42. MIOCENE TO EARLY PLIOCENE OXYGEN AND CARBON ISOTOPE STRATIGRAPHY IN THE SOUTHWEST PACIFIC, DEEP SEA DRILLING PROJECT LEG 90¹

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ABSTRACT

High-resolution oxygen and carbon isotope stratigraphy is presented for Miocene to early Pliocene sequences at three DSDP sites from the Lord Howe Rise, southwest Pacific, at water depths ranging from 1,300 to 2,000 m. Site 588 is located in the warm subtropics (~26°S), whereas Sites 590 and 591 are positioned in transitional (northern temperate) water masses (~31°S). Benthic foraminiferal oxygen and carbon isotope analyses were conducted on all sites; planktonic foraminiferal isotope data were generated for Site 590 only. Sample resolution in these sequences is on the order of 50,000 yr. or better. The chronological framework employed in this study is based largely upon ages assigned to Neogene calcareous nannoplankton boundaries.

The benthic oxygen isotope record exhibits several major features during the Neogene. During most of the early Miocene, δ^{18} O values were relatively low, reaching minimum values in the late early Miocene (19.5 to 16.5 Ma), and recording the climax of Neogene warmth. This was followed by a major increase in benthic δ^{18} O values between ~16.5 and 13.5 Ma, which is interpreted as representing major, permanent accumulation of the East Antarctic ice sheet and cooling of bottom waters. During the 3 m.y. ¹⁸O enrichment, surface waters at these middle latitudes warmed between 16 and 14.5 Ma.

During the remainder of the middle and late Miocene, benthic δ^{18} O values exhibit distinct fluctuations, but the average value remained unchanged. The isotopic data show two distinct episodes of climatic cooling close to the middle/late Miocene boundary. The earliest of these events occurred between 12.5 and 11.5 Ma in the latest middle Miocene. The second cooling event occurred from 11 to 9 Ma, and is marked by some of the highest δ^{18} O values of the entire Miocene. This was followed by relative warmth during the middle part of the late Miocene. The latest Miocene and earliest Pliocene (6.2 to 4.5 Ma) were marked by relatively high δ^{18} O values, indicating increased cooling and glaciation.

During the middle Pliocene, at about 3.4 Ma, a 0.4^{\u03cm} increase in benthic δ^{18} O documents a net increase in average global ice volume and cooling of bottom waters. During this interval of increased glaciation, surface waters warmed by $2-3^{\circ}$ C in southern middle-latitude regions. During the late Pliocene, between 2.6 and 2.4 Ma, a further increase in δ^{18} O occurred; this has been interpreted by previous workers as heralding the onset of Northern Hemisphere glaciation.

Surface-water warming in the middle latitudes occurred in association with major high-latitude glacial increases in the early middle Miocene (16-14 Ma), middle Pliocene (~3.5 Ma), and late Pliocene (~2.4 Ma). These intervals were also marked by increases in the vertical temperature gradient in the open ocean.

Intersite correlation is enhanced by using carbon isotope stratigraphy. The great similarity of the δ^{13} C time-series records within and between ocean basins and with water depth clearly indicates that changes in oceanwide average $\delta^{13}C$ of HCO_{3} in seawater dominated the records, rather than local effects. Broad changes in the Neogene $\delta^{13}C$ record were caused largely by transfer of organic carbon between continental and oceanic reservoirs. These transfers were caused by marine transgressions and regressions on the continental margins.

The dominant feature of Neogene δ^{13} C stratigraphy is a broad late early to early middle Miocene increase of about 1‰ between ~19 and 14.5 Ma. This trend occurred contemporaneously with a period of maximum coastal onlap (transgression) and maximum Neogene climatic warmth. The δ^{13} C trend terminated during the expansion of the Antarctic ice sheet and associated marine regression.

The latest Miocene carbon isotope shift (of up to -0.75%) at 6.2 Ma is clearly recorded in all sites examined and was followed by relatively low values during the remainder of the Neogene. This shift was caused by a glacioeustatic sealevel lowering that exposed continental margins via regression and ultimately increased the flux of organic carbon to the deep sea. An increase in δ^{13} C values during the early Pliocene (~5 to 4 Ma) resulted from marine transgression during a time of global warmth.

INTRODUCTION

Cenozoic cooling, which began in the middle Eocene, proceeded gradually, but was punctuated by sudden transitions from one climatic state to another. Global climate underwent major changes during the Miocene Epoch. The most important change occurred during the early middle Miocene, between ~17 and 14 Ma. A marked increase in δ^{18} O of benthic foraminiferal calcite at this time is commonly interpreted as recording the rapid growth of the East Antarctic ice sheet and associated cooling of high-latitude surface and deep-ocean waters (Savin et al., 1975; Shackleton and Kennett, 1975b; Kennett, 1977; Schnitker, 1980; Keigwin, 1979; Woodruff et al., 1981; Savin et al., 1981). Others have interpreted this increase in δ^{18} O values as reflecting only a decrease in bottom-water temperatures, unaccompanied by any increase in Antarctic ice (Matthews and Poore, 1980).

Oxygen isotope ratios of benthic and planktonic foraminifers indicate that these events were accompanied by a marked increase in the equator-to-pole thermal gradient and an associated decrease in meridional heat transport (Savin et al., 1975, in press). Tropical Pacific nearsurface temperatures increased while high-latitude regions

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cooled as Antarctic ice volume increased during the middle Miocene (Savin et al., in press). Increased latitudinal temperature gradients are recorded by the progressive divergence of tropical planktonic and benthic foraminiferal δ^{18} O curves caused by increasing vertical temperature stratification. The early Miocene was marked by limited Antarctic glaciation, gentler equator-to-pole and tropical surface-to-bottom temperature gradients, and warmer high-latitude surface waters. This early Miocene ocean contrasts sharply with that of the late Miocene, which was more similar to the modern ocean (Matthews et al., 1980).

The primary objective of DSDP Leg 90 was to study the Cenozoic paleoceanographic and paleoclimatic evolution of the South Pacific, with emphasis on the Neogene. A latitudinal traverse of carbonate-rich Neogene sequences was cored during Leg 90 on the Lord Howe Rise and New Zealand Platform. Since these sedimentary sequences were obtained using the hydraulic piston corer (HPC) and the extended core barrel (XCB), they are relatively continuous and undisturbed, and are of great value for studies of high-resolution stratigraphy and paleoceanography. HPC sequences in the relatively soft carbonate ooze that blankets this shallow southwest Pacific region were longer than 200 m in each site studied. At Site 588, the HPC sequence is 315 m thick, the longest ever obtained. This sequence contains a continuous, largely uninterrupted record spanning the past 17 m.y. from the late early Miocene to the Quaternary.

This paper presents a detailed study of oxygen and carbon isotope stratigraphy during the Miocene and early Pliocene in three of the Leg 90 sites: 588, 590, and 591 (Fig. 1; Table 1). A number of features of stratigraphic value were identified in the isotopic records of these continuous, high-resolution sequences. The stratigraphic resolution in these sites is much higher than obtained in previous investigations and thus allows a more detailed examination of Miocene paleoceanographic and paleoclimatic history than was previously possible. This paper describes major trends in the isotopic data and discusses causal mechanisms underlying the changes. Future work will consider detailed correlation of the stable isotope records and further examination of cause/effect relationships.

Site Descriptions

The locations of the three sites are shown in Figure 1, with additional relevant information provided in Table 1. The three sequences are composed of relatively uniform, light-colored, foraminifer-bearing to foraminiferrich nannofossil oozes to chalks throughout the Miocene and Pliocene. Calcium carbonate content is greater than 90% throughout, the terrigenous sedimentary components are virtually nonexistent. Preservation of foraminiferal assemblages is good to excellent in all sections, and deposition always occurred at depths shallower than the foraminiferal lysocline (Kennett and von der Borch, this volume). A noticeable decrease in the quality of preservation of planktonic foraminifers occurs in chalks of early Miocene age at Site 590 and of early middle and early Miocene age at Site 591. Some planktonic foraminiferal specimens from these intervals are slightly recrystallized, but benthic foraminifers show no such change.

Rates of sedimentation show marked changes during the Neogene (Gardner, Dean, et al., this volume). Each of the sites exhibits similar trends. Average early Mio-

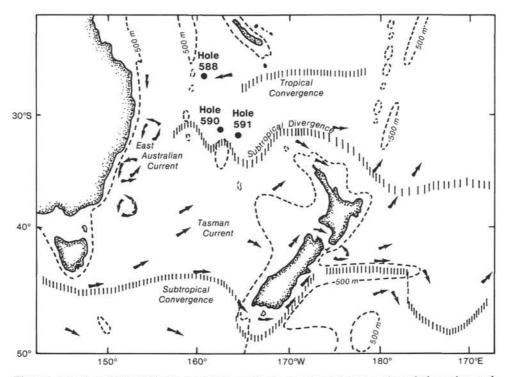


Figure 1. Location of Sites 588, 590, and 591 in relation to modern surface-water boundaries and general circulation in the southwest Pacific (Knox, 1970; Wyrtki, 1974). Dashed line indicates 500 m isobath.

Table 1. Data for sites analyzed in this chapter.

	Site 588	Site 590	Site 591
Latitude (S)	26°06.70'	31°10.02′	31°35.06'
Longitude (E)	161°13.60'	163°21.51'	164°26.92'
Water depth (m)	1533	1299	2131
Modern water mass	Warm-subtropical	Cool-subtropical to transitional	Cool-subtropical to transitional
Thickness of Miocene sequence drilled (m)	288	306	316
Depth at which XCB sub- stituted for HPC (m)	248.6	250.7	283.1
Depth of ooze/chalk transition (m)	260	283.1	290

cene (23 to 16 Ma) carbonate accumulation rates for the open ocean were relatively constant (4.9 g/cm² per 10^3 vr.). Accumulation rates were much more variable from about 15 to 10 Ma (middle Miocene) reaching a peak (up to 13 g/cm² per 10^3 yr.) at approximately 12 Ma. The late Miocene to earliest Pliocene (10 to 4 Ma) was marked by fairly constant and average rates of accumulation (Gardner, Dean, et al., this volume). At about 5 Ma, near the Miocene/Pliocene boundary, accumulation rates again increased, and widespread, shortlived, remarkably high accumulation rates (up to 27 g/cm² per 10³ yr.) occurred between 4 and 3 Ma (late early Pliocene). This does not simply reflect an artifact of the time scale, because a major modification of the time scale would be required substantially to change the pattern of increased sedimentation rates. Relatively high rates of sedimentation during this interval have also been reported elsewhere for areas such as the Columbia Basin and the Caribbean Sea (Prell, Gardner, et al., 1982). These high rates during the late early Pliocene were particularly pronounced at Sites 590 and 591 and were due to high productivity of calcareous biogenic material (site chapters, this volume), related to the position of the Subtropical Divergence (Tasman Front) that crosses the Tasman Sea in the vicinity of Sites 590 and 591 (Fig. 1). Sedimentation rates are much lower to the north (Site 588) and south (Site 592). Accumulation rates during the late Pliocene were much lower than in the early Pliocene, but remained higher than average Neogene rates.

Oceanographic Setting

The physical oceanography has not been studied in much detail in the region of the three sites used in this study (Fig. 1). Knox (1970) and Wyrtki (1974) showed the position of the major surface-water masses and their boundaries, and directions of surface-water flow in the region (Fig. 1). Site 588 lies within the warm-subtropical water mass, whereas Sites 590 and 591 lie close to the present-day position of the Subtropical Divergence (Tasman Front) that separates warm-subtropical and temperate water masses (Denham and Crook, 1976; Stanton, 1979, 1981). The Subtropical Divergence represents the southern extent of the South Pacific subtropical gyre as the East Australian Current turns to the east, passing to the north of the barrier formed by New Zealand. Upwelling at the Subtropical Divergence is caused by the divergence of the two surface-water masses and the interaction of the eastward-flowing gyral circulation with the Lord Howe Rise (Stanton, 1981). This has created

high biogenic sedimentation rates, which in the late Neogene ranged up to 131 m/m.y. at Site 591, the site closest to the Divergence.

Sites 588 and 590 are located in similar water depths, 1500 and 1300 m, respectively, yet bottom-water temperatures at Site 590 are 0.5° C warmer (Site 588 = 3.75° C; Site 590 = 4.25° C), because of the eastward passage across this area of the warm waters contained in the subtropical gyre.

The sites on the Lord Howe Rise have moved about 5° to the north during the Neogene as the result of the movement of the Indo-Australian Plate (Sclater et al., in press). The northward movement of these sites into warmer waters during the Neogene should be reflected by planktonic assemblages indicative of increasingly warm surface water and by lower planktonic δ^{18} O values, unless the water masses themselves changed latitudinal positions.

Stratigraphy and Chronology

Rich calcareous microfossil assemblages facilitated biostratigraphic subdivision of the sequences. Calcareous nannoplankton and planktonic foraminiferal zonal boundaries are from Lohman (this volume) and Jenkins and Srinivasan (this volume), as summarized in the Introduction (this volume). The nannoplankton zonal boundaries were determined using uneven sample spacing ranging from a few cm to up to 8 m, resulting in varying precision in the placement of individual zonal boundaries. Planktonic foraminiferal zonal boundaries were determined by examining core-catcher samples only (i.e., at 9 m stratigraphic intervals). Minor adjustments were made on zonal boundary positions in the late Miocene and Pliocene of Site 590, as discussed by Elmstrom and Kennett (this volume).

The chronological framework employed here is based upon ages assigned to Neogene calcareous nannoplankton zonal (NN) boundaries (Table 2) by Berggren (1981), and the scheme was uniformly applied by the Leg 90 scientific group (Introduction, this volume). I have also adopted an age of 6.2 Ma for the NN11a/11b boundary. The chronology of the latest Miocene through early Quaternary of Site 590 was that used by Elstrom and Kennett (this volume), with some minor modifications from the scheme used by the Leg 90 group. The chronological

Table 2. Ages assigned to boundaries between nannofossil NN zones to establish chronological framework in this paper.

NN zones	Ma	NN zones	Ма
NN19/20	0.55	NN10/11a	9.50
18/19	1.90	9/10	11.00
17/18	2.30	8/9	12.00
16/17	2.40	7/8	12.20
15/16	3.45	6/7	13.00
14/15	3.65	5/6	15.00
13/14	4.10	4/5	17.00
12/13	4.60	3/4	17.80
11b/12	5.20	2/3	19.00
11a/11b	6.20	1/2	20.50

intercalibration used by Berggren (1981) and most other workers for the past 10 years is based upon a correlation between Chron 9 and Anomaly 5. This scheme places the middle/late Miocene boundary at 11 Ma. After Leg 90 was completed, a major adjustment to the Neogene time scale was made by Berggren, Kent, and Van Couvering (1985), based upon a correlation between Chron 11 and Anomaly 5 (Barron et al., in press). If this correlation is accepted, then an age of 8.92 to 10.42 Ma must be assigned to Chron 11 in accordance with the Berggren, Kent, and Flynn (1985) paleomagnetic time scale. In this scheme, the middle Miocene/late Miocene boundary, which is correlated with upper Chron 11, is assigned an age of 9.5 Ma (Barron et al., in press). This change also requires a shift of about 1.5 to 2 m.y. toward younger ages for much of the late Miocene and late middle Miocene. Nevertheless, to maintain consistency among the Leg 90 contributions, the older time scale is employed here.

All three sites contain continuous sedimentary sequences except for an unconformity at 456 m at Site 590. This unconformity contains the interval from the upper part of the *Globorotalia miozea* Zone (late early Miocene) to the lower part of the *G. fohsi* s.l. Zone (early middle Miocene). The calcareous nannoplankton do not indicate an unconformity at this level, but suggest instead the NN4 and part of NN5 are missing at 470.3 m. In this study I recognize the hiatus at 456 m and place its age between about 18 and 16.5 Ma (latest early Miocene).

Sample intervals for the isotopic analyses in the three sites were, for the most part, evenly spaced at 75 cm (Appendix). The quantity of time represented between samples varies according to changes in sedimentation rates. For much of the Miocene, sedimentation rates ranged from 1.5 to 3 cm/10³ yr., which provides a sampling interval of about 25×10^3 yr. In the Pliocene, sedimentation rates were much higher, ranging from about 5 to 13 cm/10³ yr. This provides a sampling interval of about 5 to 15×10^3 yr. Sampling intervals for isotope analyses are smaller than those used to define the positions of the calcareous nannoplankton boundaries and hence the isotope record is of higher resolution than the chronological framework.

METHODS

Samples were disaggregated by soaking in buffered Calgon solution, washed over a 63 μ m sieve, and oven-dried at 50°C.

