

The Shipboard Scientific Party¹

146: 15°06.99'N, 69°22.67'W
146A: 15°06.99'N, 69°22.74'W
149: 15°06.25'N, 69°21.85'W.

146: 3949 meters
146A: 3949 meters
149: 3972 meters.

146: 762 meters
146A: 105 meters
149: 390 meters.

146: 145.6 meters (19%)
146A: 4.6 meters (4.8%)
149: 239.9 meters (57%).

Sites 146 and 149 were drilled within 2 km of each other in the central Venezuelan Basin and are discussed as one site.

At Site 146 sediments below Horizon A'' were cored to Horizon B'', identified as dolerite sills intruded into Coniacian limestones. Cherts and limestones of the Early (?) Eocene overlie noncalcareous Paleocene claystone. The Campanian and Maestrichtian pelagic marl and chalk contrast with the varied lithology of the Santonian which consists of silicified radiolarian limestone, with intercalated basaltic ash, carbonaceous layers, and radiolarian sands.

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BACKGROUND

The central Venezuelan Basin was selected for the location of the drill site planned for the recovery of the oldest sediment in the Caribbean Sea. This basin lent itself to this particular objective because, despite the fact that it is surrounded by lands, islands, and ridges, terrigenous sediments are restricted to bathymetric depressions adjacent to sediment sources. As a result, the major part of the basin apart from the small abyssal plains in the deeper regions is blanketed with a uniform cover of acoustically transparent (pelagic) sediments, quite unlike the thick stratified (abyssal plain) sediments of the Colombian Basin west of the Beata Ridge.

The pelagic sediments are about 0.8 to 0.9 sec (reflection time) thick and are characterized by subbottom reflectors, Horizons A'' and B'' (Ewing et al., 1967, 1968, 1971; Edgar et al., 1971). Horizon A'' was identified as an early Eocene chert from examination of piston cores recovered from a fault escarpment on the eastern flank of the Beata Ridge (Talwani et al., 1966; Edgar, 1968). Drilling in the Venezuelan Basin on Leg 4 also recovered chert at the level of Horizon A'' and demonstrated the great areal extent of the chert layer.

Horizon B'' is a smooth reflector that is similar to sedimentary layers or igneous rock in certain parts of the Pacific (Horizon B') and areas of the Atlantic near inactive continental margins (Horizon B') but quite unlike the typical Atlantic acoustic basement or Layer 2. Seismic refraction studies indicated compressional wave velocities through the layer below B'' that range from 3.2 to 5.5 km/sec (Edgar et al., 1971). Rarely did the seismic reflection records show any reflections below B'' using standard oceanographic seismic techniques, but processed reflection data collected by Gulf Oil Company's *Gulfrex* (Eaton and Driver, 1969) clearly indicated layered structure below B'' in the central Venezuelan Basin.

Site 29 of Leg 4 (Bader, Gerard et al., 1970) was drilled near the central part of the Venezuelan Basin at a point at which the thickness above Horizon A'' was less than the maximum. The objectives of this site had been to obtain sedimentological information relevant to the history of the Caribbean and to recover an essentially complete Cretaceous and Tertiary biostratigraphic sequence. The drilling was terminated at Horizon A'', which was thought to correspond to unconsolidated radiolarian ooze overlying chert of middle Eocene age, after several unsuccessful attempts had been made to penetrate it. Continuous coring of the site provided a good stratigraphic section for post-Horizon A'' time, but a considerable interval (including the entire Oligocene) was missing, and a high degree of solution diminished the biostratigraphic value of the fossil assemblages recovered (Figure 1).

The unrealized objective of Site 29 of recovering Cretaceous or older pelagic sediments in the central Venezuelan Basin remained the prime scientific objective for Site 146. The thickness of sediment between Horizons A'' and B'' implies a middle Mesozoic age for the latter, if accumulation rates have been fairly uniform (Edgar et al., 1971). A further indication that older sediments may be found in the Venezuelan Basin is the widespread occurrence of Early Cretaceous and local Jurassic volcanic rocks found

LEG 4

HOLE 29

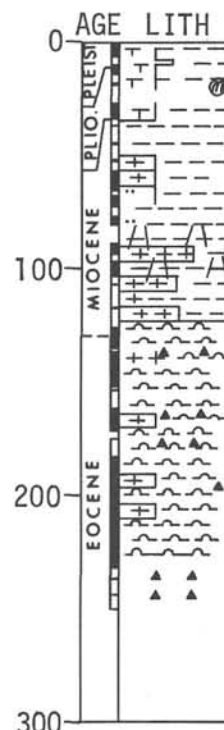
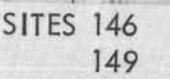


Figure 1. Columnar section of Site 29, Leg 4, showing basic lithology recovered. Drilling was terminated in chert related to Horizon A''.

in the island-arc systems of the eastern Greater Antilles and Lesser Antilles, which imply the existence of crust of at least that age on the inside of the arcs.

Site 146/149 was located about 35 km north of Site 29 in shallower water (3949 m versus 4282 m) where the thickness of sediment above Horizon A'' was considerably thicker and, presumably, more calcareous and stratigraphically complete (Figures 2 and 3). The site was also in proximity to the *Gulfrex* seismic line that showed reflectors below Horizon B''. Two technological improvements available on Leg 15 which had not been available on Leg 4 were employed for deeper penetration. The first of these was an improved roller bit with tungsten carbide inserts for cutting through the chert and other brittle rocks. The other new capability was that of reentry, which had been tested previously but never used operationally. With this capability, a worn bit could be replaced and the drill string returned to the hole in order to continue drilling at the lowest depth reached by the first bit.

Previously obtained high quality seismic reflection records in the area (*Vema-26* and *Gulfrex*, which had been the basis for Site 29) showed a uniform area of pelagic sedimentation and precluded the necessity for extensive site surveying by the *Glomar Challenger*. Figure 4 shows the



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bathymetry in the area of Site 146/149 and Site 29, based on *Vema*-20 site survey (Bader, Gerard et al., 1970).

OBJECTIVES

Site 146/149 was the primary site on Leg 15, designed to recover a complete sequence of sediments from the Venezuelan Basin for lithologic and biostratigraphic studies and to determine the nature and age of Horizon B". Penetration below Horizon B" would have identified the nature and the age of sub-B" layers that had been noted on the *Gulfrexx* records.

