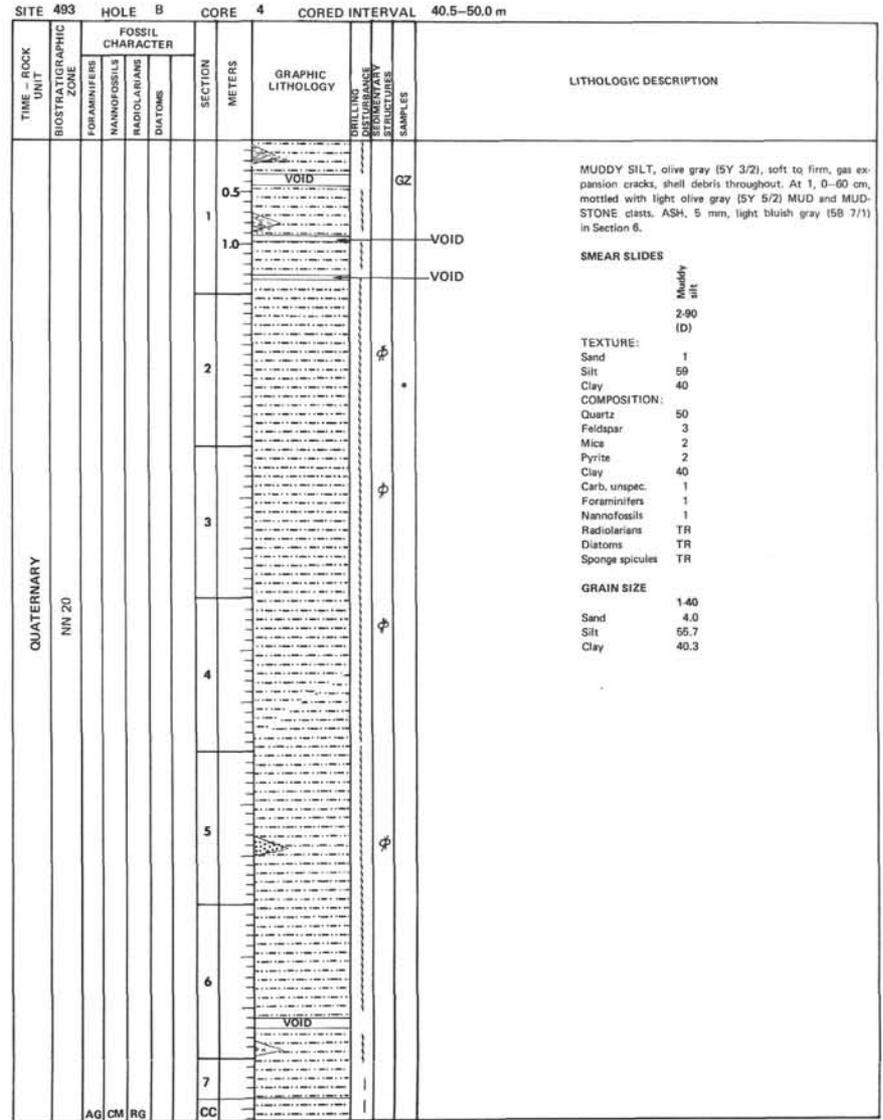
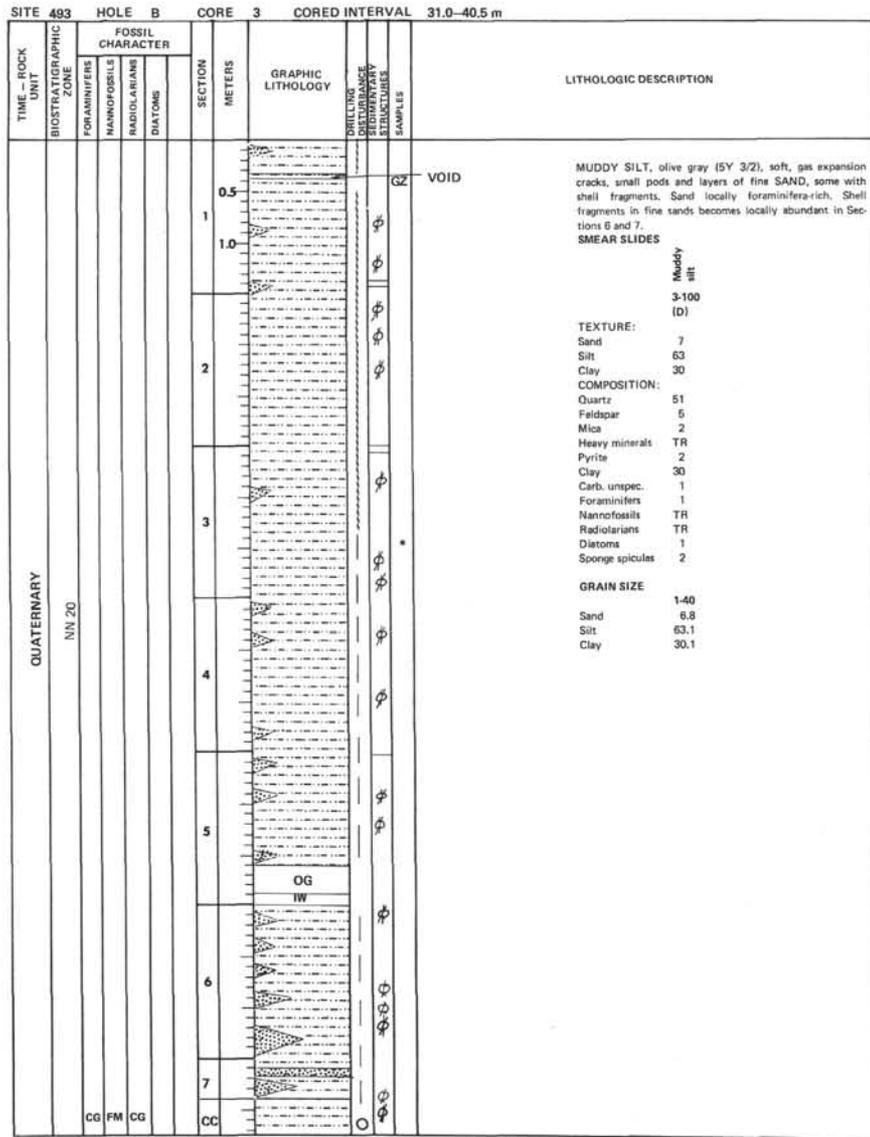
**Macroscopic Description**  
 Same as Core 60, Section 1.

**Thin Section Description**  
 Section 2, 139–141 cm: equant crystals up to 2 cm of: 4% quartz, 68% plagioclase, > 1% microcline, 7% biotite, and 20% green amphibole-hornblende.