Isotopic analyses were performed on the planktonic foraminifers of the *Globigerinoides immaturus-G. quadrilobatus-G. sacculifera* lineage in Site 590 in the 295-412 μ m fraction. The relatively small size fraction was used to minimize the effect of size on isotopic variability (Berger et al., 1978; Killingley et al., 1981).

Isotopic analyses were performed on four benthic species (>150 μ m size fraction) because no species extends throughout the entire Miocene (Appendix). *Cibicidoides coryelli* or *Oridorsalis umbonatus* were analyzed in the lower portion of the section, incorporating part of the early Miocene; *C. wuellerstorfi* was analyzed in the middle part of the section and *C. kullenbergi* in the upper part of the sequence. The middle part of the sequence of Site 591 was analyzed using either *C. kullenbergi* or *C. wuellerstorfi*. *Cibicidoides wuellerstorfi* and *C. kullenbergi* have been shown to be isotopically indistinguishable within analytical error. The isotopic systematics of *Cibicidoides* spp. and *Oridorsalis* spp. have been discussed by Savin et al. (1981) and Loutit, Kennett, et al., (1983). *C. wuellerstorfi* is 1.06‰ lower in δ^{13} C than *C*.

wuellerstorfi (Savin et al., 1981). With respect to δ^{18} O, C. wuellerstorfi deposits its test out of oxygen isotopic equilibrium by 0.72‰, whereas Oridorsalis is closer to equilibrium (-0.03‰) (Savin et al., 1981).

Almost all analyses in this study were performed on *Cibicidoides* spp. No adjustments were made to the data for disequilibrium effects known for this genus. Because only a few measurements were made on *Oridorsalis* spp., the values of this form were adjusted relative to *Cibicidoides* by adding + 1.06% for δ^{13} C and subtracting 0.72 for δ^{18} O as suggested by Savin et al. (1981).

Specimens selected for isotopic analysis were ultrasonically cleaned in reagent-grade methanol and roasted *in vacuo* at 400°C for 1 hr. The samples were then reacted in 100% orthophosphoric acid at 50°C. The evolved CO₂ was purified by distilling four times and was analyzed for ¹⁸O/¹⁶O and ¹³C/¹²C ratios using an on-line VG Micromass 602D mass spectrometer. The analytical precision of the mass spectrometer is $\pm 0.1\%$ for both δ^{18} O and δ^{13} C, which is based upon the analyses of a laboratory standard of powdered B-1 (Orchardo, in the Appendix to Murphy and Kennett, this volume). This standard was analyzed at the beginning and end of each day. All isotopic results are expressed as per mil difference from PDB.

RESULTS

All isotopic results are presented in the Appendix. For each of the sites, the isotopic data were plotted against both depth and age and a three-point running average of the isotopic data was plotted against age. For Site 588, the data are plotted in Figures 2, 3, and 4; for Site 590 in Figures 5, 6, and 7; and for Site 591 in Figures 8, 9, and 10.

Site 588

Benthic Foraminiferal Oxygen Isotopes

The main features of Miocene benthic oxygen isotope records are exhibited by Figures 3 and 4. During the early Miocene, a slow, progressive decrease in δ^{18} O values (apparent warming) occurred, reaching several minima (maximum isotopic temperatures) during the late early Miocene between about 19.5 and 17 Ma. Within this interval of optimal Neogene warmth, an episode of slightly higher δ^{18} O values (apparent cooling) occurred between 19 and 18 Ma.

From 17 Ma (latest early Miocene) to about 13.5 Ma (middle middle Miocene), δ^{18} O values increased by about 1.5‰. This increase, recognized in most deep-sea sedimentary sections, represents a shift in average values of about 1‰ from the early Miocene to the late Miocene.

From about 13.5 Ma (middle middle Miocene) to about 4 Ma (early Pliocene), the benthic δ^{18} O values remained permanently offset, but exhibit no apparent long-term trends. There were, however, significant fluctuations during this interval. Within this 13.5 to 4 Ma interval, episodes interpreted as having been warmer and with less polar ice occurred between about 13 and 12 Ma (late middle Miocene), 7.5 and 6.2 (middle late Miocene), and 5.2 and 4 Ma (early Pliocene). Episodes interpreted as having been cooler and with more polar ice occurred from about 11 to 10 Ma (earliest late Miocene) and 6.2 to 5.2 Ma (latest Miocene).

Benthic Foraminiferal Carbon Isotopes

The Miocene benthic carbon isotope record (Figs. 3 and 4) exhibits both short-term and long-term variabili-

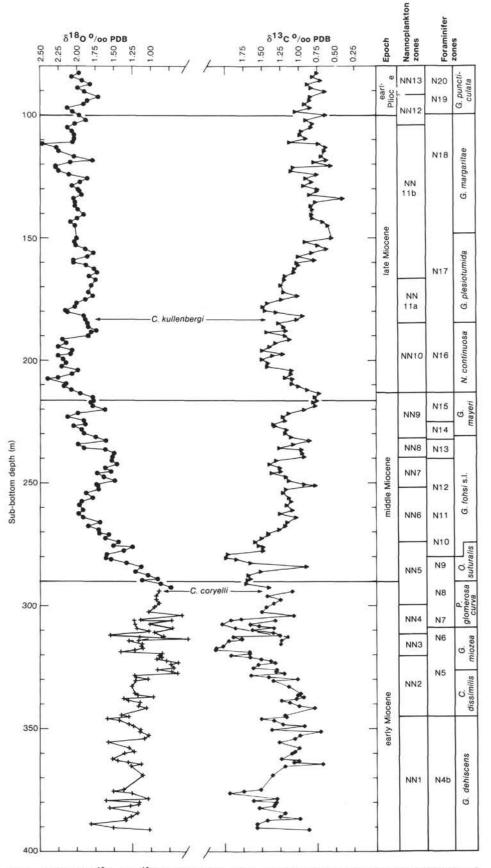


Figure 2. Benthic δ^{18} O and δ^{13} C for Holes 588, 588A, and 588C plotted against depth at Site 588 and biostratigraphic zonations for calcareous nannoplankton (Lohman, this volume) and planktonic foraminifers (Jenkins and Srinivasan, this volume).

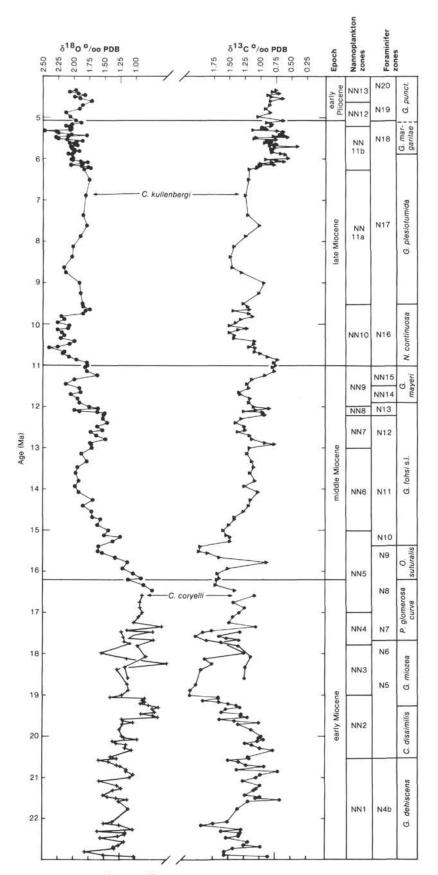


Figure 3. Benthic δ^{18} O and δ^{13} C for Holes 588, 588A, and 588C plotted against age at Site 588 and biostratigraphic zonations for calcareous nannoplankton (Lohman, this volume) and planktonic foraminifers (Jenkins and Srinivasan, this volume).

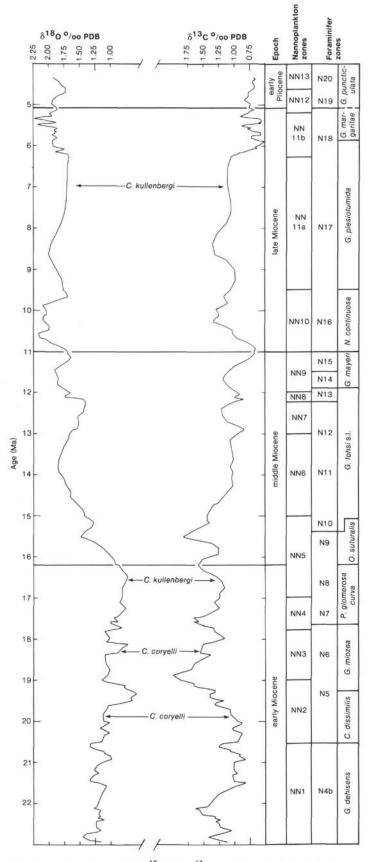


Figure 4. Smoothed benthic δ^{18} O and δ^{13} C data (three-point running averages) for Holes 588, 588A, and 588C and biostratigraphic zonations for Site 588, plotted against age.

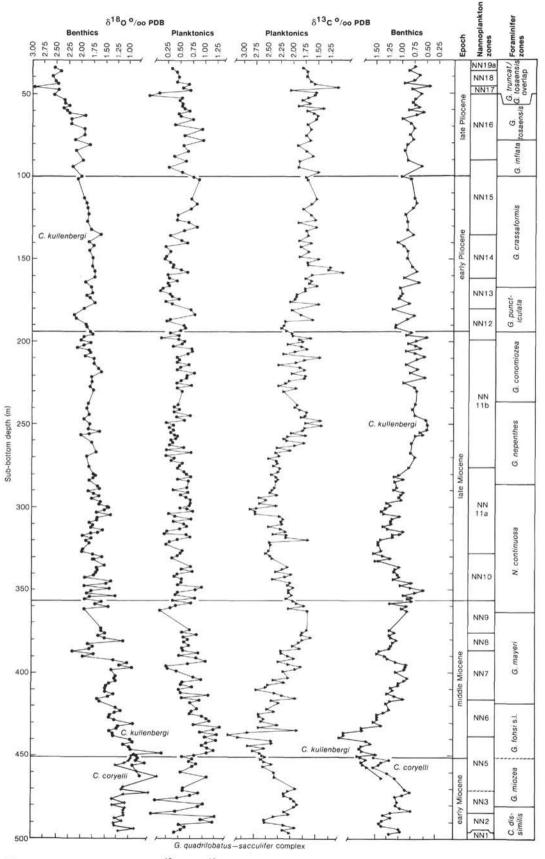


Figure 5. Benthic and planktonic δ^{18} O and δ^{13} C for Holes 590A and 590B plotted against depth in Site 590 and biostratigraphic zonations for calcareous nannoplankton (Lohman, this volume) and planktonic foraminifers (Jenkins and Srinivasan, this volume).

ty. Relatively high δ^{13} C values mark the earliest Miocene between about 23 and 22 Ma, followed by lower values between 22 and 19.5 Ma. This, in turn, was followed by the most conspicuous feature of the Neogene benthic carbon isotope record: a period of increased δ^{13} C values from the late early Miocene to the early middle Miocene, between 19.5 and 15 Ma. The increase leading to these high δ^{13} C values consisted of a shift of about 1‰ that occurred between ~19.8 and 18.8 Ma. Although overall values were high during this interval, distinct fluctuations occurred, including minima centered at 18.0, 17.0, and 15.8 Ma. The return to lower values is also distinctive, consisting of a -1% shift between 15.4 and 14.2 in the early middle Miocene. Following this major mid-Neogene episode, there were no such major fluctuations in δ^{13} C during the remainder of the middle and late Miocene except for a negative peak centered at about 11.2 Ma near the middle/late Miocene boundary. Following this, the most distinctive change in the Neogene benthic carbon isotope record occurred during the late Miocene at about 6.2 Ma, representing a marked shift in δ^{13} C values of about -0.7%. This represents the wellknown latest Miocene carbon isotope shift (see Vincent et al., 1980, for review). Generally lower values mark the remainder of the latest Miocene and the early Pliocene, although there was a trend toward slightly higher values during the early Pliocene (5.2 to 4 Ma). The record from Site 588 suggests that the most important events in δ^{13} C occurred at ~22 to 21.6 Ma; 19.8 to 19 Ma; 15.4 to 14.2 Ma; and 6.2 Ma.

Site 590

Benthic Foraminiferal Oxygen Isotopes

Sedimentation at Site 590 was continuous except for an unconformity centered in the latest early Miocene between about 18 and 16.5 Ma. The early Miocene exhibits relatively low δ^{18} O values, with the lowest values for the entire Neogene probably dated between about 19 and 18 Ma. From the latest early Miocene (about 16.5 Ma) until about 13 Ma, δ^{18} O values increased irregularly by about 1‰.

During the remainder of the Miocene and early Pliocene, average values remained unchanged, although important oscillations occurred. These include an episode of lower values (warmer temperatures) centered at about 12.5 Ma followed rapidly by a brief interval of higher values centered at 12.2 Ma. An interval of high values is also centered at about 4.8 Ma in the earliest Pliocene.

Important positive shifts ($\sim 0.75\%$) occurred during the Pliocene between about 3.5 Ma and 2.2 Ma; these changes are discussed in detail by Elmstrom and Kennett (this volume).

Planktonic Foraminiferal Oxygen Isotopes

The planktonic oxygen isotope record (Figs. 6 and 7) generally exhibits higher variability than the benthic record, especially during the early Miocene, latest Miocene, and Pliocene. The high variability in the early Miocene, between 20 and 18 Ma, of up to 1.3‰, is considered to have resulted from recrystallization of planktonic foraminiferal tests.

The early middle Miocene exhibits distinctly lower values (warmer isotopic temperatures) between 16 and 14.5 Ma. This was followed by the well-known δ^{18} O increase (of about 1‰), which continued in the δ^{18} O planktonic record at this site until about 12.4 Ma. Following this, no apparent long-term trends occurred during the latest middle and late Miocene in planktonic δ^{18} O until 6 Ma. At that time, a distinct positive shift occurred of about 0.5% (cooler temperatures). Average latest Miocene to Pliocene values are almost 0.5% higher than during the earlier part of the late Miocene. After 6 Ma, several distinct planktonic δ^{18} O oscillations occurred, including an increase between about 4.6 Ma and 3.7 Ma (0.5‰) and another increase beginning at 3 Ma and continuing to the Pleistocene (at least to 1.8 Ma). Intervals marked by lower values occurred between 5.4 and 5.2, between 4.8 and 4.6, and between 3.7 and 3 Ma. Detailed descriptions of these changes have been made by Elmstrom and Kennett (this volume).

Benthic and Planktonic Foraminiferal Carbon Isotopes

Distinct parallelism occurs between benthic and planktonic carbon isotope records (Figs. 6 and 7), including many of the short-term oscillations, although the amplitude of change often differs. Because of their similarity of change, the records are described as one. The earliest Miocene sequence (20.8 to 18 Ma), preceding the unconformity, exhibits relatively low δ13C values. A major increase in δ^{13} C (~1.2‰) occurred during the latest early Miocene to early middle Miocene, with highest values centered at about 15 Ma. This is the most distinct carbon isotope episode of the Neogene. Following this broad early middle Miocene peak, there was a somewhat irregular decrease in δ^{13} C values, which reached particularly low values between about 11.5 and 10.5 Ma, close to the middle/late Miocene boundary. Values again increased toward a maximum in the middle late Miocene between about 9.5 and 8 Ma. In the latest Miocene at 6.2, a distinct, rapid, negative carbon isotope shift occurred that is synchronous with the Chron 6 carbon isotope shift. The carbon isotope change in the planktonic record (-0.9%) is almost double that exhibited in the benthic record (~0.4‰). Relatively low δ^{13} C values mark the remainder of the late Neogene sequence. Following the Miocene/Pliocene boundary, at 5.2 Ma, a temporary increase in δ^{13} C occurred. This, in turn, was followed by a return to generally lower values typical of the middle and late Pliocene. Details of these changes are described in Elmstrom and Kennett (this volume).