OPERATIONS

The ship arrived on Site 146 (Figure 5) at about 0900 hours on 15 December. After dropping two beacons (the first had too weak a signal to be usable), the reentry cone was rigged and lowered over the port side in the manner that had proven successful during the reentry trials six months previously. However, after the cone had been lowered and filled with water (its large opening faced upwards), it was lifted momentarily out of the water by the roll of the ship in the 3 to 4 meter swell, broke its cable, and was lost. A second cone, this time oriented horizontally, was successfully launched at 1530 hours on 16 December and keelhaunched into position amidships. Fifty meters of casing were lowered through the cone and secured to it. A 4-cone tungsten carbide bottom roller bit completed the bottom-hole assembly. The assembly was secured to a mechanical release mechanism in the cone (with the bit within the casing), the cone with its casing was freed from the ship, and the remainder of the drill string was made up in the conventional manner. When the casing reached the sea floor, it was washed into the soft upper sediments. With the cone on the sea floor, the release mechanism was actuated with a tool lowered on the sand line, the drill string was released from the cone, and drilling commenced on 17 December. Two spot cores were taken in the upper part of the section, at 96 and 254 meters, as drilling proceeded until the chert was encountered at 406 meters. Continuous coring began at the chert and continued to 701 meters through early Tertiary-late Cretaceous limestones, cherts, siliceous clays, and ash beds. Because the bit had reached 48-hours drilling time (nearly its total life expectancy), the decision was made, at 1000 hours on 21 December, to retrieve the drill string and change the bit rather than risk losing a cone from the bit in the hole. The drill string was reassembled and run down to the ocean floor by the afternoon of 22 December. An Edo rotating sonar transducer, which scans the ocean floor rather like a radar, was lowered into its position immediately beyond the opening of the bit. The ship was maneuvered to within 30 meters of the cone by tracking three sonar reflectors on the cone through the use of a cathode ray display on the bridge. An attempt was then made to position the drill string over the cone by moving it laterally with a jet of water pumped through the drill string and issuing through an opening near the bit. There was no detectable lateral movement and the decision was made to position the drill string by moving the entire ship. At 0658 hours on 22 December the bit was centered and the drill string lowered. Two successive cores (39 to 45 m and 96 to 100 m) were

taken to confirm reentry, but the core barrels returned full of Pleistocene mud, indicating that the bit had missed the core and had started a new hole (146A). This core also showed no trace of the barite mud which had been pumped into the hole before withdrawal. With the realization that the reentry had failed, the drill string was withdrawn to the ship and the jetting device, which was believed to have interfered with water circulation, was removed. The drill string was reassembled and returned to the sea floor by 2100 hours on 24 December. The Edo transducer was lowered, returned for minor repairs, and lowered a second time. The second reentry attempt was successful at 0630 hours on 25 December. Drilling continued and the new bit cut an additional 61 meters of very hard sediments. Drilling terminated 16 meters into a dolerite sill, after penetration rates had slowed to 1 meter per hour. The drill string was withdrawn and the ship departed for Curacao at 1700 hours on 27 December to replace the reentry engineers with geochemists, who would be aboard for Sites 147, 148, and 149. On departure from Site 146 it was agreed that the vessel should return to the area with the geochemists to core the section overlying Horizon A". Sites 147 and 148 were drilled before returning to complete the task (149).

Site 149 was approached in high seas during a four hour interval in which no acceptable satellite fix was obtained. By dead reckoning the site was located and later found to be within 1.5 km of Site 146 (Figure 6). Drilling commenced on 6 January and consisted of continuous coring down to the chert of Horizon A". The uppermost six cores were taken with the extended core barrel and a smaller diameter liner. The remaining cores were cut with conventional core barrel. Drilling disturbance was moderate to severe and many of the cores contained large fractions of displaced, younger sediment. Two cores, 12 and 24, were cut while fresh water containing rhodamine dye was circulated to test the contamination of cores by drilling fluid. Parts of the cores were found to be completely saturated with dye when cut. Because many cores were stored for up to two days before cutting, the entrapped sea water and the ship's vibration turned these into a flocculent soup. Drilling was terminated late on 9 January and the ship was underway for Site 150 early on 10 January.

LITHOLOGY

The columnar section at Site 146/149 can be divided into seven major lithologic units. Two of these units are soft to semiconsolidated oozes that overlie Horizon A"; the remainder, lying below Horizon A", are well consolidated to lithified.

The two ooze units are defined by the presence and absence of Radiolaria. The upper unit (0-198.5 m) is predominantly chalk and marl ooze and is divided into three subunits based on the carbonate content. The uppermost subunit (0-71.85 m) consists of foraminiferal nannoplankton chalk and marl ooze. Average carbonate decreases downward from approximately 50 down to 40 percent. Coarser fossil components are pteropods (upper 9 m only) and planktonic foraminifera, with minor micromollusks, echinoid spines, and benthonic foraminifera. Radiolaria occur very rarely near the top of the unit. Indeterminate black spots (hydrotroilite?) are conspicuous

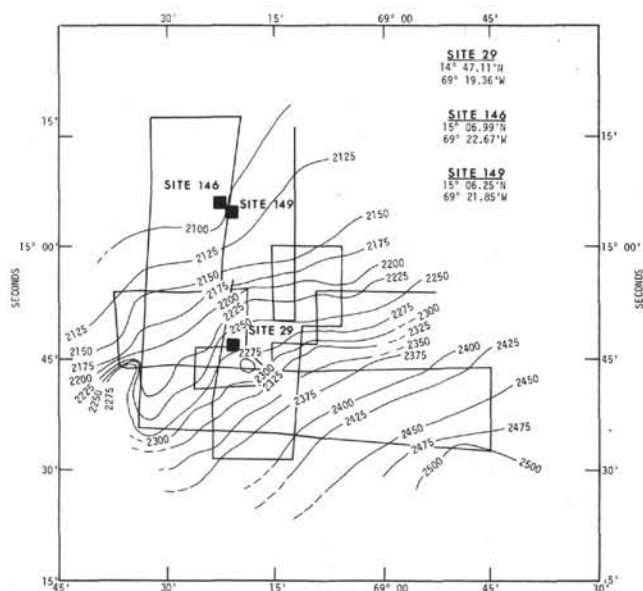


Figure 4. Bathymetric chart of the region of Site 146/149 and Site 29 of Leg 4. Chart was prepared from a survey by the Vema-26 cruise. (Bader, Gerard et al., 1970).

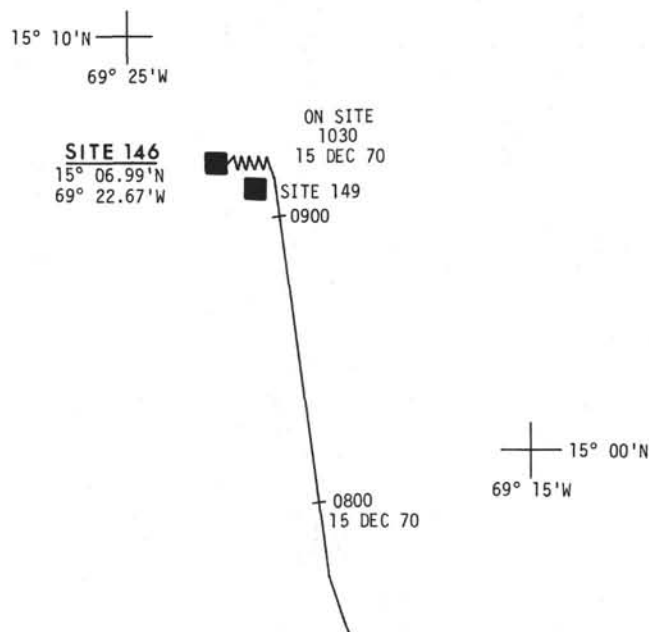


Figure 5. Track of Glomar Challenger on approach to Site 146.