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QUATERNARY	NN 21/NN 20				0.5		GZ	<p>MUDDY SILT, soft, olive gray (5Y 3/2), streaks of different color shade. Very thin SAND layers throughout, ASH and mixed ASH and MUD, light bluish gray (5Y 7/1), in Section 3.</p> <p><b>SMEAR SLIDES</b></p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Muddy silt (D)</th> <th>Ash (M)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>2-50</td> <td>4-20</td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p><b>TEXTURE:</b></p> <table border="1"> <tbody> <tr> <td>Sand</td> <td>3</td> <td>-</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Silt</td> <td>57</td> <td>95</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Clay</td> <td>40</td> <td>5</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p><b>COMPOSITION:</b></p> <table border="1"> <tbody> <tr> <td>Quartz</td> <td>45</td> <td>2</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Feldspar</td> <td>3</td> <td>-</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Mica</td> <td>2</td> <td>-</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Heavy minerals</td> <td>TR</td> <td>-</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Pyrite</td> <td>2</td> <td>5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Clay</td> <td>40</td> <td>5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Glass</td> <td>-</td> <td>88</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Carb. unspec.</td> <td>1</td> <td>-</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Foraminifers</td> <td>2</td> <td>-</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Nannofossils</td> <td>1</td> <td>-</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Radiolarians</td> <td>TR</td> <td>-</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Diatoms</td> <td>2</td> <td>-</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sponge spicules</td> <td>2</td> <td>-</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Silicoflagellates</td> <td>TR</td> <td>-</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p><b>GRAIN SIZE</b></p> <table border="1"> <tbody> <tr> <td>Sand</td> <td>1-60</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Silt</td> <td>59.9</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Clay</td> <td>36.5</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		Muddy silt (D)	Ash (M)	2-50	4-20		Sand	3	-	Silt	57	95	Clay	40	5	Quartz	45	2	Feldspar	3	-	Mica	2	-	Heavy minerals	TR	-	Pyrite	2	5	Clay	40	5	Glass	-	88	Carb. unspec.	1	-	Foraminifers	2	-	Nannofossils	1	-	Radiolarians	TR	-	Diatoms	2	-	Sponge spicules	2	-	Silicoflagellates	TR	-	Sand	1-60	Silt	59.9	Clay	36.5
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		FORAMINIFERS	NANNOFOSSILS	RADIOLARIANS					DIATOMS																																									
QUATERNARY	NN 20				0.5		GZ	<p>MUDDY SILT, grayish olive green (5GY 3/2), subvertical faint streaks (deformed by drilling). Very thin occasional mud laminations, light bluish gray (5B 7/1) with ASH, light bluish gray (5B 7/1), in pods. At 3, 80-150 cm, mottled texturally, lumps of soft medium silt in very soft medium silt. At 4, 115-140 cm, very thin layers of FORAMINIFER SANDY MUD. Below Section 5, 90 cm, abundant thin FORAMINIFER SANDS.</p> <p><b>SMEAR SLIDES</b></p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Muddy silt (M)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1-80</td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p><b>TEXTURE:</b></p> <table border="1"> <tbody> <tr> <td>Sand</td> <td>5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Silt</td> <td>60</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Clay</td> <td>35</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p><b>COMPOSITION:</b></p> <table border="1"> <tbody> <tr> <td>Quartz</td> <td>44</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Feldspar</td> <td>3</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Mica</td> <td>2</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Heavy minerals</td> <td>TR</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Pyrite</td> <td>2</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Clay</td> <td>35</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Carb. unspec.</td> <td>3</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Foraminifers</td> <td>5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Nannofossils</td> <td>1</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Radiolarians</td> <td>1</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Diatoms</td> <td>2</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sponge spicules</td> <td>2</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p><b>GRAIN SIZE</b></p> <table border="1"> <tbody> <tr> <td>Sand</td> <td>1-40</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Silt</td> <td>8.9</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Silt</td> <td>56.2</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Clay</td> <td>34.9</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		Muddy silt (M)	1-80		Sand	5	Silt	60	Clay	35	Quartz	44	Feldspar	3	Mica	2	Heavy minerals	TR	Pyrite	2	Clay	35	Carb. unspec.	3	Foraminifers	5	Nannofossils	1	Radiolarians	1	Diatoms	2	Sponge spicules	2	Sand	1-40	Silt	8.9	Silt	56.2	Clay	34.9
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		FORAMINIFERS	NANNOFOSSILS	RADIOLARIANS					
QUATERNARY/PLOCENEZ	Unzoned	B	RP	FM	0.5	VOID	GZ	*	MUDDY SILT, olive gray (5Y 3/2), firm, faint parallel laminations. Minor areas of light bluish gray (5B 7/1).
					1.0				
					2				
					3	IW			
					CC				
<p><b>SMEAR SLIDES</b></p> <p>Muddy silt</p> <p>1-10 (D)</p> <p><b>TEXTURE:</b></p> <p>Sand 7 Silt 63 Clay 30</p> <p><b>COMPOSITION:</b></p> <p>Quartz 60 Feldspar 4 Mica 2 Heavy minerals TR Pyrite 2 Clay 30 Carb. unspec. 1 Foraminifers TR Nannofossils TR Radiolarians TR Diatoms 1 Sponge spicules TR</p> <p><b>GRAIN SIZE</b></p> <p>Sand 1.40 Silt 1.1 Clay 59.1 39.8</p>									

SITE 493		HOLE B		CORE 7		CORED INTERVAL		69.0-78.5 m	
TIME - ROCK UNIT	BIOSTRATIGRAPHIC ZONE	FOSSIL CHARACTER			SECTION METERS	GRAPHIC LITHOLOGY	DRILLING DISTURBANCE SEDIMENTARY STRUCTURES	SAMPLES	LITHOLOGIC DESCRIPTION
		FORAMINIFERS	NANNOFOSSILS	RADIOLARIANS					
PLOCENEZ	Unzoned	RP	B	RM	0.5	VOID	GZ	O	MUDDY SILT, olive gray (5Y 3/2), firm, parallel laminations, occasional layers light bluish gray (5B 7/1).
					1.0				
					2				
					3	VOID			
<p><b>SMEAR SLIDES</b></p> <p>Muddy silt</p> <p>2.70 (D)</p> <p><b>TEXTURE:</b></p> <p>Sand 3 Silt 57 Clay 40</p> <p><b>COMPOSITION:</b></p> <p>Quartz 50 Feldspar 5 Mica 2 Heavy minerals TR Pyrite 2 Clay 40 Carb. unspec. TR Nannofossils TR Radiolarians TR Diatoms TR Sponge spicules 1</p> <p><b>GRAIN SIZE</b></p> <p>Sand 2.70 Silt 1.5 Clay 50.0 48.5</p> <p>Non-carbonized wood twig, several cm long</p>									

SITE 493		HOLE B		CORE 6		CORED INTERVAL		59.5-69.0 m	
TIME - ROCK UNIT	BIOSTRATIGRAPHIC ZONE	FOSSIL CHARACTER			SECTION METERS	GRAPHIC LITHOLOGY	DRILLING DISTURBANCE SEDIMENTARY STRUCTURES	SAMPLES	LITHOLOGIC DESCRIPTION
		FORAMINIFERS	NANNOFOSSILS	RADIOLARIANS					
PLOCENEZ	Unzoned	AG	CM	B	0.5	VOID	GZ	*	MUDDY SILT, olive gray (5Y 3/2), soft, gas expansion cracks, structureless. Below Section 2: parallel laminated, near horizontal bedding, sparse thin SAND beds. Foraminifer concentration in Section 3.
					1.0				
					2				
					3				
					4	PP			
<p><b>SMEAR SLIDES</b></p> <p>Muddy silt</p> <p>3-60 (D)</p> <p><b>TEXTURE:</b></p> <p>Sand 10 Silt 50 Clay 40</p> <p><b>COMPOSITION:</b></p> <p>Quartz 43 Feldspar 4 Mica 2 Heavy minerals TR Pyrite 2 Clay 40 Carb. unspec. 1 Foraminifers 7 Nannofossils TR Radiolarians TR Diatoms TR Sponge spicules 1</p> <p><b>GRAIN SIZE</b></p> <p>Sand 2.90 Silt 2.6 Clay 58.6 37.7</p>									

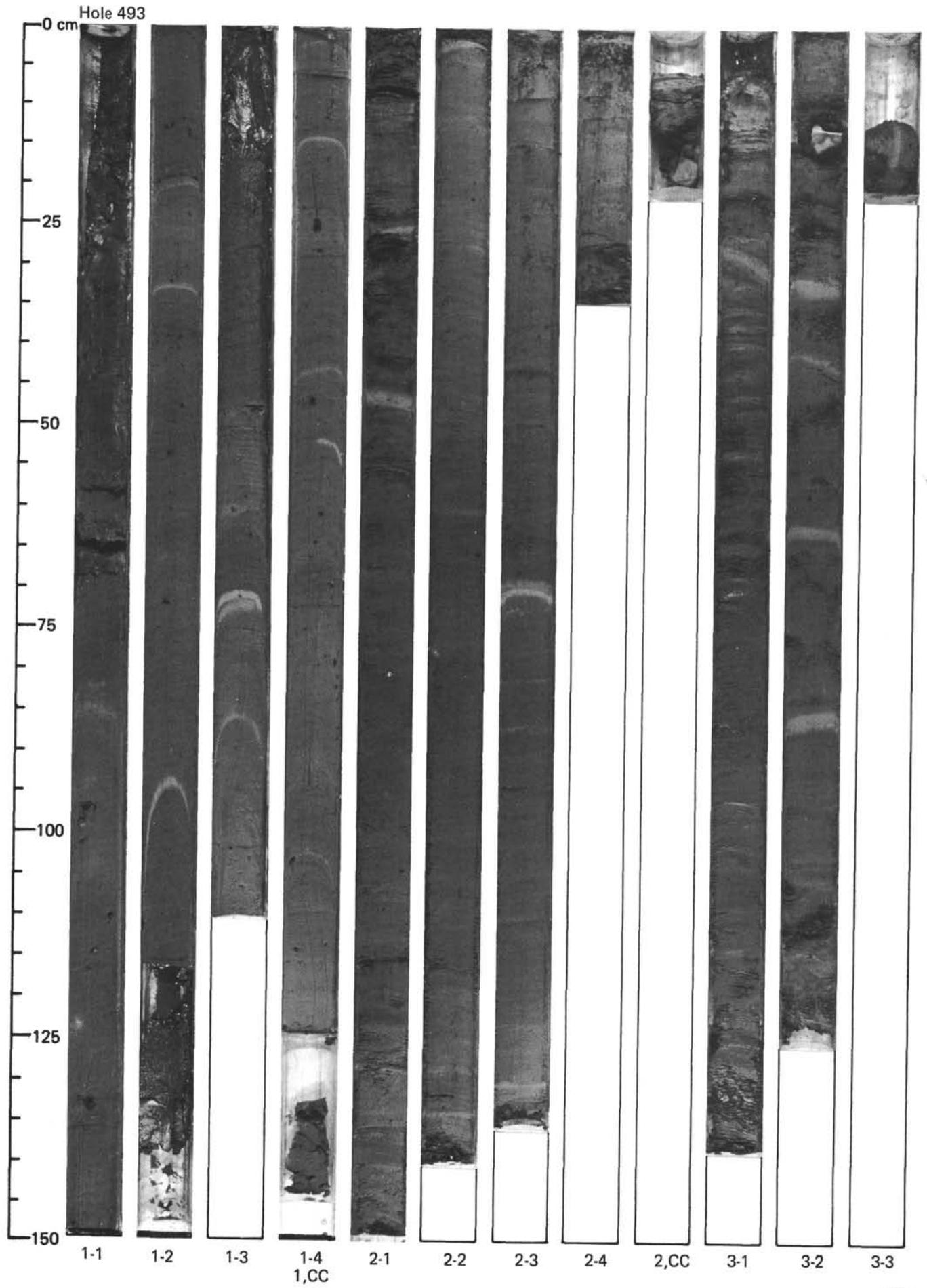
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		FORAMINIFERS	NANNOFOSSILS	RADIOLARIANS					
UPPER PLOCENEZ	Unzoned	RP	B	FM	0.5	VOID	GZ	O	MUDDY SILT, olive gray (5Y 3/2), soupy to firm, mottled with grayish olive (10Y 4/2). Foraminifer-rich SAND at 1, 23-38 cm.
					1.0				
					2				
<p><b>SMEAR SLIDES</b></p> <p>Muddy silt</p> <p>1-100 (D)</p> <p><b>TEXTURE:</b></p> <p>Sand 2 Silt 53 Clay 45</p> <p><b>COMPOSITION:</b></p> <p>Quartz 46 Feldspar 5 Mica 1 Pyrite 2 Clay 46 Carb. unspec. TR Nannofossils TR Sponge spicules 1 Plant fragments TR</p> <p><b>GRAIN SIZE</b></p> <p>Sand 1.88 Silt 3.7 Clay 55.0 41.3</p>									