Site 591

Benthic Foraminiferal Oxygen Isotopes

The stable isotope record at Site 591 extends from the late early Miocene (17 Ma) to the middle Pliocene (4 Ma) (Figs. 8–10). The benthic δ^{18} O record exhibits the lowest values (warmest isotopic temperatures) at about 17 Ma. From 17 Ma (latest early Miocene) to about 14.5 Ma, an irregular increase in δ^{18} O values of about 1.25‰ occurred, synchronous with the early middle Miocene shift observed in other sites. The time of maximum change occurred between ~16 and 15.2 Ma. Although

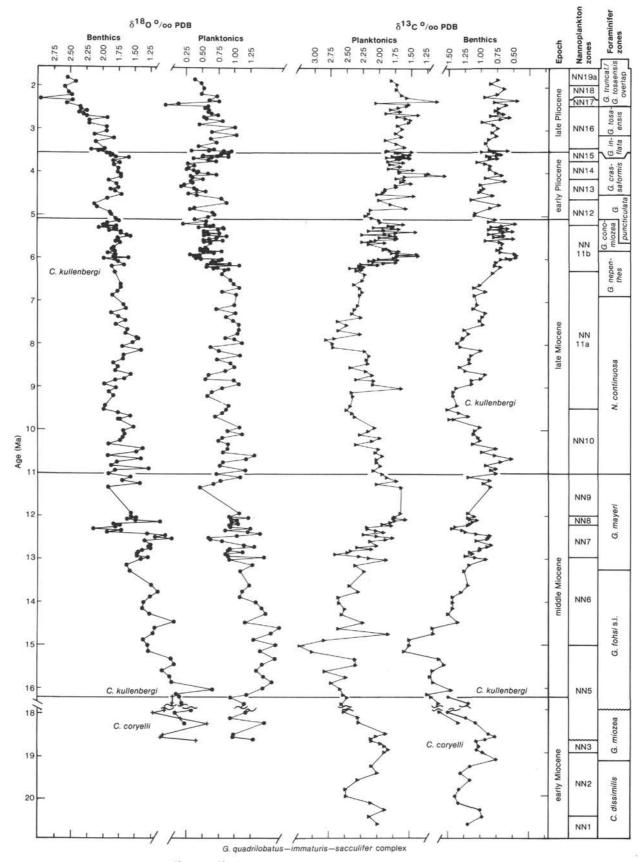


Figure 6. Benthic and planktonic δ^{18} O and δ^{13} C for Holes 590A and 590B plotted against age in Site 590 and biostratigraphic zonation for calcareous nannoplankton (Lohman, this volume) and planktonic foraminifers (Jenkins and Srinivasan, this volume). Note unconformity between 16.5 and 18 Ma.

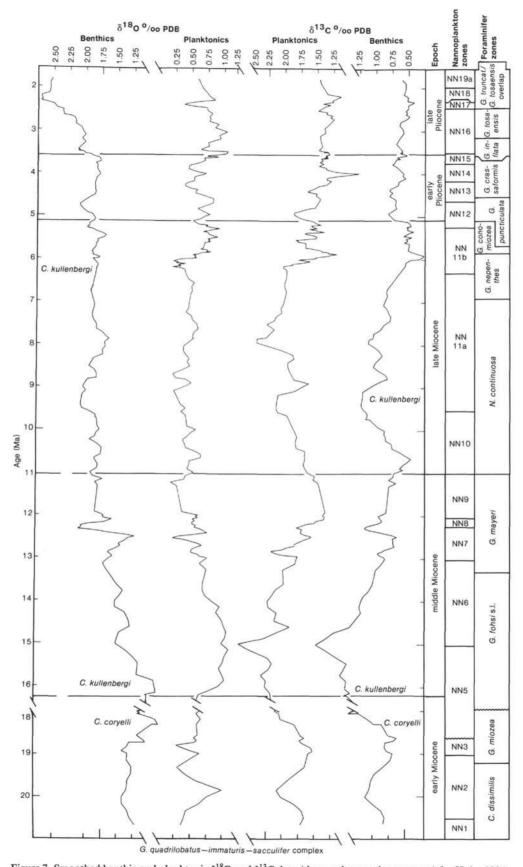


Figure 7. Smoothed benthic and planktonic δ^{18} O and δ^{13} C data (three-point running averages) for Holes 590A and 590B and biostratigraphic zonations for Site 590, plotted against age.

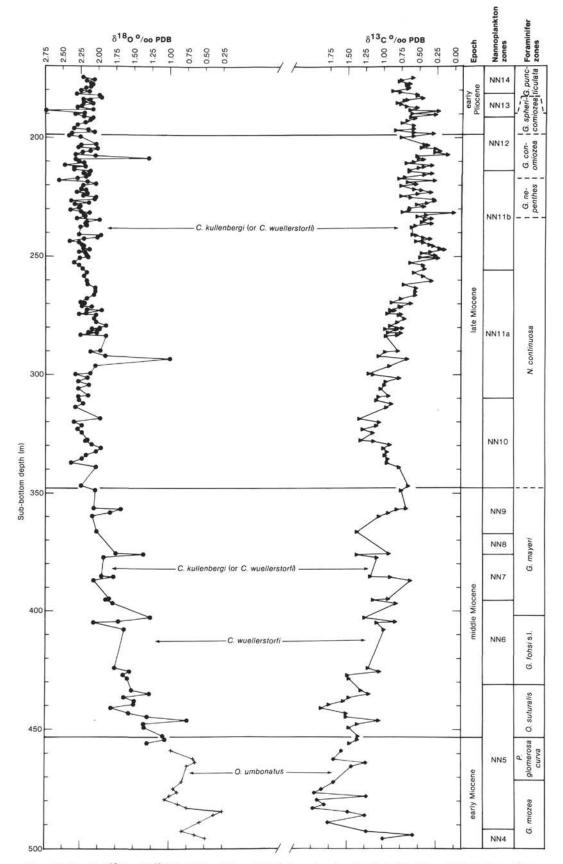


Figure 8. Benthic δ^{18} O and δ^{13} C for Holes 591 and 591B plotted against depth in Site 591 and biostratigraphic zonation for calcareous nannoplankton (Lohman, this volume) and planktonic foraminifers (Introduction, this volume). Stable isotope data for *Oridorsalis umbonatus* have been adjusted to that of *Cibicidoides* by adding +1.06‰ for δ^{13} C and subtracting 0.72 for δ^{18} O (see text for discussion).

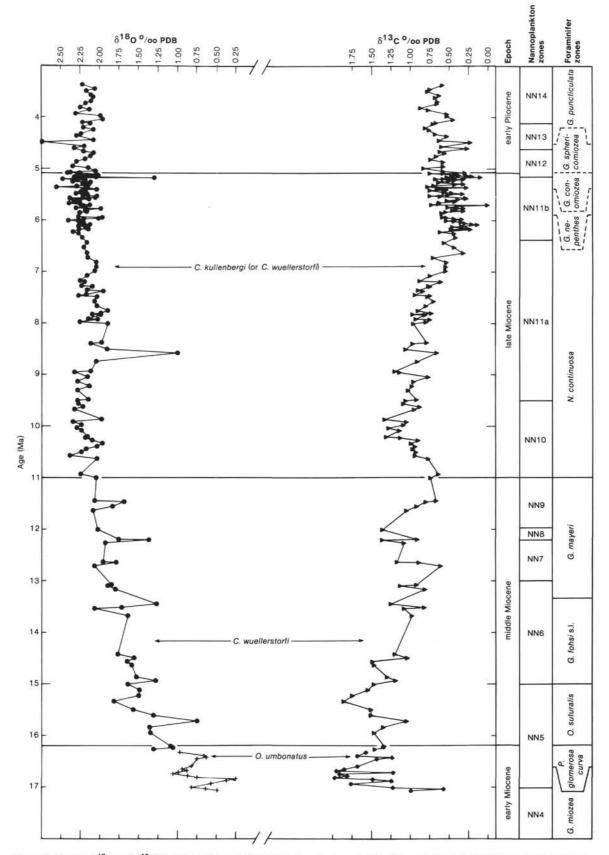


Figure 9. Benthic δ^{18} O and δ^{13} C for Holes 591 and 591B plotted against age in Site 591 and biostratigraphic zonation for calcareous nannoplankton (Lohman, this volume) and planktonic foraminifers (Introduction, this volume). Stable isotope data for *Oridorsalis umbonatus* have been adjusted to that of *Cibicidoides* by adding +1.06‰ for δ^{13} C and subtracting 0.72 for δ^{18} O (see text for discussion).

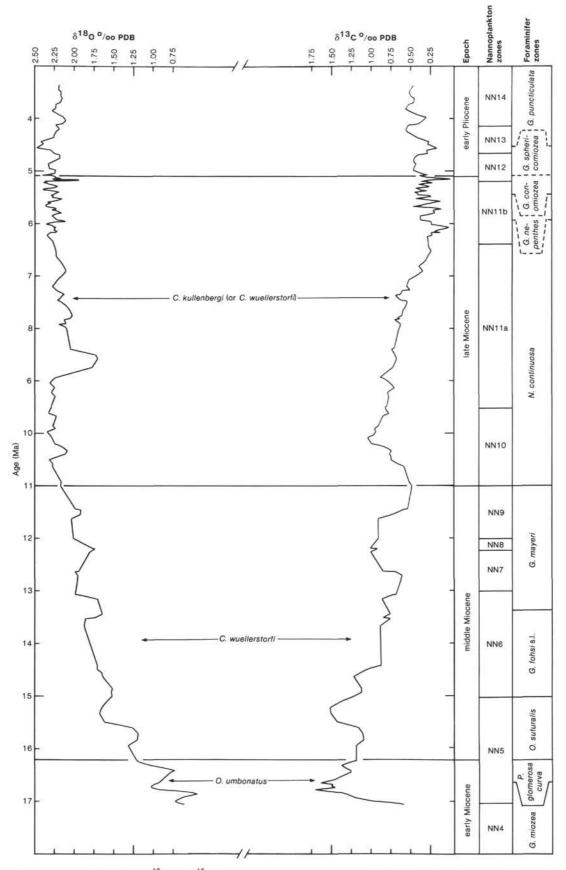


Figure 10. Smoothed benthic δ^{18} O and δ^{13} C data (three-point running averages) for Holes 591 and 591B and biostratigraphic zonations for Site 591, plotted against age.

stratigraphic resolution during the middle Miocene at this site is not high, some trends seem to be evident. From 14.5 to 11.5 Ma, the δ^{18} O values remained much the same or perhaps slightly increased, reaching a maximum close to the middle/late Miocene boundary at ~11.5 Ma. During the late Miocene and the Pliocene, there was relatively little change in δ^{18} O in this section.

Benthic Foraminiferal Carbon Isotopes

The benthic carbon isotope record at Site 591 (Figs. 8-10) is similar to that of Site 588 and exhibits considerable variability. As at Site 588, the most conspicuous feature of the record is the interval of increased δ^{13} C values during the late early to early middle Miocene (base of sequence at 17 Ma to 14.5 Ma). During the remainder of the Miocene the δ^{13} C values generally decreased. reaching a minimum between about 11.6 and 10.6 Ma. associated with the middle/late Miocene boundary. This was followed by a δ^{13} C maximum at 10.0 Ma and then gradually decreasing values in the late Miocene, culminating in a distinct shift toward low δ^{13} C values from about 7.5 to 6 Ma. However, unlike the record at the other two sites, this latest Miocene carbon isotope shift was more gradual, rather than sharply defined at 6.2 Ma. A gradual depletion in ¹³C of 0.4‰ occurred between 7.5 and 6.2, with an additional shift of 0.5% centered at 6.2 Ma. During the early Pliocene between 5 and 4 Ma, average δ^{13} C values were about 0.25% higher than latest Miocene values.

DISCUSSION

Oxygen Isotopes

The oxygen isotope composition of calcite is controlled by both the oxygen isotope composition of ambient seawater and its temperature (Epstein et al., 1953). The isotopic composition of the oceans is strongly affected by changes in continental ice volume because ¹⁶O is preferentially stored in such ice. An increase in continental ice volume causes an increase in δ^{18} O values of the ocean. A record of ice volume is provided by benthic foraminiferal oxygen isotope changes during intervals when the temperatures of ocean bottom waters remained constant. Planktonic for miniferal δ^{18} O is controlled by local and global changes in the isotopic composition of the oceans and temperature of surface waters. It is difficult to differentiate the effects of temperature from those due to ice volume. The detailed relations provided here between benthic and planktonic δ^{18} O changes at different latitudes may help differentiate between changes that resulted from ice volume and those that resulted from temperature.

This chapter has no statistically based correlations between the isotope stratigraphies of the individual sites. Nevertheless, visual comparison of the curves shows that many events are easily recognizable in the three sequences. Intersite correlation of these isotopic events also reveals that the assigned ages of individual events, based upon correlations using the nannoplankton biostratigraphy, are not identical in each of the sequences. Individual peaks are often offset by 0.1 to 0.3 m.y. It is clear that intersite correlation could be enhanced by the combined use of δ^{13} C and δ^{18} O stratigraphy. More detailed composite isotopic curves will be established in the future by applying quantitative techniques of signal correlation to these and other existing records. In the meantime, visual comparisons of the isotope stratigraphy for the three sites are adequate for interpretation of paleoceanographic history. In the following sections, a synthesis is provided of this history.

Early Miocene

The earliest Miocene (oldest than 19.5 Ma) was marked by relatively high benthic δ^{18} O values, although the values were lower than those of the late Miocene. This indicates warmer intermediate water and less continental ice during the earliest Miocene than during the late Miocene. A slow, general warming of intermediate water occurred between 23 and 19.5 Ma, leading to the lowest δ^{18} O values for the entire Neogene between about 19.5 and 16.5 Ma (late early Miocene; late NN2 to middle NN5). This interval represents the optimum of Neogene warmth. Haq (1980) identified a particularly warm interval between 17 and 16 Ma based on mid- to high-latitude Atlantic calcareous nannoplankton biogeography. A minor, cool episode occurred within this warm period between 19 and 18 Ma.

Middle Miocene

The late early Miocene climatic optimum at 16.5 Ma immediately preceded the major middle Miocene episode of increasing δ^{18} O values, which I interpret to represent major, permanent accumulation of the East Antarctic ice sheet and cooling of bottom waters (Shackleton and Kennett, 1975b; Savin et al., 1975). Thus, sea-surface temperatures at high latitude were relatively warm immediately preceding the buildup of the Antarctic ice sheet, a necessary prerequisite according to Mercer and Suter (1982).

The early middle Miocene δ^{18} O increase began about 16.5 to 16 Ma, and continued until about 13.5 to 13.2 Ma: the total duration of this event was about 3 m.y. Barron et al. (in press) previously assigned an age of 15.0 to 13.5 Ma to this shift, which encompasses Zones N9 to lower N12. The maximum enrichment in ¹⁸O during this event ranged between 1.25 and 1.50‰. This 18O enrichment event has been globally recognized in marine sedimentary sections by Savin et al. (1975); Shackleton and Kennett (1975b), Keigwin (1979), Margolis et al. (1975), Loutit (1981), Loutit, Kennett, et al. (1983); Vincent and Berger (1985); Vincent et al. (in press); Savin et al. (1981), Woodruff et al. (1981), Savin et al. (in press), and many other workers. Haq (1980) identified a cooling trend in mid- to high-latitude Atlantic calcareous nannoplankton assemblages at 15 Ma that he correlated with this isotopic event.

The middle Miocene event has generally been accepted as representing permanent, major buildup of the East Antarctic ice sheet (Savin et al., 1975; Shackleton and Kennett, 1975b) and an associated decrease in bottomwater temperatures related to enhance polar glaciation (Savin et al., 1975). This interpretation was challenged by Matthews and Poore (1980), who suggested that all of the isotopic change was due to the decreasing temperature of intermediate and bottom waters. They attributed none of the isotopic shift to ice accumulation, since they believed that most of the Antarctic ice sheet had formed by at least the earliest Oligocene, and used as supporting evidence the major sea-level fall during the middle Oligocene (Vail and Hardenbol, 1979).

Tropical planktonic δ^{18} O values decrease, show no change, or exhibit an increase that is smaller in magnitude than the shift observed in high-latitude sequences. Savin et al. (1981, in press), Loutit, Kennett, et al. (1983) and others interpreted these observations as reflecting a warming of tropical sea-surface temperatures. Warming of tropical surface waters during the middle Miocene may have resulted from the progressive thermal isolation of Antarctica and the contraction of the tropical–warm subtropical gyres toward lower latitudes, as the polar and subpolar waters expanded toward the equator. A major question remains, however, as to how much of the δ^{18} O shift during the early middle Miocene was due to increased ice volume and how much to decreased temperature.

Comparison of planktonic and benthic δ^{18} O records at Site 590 (Figs. 6 and 7) may assist in separating these effects, although interpretations are not unequivocal. Site 590 is currently located at 31°S, in proximity to the Subtropical Divergence that separates the warm-subtropical and temperate water masses. During the early middle Miocene, this site was located in the present temperate latitudes of about 34°S (Sclater et al., in press). At Site 590, the shift toward higher benthic δ^{18} O values began at 16 Ma (Figs. 6 and 7) and continued until 13.2 Ma, with a total shift of about 1.25‰. In contrast, the planktonic δ^{18} O values actually decreased at 16 Ma by about 0.25‰ and remained low until 14.6 Ma. This indicates a distinct warming of surface waters during the early stage of glaciation. The data of Vincent et al. (in press) from the tropical Indian Ocean also exhibit surface-water warming during the first half of the middle Miocene benthic δ^{18} O increase. At Site 590, planktonic δ^{18} O values increased irregularly by about 0.65‰ between 14.6 and 13.2 Ma (Figs. 6 and 7). The magnitude of the planktonic δ^{18} O change was only half that exhibited by benthic δ^{18} O. Based upon these observations, we suggest that the early stage of the middle Miocene δ^{18} O shift (between 16 and 14.6 Ma) resulted largely from high-latitude cooling, which was followed by a phase in which the benthic isotope record largely reflected ice growth between 14.6 and 13.2 Ma (or 13.6 Ma, as indicated in Site 588). The smaller magnitude of the increase in planktonic δ^{18} O than benthic δ^{18} O suggests that surface waters warmed at these sites near the northern edge of the temperate zone during the middle Miocene. Savin et al. (1975), Savin et al. (in press), and Loutit, Kennett, et al. (1983) suggested previously that sea-surface temperatures in the tropical Pacific warmed during the middle Miocene. Assuming an adjustment in ice volume of 0.5% and no major changes in the regional variation of the 18O/16O ratio of surface waters, then tropical Pacific surface waters typically warmed by 2 to 5°C during the middle Miocene (Savin et al., in press).