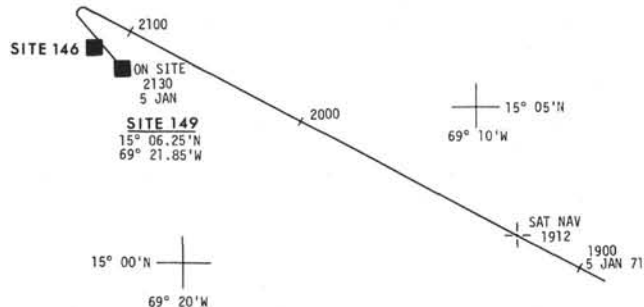


Figure 6. Track of Glomar Challenger on approach to Site 149.

in the lower part of the unit. Volcanic constituents, especially plagioclase and hornblende, are scarce but are found throughout.

A pelagic brown clay (71.85 to 96.45 m) underlies the uppermost subunit with a relatively abrupt upper contact. The clay has a negligible carbonate content, is brownish down to about 87 meters, and varicolored (gray, dark yellowish orange, and light brown) below this. Coarse constituents are limited to rare benthonic foraminifera, very rare and partly dissolved planktonic foraminifera, rare fish debris, and sparse volcanic minerals, especially plagioclase. Native copper was found in two places at about 75 and 85 meters; aggregation in the form of pellet-like shells and cylindrical tubes strongly suggests biological concentration of this element. Dolomite rhombs and anatase dipyrramids (both a few microns in length) are persistent throughout this unit. Palygorskite and barite were found.

Below the clay subunit are interbedded clays, and calcareous clays and marl oozes (96.45-135.45 m). The top of this subunit is defined by the first occurrence (drilling) of carbonate below the clay subunit. The lower boundary is established at the first occurrence of chalk which coincides with the last occurrence of clay. The clay is mostly yellowish brown, firm, and contains K-feldspar and carbonate rhombs. The calcareous clays and marls are extensively mottled and contain plagioclase, apatite, and glauconite.

The lowermost subunit (135.45 to 198.50 m) of foraminiferal nannoplankton marl oozes and chalk oozes have been disturbed extensively by drilling which may, in part, be attributed to fresh water having been used for the drilling fluid during coring for the geochemical program. The carbonate content increases from the base of the overlying subunit to about 70 percent at 150 meters, then declines to about 50 percent at the base of the unit. The amount of carbonate fluctuates noticeably in units a fraction of a meter thick. Burrow mottling and black (iron-manganese?) spots are conspicuous in the marl layers. Planktonic foraminifera vary from strongly dissolved to well preserved, but in most instances show noticeable solution effects. Volcanic debris occurs throughout but increases downward, with plagioclase the most persistent element and glass and pumice appearing below 170 meters. The sediments of this unit are compacted to varying degrees but are nowhere lithified. Minor clinoptilolite was found by X-ray diffraction.

The first appearance of a siliceous fauna marks the top of Unit II, a semi-indurated calcareous radiolarian ooze and radiolarian nannoplankton chalk (198.50 to 382.50 m). The carbonate content of this unit fluctuates widely but, on the average, declines from about 70 percent at the top to about 40 percent near the base. Planktonic foraminifera are almost completely dissolved, but nannoplankton are common and generally well preserved. Volcanic constituents are abundant in this interval and ash beds (Figure 7) are conspicuous below 240 meters. Plagioclase is persistent and clino- and orthopyroxene, apatite, and red hornblende are found. Microtektites (this volume) were found in the core catcher of Core 31 (279 m). The unit can be subdivided into two subunits on the basis of sediment



Figure 7. Radiolarian nannoplankton marl with distinct volcanic ash bed. Oligocene. (149-29-2, 113-125).

components. The upper subunit (198.50 to 270.00 m) is a radiolarian-rich nannoplankton marl. The clay component decreases rapidly at the lower boundary and is essentially absent in the underlying subunit of radiolarian nannoplankton chalk. The only ash bed recovered above Horizon A'' at this site was found at about 250 meters (Figure 7). The first occurrence of chert is at 289 meters, which is 117 meters above the main chert layer comprising Horizon A''. Palygorskite was detected by x-ray diffraction in the three lowest cores.

The first occurrence of chert and limestone of Unit III was found at 382.50 meters at Site 149 but at 406 meters at Site 146. Consequently the exact depth of the contact between the second and third unit, which here identified with Horizon A'', is not clearly established. Volcanic clay is a minor component of this unit. Fresh glass and radiolaria are not found; cristobalite (replacements of radiolaria?), clinoptilolite, and montmorillonite comprise the clay units. Planktonic foraminifera are common in the chalk. Palygorskite was detected by x-ray diffraction at 422 meters. The lower boundary of the unit is defined by the presence of green siliceous claystone at 440.65 meters.

Beneath the chalk-chert sequence is a uniform, green siliceous claystone (449 to 477.25 m) which is markedly compacted, showing a conchoidal fracture and a tendency toward shaley fissility. This Unit (III) consists predominantly of cristobalite. Fossils are absent, except for cristobalite pseudomorphs after Radiolaria. Mottling is inconspicuous and flattened. X-ray diffraction showed rhodochrosite at 451 meters, palygorskite at 478 meters, and barite and clinoptilolite throughout.

The next lower major unit (V) is a varicolored nannoplankton chalk and marl sequence (477.25 to 630.30 m) that consists of interbedded neutral-colored chalks and varicolored (pinkish brown, brownish gray, etc.) marls. The average carbonate content increases downward from about 40 to about 80 percent. This unit is characterized by color contrasts and by the ubiquity of mottling and burrowing (Figure 8). Most of the burrows are subhorizontal, including horizontal chevron (*Zoophycos*) burrows, but many are vertical (*Teichichnus*), helicoid, or dendritic (*Chondrites*) in three dimensions. Interbedded sandy radiolarian layers, of possible local turbiditic origin, containing subordinate planktonic foraminifera, with sharp lower contacts and with or without grading, occur below 534 meters. In the marl layers radiolarians are absent and planktonic foraminifera present but badly preserved. Chert (Figure 9; Frontispiece) occurs at 557 meters (151 m below the main chert horizon). An occurrence of garnet (Donnelly and Melson, this volume), which may be authigenic, was noted at 517 meters. Lithification is moderate throughout this unit, increasing noticeably downward. The downward increase in carbonate distinguishes two subunits: brownish gray and olive gray marl (477.25 to 521.35 m), and a subunit of varicolored chalks (521.35 to 630.30 m) which is dominantly pinkish brown above, light gray in the middle, and pinkish gray below. Volcanic ash beds occur throughout this unit, but are more abundant downward. They contain a few volcanic crystals with exceptional beds that are rich in biotite, quartz, alkali feldspar, apatite, and zircon but are commonly almost pure montmorillonite. Barite is conspicuous throughout. Planktonic foraminifera are scarce and poorly preserved.