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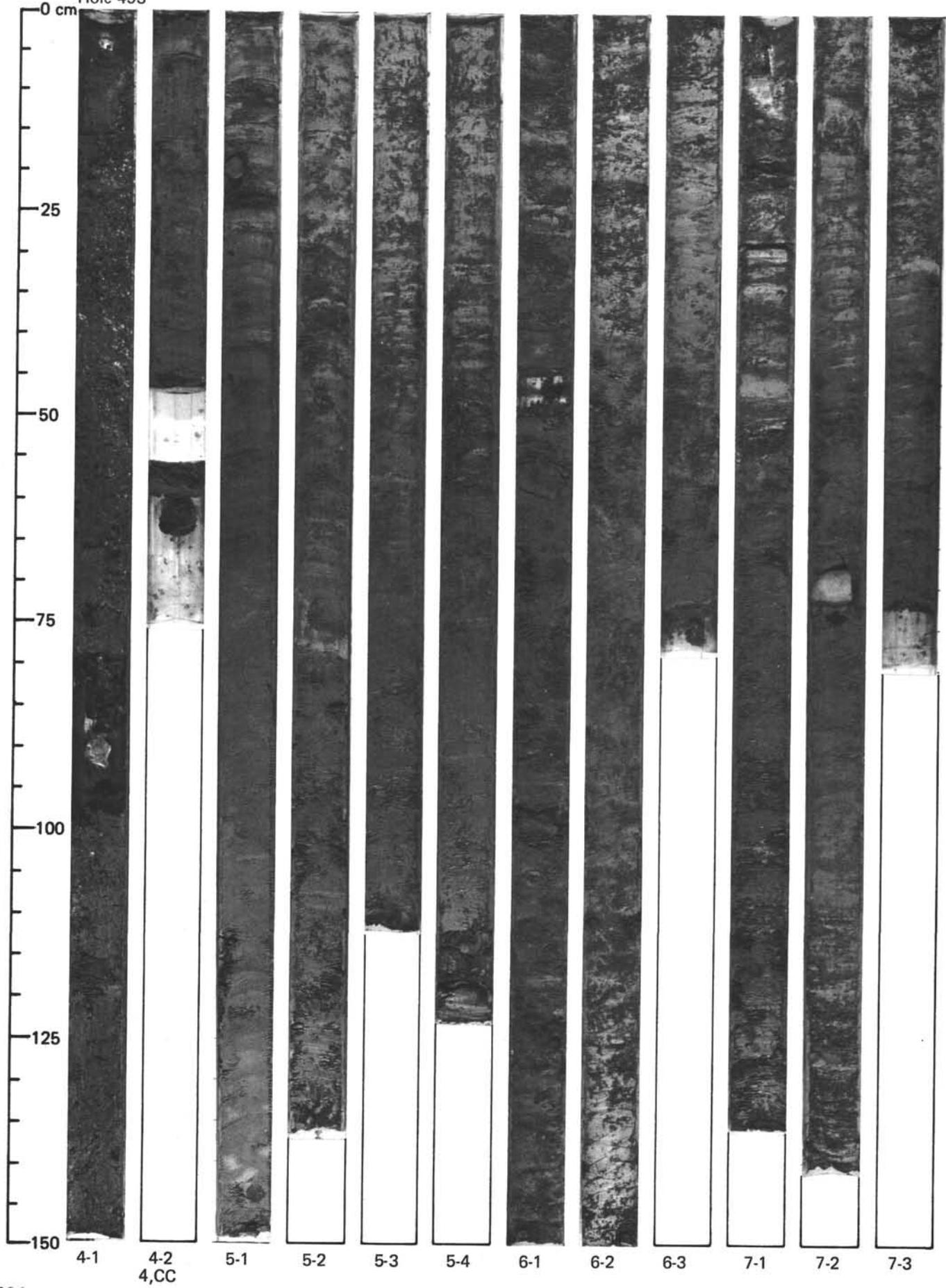
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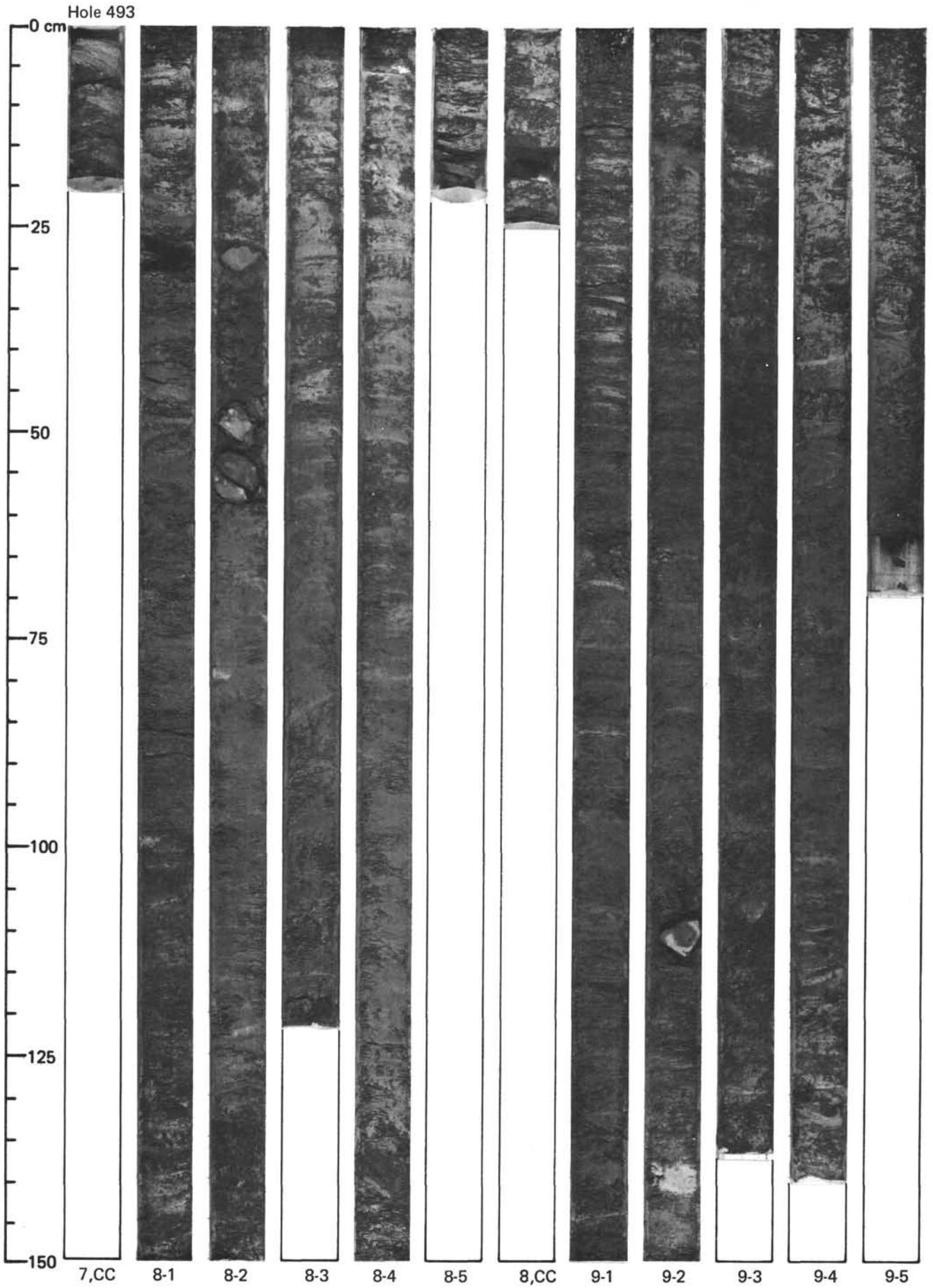
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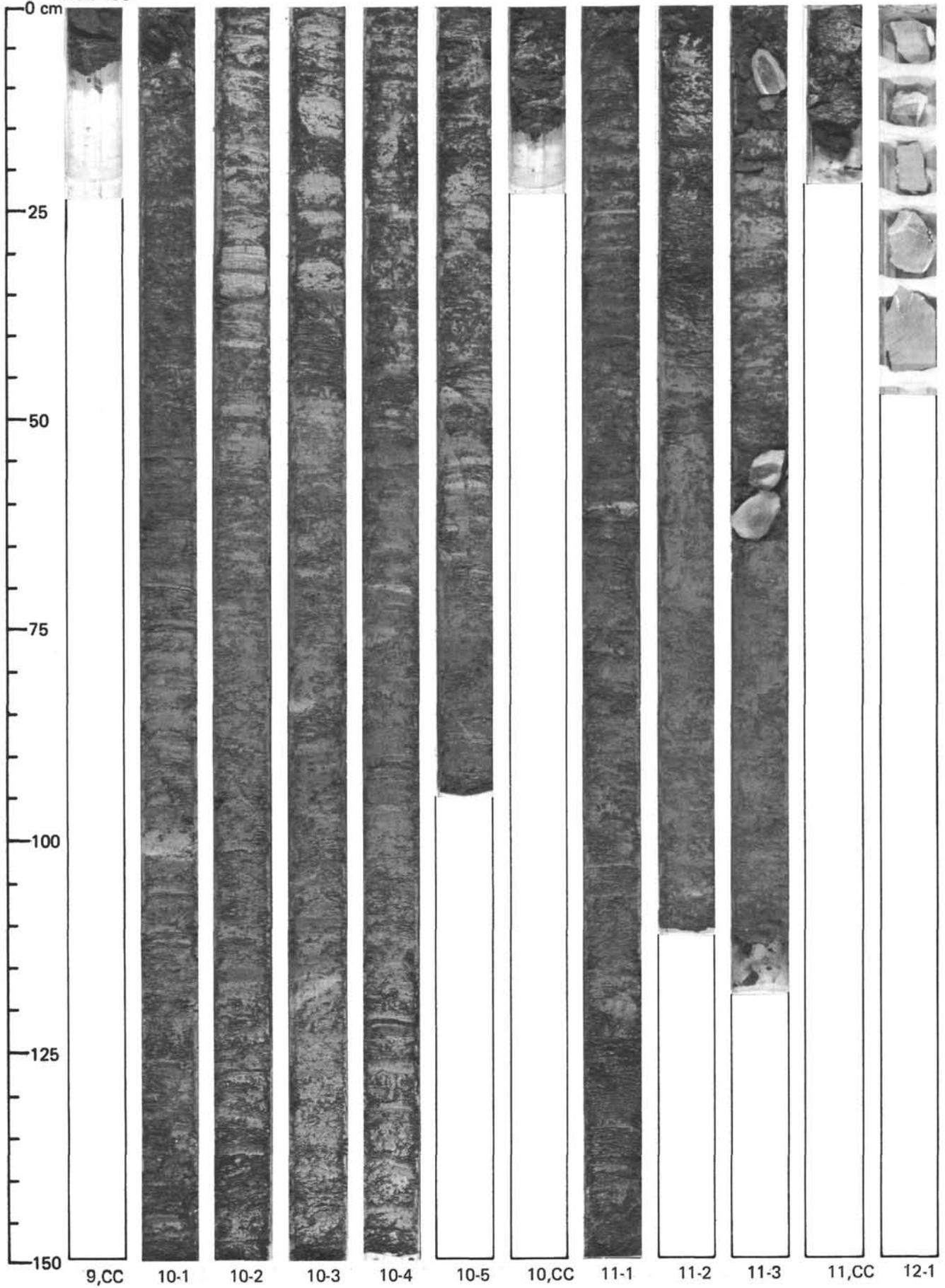