The middle Miocene benthic δ^{18} O shift exhibits numerous oscillations of up to 0.5‰, although these are smaller than the 1‰ changes reported at Site 289 in the western tropical Pacific (Woodruff et al., 1981), where sampling density was higher. A brief but well-defined episode of more positive δ^{18} O values is centered at 15 (Site 590) or 15.5 Ma (Sites 588 and 591), within the main δ^{18} O shift, and may be equivalent to the same episode dated at 15 Ma by Savin et al. (1981).

The isotopic data show two more episodes of especially cool surface and deep water close to the middle/ late Miocene boundary. The earliest of these, between 12.5 and 11.5 Ma, seems to be equivalent to that dated by Savin et al. (1981) between 13.5 and 12.5 Ma. This event apparently correlates with the early part of paleomagnetic Chron 11 (~11.7 Ma) according to Burckle et al. (1982). Following a period of warming, a second decline of isotopic temperatures (not well defined in Site 590) occurred between 11 and 9 Ma (earliest late Miocene), but this event was dated by Savin et al. (1981) as occurring between 11.8 and 10.5 Ma. This event was correlated with the early part of paleomagnetic Chron 10 (11.4-11 Ma) by Burckle et al. (1982). Some of the highest δ^{18} O values (coldest isotopic temperatures) for the entire Miocene occur within this interval.

Late Miocene

The late Miocene was marked by large, but variable benthic δ^{18} O values reflecting a period of prolonged cool climates. Intermediate waters were coldest near the beginning (11 to 9 Ma) and the end of the late Miocene (~6.5 to 4.5 Ma).

During much of the middle late Miocene, between about 9 and 6.5 Ma, average δ^{18} O values were slightly lower, indicating a general period of relative climatic warmth (this is not observed at Site 590). Haq (1980) also noted warm climate conditions during the middle late Miocene, between 9 and 7 Ma, based upon Atlantic calcareous nannoplankton biogeography.

Further cooling occurred during the latest Miocene, beginning at about 6.2 Ma (shown as 5.5 Ma in Site 590), and continued until about 5 to 4.5 Ma. Similar high δ^{18} O values were reported by Shackleton and Kennett (1975a) from Site 284, and interpreted to represent a major expansion of the Antarctic ice sheet. This terminal Miocene event was marked by widespread cooling. Moderate to severe cooling of the ocean surface in middle to high latitudes is well documented over wide areas during the latest Miocene (Ingle, 1967, 1973; Keller, 1979; Kennett, 1967; Kennett and Vella, 1975; Loutit and Kennett, 1979; Bandy et al., 1971; Cita and Ryan, 1979; Poore, 1981; Hag, 1980). In Argentina, Patagonian glaciers extended beyond the Andean Mountain front, apparently for the first time, between about 7 and 5.2 Ma (Mercer and Sutter, 1982). In Sites 588 (Fig. 3) and 591 (Fig. 9), a number of brief intervals of high δ^{18} O values between 5.4 and 4.9 Ma are interpreted to represent further increases in Antarctic ice volume (Hodell,

Elmstrom, and Kennett, unpublished data). The terminal Miocene event was also marked by marine regression (Kennett, 1967; Adams et al., 1977), growth of the West Antarctic ice sheet (Ciesielski et al., 1982), intensification of oceanic circulation (Brewster, 1980; Savin et al., in press), high sediment accumulation rates (Davies et al., 1977), and the Messinian Salinity Crisis (Hsü et al., 1973; Cita, 1976). The late Miocene was also the time of the distinct latest Miocene carbon isotope shift (Keigwin, 1979).

During the late Miocene until 6.2 Ma, planktonic δ^{18} O values exhibited large, rapid oscillations about an unchanging average (Figs. 6 and 7). At 6.2 Ma, a marked increase in δ^{18} O of about 0.5‰ coincided exactly with the late Miocene Chron 6 carbon shift. This represents significant and rapid cooling of surface waters. In Site 588, the carbon shift also coincided with a shift toward higher benthic δ^{18} O values.

Pliocene

During the early Pliocene, benthic δ^{18} O values oscillated about an average similar to that of the latest Miocene. At about 3.4 Ma, a 0.4‰ increase (Elmstrom and Kennett, this volume) is documented in the benthic δ^{18} O record of Site 590 (Figs. 6 and 7). An oxygen isotope shift similar to this has been reported from the equatorial Pacific (Shackleton and Opdyke, 1977; Keigwin, 1979; Prell, 1984), the South Atlantic (Weissert et al., 1984), the North Atlantic (Shackleton and Cita, 1979), and the Mediterranean (Keigwin and Thunell, 1980). This shift almost certainly documents a cooling of intermediate waters (Prell, 1984), but possibly also some additional growth of Antarctic ice (Weissert et al., 1984). Increased glaciation of Antarctica at about 3.5 Ma created a northward shift in the deposition of circum-Antarctic glacial marine sediments (Ciesielski and Weaver, 1974). A glacial increase at about 3.5 Ma is also consistent with the observation by Keany (1978) of cooling of the Southern Ocean at 3.6 Ma, with cooling in temperate areas (Kennett and Vella, 1975; Kennett et al., 1979), and with increased Patagonian glaciation (Mercer, 1976). Significant sediment ice-rafting in the North Atlantic did not seem to occur until 2.5 Ma. Evidence of ice-rafted material prior to 2.4 Ma is negligible and may be due to glaciation unrelated to major Northern Hemisphere ice sheets (Backman, 1979; Shackleton et al., 1984).

The planktonic δ^{18} O record during the Pliocene is distinctly different from the benthic δ^{18} O record. First, the planktonic isotopic record is more variable, reflecting rapidly changing surface-water conditions. Secondly, planktonic and benthic records are not parallel. Higher planktonic δ^{18} O values, reflecting cooler surface waters, occurred between 4.6 and 3.6 Ma. In contrast, benthic δ^{18} O values show no such trend during this interval. The transition from warm early Pliocene to cooler middle Pliocene intermediate waters is not reflected in the planktonic δ^{18} O record from Site 590. From 3.4 to 2.2 Ma, the average δ^{18} O values in the planktonic record were lower (Fig. 6), whereas benthic δ^{18} O values were increasing. Weissert et al. (1984) also noted this for sequences at similar latitudes (~30°S) in the South Atlantic. I concur with their interpretation that surface waters warmed by at least 2°C at these southern latitudes, when high-latitude glaciers were growing and bottom waters were cooling. Between 3.6 and 2.2 Ma at Site 590, a positive shift of 0.4‰ in benthic δ^{18} O generally coincided with a negative shift of about 0.4‰ in planktonic δ^{18} O. Surface waters could have warmed by as much as 3°C if it is assumed that the oxygen isotope composition of ocean waters increased by 0.4‰ because of ice-volume accumulation. However, since the $\delta^{18}O$ change in benthics was almost certainly caused, in part, by cooling of intermediate waters, the increase in surface waters would have probably been closer to 2°C. Surface waters seem to have warmed over wide latitudinal areas extending from equatorial regions (Vergnaud Grazzini, 1980) to the warm subtropics (Weissert et al., 1984) between 3.4 and 2.2 Ma.

A further increase of about 0.4‰ in benthic δ^{18} O occurred in the late Pliocene between 2.6 and 2.4 Ma. This isotopic shift heralds the beginning of Northern Hemisphere ice accumulation, as discussed previously (Backman, 1979; Prell, 1984; Shackleton et al., 1984).

The late Pliocene oxygen isotope trends are somewhat comparable to those that occurred during the early middle Miocene between 16 and 14 Ma; that is, they indicate a warming of surface waters at these middle latitudes at times of major ice accumulation at high latitudes.

It is perhaps significant that the transitions between the early and middle Miocene, the middle and late Miocene, the Miocene and Pliocene, and the preglacial and postglacial Pliocene were all marked by episodes of distinct climatic cooling. These stratigraphic boundaries were initially recognized in the classic, shallow-marine sequences exposed on land, on the basis of changes in lithofacies and shallow-water fossils, all susceptible to sea-level change (Loutit and Kennett, 1981) and largescale climatic change.

Water Column Thermal Gradients

The difference between benthic and planktonic $\delta^{18}O$ values in the same samples (Δ^{18} O benthics – planktonics) is a measure of the temperature difference between surface and bottom waters, or the vertical temperature gradient. For Site 590 (Figs. 11 and 12), the average vertical δ^{18} O gradient changed from about 1.75 during the early Miocene to about 2.25 during the middle and late Miocene and for much of the early Pliocene (a shift of 0.5‰). This is equivalent to about a 2°C increase in the vertical temperature gradient between 1300 m and the ocean surface (assuming no salinity change occurred in surface waters). This increase in the southwest Pacific vertical temperature gradient occurred between 16 and 15 Ma, during the early middle Miocene (Fig. 12). During the intervals before and after this shift, the average thermal gradient did not change significantly, although there were large temporary oscillations, such as between 13 and 12 Ma. These results concur with those of Loutit, Kennett, et al. (1983), who suggested that much of the change that occurred in the thermal gradient in the Miocene occurred during the middle Miocene.

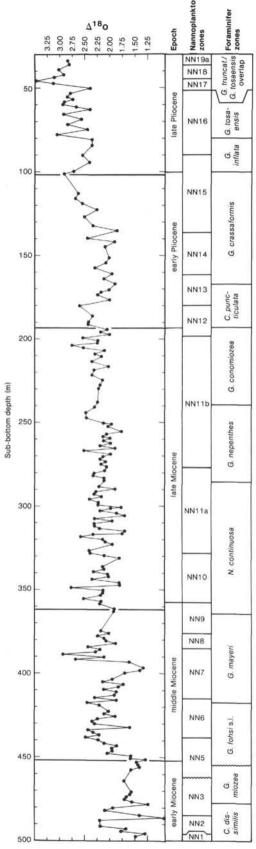
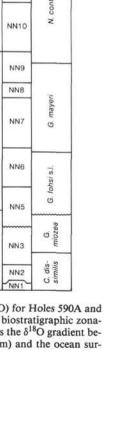


Figure 11. δ^{18} O benthics – planktonics (= Δ^{18} O) for Holes 590A and 590B plotted against depth for Site 590 and biostratigraphic zonations (see caption for Fig. 5). Δ^{18} O represents the δ^{18} O gradient between bottom waters (water depth = 1300 m) and the ocean surface at Site 590.



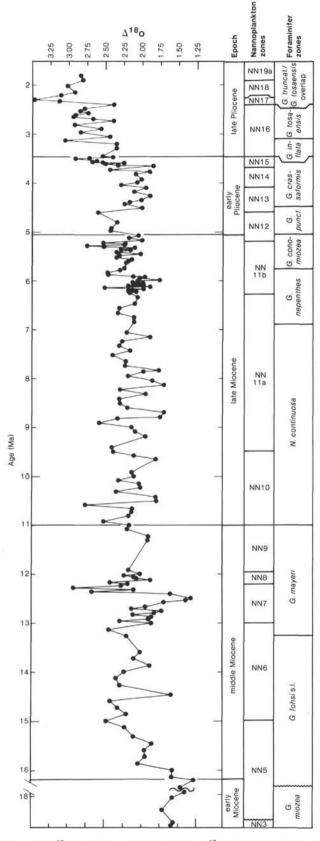


Figure 12. δ^{18} O benthics – planktonics (= Δ^{18} O) for Holes 590A and 590B plotted against age for Site 590 and biostratigraphic zonations (see caption for Fig. 5). Δ^{18} O represents the δ^{18} O gradient between bottom waters (water depth = 1300 m) and the ocean surface at Site 590. Note unconformity between 16.5 and 18 Ma.

Further distinct changes in the vertical temperature gradient occurred during the middle Pliocene at 3.6 Ma, with the average thermal gradient increasing by another 0.5‰ ($\sim 2^{\circ}$ C), and during the late Pliocene at 2.4 Ma, with a further shift of 0.25 to 0.5‰ ($\sim 1-2^{\circ}$ C).

The records therefore document three permanent, rapid shifts in the vertical temperature gradient of the Neogene: (1) between 16 and 15 Ma during the time of major accumulation of the large, permanent East Antarctic ice sheet; (2) at ~ 3.5 Ma during a time of further increased polar glaciation especially in the Antarctic; and (3) at ~ 2.4 Ma when Northern Hemisphere ice sheets began to form. There was little change in the average gradient between these three Neogene episodes. The vertical temperature gradient of the open ocean during the Neogene changed permanently only during times of largescale polar glacial development. As in middle latitudes of the South Atlantic (Hsü et al., 1984), middle-latitude South Pacific locations also record an increase in the vertical temperature gradient during the Neogene.

CARBON ISOTOPES

Work on Leg 90 sites revealed two major characteristics of carbon isotope stratigraphy. First, considerable similarity exists among the δ^{13} C stratigraphies of all three sites and with those of other regions, especially with respect to the longer-term oscillations (Figs. 3, 6, and 9). Second, the planktonic and benthic δ^{13} C changes are almost completely parallel, as shown in Site 590 (Fig. 6). This parallelism indicates that both surface and bottom waters are equally affected by changes in δ^{13} C of oceanic HCO₃, although average planktonic δ^{13} C values are always about 1.25% higher than benthic δ^{13} C. The similarity of δ^{13} C stratigraphies in the Neogene between different sites throughout the ocean basins has been recognized previously (Douglas and Savin, 1973; Loutit, Pisias, et al., 1983; Woodruff and Savin, 1985; Vincent and Berger, 1985). Shackleton and Kennett (1975b) noted a strong parallelism between South Pacific benthic and planktonic δ^{13} C records during the middle and late Cenozoic, as did Hsü et al. (1984) for the South Atlantic, Barrera et al. (in press) for the northeast Pacific, Vincent et al. (in press) for the tropical Indian Ocean, and Keigwin et al. (in press) for the North Atlantic. The similarity of the $\delta^{13}C$ time-series records within and between ocean basins and between surface and bottom waters clearly indicates that oceanwide changes in average $\delta^{13}C$ of HCO₃ in seawater, rather than local effects. dominated the records.

A major question concerns the origin of the changes in the benthic and planktonic δ^{13} C records. Proposed causes of δ^{13} C change through time include changes in sea level, continental hypsometry, continental biomass, vital effects, and oceanic circulation (Shackleton, 1977; Bender and Keigwin, 1979; Broecker, 1982; Loutit, Pisias, et al., 1983; Vincent et al., in press). Summarizing, Berger (1982) noted that the average oceanic δ^{13} C composition will change as a result of several processes: the accumulation or release of organic carbon from temporary reservoirs on the continents and in the ocean basins; changes in forest biomass; changes in ocean stratification and fertility; and changes in deep circulation and oxygenation. Oceanic δ^{13} C values can be changed most rapidly by changing the flux of carbon from major carbon reservoirs: terrigenous carbon having δ^{13} C values of about -25% and marine carbon near -20%(Craig, 1953; Sackett, 1964; Wedepohl, 1969). Broecker (1971) suggested that transgressions and regressions across the continental shelf could produce significant changes in open-ocean δ^{13} C values. During transgressions, the shelves act as sinks for organic carbon. Conversely, during regressions, eroded sediment containing organic material depleted in 13 C is supplied to the oceans.

My preferred interpretation of the Neogene δ^{13} C changes is that they were largely caused by average oceanic compositional changes resulting from fractionation between continental and oceanic organic carbon reservoirs. What caused this fractionation? Loutit, Pisias, et al. (1983) and Woodruff and Savin (1985) have shown that a correlation exists between changes in Neogene carbon isotopic stratigraphy and sea level as inferred from the onlap/offlap curve of Vail and Hardenbol (1979). During marine transgressions, organic carbon accumulated on the continental shelves, and ocean waters became more enriched in ¹³C by the extraction of organic carbon (enriched in ¹²C). Conversely, during marine regression, organic carbon was delivered to the ocean basins and thus the oceans became more depleted in ¹³C. The transgressions and regressions were probably of large magnitude to account for the large changes in oceanic δ^{13} C values and were controlled by fluctuations in sea level. The magnitude of the δ^{13} C change depended upon the areas of shallow shelves covered or exposed by a given change in sea level. This, in turn, is directly related to the hypsometry of the continental margins and the magnitude of the sea-level change. A marine transgression that covered wide continental shelves provided a larger area for accumulation of organic carbon, and hence a larger increase in oceanic δ^{13} C values.