The next lower unit (VI) is radiolarian limestone (630.30 m to 721.00 m) which is characterized by a higher degree of lithification, more abundant cherts and ash layers, microfractures, and occurrences of pyrite. The carbonate content of this unit fluctuates widely between about 50 and 80 percent. The upper part is a fairly homogeneous, light gray limestone (630.30 to 692 m) and the lower part is a varicolored limestone with contrasting lithologies, including white radiolarian sands, very dark carbonaceous layers (Figure 10), and conspicuous ash layers. The organic-rich layers, restricted to the Turonian-Coniacian-Santonian, were analyzed for their organic carbon; the results are shown in Table 1. Sapropelite was defined by Olausson (1960) as a sediment containing more than 2.5 percent organic carbon; three of the samples analyzed classify as sapropelitic. Burrowing is conspicuous throughout (Figure 11), especially in the less carbonate-rich beds. X-ray diffraction shows minor barite, clinoptilolite, and palygorskite.

Immediately above the upper of two dolerites is a varied lithic subunit (721.00 to 738.30 m) differing from the overlying subunit in the presence of conspicuous graded beds of altered, greenish basaltic ash (Figure 12). The ash is interbedded with limestones and radiolarian sands (Figure 13), some graded like those in the above unit. Below this unit is an upper dolerite sill (738.30 to 739.63 m) whose upper contact was not recovered and whose lower contact is a chilled border about 2 cm thick. Below this dolerite is 0.5 meters of highly recrystallized limestone crowded with



Figure 8. Nannoplankton chalk and marl showing a dark volcanic clay bed and pale chalk whose contrasting colors emphasize the extent of burrowing. Maestrichtian. (146-16-6, 9-35).



Figure 9. Radiolarian limestone showing sharp contact of replacement chert and limestone. Campanian. (146-28-3, 32-45).

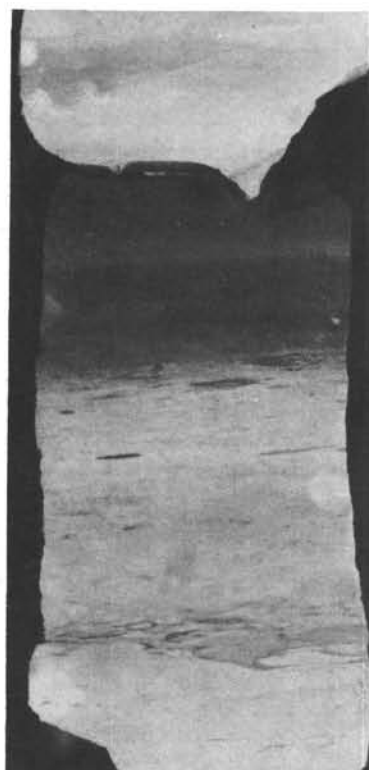


Figure 10. Radiolarian limestone showing layer rich in organic carbon. Note flattened burrows. Turonian to Santonian. (146-38-1, 88-101).

TABLE 1
Total Carbon, Organic Carbon, and CaCO₃
Per Cent for Samples Taken from Dark
Carbonaceous Layer (Turonian to
Santonian), Site 146

Sample	Total C (%)	Organic C (%)	CaCO ₃ (%)
36R-2-87	8.1	2.5	48
36R-2-138	7.7	6.3	12
38R-1-106	14.5	11.2	28
39R-1-92	0.2	0.1	1

planktonic foraminifera. The limestone consists of calcite, a very well-crystallized montmorillonite, and some pyroxene (evidently metamorphic diopside).

The lower dolerite sill was penetrated from 740 to 762 meters; more than half of the drilled interval was recovered, but the upper contact was not. Grain size variations within the recovered material were minimal. The dolerite appears to be quite fresh and moderately fractured and only slightly veined.

PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

Wet-bulk Density, Water Content, and Porosity

Discussion

Wet-bulk density and porosity were measured by two methods aboard the *Glomar Challenger*: Gamma Ray Attenuation Porosity Evaluator (GRAPE) and individual sample volume-weight measurements (sample data are the enclosed dots on core and hole plots). Water content was determined by weight-weight relationships. These methods are described and discussed in Appendix I. In general, the data have a precision of ± 5 per cent. The GRAPE data should be viewed with caution as it results from continuous diameter-scanning along the entire length of an unopened core which includes undisturbed sediment, disturbed sediment, and drilling slurries. The Appendix contains precautionary discussions concerning interpretation of these data and equations for diameter corrections for punch cores in the upper 45 meters of this site and for hard core samples which have a smaller diameter than the core liner.

Some stiff sediments or rocks are cored without plastic flowage of the sample and, since the drill bit has a smaller diameter than the core liner (2.60-in internal diameter), a space between the liner and the core results. The remaining space may be filled with a drilling slurry, highly disturbed sediment, or, in some cases, air. A problem arises here because a 2.60-inch diameter is assumed in the density calculation.

Where necessary the GRAPE data of Site 146 were adjusted (G.C.D. [GRAPE corrected diameter] data are the dotted density and porosity lines on the hole and core plots) for varying diameters of the core. Diameters are generally smaller than 2.60 inches by about 12% in cores recovered from 494 to 680 meters, 13 to 14% from 680 to 705 meters, respectively, 20% from 705 to 740 meters, and 14% from 740 to 760 meters.

Density adjustments for varying diameters in the data below 494 meters at Site 146 were made by observing the



Figure 11. Burrowed limestone, with fish bone (lower center), recrystallized fossils, and flattened, highly organic burrows. Bar is 1 mm long. Turonian to Santonian. (146-36, CC).

GRAPE data and determining the typical densities of the disturbed sediments or drilling slurries between the hard rock sample. The typical density was about 1.2 g/cc, but values ranged from 1.0 to 1.35 g/cc, except for air around the limestone and basalt cores at the bottom of Hole 146. However, this "slurry" density is for the most part an assumption, and the reader may wish to recalculate the data using other densities (the formula is in Chapter 13). Only maximum density trends and minimum porosity trends were recalculated (dotted lines in core and hole plots) as lesser densities and greater porosities are suspected of being drill-disturbed sediments, smaller diameters, or fractured rocks. These adjusted data are only approximations.

Results

In general, wet bulk densities irregularly increase (1.4 to 1.8 g/cc) then decrease (1.8 to 1.5 g/cc) between the surface and Horizon A'', while between Horizons A'' and B'', densities were about 2 g/cc (1.9 to 2.2 g/cc) with a slight decrease to 1.8 g/cc (1.8 to 2.3 g/cc) near Horizon B''. Horizons A'' and B'' were cored at 406 and 739 meters, respectively, at Site 146.