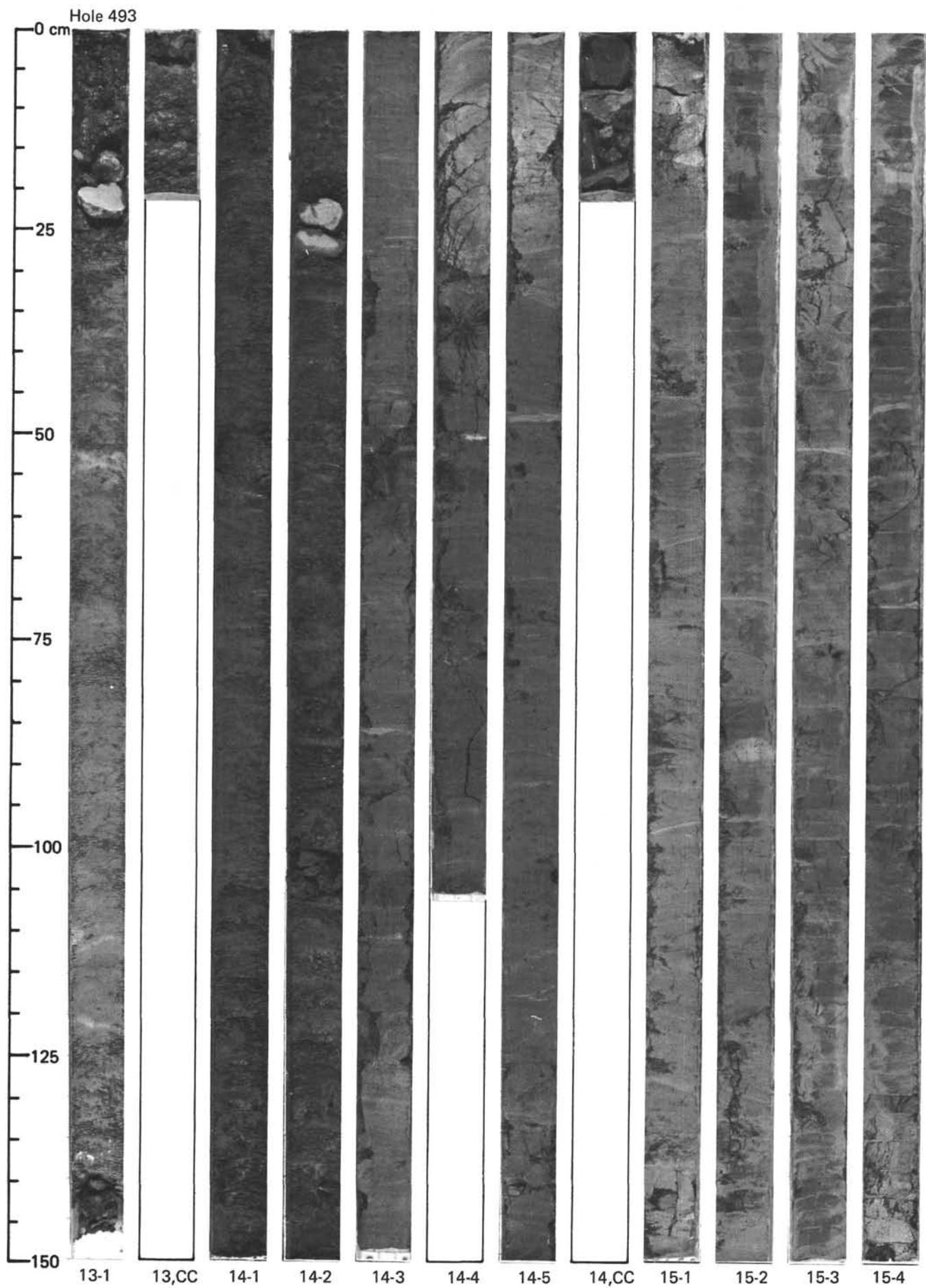
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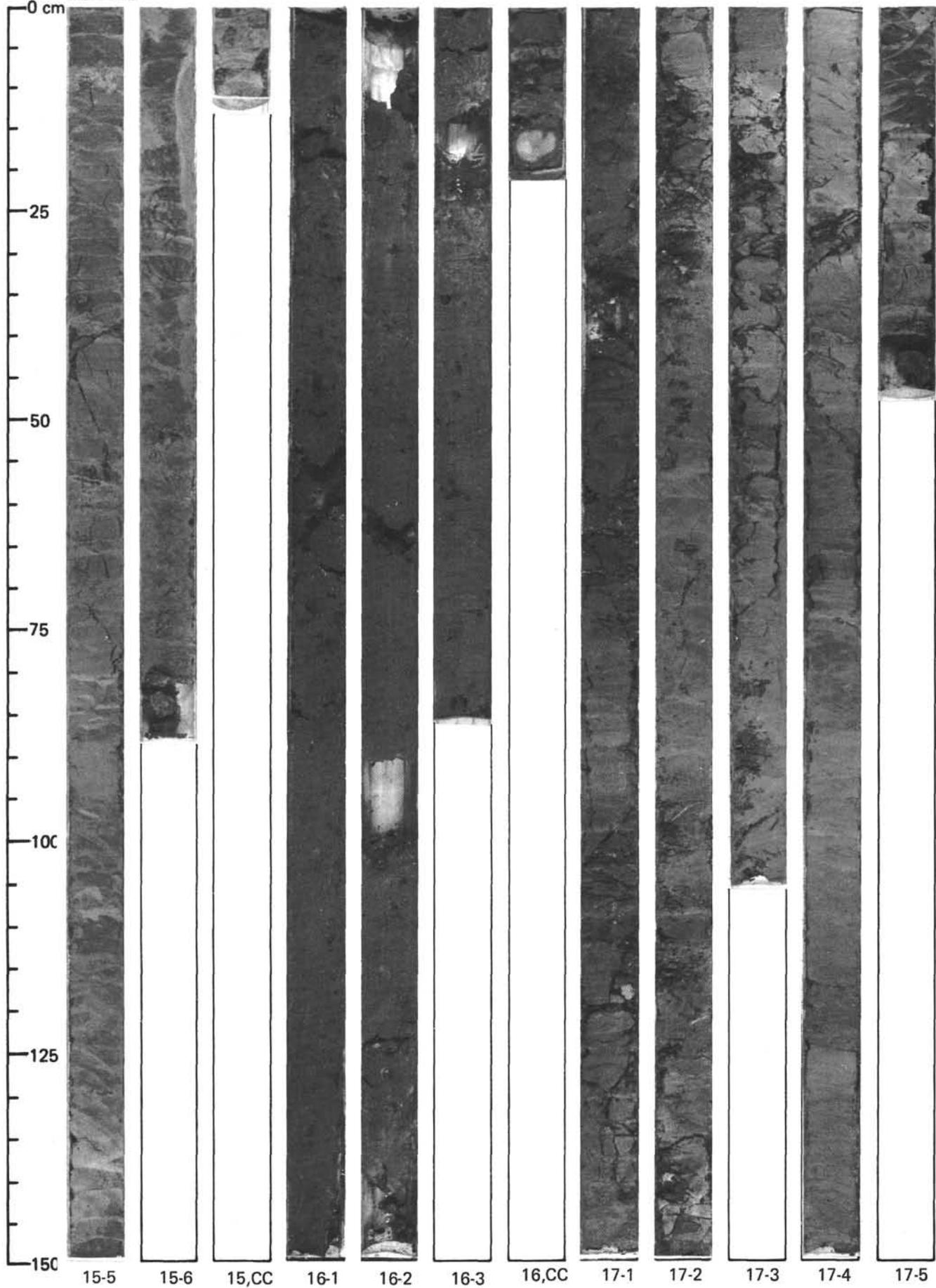