Paleoclimatic change reinforced the δ^{13} C changes. Global warming probably enhanced the accumulation of organic carbon in the continental reservoir by expansion of the biosphere through greater supply of moisture. Conversely, cooling led to greater aridity and reduction in size of the continental biosphere (Berger, 1982).

Superimposed upon the average $\delta^{13}C$ of the oceans are a number of regional and local effects that have created gradients from region to region and with water depth. For example, Kroopnick (1974, 1980, 1985) documented the fact that different water masses have diferent $\delta^{13}C$ signatures depending upon source and addition of metabolic CO2 along the flow path. The mechanisms that controlled this variation in the past are less well understood, but include local and regional differences in biological productivity of surface waters, changes in deep-water circulation patterns, changes in the $\delta^{13}C$ of HCO₃ in the source regions of bottom-water formation, and the amount of organic carbon that has been oxidized to form ¹²C-enriched HCO₃ in deep waters following its formation at high latitudes (Loutit, Pisias, et al., 1983).

Early Neogene Carbon Isotope Excursion

The dominant feature of Neogene carbon isotope stratigraphy is the broad late early to early middle Miocene maximum of about 1‰ which Vincent et al. (in press) and Vincent and Berger (1985) have termed the "Monterey Carbon Isotope Excursion." This excursion is best exhibited at Site 588 (at Site 590, part of the excursion is missing because of the hiatus), where it began as a shift toward increased δ^{13} C values at about 19.5 Ma (within Zone NN2). The excursion consists of broad peaks centered at 19 Ma, 16.5 Ma, and about 15 to 15.5 Ma. As shown in Sites 588 and 590, the decline from the high values began within the middle Miocene between 15 and 14 Ma and continued with little interruption until 13 Ma. This negative shift began about midway through the distinct, early middle Miocene increase in benthic δ^{18} O values, and is contemporaneous with the trend toward more positive planktonic δ^{18} O values (Figs. 3 and 6).

As several previous workers have proposed, I concur that the origin of this carbon isotopic excursion was due to global marine transgression (Loutit, Pisias, et al., 1983; Vincent et al., in press; Woodruff and Savin, 1985). According to Vincent et al. (in press) and Vincent and Berger (1985) widespread transgression during this excursion occurred throughout the circum-Pacific region and created major sinks for organic carbon. Organic and phosphate-rich deposits accumulated within the Monterey Formation of California and other contemporaneous deposits throughout the Pacific margin. Vail and Hardenbol (1979) documented a period of coastal onlap that began at about 19 Ma and terminated about 14 Ma, and was contemporaneous with the interval containing the especially positive δ^{13} C values (Figs. 3, 6, and 9).

This excursion also corresponded to the maximum ocean temperatures of the Neogene as reflected in benthic and planktonic δ^{18} O values. Because the late early Miocene was the time of optimum climatic warming during the Neogene, tropical forests were probably widespread and the continental organic biosphere would have been more extensive than at other times. The high continental biomass at this time would have contributed to the positive δ^{13} C values during this interval. Global cooling during the middle Miocene probably led to greater aridity and reduction of the terrestrial biomass, resulting in a lowering of oceanic δ^{13} C values during the middle Miocene.

At Site 590, the warming of surface waters during the early stage of the benthic δ^{18} O shift suggests that the early part of that shift may have resulted largely from decreasing temperatures at high latitudes rather than from increasing ice accumulation. If little ice had accumulated at that point, then glacioeustatic regression would not have occurred. The δ^{13} C (benthic and planktonic) began to decrease, suggesting regression, at about 14.5 Ma, when the δ^{18} O shift occurred in both the benthic and planktonic records. It is possible that this synchronous enrichment in both planktonic and benthic δ^{18} O represents the major ice-growth phase of East Antarctica. If this scenario is correct, then major ice accumula-

tion and resulting regression occurred between 14.5 Ma and 13 Ma.

Following the carbon isotope excursion, during the latest middle Miocene, further changes in δ^{13} C occurred, including a trend toward lower values that was centered in the earliest late Miocene at 11 Ma. A return to markedly increased benthic δ^{13} C values occurred during the middle part of the late Miocene, especially between 10 and 7 Ma.

Latest Miocene Carbon Isotope Shift

The latest Miocene at 6.2 Ma is marked by a distinct, rapid δ^{13} C shift of up to -0.75% in all of the southwest Pacific sites, both in the benthic and planktonic records. This depletion in ¹³C was followed by markedly low values during much of the remainder of the late Neogene, which lead to the suggestion that it was "permanent" (Keigwin, 1979). This well-known late Miocene carbon isotope shift is recorded throughout the Indo-Pacific and South Atlantic (Keigwin, 1979; Bender and Keigwin, 1979; Loutit and Kennett, 1979; Keigwin and Shackleton, 1980; Vincent et al., 1980; Hag et al., 1980; Hodell and Kennett, 1984). This shift, which seems to have occurred within a period of not much more than 100,000 yr. (Vincent et al., 1980), was assigned an age of ~6 Ma by Haq et al. (1980) and of 6.2 Ma by Loutit and Kennett (1979), and was recently estimated at 6.4 Ma (Barron et al., in press). The magnitude of the shift throughout the Indo-Pacific region is generally reported to be about -1%(Hag et al., 1980); in the South Atlantic a shift of 0.7‰ has been estimated by Hodell, Elmstrom, and Kennett (unpublished data). Numerous climatic and oceanographic events closely associated with the carbon shift have been summarized by Loutit and Keigwin (1982) (for additional references see therein) and include the following: lowering of sea level; cooling of high- and middle-latitude surface waters; isolation and dessication of the Mediterranean Basin; increase in bottom-water circulation and fertility of the oceans: increase in biogenic siliceous deposits in the Southern Ocean; decrease of biogenic siliceous sedimentation rates in the eastern equatorial Pacific; shoaling of the Isthmus of Panama; a change, in the North Atlantic, from a calcite compensation depth (CCD) shallower than that in the Pacific to one deeper than the Pacific CCD; and an increase in deep-sea sedimentation rates. During the latest Miocene, the CCD experienced a sharp fall of at least several hundred meters (van Andel et al., 1977), or even up to 1 km in the South Atlantic (Hsü et al., 1984).

Numerous hypotheses have been proposed for the cause of the carbon isotope shift, including a change in the rate of organic carbon buried in the oceans and in the rate of upwelling and ocean fertility (Bender and Keigwin, 1979). The carbon shift is believed by some to have been caused by an increase in the flux of organic matter from coastal lowlands and continental shelves exposed by regression (Loutit and Keigwin, 1982; Vincent et al., 1980; Loutit, Pisias, et al., 1983), reinforced by increased oceanic fertility (Vincent et al., 1980). The close temporal association of the carbon shift with global regression (Kennett, 1967; Adams et al., 1977; Vail and Hardenbol, 1979), which is inferred to have resulted from glacioeustatic lowering of sea level (Kennett, 1967; Loutit and Kennett, 1979; Mercer and Sutter, 1982) in the latest Miocene, makes this theory very compelling. Estimates of the magnitude of the marine regression are similar, ranging from 40 to 80 m (Loutit and Kennett, 1979; Berggren and Haq, 1976; Cita and Ryan, 1979).

The drop in the CCD throughout the oceans has an origin similar to that of the carbon isotope shift, having resulted from an increase in the fractionation of carbonate and organic carbon entering the deep basins from the continental shelves during the latest Miocene regression (Berger, 1970; Ciesielski et al., 1982). This sea-level fall was also sufficient to isolate the Mediterranean and initiate the "Messinian Salinity Crisis" (Cita, 1982) between about 5.7 and 5.2 Ma. Previous work has indicated that the sea-level fall was largely glacioeustatic because of the rapidity of the fall and its association with surface-water cooling at middle and high latitudes (Kennett, 1967; Kennett and Watkins, 1974; Loutit and Kennett, 1979; Loutit, 1981) and with a period of relatively high 818O values (Shackleton and Kennett, 1975a; Kennett et al., 1979; Loutit and Kennett, 1979; Ciesielski et al., 1982; McKenzie et al., 1984).

Early Pliocene Events

During the Pliocene (as shown by Site 590), average benthic δ^{13} C values were lower by about 0.25‰, planktonic δ^{13} C by about 0.75‰, than during the Miocene preceding the carbon shift. An interval of relatively increased values occurred in the early Pliocene, between about 5 and 4 Ma. This interval corresponds with a period of relative global warmth (Kennett, 1967; Loutit and Kennett, 1979; Ingle, 1967; McKenzie et al., 1984); global marine transgression (Kennett, 1967; Kennett and Watkins, 1974; Vail and Hardenbol, 1979); relatively low δ^{18} O values in benthic foraminifers as shown at Site 590 and in records elsewhere (McKenzie et al., 1984; Hodell, Elmstrom, and Kennett, unpublished data), reflecting a decrease in global ice volume; and a marine transgression in the Mediterranean with restoration of pelagic sedimentation. I suggest that the early Pliocene interval of high δ^{13} C values resulted from marine transgression. Details for this interval are provided in Elmstrom and Kennett (this volume).

CONCLUSIONS

1. A high-resolution study of benthic and planktonic oxygen and carbon isotope stratigraphy was conducted for the Miocene to early Pliocene in high-quality DSDP Sites 588, 590, and 591, from the southwest Pacific (warm-subtropical to transitional latitudes). Sample resolution for much of the Miocene is between $\sim 25,000$ and 50,000 yr. and for the Pliocene between 5,000 and 15,000 yr.

2. The climax of Neogene warmth, marked by the lowest δ^{18} O values of the Neogene, occurred during the late early Miocene, between ~19.5 and 16.5 Ma.

3. This climatic warming was immediately followed by a major increase in δ^{18} O values between ~16.5 and 13.5 Ma. This event is interpreted as representing major, permanent accumulation of the East Antarctic ice sheet and cooling of bottom waters; it lasted 3 m.y. Surface waters at these middle latitudes warmed during the first half of the ice volume increase, but cooled at higher latitudes.

4. The late Miocene began, in the earliest part (11 to 9 Ma), with a distinct climatic cooling that is chronicled by the highest δ^{18} O for the Miocene. This was followed by relative warmth during the middle part of the late Miocene, between ~9 and 6.5 Ma.

5. The latest Miocene and early Pliocene (6.2 to 4.5 Ma) were marked by increased δ^{18} O values, indicating increased cooling and glacial development in the Southern Hemisphere.

6. During the middle Pliocene at about 3.4 Ma, a 0.4% increase in benthic δ^{18} O documents a net change in average global ice volume and cooling of bottom waters. During this increase in Southern Hemisphere glaciation, surface waters warmed by 2-3°C in middle-latitude regions of the Southern Hemisphere.

7. During the late Pliocene between 2.6 and 2.4, a further increase in benthic δ^{18} O heralded the development of large ice sheets on the Northern Hemisphere.

8. Surface-water warming in the middle latitudes occurred in association with major high-latitude glacial increases in the early middle Miocene (16–14 Ma), middle Pliocene (\sim 3.5 Ma), and late Pliocene (\sim 2.4 Ma). These intervals were also marked by increases in the vertical temperature gradient in the open ocean. At intervening times, the gradient remained unchanged.

9. Transitions between the early and middle Miocene, the middle and late Miocene, the Miocene and Pliocene, and the "preglacial" and "postglacial" Pliocene were marked by distinct episodes of climatic cooling.

10. A high similarity of the δ^{13} C time-series records within and between ocean basins and between surface and bottom waters clearly indicates that ocean wide changes in the average δ^{13} C of HCO₃ in seawater dominated the records, rather than local effects. Broad changes in the Neogene δ^{13} C record were caused largely by transfers of organic carbon between continental and oceanic reservoirs. These transfers resulted from marine regressions and transgressions on the continental margins. During transgressions, organic carbon, which has low δ^{13} C values, accumulated on the continental shelves, and ocean waters thus increased in δ^{13} C. Conversely, during marine regressions, organic carbon was delivered to the ocean basins and the oceans became lower in δ^{13} C. Paleoclimatic changes reinforced these 813C changes by influencing the size of continental biomass.

11. The dominant feature of Neogene δ^{13} C stratigraphy is a broad maximum of about 1‰ between ~19 and 14.5 Ma. This excursion occurred contemporaneously with a period of maximum coastal onlap (transgression) and maximum Neogene climatic warmth. The excursion terminated during the expansion of the Antarctic ice sheet and associated marine regression in the early middle Miocene (15.5–14.5 Ma).

12. The latest Miocene carbon isotope shift (of up to -0.75%) at 6.2 Ma is clearly recorded in the sites examined, and was followed by generally low δ^{13} C values dur-

ing the remainder of the Neogene. This shift may have been caused by an increase in the flux of organic matter from continental marginal areas exposed by regression, which was, in turn, triggered by glacioeustatic lowering of the sea level.

13. An increase in δ^{13} C values during the early Pliocene (~5 to 4 Ma) resulted from marine transgression during a time of global warmth.

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APPENDIX

Oxygen and Carbon Isotope Composition (% PDB) of Benthic and Planktonic Foraminifers, DSDP Sites 588, 590 and 591¹

	SITE 588									
Core-Section	Sub-bottom depth	Age	$\delta^{18}O$	δ ¹³ C						
(interval in cm)	(m)	(Ma)	(⁰ /00	PDB)						
Hole 588 ^a										
10-1, 35-37	82.8	4.34	1.97	0.75						
10-2, 35-37	84.3	4.38	2.07	0.81						
10-3, 35-37	85.8	4.42	1.93	0.70						
10-4, 35-37	87.3	4.46	1.82	0.88						
10-5, 35-37	88.8	4.50	1.99	0.83						
10-6, 35-37	90.3	4.54	1.90	0.64						
11-1, 35-37	92.4	4.60	1.71	0.84						
11-2, 35-37	93.9	4.70	1.86	0.85						
11-3, 35-37	95.4	4.79	1.91	0.92						
11-4, 35-37	96.9	4.88	2.13	0.84						
11-5, 35-37	98.4	4.98	2.06	1.04						
11-6, 35-37	99.9	5.07	1.97	0.63						
12-1, 35-37	101.9	5.12	1.88	0.90						
12-2, 35-37	103.4	5.16	2.03	0.81						
12-3, 35-37	104.9	5.20	2.13	0.83						
12-4, 35-37	106.4	5.23	2.07	0.96						
12-5, 35-37	107.9	5.25	2.04	0.98						
12-6, 35-37	109.4	5.28	2.04	0.90						
12-7, 35-37	110.9	5.30	2.06	1.12						
13-1, 35-37	111.6	5.32	2.47	0.73						
13-2, 35-37	113.1	5.34	2.28	0.63						
13-3, 35-37	114.6	5.37	2.25	0.65						
13-4, 110-111	116.8	5.41	2.04	0.69						
13-5, 110-111	118.3	5.43	1.79	0.62						
13-6, 35-37	119.1	5.45	2.09	0.79						
13-7, 35-37	120.6	5.47	2.29	0.56						

^aCibicidoides kullenbergi (benthic) used except in Sample 588-13-1, 35-37 cm, where C. wuellerstorfi was used.