Wet bulk densities of the Tertiary calcareous ooze, marl, and clay above Horizon A'' irregularly increase from the surface value of 1.4 g/cc (76% porosity) to 1.6 g/cc (64%) at 10 meters, and then irregularly increase to approximately 1.8 g/cc (50%) at 200 meters. Below 200 meters, densities irregularly decrease to about 1.4 g/cc (68%) at 375 meters,

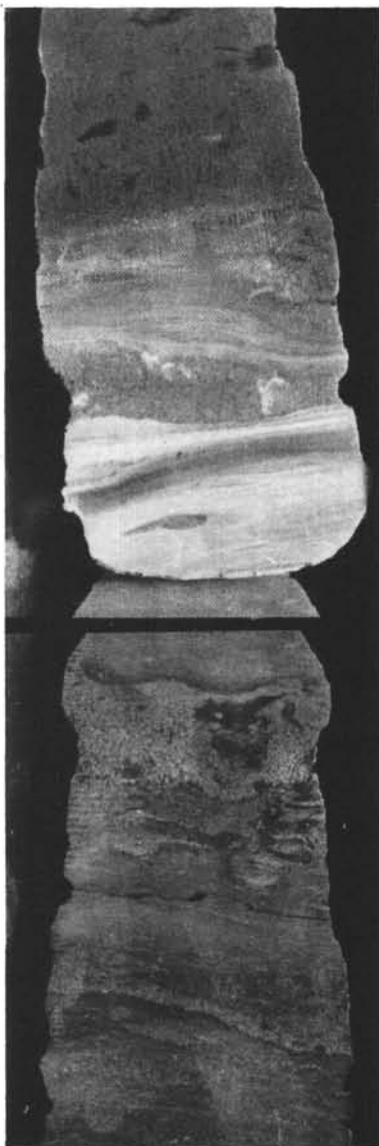


Figure 12. Interbedded limestone, basaltic ash, and clay showing graded bedding, current scour, and flattened burrows. Turonian to Santonian. (146-39R-2, 65-84).

which corresponds with the occurrence of radiolarian ooze and radiolarian chalk. Also, below 362 meters, silicification and occurrences of chert become more common resulting in densities of about 2.1 g/cc.

Between Horizons A'' and B'' (406 to 739 m at Site 146), Cretaceous chalk, marl, and radiolarian limestone (and chert) have typical maximum densities of about 2 g/cc (40 to 20%) with a range from 1.9 to 2.3 g/cc (16%). Some chert nodules and layers have densities near 2.2 to 2.3 g/cc. The radiolarian limestone near Horizon B'' has a slightly lower density of 1.8 to 1.9 g/cc (range of 1.8 to 2.3 g/cc). The diabase which formed Horizon B'' has densities of 2.68 to 2.88 g/cc.

Porosity plots are slightly different from the density plots as the composition of the sediment or rock varies greatly. An example is opaline radiolarian tests, which are

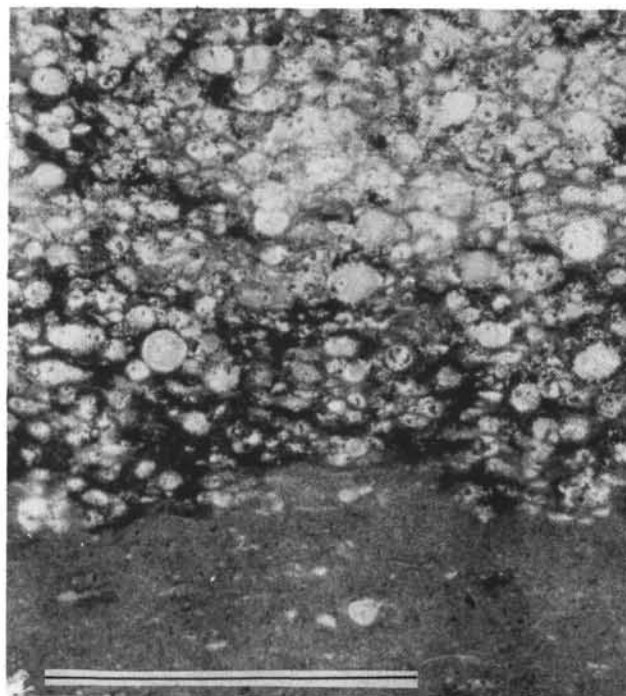


Figure 13. Thin section showing radiolarian sand overlying clay with a sharply defined contact. No clear size grading is apparent in this section, but other radiolarian sands are graded. Bar is 1 mm long. Turonian to Santonian. (146-41R-1, 104-106).

very light weight (2.2 g/cc) and have a very delicate, fine structure, versus the heavier calcite (2.7 g/cc) foraminifer tests or nannofossil plates. Therefore siliceous and calcareous sediments may weigh the same but have different porosities.

As a generality, porosity between the surface and Horizon A'' varies irregularly between 44 and 70%, decreasing then increasing with depth. Between Horizons A'' and B'' porosity varies irregularly (8 to 42%) but appears to decrease from about 36 to 22%. Some chert nodules and thin layers are hard and dense with essentially zero porosity.

In more detail, porosities in the Tertiary sediments above Horizon A'' decreased from 76 to 65% from zero to 10 meters depth and from 65% to 45 to 50% within 10 to 200 meters depth. These sediments are chalks and chalk ooze, marl and marl ooze, and clays. However, porosities in radiolarian-rich chalks and oozes from 200 to 375 meters increased from 50% to 65% respectively.

The Cretaceous sediments and rocks between Horizons A'' and B'' typically have a porosity of 36% between 495 and 577 meters. Below 577 meters, porosity irregularly varies (9 to 42%; 0% for chert nodules and layers), but generally decreases to about 22 to 32% at 660 meters depth, and then typically increases to 36% (with a low of 12%) at 720 meters. The porosity between Horizons A'' and B'' inversely correlates with the sound velocity (see section on Sound Velocity for Plot of Porosity).

Water contents varied irregularly between the surface and Horizon A''. They ranged from 53 to 28% at the

surface. From 10 to 200 meters below the sea floor, water contents irregularly decrease from 42 to 30%, while from 200 to 300 meters they increase irregularly to about 50%. This increase appears to be related in part to the radiolarian content of the sediment. In general, sediments containing radiolarians have lower densities and higher porosities and water contents than comparable calcareous sediments.

Sound Velocity

Introduction

Velocities at which sound travels through sediment and rock core samples were measured by the Hamilton Frame technique, which is discussed in Appendix I. This method has a precision of ± 1.1 percent.

These measurements were taken several days after the cores were split; however, the sediments were stored in sealed D-tubes containing wet towels and refrigerated (2.5°C) in a humid atmosphere to minimize moisture loss. If these sediments or rocks lost pore water, then their measured velocities would be significantly lower (10-20%) than velocities obtained from other seismic data; however, the data are in good agreement.

Only sediments and rocks which appeared to be physically undisturbed had velocity measurements made. These velocities were measured parallel to the bedding planes, unless otherwise noted in the tables, and are reported at laboratory pressures and temperatures (21.6 to 25.8°C ; Table 2).

Results

Sound velocities measured at Site 146 range from 1.51 to 5.34 km/sec. Clay and chalk ooze in the upper part of the hole (98-103 m and 254-263 m) have typical velocities of 1.51 and 1.63 km/sec, respectively, while the lithified clays, chinks, marls, and radiolarian limestone in the lower part of the hole have typical velocities ranging from 1.95 to 2.95 km/sec. Velocities in reddish brown chert fragments range from 4.70 to 5.34 km/sec with an average of 5.09 km/sec. A diabase sample from a sill at 739 meters below the sea floor propagated sound at 4.86 km/sec.