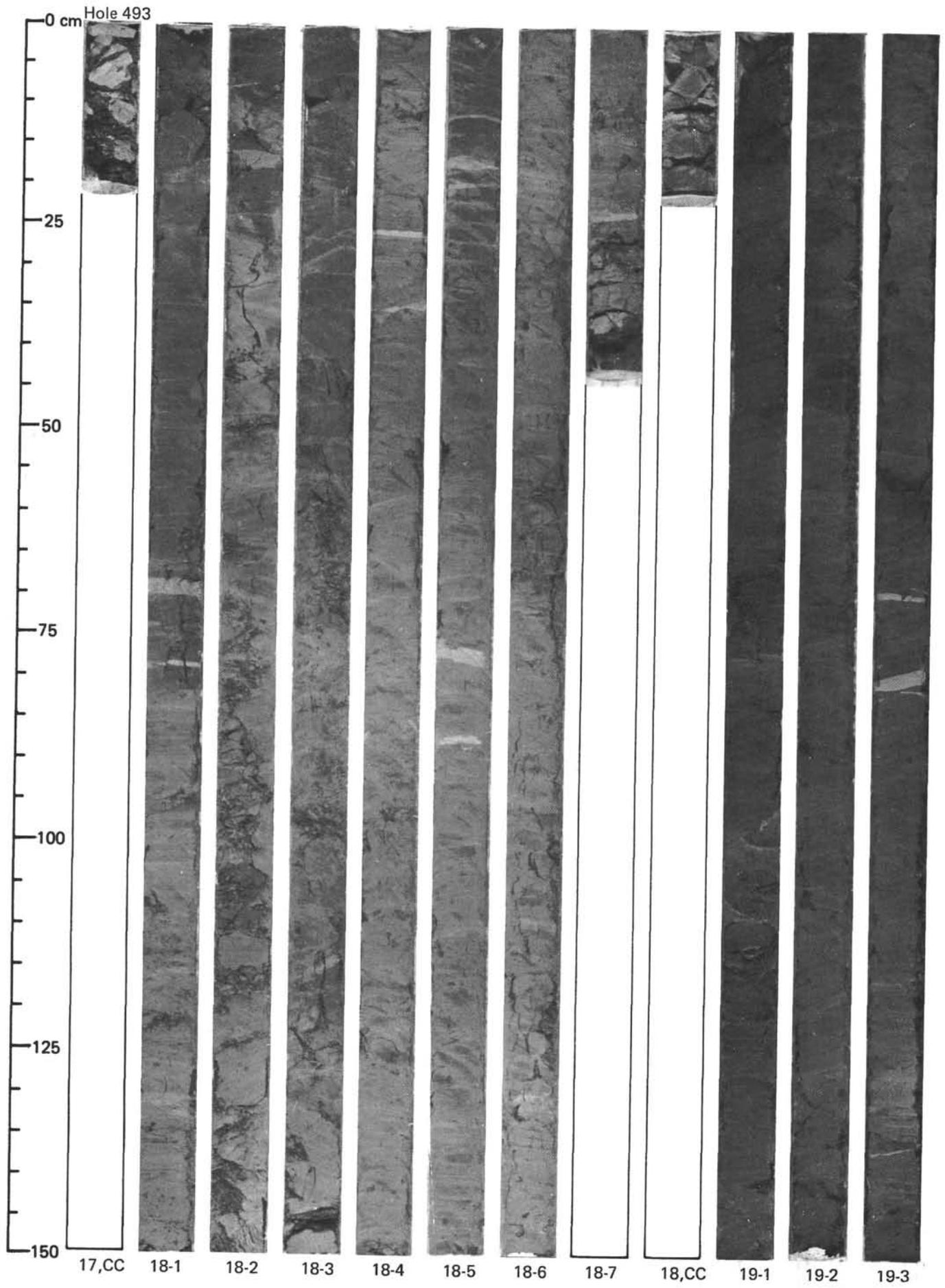
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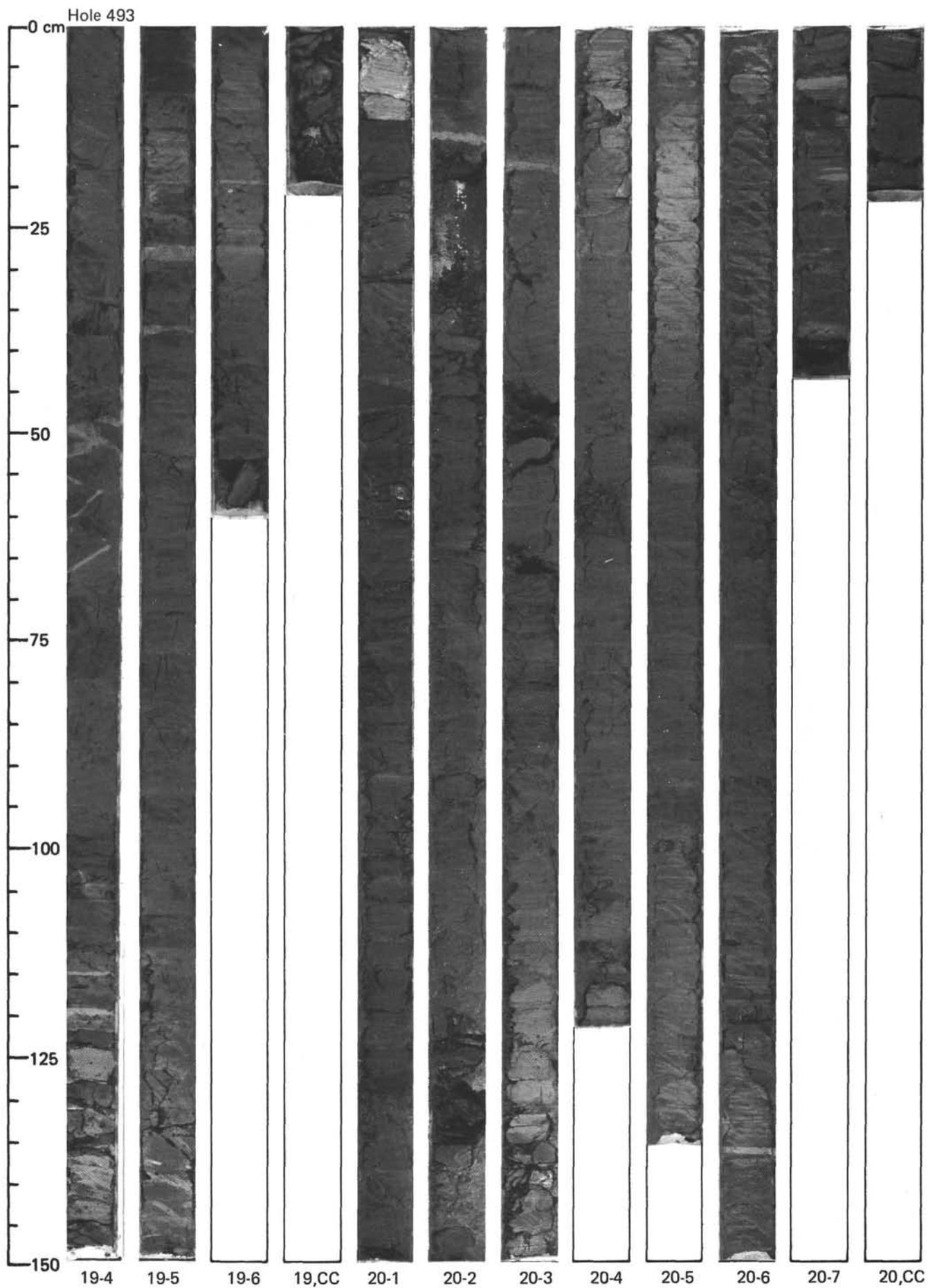