Core-Section	Sub-bottom	Aga	δ ¹⁸ 0	δ ¹³ C
(interval in cm)	depth (m)	Age (Ma)	(°/c	o PDB)
Hole 588 (Co	nt.)			
14-1, 35-37	121.1	5.48	2.29	1.07
14-2, 35-37	122.6	5.51	2.25	1.10
14-3, 35-37	124.1	5.53	2.11	0.75
14-4, 35-37 14-5, 35-37	125.6 127.1	5.56 5.58	1.86 1.96	0.90 0.82
14-6, 35-37	128.6	5.61	2.07	0.93
4-7.35-37	130.1	5.64	1.99	0.74
5-1, 35-37	130.8	5.65	1.97	0.75
15-2, 35-37	132.3	5.67	1.94	0.85
15-3, 35-37 15-4, 35-37	133.8 135.3	5.70 5.73	2.05 2.03	0.40 0.77
15-4, 35-37 15-5, 35-37	136.8	5.75	2.03	0.83
5-6. 35-37	138.3	5.78	1.99	0.81
6-1, 35-37	140.4	5.81	1.91	0.82
6-2, 35-37	141.9	5.84	2.00	0.81
6-3, 35-37 6-4, 35-37	143.4 144.9	5.87 5.89	2.09 2.03	0.67
7-1, 35-37	150.0	5.98	2.03	0.55
7-2, 35-37	151.5	6.01	2.04	0.91
7-3, 35-37	153.0	6.03	2.02	0.74
7-4, 35-37	154.5	6.06	1.89	0.62
7-5, 35-37	156.0	6.08	1.78	0.82
7-6, 35-37	157.5	6.11	1.86	1.00
7-7, 35-37 8-1, 35-37	159.0 160.0	6.14 6.15	2.05	0.78
8-2. 35-37	161.0	6.17	1.88	1.00
8-3. 35-37	162.5	6.20	1.77	1.05
18-4, 35-37	164.0	6.22	1.73	1.06
8-5, 35-37	165.5	6.25	1.84	1.18
8-6, 35-37 9-1, 50-51	167.0	6.50	1.75	1.19
9-2, 35-37	169.3 172.1	6.88 7.36	1.81	1.24
9-3, 35-37	173.6	7.61	1.79	1.01
9-4.35-37	175.1	7.87	1.89	1.23
9-5, 35-37	176.6	8.12	2.01	1.42
9-6, 35-37	178.1	8.37	2.03	1.48
19-7, 35-37 20-2, 35-37	179.6 180.3	8.63 8.75	2.16 2.13	1.45
20-3, 35-37	181.8	9.00	1.91	0.94
0-4, 35-37	183.3	9.25	1.89	1.02
20-6, 35-37	186.3	9.57	1.85	1.20
0-7, 35-37	187.8	9.64	1.74	1.17
1-1, 35-37	188.4 189.9	9.67 9.74	1.81 1.85	1.43
1-2, 35-37 1-3, 35-37	191.4	9.81	2.20	1.12
21-4, 35-37	192.9	9.88	2.15	1.31
21-5, 35-37	194.4	9.96	2.26	1.39
21-6, 35-37	195.9	10.03	2.07	1.49
21-7, 35-37	197.4	10.10	2.09	1.21
22-1, 35-37 22-2, 35-37	198.0 199.5	10.13 10.20	2.26 2.19	1.35
22-3, 35-37	201.0	10.27	2.15	1.41
2-4, 35-37	202.5	10.34	2.21	1.42
2-5, 35-37	204.0	10.41	1.99	1.09
22-6, 35-37	205.0	10.48	2.07	1.10
2-7, 35-37	207.0	10.55 10.57	2.26 2.40	1.18
23-1, 35-37 23-2, 35-37	207.5 209.5	10.57	2.40	1.08
23-3, 35-37	210.5	10.71	2.18	1.00
23-4, 35-27	212.0	10.79	2.08	0.88
3-5, 35-37	213.5	10.86	1.96	0.72
23-6, 35-37	215.0	10.93	1.79	0.78
23-7, 35-37 24-1, 35-37	216.5 217.1	11.00 11.04	1.78 1.82	0.75 0.80
4-2, 35-37	218.6	11.14	1.79	0.77
24-3, 35-37	220.1	11.24	1.62	0.92
4-4, 35-37	221.6	11.34	1.99	1.13
24-5, 35-37	223.1	11.45	2.13	1.21
24-6, 35-37	224.6	11.55 11.65	1.91 1.89	1.18
24-7, 35-37 25-1, 35-37	226.1 226.8	11.65	2.05	1.34
5-2, 35-37	228.3	11.80	1.94	1.16
25-3, 35-37	229.8	11.90	1.91	1.18
25-4, 35-37	231.3	12.00	1.75	1.10
25-5, 35-37	232.8	12.04	1.61	0.85
25-6, 35-37	234.3	12.08	1.99	1.07
25-7, 35-37	235.8	12.11	1.91	1.26

 $^{^1}$ Stable isotopic data for Oridorsalis umbonatus (Hole 591B) have been adjusted to that of Cibicidoides by adding +1.06% for $\delta^{13}C$ and subtracting 0.72 for $\delta^{18}O$ (see text for discussion).

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Core-Section	Sub-bottom depth	Age	$\delta^{18}O$	δ ¹³ C
(interval in cm)	(m)	(Ma)	(⁰ /00	PDB)
Hole 588A ^b				
1-1, 35-37	236.4	12.13	1.62	0.96
1-2, 35-37	237.9	12.16	1.50	0.95
1-3, 35-37	239.4	12.20	1.52	0.92
1-4, 35-37	240.9	12.29	1.53	1.30
1-5, 35-37 1-6, 35-37	242.4	12.39	1.46	1.39
1-0, 35-37 1-7, 35-37	243.9 245.4	12.48	1.62	1.25
2-1, 35-37	246.0	12.61	1.73	1.36
2-2, 35-37	247.5	12.70	1.64	1.17
2-3, 35-37	249.0	12.79	1.49	1.13
2-4, 35-37	250.5	12.80	1.74	0.92
3-1, 35-37	251.0	12.91	1.72	0.77
3-2, 35-37 3-3, 35-37	252.5 254.0	13.00 13.14	1.71	1.17
4-1, 35-37	256.0	13.33	1.79	1.13
4 - 2, 35 - 37	257.5	13.47	1.94	1.10
4-3, 35-37	259.0	13.61	1.97	1.16
5-1, 35-37	261.0	13.80	1.92	1.08
5-2, 35-37 5-3, 35-37	262.5	13.93	1.98	1.25
6 - 1, 35 - 37	264.0 266.0	14.07 14.26	1.92	1.03
6-2, 35-37	267.5	14.40	1.85	1.18
6-3, 35-37	269.0	14.54	1.71	1.26
6-4, 35-37	270.5	14.68	1.70	1.41
7-1, 35-37	271.0	14.73	1.57	1.41
7-2, 35-37 7-3, 35-37	272.5	14.87	1.62	1.50
7-3, 35-37 7-4, 35-37	274.0 275.5	15.00 15.12	1.44	1.59 1.54
8 - 1, 35 - 37	276.0	15.16	1.25	1.48
8-2, 35-37	277.5	15.27	1.37	1.48
8-3, 35-37	279.0	15.39	1.60	1.96
8-4, 35-37	280.5	15.51	1.61	1.98
9-1, 35-37	281.0	15.55	1.54	1.84
9-2, 35-37 9-3, 35-37	282.5 284.0	15.66 15.78	1.33	1.65 0.89
10-1, 35-37	286.0	15.93	1.21	1.51
10-2, 35-37	287.5	16.05	1.04	1.68
10-3, 35-37	289.0	16.17	0.91	1.65
10-3, 35-37	289.0	16.17	0.91	1.65
10-4, 35-37 11-1, 35-37	289.5	16.20	1.12	1.69
11-1, 35-37 11-2, 35-37	291.0 292.5	16.33 16.46	0.87 0.73	1.71
11-3, 35-37	294.0	16.58	0.89	1.09
12-1, 35-37	296.0	16.75	0.93	1.43
12-2, 35-37	297.5	16.88	0.93	1.25
12-3, 35-37	299.0	17.00	0.89	1.34
12-4, 35-37 13-2, 35-37	300.5 302.5	17.10 17.24	0.95	1.44
13-3, 35-37	304.0	17.34	0.58	1.07
13-4, 35-37	305.5	17.44	1.14	1.78
14-1, 35-37	306.0	17.47	1.23	1.92
14-2, 35-37	307.5	17.57	1.20	2.04
14-3, 35-37 15-1, 35-37	309.0	17.67	1.18	1.86
15-1, 35-37 15-2, 35-37	311.0 312.5	17.81 18.07	0.97 0.83	1.35
15-3, 35-37	314.0	18.33	1.17	1.24
15-4, 35-37	315.5	18.59	1.12	1.25
Hole 588C ^c				
1-1, 35-37	306.0	17.47	0.72	1.32
1-2, 35-37	307.5	17.57	1.03	1.66
1-2, 110-111	308.3	17.62	1.09	1.54
1-3, 35-37 1-3, 110-111	309.0 309.8	17.67 17.72	0.71 1.08	1.34
1-5, 35-37	312.0	17.98	1.55	1.03
1-5, 110-111	312.8	18.12	1.14	1.89
1-6, 35-37	313.5	18.24	0.50	1.77
1-6, 110-111	314.3	18.38	1.30	1.95
2-1, 110-111	316.4	18.74	1.13	2.03
2-2, 35-37 2-2, 110-111	317.2 317.9	18.88 19.00	1.11 1.22	2.12 2.13
2-2, 110-111	318.7	19.00	1.41	1.67

^bSamples 588A-1-1, 35-37 cm to 588A-10-4, 35-37 cm, *C. kullenbergi*; Samples 588A-11-3, 35-37 cm and 588A-11-2, 35-37 cm, *C. wuellerstorfi*; Samples 588A-1-3, 35-37 cm to 588A-15-4, 35-37 cm, *C. coryelli*. ^cAll samples, *C. coryelli*.

Core Section	Sub-bottom	4.00	δ ¹⁸ 0	δ ¹³ C
Core-Section (interval in cm)	depth (m)	Age (Ma)	(⁰ /00	PDB)
Hole 588C (C	Cont.)			
2-3, 110-111	319.4	19.08	0.85	1.67
2-4, 35-37	320.2	19.13	0.89	1.92
2-4, 110-111	320.9	19.17	0.85	1.66
2-5, 35-37	321.7	19.21	0.92	1.51
2-5, 110-111	322.4	19.25	0.79	1.38
2-6, 35-37	323.2	19.30	0.63	1.32
2-6, 110-111	323.9	19.34	0.73	1.55
3-1, 35-37	325.3	19.42	0.69	1.62
3-1, 110-111	326.0	19.46	0.91	1.30
3-2, 35-37	326.8	19.50	0.72	1.31
3-2, 110-111	327.5	19.54	0.64	1.20
3-3, 35-37	328.3	19.59	1.22	1.65
3-3, 110-111	329.0	19.63	1.20	1.41
3-4, 35-37	329.8 330.5	19.67 19.71	1.21	1.35
3-4, 110-111 3-5, 110-111	332.8	19.71	1.21	1.14
3-6, 35-37	335.6	20.00	1.22	0.98
3-6, 110-111	336.3	20.04	1.18	1.02
4-2, 110-111	337.1	20.08	0.97	0.94
4-3, 35-37	337.8	20.12	1.37	1.04
4-3, 110-111	338.6	20.17	1.31	1.24
4-4, 35-37	339.3	20.21	1.15	1.13
4-5, 35-37	340.8	20.29	1.17	1.00
4-5, 110-111	341.6	20.34	1.06	0.79
5-1, 35-37	344.5	20.50	1.40	1.19
5-1, 110-111	345.2	20.54	1.30	1.17
5-2, 35-37	346.0	20.58	1.59	1.51
5-2, 110-111	346.7	20.62	1.43	1.34
5-3, 110-111	348.2	20.70	1.30	1.22
5-4, 35-37	348.9	20.73	1.24	0.93
5-5, 35-37	350.4	20.81	1.14	1.37
5-5, 110-111 5-6, 110-111	351.2 352.7	20.85 20.93	1.15	0.71
6-1, 35-37	354.0	20.93	1.09	1.06
6-2, 35-37	355.5	21.00	1.58	1.27
6-3, 110-111	357.8	21.19	1.30	1.00
6-4, 110-111	359.3	21.27	1.23	1.06
6-5, 35-37	360.0	21.31	1.36	1.10
6-6, 110-111	362.3	21.43	1.52	1.24
6-7.35-37	363.0	21.47	1.45	1.00
7-1, 35-37	363.7	21.50	1.31	1.07
7-1, 110-111	364.4	21.54	1.13	0.68
7-2, 35-37	365.2	21.58	1.27	1.19
7-4, 110-111	368.9	21.77	1.11	1.36
8-2, 35-37	374.8	22.08	1.37	1.52
8-2, 110-111	375.5	22.12	1.51	1.75
8-3, 35-37	376.3	22.16	1.26	1.94
8-4, 110-111	378.5	22.27 22.31	1.04	1.30
8-5, 35-37	379.3	22.31	1.61 1.16	1.31
8-5, 110-111 8-6, 35-37	380.0	22.35 22.39	1.17	1.33
8-6, 110-111	380.8 381.5	22.39	1.28	1.34
8-7, 35-37	382.3	22.43	1.56	1.54
9-2, 35-37	384.3	22.57	1.18	1.19
9-3, 35-37	385.8	22.65	1.27	1.26
9-3, 110-111	386.6	22.69	1.35	0.99
9-4, 35-37	387.3	22.73	1.34	1.43
9-5, 35-37	388.8	22.81	1.81	1.57
9-6, 35-37	390.3	22.89	1.51	1.57
9-6, 110-111	391.1	22.93	1.02	0.87

SITE 590

Sub-bottom depth	Age			Planktonic (º/oo PDB)		
(m)	(Ma)	$\delta^{18}O$	$\delta^{13}C$	δ ¹⁸ 0	δ ¹³ C	
34.1	1.81	2.59	0.74	-0.35	1.90	
36.2	1.90	2.46	0.85	-0.45	0.95	
39.2	2.02	2.63	0.64	-0.49	1.42	
	depth (m) 34.1 36.2	depth Age (m) (Ma) 34.1 1.81 36.2 1.90	$\begin{array}{c c} depth \\ (m) \\ \hline \end{array} \begin{array}{c} Age \\ (Ma) \\ \hline \end{array} \begin{array}{c} (^{0}/_{00}) \\ \hline \delta ^{18}O \\ \hline \end{array} \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c cccc} depth & Age & (^{0}/_{00} \ PDB) \\ \hline (m) & (Ma) & \sqrt[3]{8}_{O} & \sqrt[3]{13}_{C} \\ \hline & & & & \\ \hline & & & & \\ 34.1 & 1.81 & 2.59 & 0.74 \\ \hline & & & & & \\ 36.2 & 1.90 & 2.46 & 0.85 \\ \hline \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c cccc} depth & Age & (^{0}/_{00} \mbox{ PDB}) & (^{0}/_{00} \mbox{ PDB}) \\ \hline (m) & (Ma) & \frac{18}{50} & \frac{13}{50} & \frac{10}{50} \\ \hline 34.1 & 1.81 & 2.59 & 0.74 & -0.35 \\ 36.2 & 1.90 & 2.46 & 0.85 & -0.45 \end{array}$	

^aAll benthic results measured using *C. kullenbergi*; all planktonic results, *Globigerinoides sacculifer*.