Velocities were measured parallel and perpendicular to the bedding planes of Oligocene and Cretaceous samples. Oligocene, light gray radiolarian nannofossil chalk ooze recovered from 262 meters has velocities of 1.57 and 1.58 km/sec perpendicular and parallel to the bedding, respectively, while Maestrichtian light gray nannofossil chalk from 522 meters has velocities of 1.90 km/sec parallel to the bedding and 1.81 km/sec perpendicular to the bedding. These two spot checks are not sufficient data to draw any definite conclusions.

Discussion

Major lithologic sections were stratigraphically distinguished by their relative and uniform velocity differences. Average velocities were calculated for these sections, but velocities for the chert nodules (or layered fragments) were not averaged in these groupings as it is not known what thicknesses of the chert are in situ, and they might thus skew the average from the modal velocities (Figure 14). The sound velocity-stratigraphy is displayed in Table 3.

In general, velocity variations correlated with different lithologic sections as defined by the geologists, except in the bottom of the hole where velocities were controlled less by sediment type and more by cementation.

According to averaged core velocities, air-gun records, and drilling rates, the reflector Horizon A'' appears to be the hard rock (foraminiferal nannofossil chalk and chert) at 406 meters (at Site 146) below the sea floor and the reflector Horizon B'' is probably the diabase at 739 meters depth. It seems unusual that there were not other reflectors between Horizon A'' and Horizon B'', where varying velocities were recorded. It is possible that such zones would be reflectors with differing reflection frequencies, and it is also possible that these velocity changes in situ are in part gradational.

The sedimentary section above Horizon A'' (0-406 m at Site 146), calculated from the seismic reflection travel time and drilled depth, has an average velocity of 1.60 to 1.65 km/sec, which is in agreement with the meager laboratory sound velocity data in this section. From the laboratory sound velocity data the section between Horizons A'' and B'' has an average velocity of 2.44 km/sec (not including chert). This average velocity agrees with the average velocity of 2.47 km/sec (including chert) obtained from the seismic air-gun reflection times from Horizons A'' and B'' and their drilling depths.

The dolerite velocity of 4.86 km/sec is in good agreement with J. Ewing's (personal communication) sonobuoy data (Figure 14) and with previous refraction data. A summary of previous refraction and wide-angle reflection data is presented in Edgar et al (1971).

Considering the precision of all the data involved, it seems unusual that the data agree so well, and, therefore, the following discussion of their agreement and the following manipulation of data may not be warranted but is of interest.

If it is assumed that there is a 3- to 4-meter cumulative thickness of chert between Horizons A'' and B'', then the sample velocity data would theoretically match Edgar's air-gun-derived velocity for this section of 2.47 km/sec. In order to match Ewing's sonobuoy sound velocity average between A'' and B'' of 2.59 km/sec, which was taken 6 miles to the north ($15^{\circ}20'\text{N}$, $69^{\circ}50'\text{W}$), the shipboard laboratory velocity data would have to include about a 15-meter section of chert, which does not seem probable at Site 146. Of course Ewing's geologic section may not be identical to the one at Site 146 (facies may change rapidly as suggested by Site 150), and factors such as temperature and pressure must be taken into consideration.

Negative temperature corrections would be significant in the high-porosity surficial sediments where the bottom water is about 4°C , but below here, the temperature would increase with depth. However, these negative corrections would be counterbalanced by positive corrections resulting from increasing pressure (and decrease in porosity), which is about 395 bars at the sea floor at Site 146 and 455 bars at Horizon A''.

In general one would expect in situ sound velocities to be higher because of pressure corrections. At Site 146, pressures at Horizons A'' and B'' would be about 455 and 530 bars, respectively (calculated from sample densities).

TABLE 2
Hamilton Frame Sonic Velocities, Site 146

Core	Section	Upper Interval ^a (cm)	Depth in Hole (m)	Velocity ^b (m/sec)	Temperature (°C)	Remarks
1	1	125.0	97.25	1511	24.8	Clay.
1	2	95.0	98.45	1527	24.8	Clay.
1	3	25.0	99.25	1482	25.4	Clay.
1	3	25.0	99.25	1467	25.8	Clay.
1	4	95.0	101.45	1501	24.8	Clay.
1	6	101.0	104.51	1539	24.9	Clay.
2	4	54.0	259.04	1623	23.8	Foram nanno chalk ooze, clay and rad.-rich.
2	4	85.0	259.35	1678	23.5	Foram nanno chalk ooze, clay and rad.-rich.
2	5	90.0	260.90	1574	23.5	Nanno chalk ooze, with radiolarians.
2	6	54.0	262.04	1577	23.5	Nanno chalk ooze, with radiolarians.
2	6	75.0	262.25	1563	24.7	Nanno chalk ooze, with radiolarians.
5	1	25.0	422.25	2140	24.5	Foram nanno chalk, clay-rich.
5	1	60.0	422.60	1702	24.5	Foram nanno chalk, clay-rich.
5	2	96.0	424.46	5216	25.5	Chert, brown.
5	1	96.0	424.46	5345	25.5	Chert, brown.
5	1	100.0	414.50	1928	25.5	Foram nanno chalk, clay-rich.
6	1	63.0	431.63	1928	25.1	Foram nanno chalk.
6	7	0.0	440.00	2025	24.1	Foram nanno chalk.
7	1	25.0	440.25	3198	24.3	Foram nanno chalk (light).
7	1	60.0	440.60	2477	25.3	Siliceous claystone (dark).
7	1	131.0	441.31	2697	24.3	Siliceous claystone.
8	1	96.0	449.96	2251	24.2	Siliceous claystone.
3	1	78.0	451.28	1927	24.2	Siliceous claystone.
9	1	64.0	458.64	2033	24.2	Siliceous claystone.
9	2	55.0	460.05	2225	24.2	Siliceous claystone.
10	2	76.0	469.26	1977	24.2	Siliceous claystone
11	1	107.0	477.07	2158	24.2	Siliceous claystone.
11	2	22.0	477.72	1768	23.5	Nanno marl.
11	2	75.0	478.25	1693	23.5	Nanno marl.
13	1	100.0	495.00	1869	23.5	Foram nanno marl, reddish gray.
13	2	18.0	495.68	1806	23.5	Foram nanno marl, gray, burrowed.
13	3	125.0	498.25	1808	22.8	Foram nanno marl, light gray.
13	4	20.0	498.70	1815	22.2	Foram nanno marl, gray.
13	4	90.0	499.40	1834	22.8	Foram nanno marl, reddish gray.
13	5	35.0	500.35	1832	22.2	Foram nanno marl, reddish gray.
14	1	110.0	504.10	2502	22.2	Foram nanno marl, gray.
14	2	38.0	504.88	1921	22.2	Foram nanno marl, light gray.
14	3	78.0	506.78	1961	22.2	Foram nanno marl, gray.
14	4	78.0	508.28	2045	22.2	Foram nanno marl, gray.
15	1	132.0	513.32	1998	22.2	Nanno marl, gray with light gray band.
15	2	9.0	513.59	2064	21.8	Nanno marl, light gray.
15	3	0.0	515.00	1957	21.8	Nanno marl, light gray.
15	4	8.0	516.58	2015	21.6	Nanno marl, light gray.
15	5	15.0	518.15	2027	21.6	Nanno marl, gray.
15	6	60.0	520.10	1831	21.8	Nanno marl, light gray.
16	1	119.0	522.19	1903	21.8	Foram nanno chalk, light gray.
16	1	119.0	522.19	1809	21.8	Foram nanno chalk, perpendicular to bedding.
16	2	120.0	523.70	1916	21.8	Foram nanno chalk, gray.
16	3	144.0	525.44	2116	21.8	Foram nanno chalk, light gray.
16	4	76.0	526.26	1515	22.1	Waxy volcanic clay, low density.
16	5	65.0	527.65	1969	22.1	Foram nanno marl, gray.
16	6	101.0	529.51	1931	22.1	Foram nanno marl, gray.
17	1	84.0	530.84	1935	22.1	Foram nanno marl, gray.
17	2	52.0	532.02	1967	22.1	Foram nanno marl, gray.
17	3	128.0	534.28	2047	22.1	Foram nanno marl, gray.
17	4	25.0	534.75	1980	22.0	Foram nanno chalk, gray, bedded.
17	4	33.0	534.83	2059	22.0	Foram nanno marl, bedded.
17	5	48.0	536.48	2138	22.0	Foram nanno marl.
17	6	14.0	537.64	1812	22.0	Volcanic clay.
17	6	36.0	537.86	2014	22.0	Foram nanno chalk, light gray.