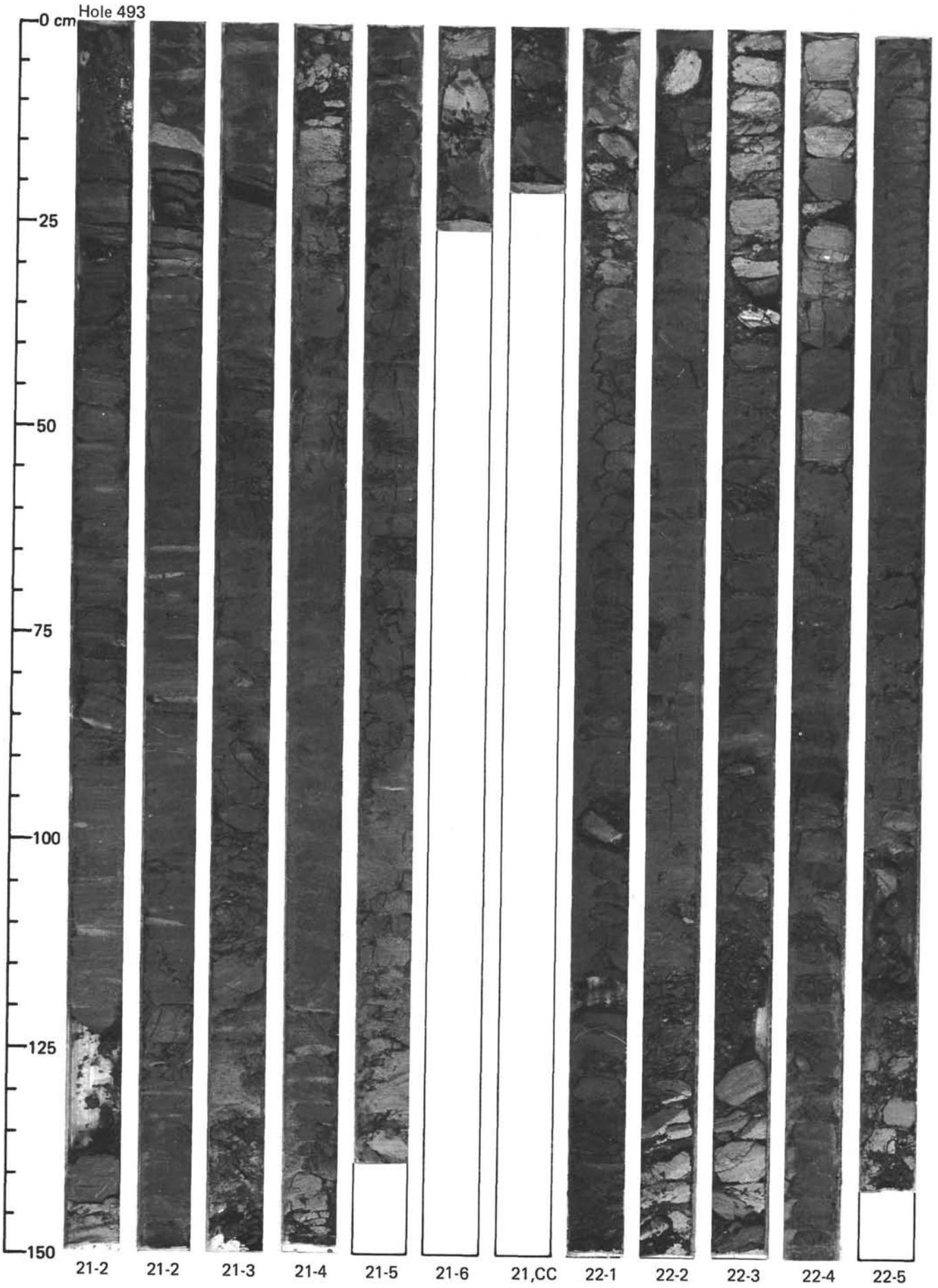


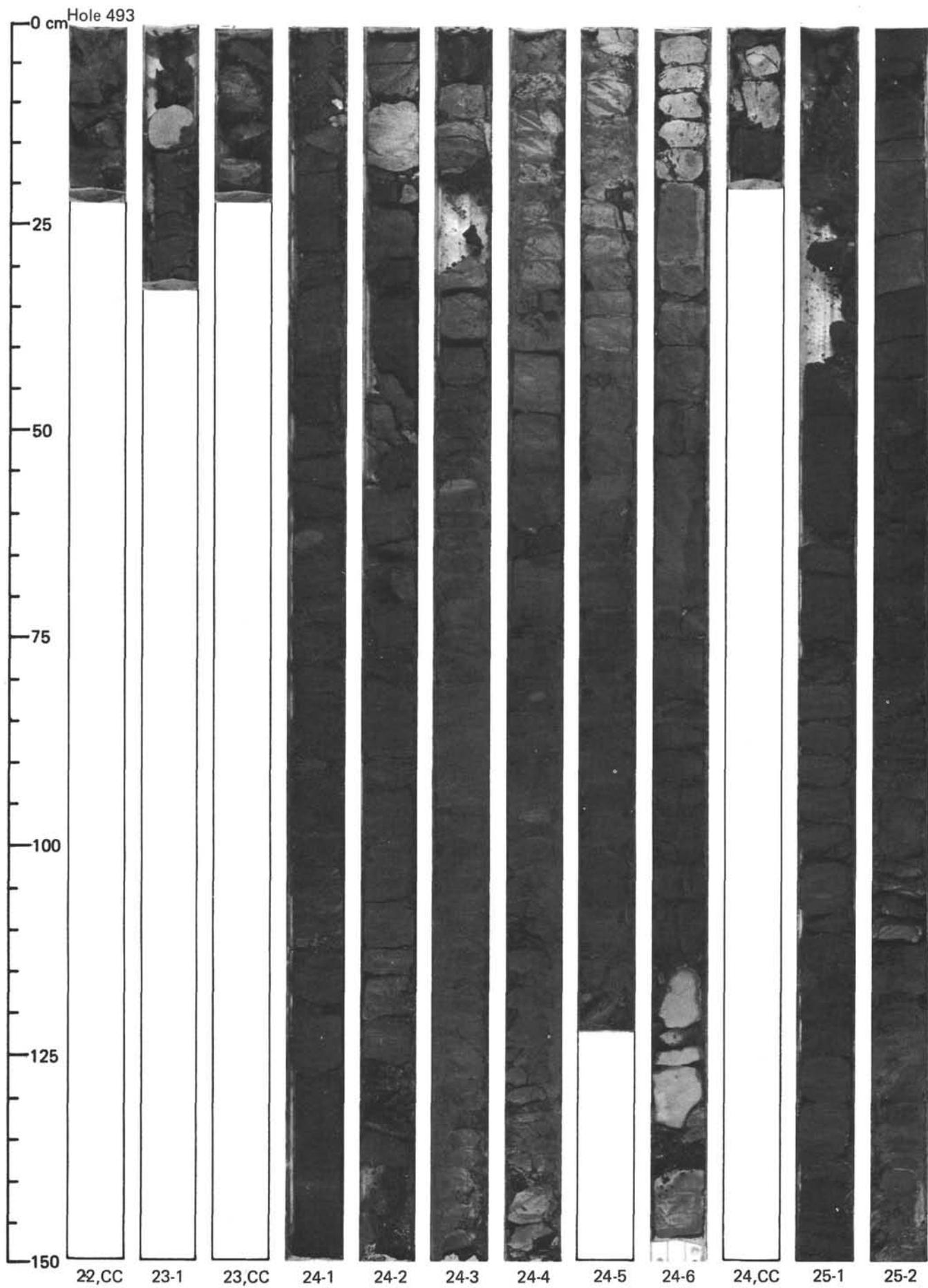
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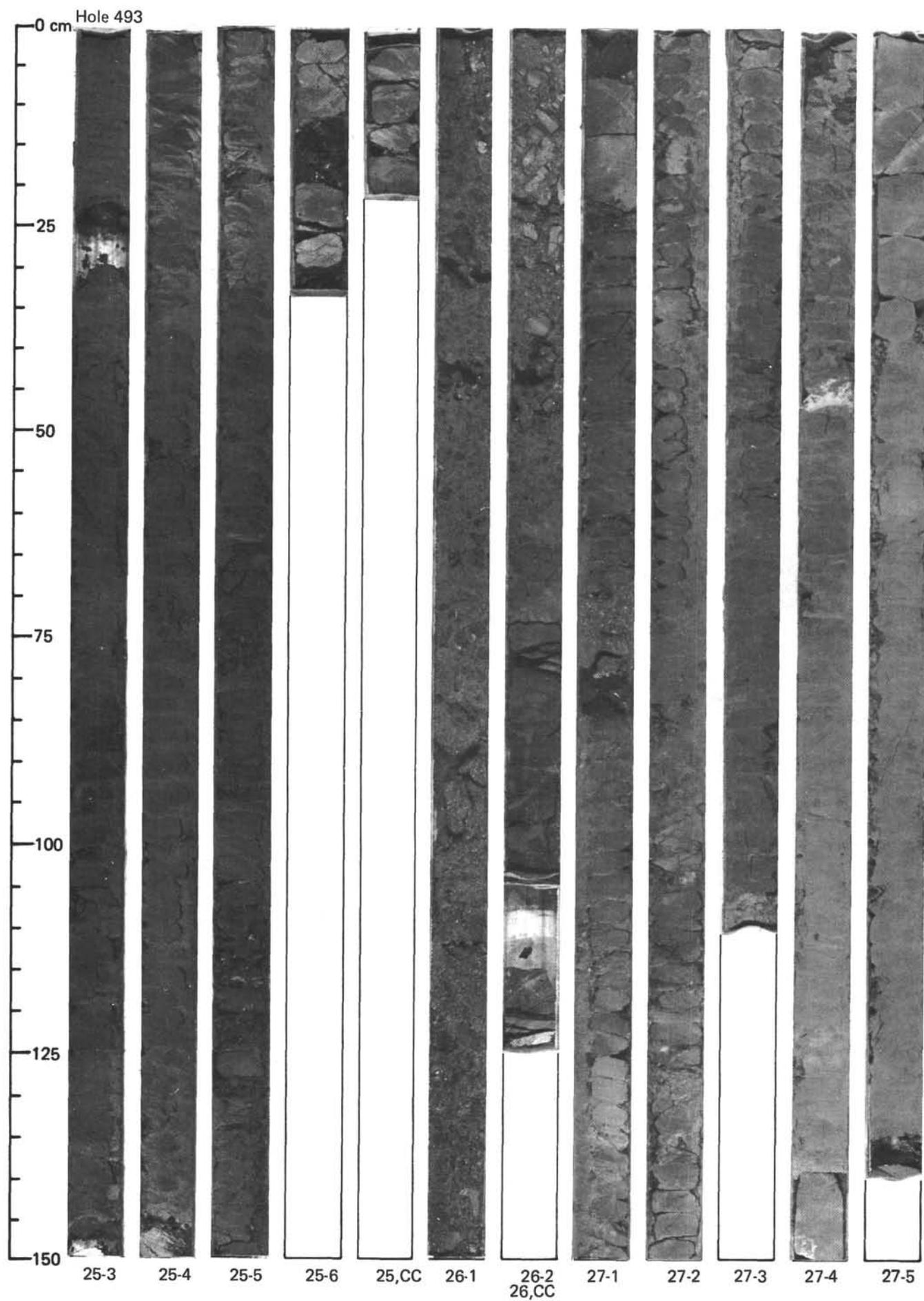