Core-Section	Sub-bottom depth	Age		thic PDB)	Plank (º/oo	(tonic PDB)	Core-Section	Sub-bottom depth	Age		thic PDB)	Planl (º/oo	ktonic PDB
(interval in cm)	(m)	(Ma)	δ ¹⁸ O	δ ¹³ C	δ ¹⁸ O	δ ¹³ C	(interval in cm)	(m)	(Ma)	δ ¹⁸ 0	δ ¹³ C	δ ¹⁸ 0	δ ¹³
Hole 590A (C	Cont.)						Hole 590A (Co	ont.)					
2-5, 35-37	42.2	2.15	2.57	0.75	-0.45	1.50	20-6, 35-37	216.5	5.45	1.67	0.65	-0.45	1.5
2-6, 35-37	43.7	2.21	2.52	0.94	-0.69	1.58	21-1, 35-37	218.6	5.48	1.61	0.80	-0.80	1.8
3-1, 35-37 3-2, 35-37	45.8 47.3	2.30 2.33	3.00 2.51	0.44 0.79	-0.57 -0.72	1.57 1.66	21-3, 35-37 21-5, 35-37	221.6 224.6	5.52 5.56	1.81 1.80	0.50 0.93	-0.64 -0.44	1.9
3-3, 35-37	48.8	2.37			-0.09	1.39	21-7, 35-37	227.6	5.60	1.84	0.71	-0.45	1.1
3-4, 35-37	50.3	2.40	2.60	0.61	0.11	1.42	22-2, 35-37	229.7	5.63	1.77	0.67	-0.55	2.0
3-5, 35-37	51.8	2.44	2.20	0.72	-0.55	1.55	23-1, 35-37	237.8	5.74	1.87	0.69	-0.47	1.
3-6, 35-37 4-1, 35-37	53.3 55.3	2.48 2.53	2.39 2.38	0.73 0.78	-0.50 -0.56	1.67 1.52	23-3, 35-37 23-5, 35-37	240.8 244.6	5.78 5.83	1.90 1.85	0.75 0.70	-0.50 -0.72	1.0
4-2, 35-37	56.8	2.57	2.29	0.73	-0.55	1.74	24-1, 35-37	247.4	5.87	1.96	0.48	-0.60	1.3
4-3, 35-37	58.3	2.61	2.41	0.65	-0.60	1.24	24-3, 35-37	250.4	5.91	1.84	0.45	-0.38	1.
4-4, 35-37	59.8	2.65	2.34	0.85	-0.70	1.57	24-5, 35-37	253.4	5.96	1.87	0.46	-0.38	1.0
4-5, 35-37 4-6, 35-37	61.3 62.8	2.69 2.73	2.29 1.97	0.56 0.70	-0.48 -0.52	1.44	24-6, 35-37 24-7, 35-37	254.9 256.4	5.98 6.00	1.64 1.80	0.60 0.54	-0.32 -0.40	1.3
5-1, 110-112	64.9	2.79	2.25	0.98	-0.77	1.39	25-1, 121-122	257.0	6.00	2.02	0.69	-0.13	1.9
5-3, 110-112	67.9	2.86	2.25	0.81	-0.31	1.56			0100				
5-5, 110-112	70.9	2.94	1.98	0.74	-0.96	1.49	Hole 590B ^b						
6-1, 55-57 6-3, 55-57	74.6 77.6	3.04 3.12	1.98 2.17	0.83 0.76	-0.60 -0.98	1.59 1.50	28-6, 35-37	258.5	6.02			-0.39	2.0
6-5, 55-57	80.6	3.20	1.87	0.88	-0.58	1.75	29-1, 35-37	259.5	6.04			-0.29	1.9
7-1, 35-37	84.1	3.29	2.15	0.93	-0.67	1.58	29-2, 35-37	261.5	6.07	1.80	0.77	-0.33 -0.26	1.:
7-3, 35-37	87.1	3.37			-0.39	1.45	29-3, 35-37 29-4, 35-37	262.5 264.0	6.08 6.10		225	-0.26	2.
7-5, 35-37	90.1	3.45	2.01	0.87	-0.63	1.72	29-5, 35-37	265.5	6.12			-0.20	1.
8-1, 103-104 8-3, 35-37	93.8 96.8	3.47 3.48	2.22	0.59	-0.28 -0.35	1.74 1.34	29-6, 35-37	267.4	6.15	1.71	0.79	-0.70	2.
8-5, 35-37	99.8	3.48	2.04	0.99	-0.78	1.59	30-1, 35-37	269.0	6.17			-0.19	2.
8-6, 35-37	101.3	3.50	2.11	0.80	-0.90	1.55	30-2, 35-37 30-3, 35-37	270.0	6.18	1.90	0.70	-0.36 -0.30	2. 2.
10-1, 35-37	112.9	3.55	1.98	0.73	-0.74	1.37	30-4, 35-37	272.0 273.5	6.21 6.23			-0.53	2.
10-3, 35-37	115.9	3.56	1.93	0.69	-0.85	1.47	30-5, 35-37	275.0	6.25			-0.47	2.
10-5, 35-37 11-1, 35-37	118.9 122.6	3.58 3.59	1.91 1.89	0.76 0.91	-0.73 -0.46	1.64 1.48	30-6, 35-37	276.2	6.32	1.85	0.82	-0.43	2.
11-3, 35-37	125.6	3.61	1.09	0.91	-0.45	1.39	31-1, 35-38	278.7	6.48			-0.56	2.
11-4, 35-37	127.1	3.61	1.92	0.87	-0.68	1.73	31-2, 35-37	280.7 281.7	6.60	1.76	1.02	-0.61 -0.71	2.
11-6, 35-37	130.0	3.63			-0.85	1.37	31-3, 35-37 31-4, 35-37	281.7	6.66 6.75	1.78	0.93	-0.43	2.
12-1, 35-37	132.1	3.64	1.84	0.87	-0.59	1.57	31-5, 35-37	284.7	6.84	1.86	1.10	-0.65	2.
12-3, 35-37 12-5, 35-37	135.1 138.1	3.65 3.70	1.64	0.75	-0.31	1.53	32-1, 35-37	288.3	7.06	1.69	1.06	-0.62	2.
12-6, 35-37	139.6	3.73	1.88	1.06	-0.66	1.47	32-2, 35-37	289.8	7.15	1.65	1.12	-0.34	2.
13-1, 35-37	141.8	3.77	1.78	0.94	-0.22	1.68	32-3, 35-37	291.3 292.8	7.25 7.34	1.88 1.77	0.93 0.98	-0.64	2.
13-3, 35-37	144.8	3.82	1.87	0.86	-0.32	1.52	32-4, 35-37 32-5, 35-37	292.8	7.43	1.66	1.02	-0.60	2.
13-5, 35-37	147.8	3.87 3.90	1.90	0.97	-0.23	1.70	32-6, 35-37	295.8	7.52	1.81	0.97	-0.69	2.
13-6, 35-37 14-1, 35-37	149.3 151.4	3.90	1.80	0.87	-0.20 -0.31	1.32 1.54	33-1, 35-37	297.8	7.64	1.63	1.26	-0.69	2.
14-2, 35-37	152.9	3.96			-0.38	1.53	33-2, 35-37	299.3	7.73	1.66	1.19	-0.67	2.
14-3, 35-37	154.4	3.99	1.81	0.77	-0.36	1.08	33-3, 35-37 33-4, 35-37	300.8 301.3	7.83 7.86	1.49 1.46	1.28	-0.48	2.
14-4, 35-37	155.9	4.01			-0.53	1.12	33-5, 35-37	302.8	7.95	1.55	1.37	-0.74	2.
14-5, 35-37 14-6, 35-37	157.4 158.9	4.04 4.06	1.76	0.68	-0.66	0.83	33-6, 35-37	304.3	8.04	1.71	1.32	-0.25	2.
15-1, 35-37	161.0	4.10	1.76	0.93	-0.20	1.58	33-7, 35-37	305.8	8.13	1.42	1.00	-0.38	2.
15-2, 35-37	162.5	4.14			-0.45	1.46	34-1, 35-37	307.5	8.24	1.69	1.15	-0.71	2.
15-3, 35-37	164.0	4.18	1.95	0.63	-0.26	1.51	34-2, 35-37	309.0 310.5	8.33 8.42	1.70	1.18	-0.35 -0.56	2. 2.
15-4, 35-37	165.5	4.22			-0.29	1.35	34-3, 35-37 34-4, 35-37	312.0	8.51	1.78	1.33	-0.62	2.
15-5, 35-37 15-6, 35-37	167.0 168.5	4.26 4.30	1.73	1.01	-0.16 -0.11	1.59 1.58	34-5, 35-37	313.5	8.60	1.82	1.24	-0.48	2.
16-1, 35-37	170.6	4.35	1.80	0.96	-0.31	1.75	34-6, 35-37	315.0	8.69	1.58	0.93	-0.22	1.
16-2, 35-37	172.1	4.39	1.92	1.00	-0.35	1.76	34,CC	316.6	8.79	1.68	1.00	-0.17	2.
16-3, 35-37	173.6	4.43	1.85	1.03	-0.49	1.79	35-1, 35-37 35-2, 35-37	317.0 318.5	8.82 8.91	1.82	1.14	-0.61	1. 1.
16-4, 35-37	175.1	4.47	1.70	0.00	-0.22	1.88	35-3, 35-37	320.0	9.00	1.81	1.38	-0.43	1.
16-5, 35-37 17-1, 35-37	176.6 180.1	4.51 4.60	1.75 1.97	0.82	-0.35 -0.73	1.31 1.85	35-4, 35-37	321.5	9.09	1.92	1.43	-0.27	2.
17-2, 35-37	183.1	4.70			-0.80	1.67	35-5, 35-37	323.0	9.18	1.85	1.43	-0.20	2.
17-3, 121-122	184.0	4.73			2.17	0.72	36-1, 35-37	326.7	9.41	1.98	1.37	-0.53	2.
17-5, 35-37	186.1	4.80	2.13	0.86	-0.31	1.43	36-2, 35-37 36-3, 35-37	328.2 329.7	9.50 9.58	2.00 1.78	1.52	-0.49 -0.43	2.
18-1, 35-37	189.9	4.92	1.93	1.09	-0.59	2.01	36-4, 35-37	331.2	9.66	1.59	1.19	-0.32	2.
18-2, 35-37 18-4, 35-37	191.3 194.3	4.97 5.07	1.91 1.84	1.10 0.78	-0.62	2.06 1.85	36-5, 35-37	332.7	9.73	1.75	1.49		
18-5, 35-37	194.3	5.12	1.79	0.88	-0.31	1.83	37-1, 35-37	336.3	9.92	1.54	1.01	-0.70	1.
18-6, 35-37	197.3	5.17	1.97	0.47	-0.13	1.47	37-2, 35-37	337.8	10.00	1.70	1.09	-0.51	2.
19-1, 35-36	199.4	5.22	2.03	0.68	-0.60	1.63	37-3, 35-37 37-4, 35-37	339.3 340.8	10.08 10.16	1.68 1.71	1.11	-0.74 -0.43	2.
19-2, 35-37	200.9	5.24	1.83	0.84	-0.55	1.93	37-4, 35-37 37-5, 35-37	340.8	10.18	1.71	1.04	-0.43	1.
19-3, 35-37	202.4	5.26	1.97	0.69	-0.37	1.65	37-6, 35-37	343.8	10.31	1.93	1.12	-0.52	2.
19-4, 35-37 19-5, 35-37	203.9 205.4	5.28 5.30	2.10 1.86	0.59 0.88	-0.75 -0.76	1.54 1.78	38-1, 35-37	345.9	10.42	1.40	0.76	-0.51	1.
19-6, 35-37	206.9	5.32	1.83	0.70	-0.67	2.01	38-2, 35-37	347.4	10.50	1.50	0.98	-0.44	1.
20-1, 35-37	209.0	5.35	1.94	0.51	-0.45	1.28	^b All benthic resu	te measures	Lucina (kullark	arai avec	int for	ame
20-2, 35-37	210.5	5.37	1.76	0.66	-0.50	1.59	An Dentine resu	no measured	I LISTING C	. Auterio	CIXI CACC	4/L TOL 5	amp

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Core-Section	Sub-bottom depth	Age	(⁰ /00	thic PDB)	(⁰ /00	ctonic PDB)
(interval in cm)	(m)	(Ma)	δ ¹⁸ 0	δ ¹³ C	δ ¹⁸ 0	δ ¹³ C
Hole 590B (C	Cont.)					
38-3, 35-37	348.9	10.58	1.94	0.78	-0.93	1.79
38-4, 35-37	350.4	10.66	1.43	0.52	-0.80	1.88
38-5, 35-37	351.9	10.73	1.80	0.69	-0.44	1.88
38-6, 35-37	353.4	10.81	1.89	0.92	-0.39	1.82
38-7, 35-37	354.9	10.89	1.31	0.76		
39-1, 35-37	355.5	10.92	1.83	0.84	-0.79	1.93
39-2, 35-37	357.0	11.00	1.93	0.76	-0.34	1.79
39-3, 35-37 39-4, 35-37	358.5	11.08	1.59	1.19	-0.71	1.72
39-5, 35-37	360.0 361.5	11.16	1.72 1.45	0.86 0.96	-0.40	1.57 1.88
39-6, 35-37	363.0	11.23	1.94	0.85	-0.29	1.50
41-1, 35-37	374.7	11.92	1.59	1.20	-0.69	1.51
41-2, 35-37	376.2	12.00	1.59	1.10	-0.53	1.60
41-3. 35-37	377.7	12.03	1.51	1.20	-0.83	1.62
41-4, 35-37	379.2	12.06	1.65	1.17	-0.56	1.43
41-5, 35-37	380.7	12.09	1.52	1.06	-0.65	1.60
41-6, 35-37	382.2	12.13	1.14	1.13	-0.57	1.67
42-1, 35-37	384.3	12.17	1.86	1.17	-0.67	1.79
42-2, 35-37	385.8	12.20	1.76	1.20	-0.53	1.65
42-3, 35-37	387.3	12.24	1.83	1.40	-0.55	2.03
42-4, 35-37	388.8	12.28	2.17	1.45	-0.86	2.02
42-5, 35-37	390.3	12.32	1.74	1.29	-0.47	1.89
42-6, 35-37	391.8	12.36	1.96	1.24	-0.82	1.77
43-1, 35-37 43-2, 35-37	393.8 395.3	12.41 12.45	1.34	1.07	-1.01	2.08
43-3, 35-37	395.5	12.49	1.06	0.86 0.88	-0.65	1.88 1.63
43-4, 35-37	398.3	12.53	0.96	0.90	-0.24	1.74
43-5, 35-37	399.8	12.57	1.38	1.07	-0.42	1.98
44-1, 35-37	403.5	12.67	1.29	0.84	-0.76	1.88
44-2, 35-37	405.0	12.71	1.32	0.90	-0.92	2.18
44-3, 35-37	406.5	12.75	1.29	1.01	-0.54	1.96
44-4, 35-37	408.0	12.79	1.42	1.02	-0.51	2.28
44-5, 35-37	409.5	12.83	1.48	1.17	-0.74	2.33
44-6, 35-37	411.0	12.87	1.50	1.13	-0.47	2.52
45-1, 35-37	413.0	12.92	1.50	1.24	-0.51	2.15
45-2, 35-37	414.5	12.96	1.33	1.09	-1.07	2.00
45-4, 35-37	417.5	13.13	1.66	1.18	-0.89	2.21
45-5, 35-37	419.0	13.27	1.61	1.26	-0.70	2.07
46-1, 35-37	422.7	13.60	1.28	1.20	-0.84	2.30
46-2, 35-37 46-3, 35-37	424.5 425.7	13.74 13.87	1.18 1.30	1.31	-0.73	2.16
46-4, 35-37	427.2	14.00	1.30	$1.44 \\ 1.44$	-0.69 -0.94	2.47 2.46
46-5, 35-37	428.7	14.14	1.40	1.44	-1.03	2.37
46-6, 35-37	430.2	14.27	1.31	1.51	-1.09	2.42
47-1, 35-37	423.3	14.46	0.93	1.36	-0.77	2.09
47-2, 35-37	433.8	14.60	1.23	1.75	-1.30	2.47
47-3, 35-37	435.3	14.73	1.26	1.74	-1.17	1.70
47-4, 35-37	436.8	14.87	1.41	2.11	-0.90	2.69
47-5, 35-37	438.3	15.00	1.34	2.11	-1.24	3.08
47-6, 35-37	439.8	15.14	1.33	2.19	-1.00	2.88
48-1, 35-37	441.8	15.32	0.98	1.65	-1.23	2.21
48-2, 35-37	443.3	15.45	0.93	1.57	-1.03	2.20
48-3, 35-37 48-4, 35-37	444.8 446.3	15.59	1.12	1.75 1.79	-0.94	2.68
48-5, 35-37	440.3	15.73 15.86	1.00 0.97	1.79	-1.05	2.35 2.58
48-6, 35-37	449.7	16.00	0.34	1.46	-1.18	2.38
48-7, 35-37	450.8	16.14	0.90	1.83	-0.79	2.39
*49-1, 35-37	451.5	16.20	0.95	1.51	-0.54	2.33
49-1, 35-37	451.5	16.20			0.85	1.77
49-2, 35-37	453.0	16.34	0.82	1.66	-0.75	2.42
*49-2, 35-37	453.0	16.34	0.96	1.20		
49-3, 35-37	454.5	16.50	0.86	1.75	-0.68	2.35
*49-3, 35-37	454.5	16.50	1.00	1.36		
49-4, 35-37	456.0	18.00	1.09	1.41	-0.83	2.20
49-4, 35-37	456.0	18.00	1		-0.68	1.72
*49-5, 35-37	457.5	18.06	1.27	1.52	-0.75	2.37
49-5, 35-37	457.5	18.06	0.94	1.24	0.93	1.64
*50-1, 35-37	461.0	18.19	0.84	1.24	-0.51	2.15
*50-3, 35-37 50-3, 35-37	464.0 464.0	18.31 18.31	0.43	1.09	-1.04	2.14
*51-1, 35-37	464.0	18.51	1.11	0.89	0.78	1.35
*51-2, 35-37	472.2	18.63	1.11	0.89	-0.56	1.72 1.87
*51-3, 35-37	474.0	18.69	0.90	0.94	-0.33	1.95
*51-4, 35-37	475.2	18.74	0.90	0.94	-0.71	1.93
*51-4, 35-37	475.2	18.74			1.10	1.08
*51-5, 35-37	476.7	18.80	1.21	1.19	-0.45	1.80
	478.2					