TABLE 2 – Continued

Core	Section	Upper Interval ^a (cm)	Depth in Hole (m)	Velocity ^b (m/sec)	Temperature (°C)	Remarks
18	1	30.0	539.30	1922	22.0	Foram nanno chalk, light gray.
18	2	70.0	541.20	2008	22.1	Foram nanno marl.
18	3	100.0	543.0	2059	22.1	Foram nanno marl, dark gray (bedded).
18	3	147.0	543.47	2290	22.1	Nanno foram chalk, silty, light gray.
18	4	37.0	543.87	1963	22.1	Foram nanno marl, dark gray.
18	4	78.0	544.28	2136	22.1	Foram nanno chalk, light gray.
18	5	146.0	546.46	2012	25.2	Foram nanno chalk, gray.
18	6	66.0	547.16	2102	25.2	Foram nanno chalk, gray.
19	1	102.0	549.02	2702	25.2	Nanno foram chalk, sandy.
19	2	28.0	549.78	2720	25.2	Nanno foram chalk, sandy.
19	3	87.0	551.87	2381	25.2	Foram nanno chalk, gray.
19	4	101.0	553.51	2204	25.2	Foram nanno chalk, gray.
20	1	7.0	557.07	1924	25.4	Foram nanno chalk, white, No. 3.
20	2	82.0	559.32	2000	25.2	Foram nanno chalk, gray.
20	3	62.0	560.62	1847	25.2	Foram nanno chalk, top, gray.
20	3	62.0	560.62	2227	25.2	Foram nanno chalk, bottom, white.
22	1	72.0	575.72	1963	25.2	Foram nanno chalk.
23	1	16.0	584.16	2128	25.6	Nanno chalk.
23	2	5.0	585.55	2061	25.6	Nanno chalk.
23	2	45.0	585.95	1816	25.8	Nanno chalk.
23	2	58.0	586.08	2182		
23	2	96.0	586.46	1815	25.6	Clay, volcanic, waxy.
23	3	4.0	587.04	1720	25.6	Clay, volcanic, waxy.
23	3	60.0	587.60	2217	25.8	Nanno chalk.
23	3	108.0	588.08	5179	25.8	Chert, grayish red.
23	3	108.0	588.08	2970	25.8	Silicified nanno chalk, very pale red.
24	1	63.0	593.63	2308	25.8	Nanno marl.
24	1	140.0	594.40	5086	25.8	Chert, brown.
25	2	84.0	604.34	2540	25.8	Nanno marl; bedding.
26	1	121.0	612.21	2072	24.2	Nanno chalk, reddish gray.
26	2	68.0	613.18	2953	24.2	Nanno chalk, hard, reddish gray.
27	1	89.0	620.89	4727	24.2	Chert, grayish red, waxy luster, conchoidal.
27	1	92.0	620.92	3141	24.2	Nanno limestone, white between chert.
27	2	71.0	622.21	3101	24.2	Nanno limestone.
27	2	130.0	622.80	4698	24.3	Chert, red.
27	2	130.0	622.80	4672	24.2	Chert, red.
28	1	138.0	630.38	3719	24.2	Radiolarian limestone, partly silicified, near chert.
28	2	96.0	631.46	2681	22.4	Radiolarian limestone, partly silicified.
28	3	40.0	632.44	5092	22.0	Chert, brown.
28	3	114.0	633.14	3386	22.0	Radiolarian limestone; partly silicified.
29	1	118.0	639.18	2510	22.0	Radiolarian limestone; partly silicified.
30	2	58.0	649.08	2581	22.5	Radiolarian limestone; partly silicified.
30	3	65.0	650.65	2661	22.0	Radiolarian limestone; partly silicified.
30	4	89.0	652.39	2766	22.0	Radiolarian limestone; partly silicified.
31	1	118.0	657.18	5116	22.0	Chert, red.
31	2	44.0	657.94	2777	22.1	Foram radiolarian limestone, partly silicified.
31	3	77.0	659.77	2624	22.1	Foram radiolarian limestone, partly silicified.
31	4	0.0	660.50	2454		
31	4	104.0	661.54	3162	22.1	Foram radiolarian limestone, partly silicified.
32	1	83.0	665.83	2666	22.1	Radiolarian limestone.
32	2	148.0	667.98	3203	22.3	Radiolarian limestone.
33	1	130.0	675.30	3344	22.3	Radiolarian limestone.
34	1	75.0	683.75	2859	22.3	Radiolarian limestone.
35	1	95.0	692.95	3043	22.1	Radiolarian limestone.
35	1	136.0	693.36	3813	22.3	Radiolarian limestone.
35	2	62.0	694.12	3257	22.3	Radiolarian limestone.
36	2	130.0	703.80	2662	22.3	Foram radiolarian limestone.
38	1	86.0	714.86	2706	22.3	Radiolarian limestone.
39	1	88.0	719.88	3689	22.3	Volcanic ash.
39	1	88.0	719.88	3647	22.3	Volcanic ash.

TABLE 2 - Continued

Core	Section	Upper Interval ^a (cm)	Depth in Hole (m)	Velocity ^b (m/sec)	Temperature (°C)	Remarks
39	1	136.0	720.36	3049	22.3	Volcanic ash, banded.
39	2	112.0	721.62	2883	22.1	Volcanic ash.
41	1	105.0	738.05	3082	22.1	Foram limestone.
41	1	140.0	738.40	4859	22.1	Diabase.