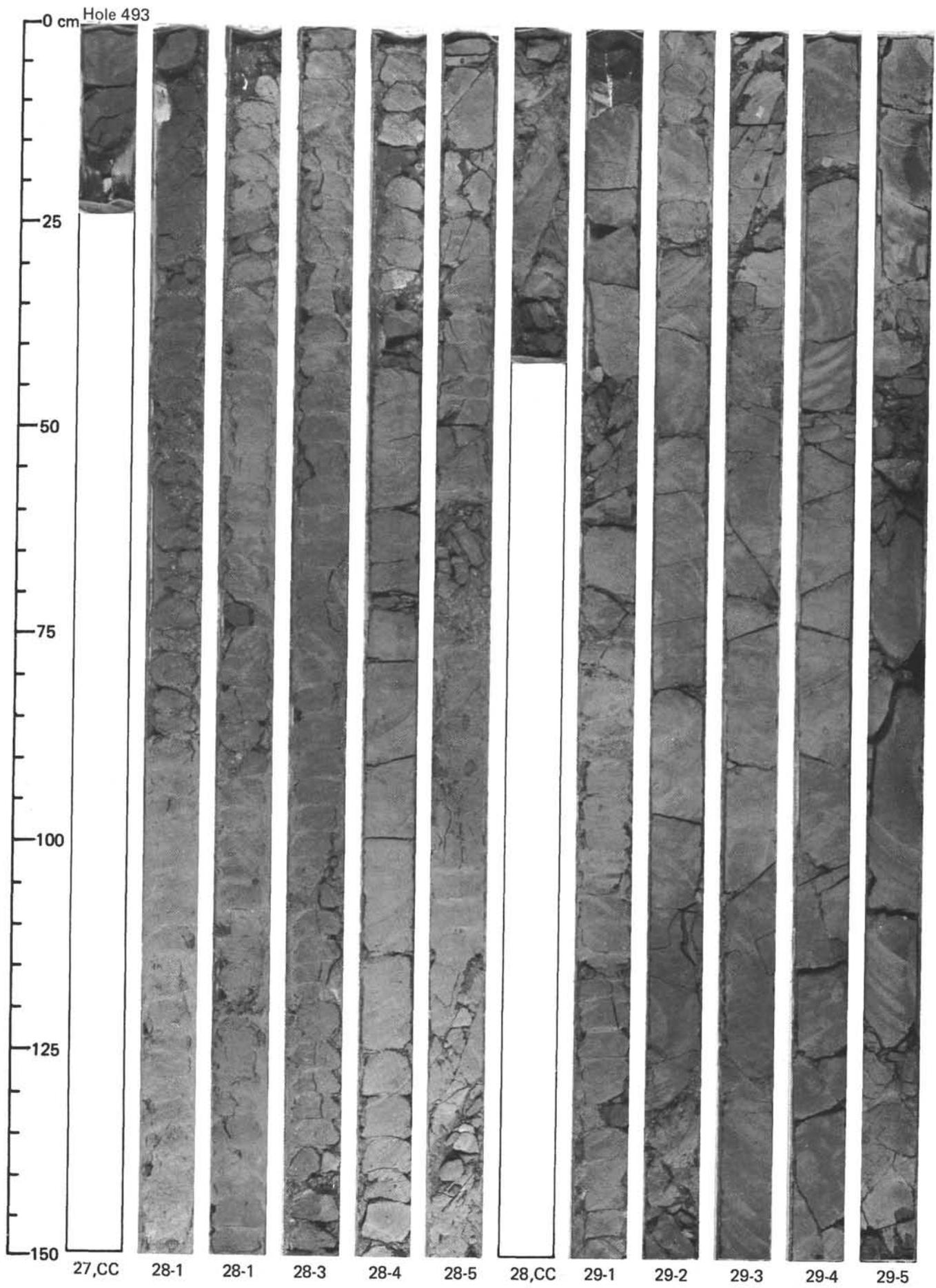


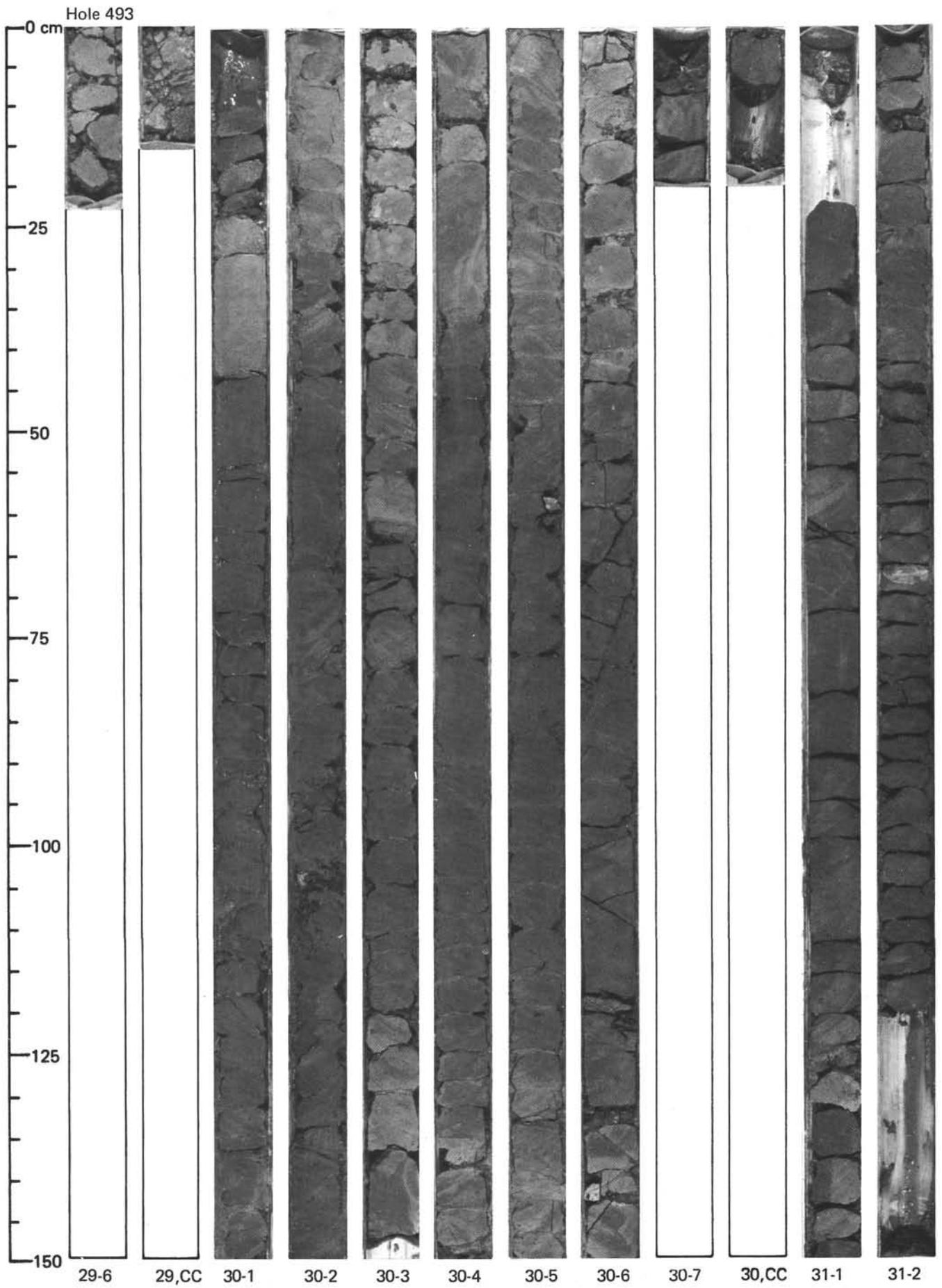


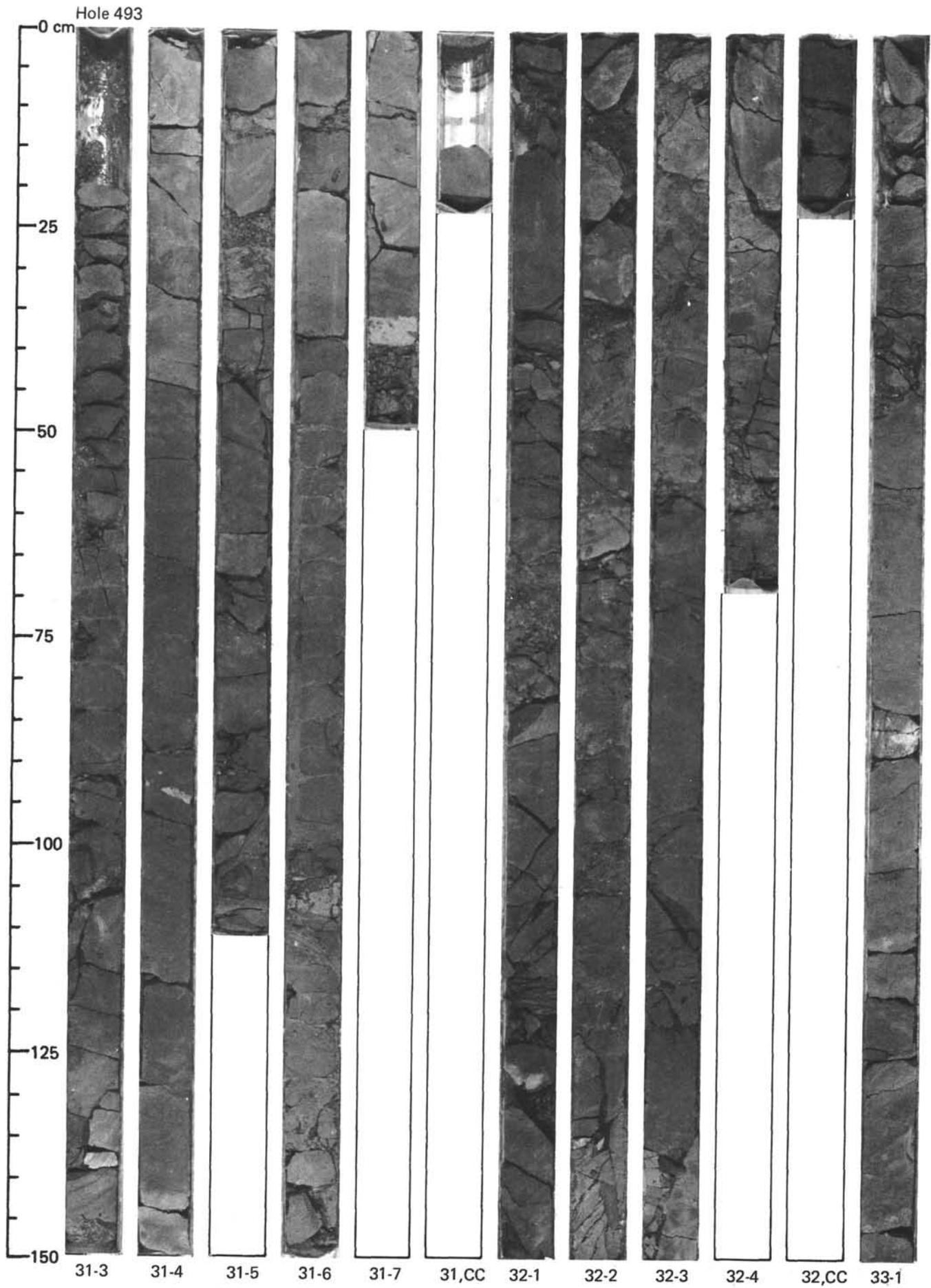