Core-Section	Sub-bottom depth	Age		thic PDB)	Planktonic (º/oo PDB)		
(interval in cm)	(m)	(Ma)	δ ¹⁸ O	$\delta^{13}C$	δ ¹⁸ O	δ ¹³ C	
Hole 590B (C	ont.)						
*52-1, 35-37	480.3	18.94	1.07	1.07	-0.97	1.68	
*52-2, 35-37	481.8	19.00	1.33	0.98	-0.87	1.74	
*52-3, 35-37	483.3	19.16	1.07	0.77			
*52-4, 35-37	484.8	19.32	1.10	1.17	-0.41	1.94	
*52-5, 35-37	486.3	19.48	1.10	1.32	-0.08	1.85	
*52-6, 35-37	487.8	19.64	1.09	1.17	-1.21	2.15	
*53-1, 35-37	489.8	19.86	1.28	1.34	-0.92	2.34	
*53-2, 35-37	491.3	20.02	1.13	1.40	-1.16	2.33	
*53-3, 35-37	492.8	20.18	1.30	1.35	-0.48	1.95	
*53-4, 35-37	494.3	20.34	1.28	1.01	-0.60	1.73	
*53-5, 35-37	495.8	20.50	0.88	0.98	-0.52	1.97	
*53-6, 35-37	497.4	20.67	1.20	1.20	-0.39	1.84	

SITE 591									
	Sub-bottom		δ ¹⁸ O	$\delta^{13}C$					
Core-Section	depth	Age	(º/oo PDB)	(º/oo PDB					
(interval in cm)	(m)	(Ma)	δ ¹⁸ O	δ ¹³ C					
Hole 591 ^a									
20-1, 35-37	174.6	3.37	2.27	0.64					
20-1, 128-130	175.6	3.45	2.11	0.80					
20-2. 35-37	176.1	3.49	2.22	0.83					
20-2, 128-130	177.1	3.57	2.16	0.68					
20-3, 35-37	177.6	3.61	2.13	0.73					
20-3, 128-130	178.6	3.69	2.16	0.70					
20-4, 35-37	179.1	3.73	2.23	0.71					
20-4, 128-130	180.1	3.81	2.30	0.92					
		3.85	2.18	0.82					
20-5, 35-37	180.6	3.93	2.36	0.58					
20-5, 128-130	181.6								
20-6, 35-37	182.1	3.97	2.04	0.58					
20-6, 128-130	183.1	4.04	2.01	0.50					
20,CC	183.8	4.10	2.27	0.72					
21-1, 35-37	184.1	4.12	2.17	0.76					
21-1, 128-130	185.1	4.20	2.26	0.86					
21-2, 35-37	185.6	4.24	2.13	0.81					
21-2, 128-130	186.6	4.32	2.29	0.73					
21-3, 35-37	187.1	4.36	2.35	0.58					
21-3, 128-130	188.1	4.44	2.13	0.68					
21-4, 35-37	188.6	4.48	2.79	0.28					
21-4, 128-130	189.6	4.56	2.25	0.65					
21-5, 35-37	190.1	4.60	2.38	0.32					
21-5, 128-130	191.1	4.66	2.26	0.67					
21-6, 35-37	191.6	4.69	2.13	0.61					
21-6, 128-130	192.6	4.75	2.17	0.72					
22-1, 35-37	193.6	4.81	2.24	0.79					
22-1, 128-130	194.6	4.86	2.35	0.63					
			2.40	0.63					
22-2, 128-130	196.1	4.95	2.40	0.88					
22-3, 35-37	196.6	4.98							
22-3, 128-130	197.6	5.04	2.11	0.63					
22-4, 35-37	198.1	5.07	2.43	0.35					
22-4, 128-130	199.1	5.08	2.47	0.63					
22-5, 35-37	199.6	5.08	2.31	0.80					
22,CC	202.7	5.11	2.09	0.48					
23-1, 35-37	203.0	5.12	2.30	0.43					
23-1, 128-130	204.0	5.13	2.34	0.52					
23-2, 35-37	204.5	5.13	2.07	0.32					
23-2, 128-130	205.5	5.14	2.17	0.26					
23-3, 35-37	206.0	5.15	2.28	0.33					
23-3, 128-130	207.0	5.16	2.38	0.15					
23-4, 35-37	207.5	5.16	2.10	0.58					
23-4, 128-130	208.5	5.17	1.35	0.56					
23-5, 35-37	209.0	5.18	2.38	0.49					
23-5, 128-130	210.0	5.19	2.33	0.63					
23-6, 35-37	210.5	5.19	2.26	0.73					
23-6, 128-130	211.5	5.20	2.53	0.37					
23-0, 128-150 23,CC	212.1	5.22	2.24	0.49					
24-1, 35-37	212.5	5.23	2.40	0.56					
24-1, 128-130	212.5	5.25	2.40	0.69					
	213.4	5.25	2.40	0.69					
24-2, 35-37									
24-2, 128-130	214.9	5.29	2.27	0.37					

^aCibicidoides kullenbergi used except in Samples 591-23-1, 35-37 cm, and 591-25-1, 128-130 cm, where C. wuellerstorfi was used.

Core-Section (interval in cm)	Sub-bottom depth (m)	Age (Ma)	$(\frac{\delta^{18}O}{\delta^{18}O}B)$	$\frac{\left(\frac{\delta^{13}C}{00 \text{ PDB}}\right)}{\delta^{13}C}$
Hole 591 (Cor	N	(8-0	8.00
24-3, 35-37		5 20	2.10	0.49
24-3, 35-37 24-3, 128-130	215.5 216.4	5.30 5.32	2.19 2.23	0.48 0.75
24-4, 35-37	217.0	5.33	2.35	0.83
24-4, 128-130	217.9	5.36	2.61	0.33
24-5, 25-27	218.5	5.37	2.21	0.71
24-5, 128-130	219.4	5.40	2.09	0.59
24-6, 35-37	220.0	5.41	2.27	0.80
24,CC	221.5	5.45	2.30	0.62
25-1, 35-37 25-1, 128-130	221.9 222.8	5.46 5.48	2.23 2.36	0.52 0.38
25-2, 35-37	223.4	5.50	2.20	0.57
25-2, 128-130	224.3	5.52	2.27	0.80
25-3, 35-37	224.9	5.53	2.09	0.67
25-3, 128-130	225.8	5.56	2.11	0.34
25-4, 35-37	226.4	5.57	2.44	0.33
25-4, 128-130	227.3	5.59	2.19	0.44
25-5, 35-37 25-5, 128-130	227.9 228.8	5.61 5.63	2.39 2.31	0.58 0.48
25-6, 35-37	229.4	5.65	2.31	0.48
25-6, 128-130	230.3	5.67	2.45	0.69
25,CC	231.1	5.69	2.30	0.78
26-1, 35-37	231.5	5.70	2.18	0.60
26-1, 128-130	232.4	5.72	2.26	0.45
26-2, 35-37	233.0	5.74	2.24	0.57
26-2, 128-130 26-3, 35-37	233.9 234.5	5.76 5.77	2.36 2.04	0.37 0.47
26-3, 128-130	235.4	5.80	2.22	0.47
26-4, 35-37	236.0	5.81	2.24	0.37
26-4, 128-130	236.9	5.83	2.22	0.60
26-5, 35-37	237.5	5.85	2.31	0.65
26,CC	240.7	5.93	2.33	0.64
27-1, 35-37	241.0	5.94	2.02	0.59
27-1, 128-130 27-2, 35-37	242.0 242.5	5.96 5.97	2.07 2.26	0.49
27-2, 128-130	243.5	6.00	2.46	0.39
27-3, 35-37	244.0	6.01	2.33	0.49
27-3, 128-130	245.0	6.03	2.29	0.40
27-4, 35-37	245.5	6.05	2.26	0.35
27-4, 128-130	246.5	6.07	2.27	0.26
27-5, 35-37	247.0	6.08	2.18	0.19
27-5, 128-130 27-6, 35-37	248.0 248.5	6.11 6.12	2.33 2.24	0.39
27-6, 128-130	248.5	6.15	2.24	0.51 0.32
27,CC	250.3	6.17	2.20	0.52
28-1, 35-37	250.6	6.17	2.32	0.28
28-2, 35-37	252.5	6.22	2.40	0.67
28-3, 35-37	253.6	6.25	2.33	0.49
28-4, 35-37	255.1	6.33	2.28	0.47
28-5, 35-37 28-6, 35-37	256.7	6.43	2.22	0.62
29-1, 35-37	258.7 260.2	6.52 6.63	2.26 2.22	0.49 0.37
29-2, 35-37	261.7	6.72	2.21	0.76
29-3, 35-37	263.2	6.81	2.10	0.59
29-4, 35-37	264.7	6.90	2.10	0.60
29-5, 35-37	266.2	6.98	2.12	0.60
29-6, 35-37	267.7	7.07	2.22	0.80
29,CC	269.3	7.17	2.31	0.93
30-1, 35-37 30-2, 35-37	269.7	7.19	2.25	0.66
30-3, 35-37	271.2 272.7	7.37	2.15 2.01	0.80 0.89
30,CC	274.3	7.46	2.33	0.89
31-1, 35-37	274.7	7.48	2.09	0.83
31-2, 35-37	276.2	7.57	2.12	0.75
31-3, 35-37	277.7	7.66	2.09	0.85
31-4, 35-37	279.2	7.75	1.95	0.95
31-5, 35-37	280.7	7.83	2.04	0.86
31-6, 35-37 31,CC	282.2 283.1	7.92 7.97	2.08 2.31	0.80 0.85

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Core-Section (interval in cm)	depth (m)	Age (Ma)	(⁰ /00	PDB)	Species (benthic)
Hole 591B					
1-1, 35-37	271.0	7.27	2.29	0.82	C. kullenbergi
1-2, 35-37	272.5	7.35	2.22 2.23	0.95 0.99	C. kullenbergi C. kullenbergi
1-3, 35-37 1,CC	274.0 280.2	7.44 7.80	2.23	0.99	C. kullenbergi
2-1, 35-37	280.5	7.82	2.15	1.02	C. kullenbergi
2-2, 35-37	282.0	7.91	2.20	0.98	C. kullenbergi
2-3, 35-37	283.5	8.00	1.95	1.01	C. kullenbergi
2,CC 3-1, 35-37	289.8 290.2	8.37 8.39	2.03 2.17	0.84	C. kullenbergi C. kullenbergi
3-2, 35-37	292.0	8.50	1.96	1.11	C. kullenbergi
3-3, 35-37	293.2	8.57	1.05	0.71	C. wuellerstorfi
3-5, 35-37	296.2	8.74	2.10	0.96	C. wuellerstorfi
3,CC 4-1, 35-37	299.4 299.8	8.93 8.95	2.17 2.38	1.25	C. kullenbergi C. kullenbergi
4-2, 35-37	301.3	9.04	2.21	0.82	C. kullenbergi
4-3, 35-37	302.8	9.13	2.34	1.01	C. kullenbergi
4-4, 35-37	304.3	9.22	2.19	1.03	C. kullenbergi
4-5, 35-37 4,CC	305.8 308.8	9.30 9.48	2.34 2.20	1.08 0.97	C. kullenbergi C. wuellerstorfi
5-1, 35-37	309.2	9.50	2.34	1.11	C. kullenbergi
5-2, 35-37	310.7	9.56	2.33	1.14	C. kullenbergi
5-3, 35-37	312.2	9.62	2.27 2.38	0.93	C. kullenbergi C. kullenbergi
5-4, 35-37 6-1, 35-37	313.7 318.5	9.67 9.86	2.03	1.00	C. kullenbergi
6-2, 35-37	320.0	9.91	2.40	1.10	C. kullenbergi
6-3, 35-37	321.5	9.97	2.29	1.14	C. kullenbergi
6-4, 35-37	323.0 324.5	10.03 10.08	2.35 2.29	1.33	C. kullenbergi C. kullenbergi
6-5, 35-37 6,CC	327.6	10.08	2.21	1.36	C. kullenbergi
7-1, 35-37	328.0	10.22	2.24	1.18	C. kullenbergi
7-1, 35-37	328.0	10.22	2.24	1.18	C. kullenbergi
7-2, 35-37 7-3, 35-37	329.5 331.0	10.27 10.33	2.15 2.02	0.95	C. kullenbergi C. kullenbergi
7-4, 35-37	332.5	10.33	2.02	0.99	C. kullenbergi
7-5, 35-37	334.0	10.44	2.23	1.02	C. kullenbergi
7-6, 35-37	335.5	10.50	2.29	0.98	C. kullenbergi
7,CC 8-2,35-37	337.2 339.0	10.57 10.63	2.44 2.09	0.99 0.82	C. kullenbergi C. kullenbergi
8,CC	346.8	10.93	2.30	0.69	C. kullenbergi
9-2, 35-37	348.7	11.00	2.10	0.79	C. wuellerstorfi
9,CC	356.4	11.44	2.12	0.72	C. wuellerstorfi
10-1, 35-37 10-2, 35-37	356.8 358.3	11.46 11.55	1.74 1.89	0.85 0.97	C. wuellerstorfi C. wuellerstorfi
10-3, 35-37	359.8	11.63	2.14	1.10	C. wuellerstorfi
11-1, 35-37	366.3	12.00	2.08	1.41	C. wuellerstorfi
11,CC 12-1, 35-37	375.6 376.0	12.19	1.81	0.96	C. kullenbergi C. kullenbergi
12-1, 35-37 12-2, 35-37	377.3	12.20	1.98	1.13	C. kullenbergi
12,CC	385.2	12.63	2.01	1.22	C. kullenbergi
13-1, 35-37	385.5	12.64	1.84	0.94	C. kullenbergi
13-2, 35-37 13,CC	387.0 394.8	12.61 13.07	2.12 1.90	0.66 0.97	C. kullenbergi C. kullenbergi
14-1, 35-37	395.2	13.09	1.95	1.18	C. kullenbergi
14-2, 35-37	396.7	13.16	1.85	0.86	C. kullenbergi
14-6, 35-37 14,CC	402.7 404.4	13.44 13.51	1.32	1.30 0.87	C. kullenbergi C. kullenbergi
15-1, 35-37	404.8	13.53	2.12	1.13	C. kullenbergi
15-3, 35-37	407.8	13.67	1.69	1.03	C. kullenbergi
17-1, 35-37	424.0	14.42	1.82	1.25	C. kullenbergi
17-2, 35-37 17-3, 35-37	425.5 427.0	14.49 14.56	1.61 1.70	1.09 1.54	C. kullenbergi C. kullenbergi
17-4, 35-37	428.5	14.63	1.64	1.52	C. kullenbergi
18-1, 35-37	433.5	14.86	1.58	1.35	C. wuellerstorfi
18-2, 35-37 18-3, 35-37	435.0	14.93 15.00	1.33 1.69	1.24	C.wuellerstorfi C.wuellerstorfi
18-3, 35-37 18-4, 35-37	436.5 438.0	15.11	1.54	1.60	C.wuellerstorfi
18-5, 35-37	439.5	15.22	1.55	1.80	C. wuellerstorfi
18-6, 35-37	441.0	15.33	1.87	1.91	C.wuellerstorfi
19-1, 35-37 19-2, 35-37	443.2 444.7	15.49 15.60	1.62 1.36	1.56 1.56	C.wuellerstorfi C.wuellerstorfi
19-4, 35-37	447.7	15.83	1.41	1.40	C.wuellerstorfi
19-5, 35-37	449.2	15.94	1.40	1.52	C. wuellerstorfi
20-1, 35-37 20-2, 35-37	452.8	16.20	1.14	1.39 1.40	C.wuellerstorfi
20-2, 35-37 20-3, 35-37	454.3 455.8	16.23 16.26	1.36	1.40	C.wuellerstorfi C.wuellerstorfi
20-5, 35-37	458.8	16.32	1.02	1.63	O. umbonatus
21-1, 35-37	462.3	16.39	0.71	1.74	O. umbonatus

Core-Section (interval in cm)	Sub-bottom depth (m)	Age (Ma)	δ ¹⁸ Ο (⁰ /00	δ ¹³ C PDB)	Species (benthic)
Hole 591B (C	Cont.)				
21-2, 35-37	463.8	16.42	0.68	1.29	O. umbonatus
21-3, 35-37	465.3	16.45	0.80	1.49	O. umbonatus
22-1, 35-37	472.0	16.59	0.87	1.74	O. umbonatus
22-3, 35-37	475.0	16.65	0.99	1.91	O. umbonatus
22-4, 35-37	476.5	16.68	0.93	2.01	O. umbonatus
22-5, 35-37	478.0	16.71	1.04	2.28	O. umbonatus
22-6, 35-37	479.5	16.74	1.11	1.97	O. umbonatus
23-1, 35-37	481.5	16.78	0.92	1.87	O. umbonatus
23-2.35-37	483.0	16.81	0.80	2.03	O. umbonatus
23-3, 35-37	484.5	16.84	0.30	1.54	O. umbonatus
23-4, 35-37	486.0	16.87	0.42	1.30	O. umbonatus
23-6, 35-37	489.0	16.93	0.62	1.82	O. umbonatus
24-2, 35-37	492.7	17.00	0.87	1.28	O. umbonatus
24-3, 35-37	494.2	17.03	0.69	1.63	O. umbonatus
24-4, 35-37	495.7	17.06	0.54	1.05	O. umbonatus