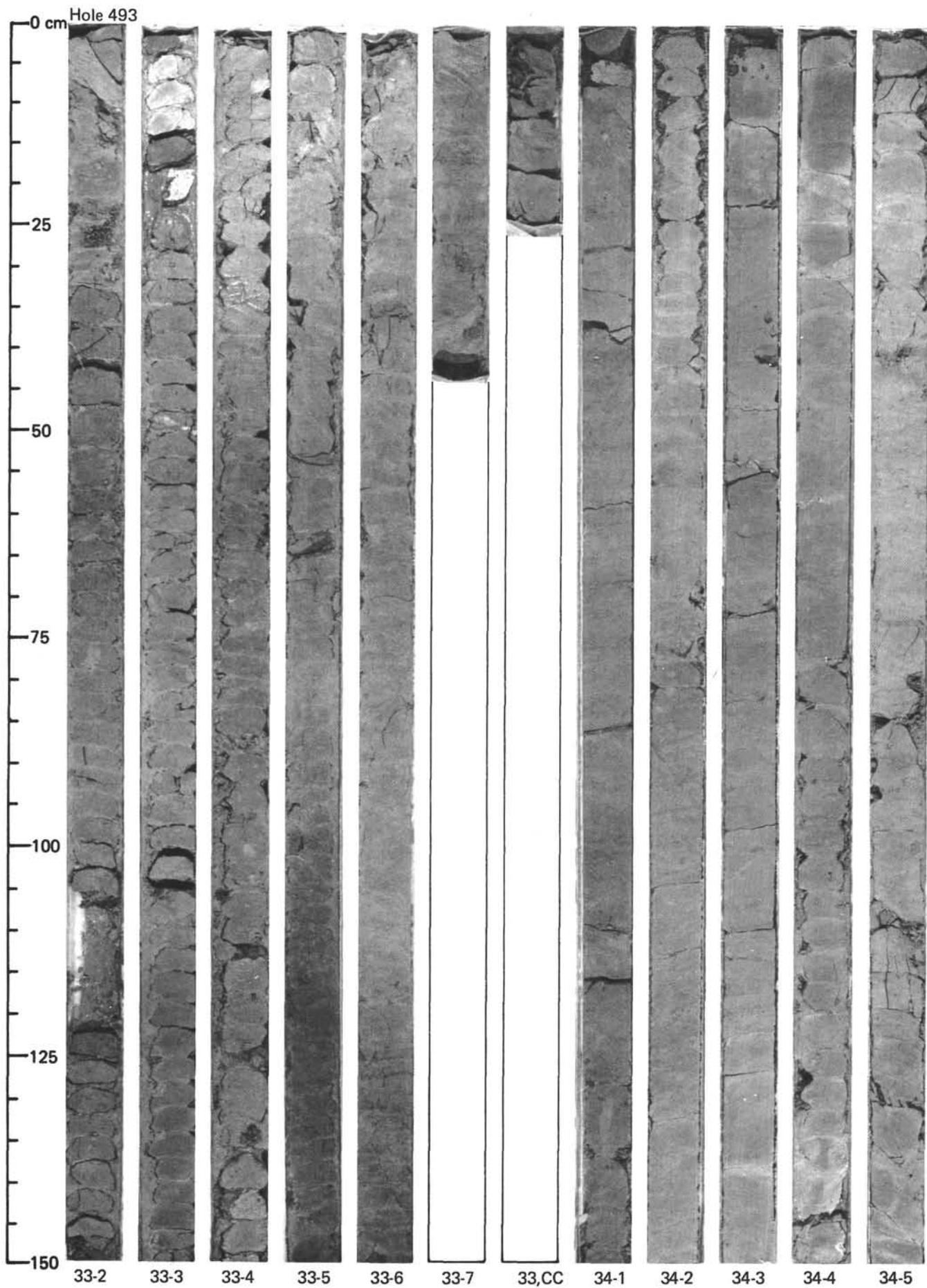












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