^aUpper limit of a 3-cm sample interval.

^bVelocities were measured parallel to bedding unless noted otherwise.

^cThe few samples whose velocity was measured through the core liner and where a "D"-shaped lucite block was used to obtain liner thickness and travel time.

SITES 146 and 149 Lithology and Sound Velocity Data

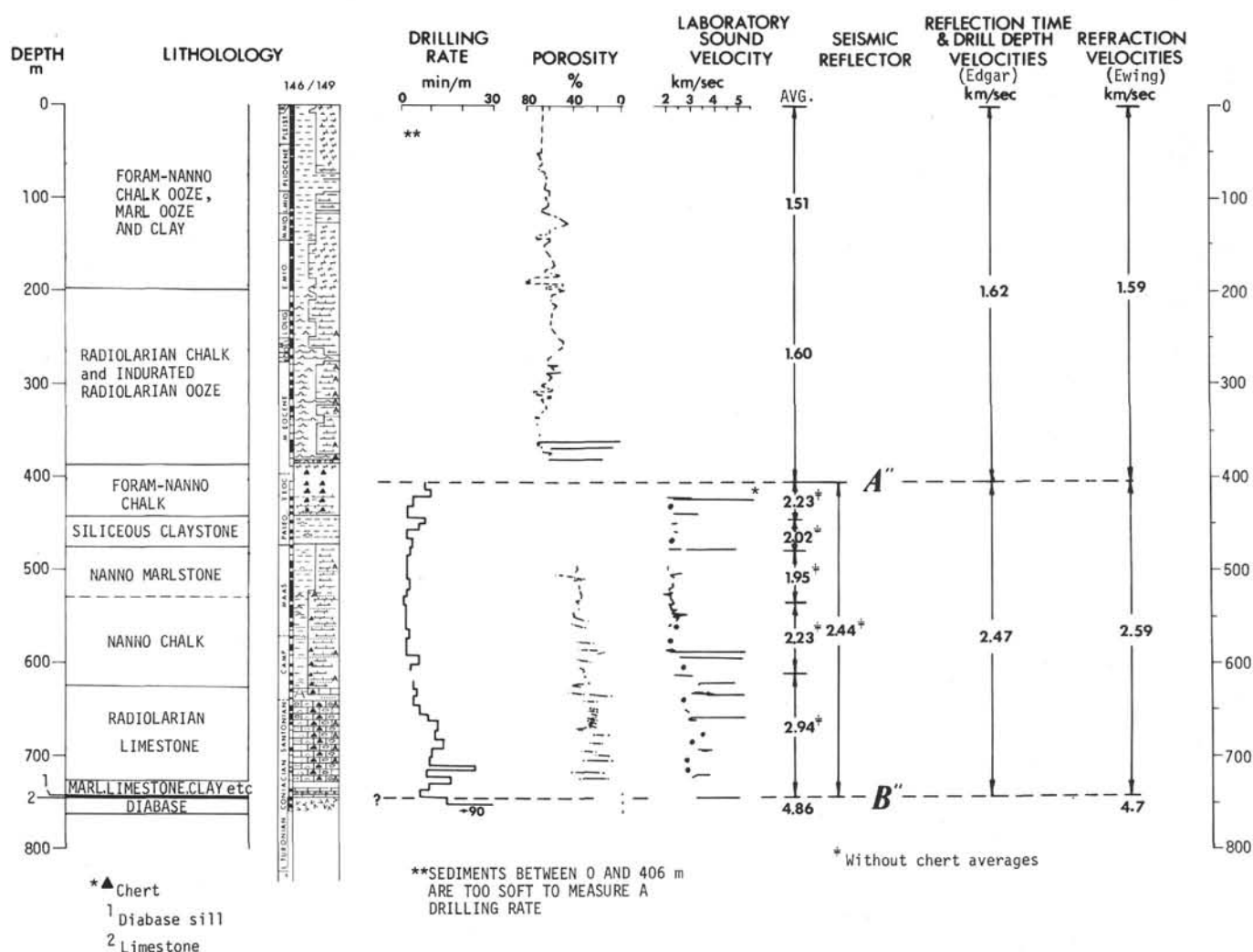


Figure 14. Comparison of lithology with drilling rate, porosity, and sound velocity determined by the Hamilton Frame method onboard Glomar Challenger by calculation from drilling depth and reflection time and from sonobuoy velocities (J. Ewing, personal communication).

TABLE 3
Major Lithologic Sections Stratigraphically
Distinguished by their Velocity
Characteristics

Avg. Vp ^a (km/sec)	Rock	Depth (m)
1.51	Unlithified clay	98-105
1.60	Chalk ooze	254-263
2.23	Foraminiferal nannofossil chalk	406-440
2.02	Green siliceous claystone	440-478
1.95	Nannofossil marl	478-529
2.23	Varicolored nannofossil chalk	529-612
2.94	Chalk, radiolarian limestone, variegated limestone, marlstone, and claystone	612-737
4.86	Diabase	737-738

^aWithout chert data.

Velocity changes versus pressure variations for many rocks, according to Press (1966) and Christensen (1970), are very sensitive to pressure changes from 1 to 500 bars. However, all dolerite samples listed by Press (1966, Table 9-2) suggest little change of sound velocity within these pressures. See the Schrieber and Fox chapter in this volume on rock velocities relative to pressure.

Other problems may arise, in comparing these differing types of sound velocity data, from acoustic anisotropy in these rocks. Seismic reflection velocity records occur in a direction perpendicular to stratification, shipboard Hamilton Frame velocity measurements were predominately parallel to stratification and Ewing's are interval and refracted velocities.

Natural Gamma Radiation

Natural gamma ray emissions were counted for a period of 1.25 min at 7.62 cm (3 in) intervals along the core, with a counting precision of about ± 100 counts. Sediment disturbance, porosity control, methods, and equipment are discussed in the Appendix.

Cores 1 through 6 at Site 149 were recovered in the extended core barrel which has a 2.25-inch internal diameter compared to the normal 2.60 inches. The volumetric difference per unit length between the two core sizes relative to the smaller core is 33.7%, therefore the natural gamma ray counts of 2.25-inch cores were increased by 33.7% so that they may be compared to the normal 2.60 inch data.

Natural gamma radiation at Sites 146 and 149 roughly corresponds to the different types of sediments or rocks, which range from Recent to Cretaceous and are from 0 to 760 meters below the sea floor. Gamma ray emissions range from 0 to 2100 counts/1.25 min period at 7.62-cm core intervals with typical high values for clays and marls, intermediate values for chalk, and the lower values for radiolarian-rich chalks, radiolarian-rich limestone, and radiolarian ooze. The diabase emitted the least radiation.

Pliocene-Miocene brown clays emitted natural gamma radiation ranging from 500 to 1900 counts with typical counts of about 1500, while Paleocene green siliceous claystone emitted 400 to 700 counts. Pleistocene-Miocene nannofossil and foraminiferal chalk and marl ooze ranged from about 500 to 1300 with typical counts of 900,

Eocene radiolarian ooze ranged from 200 to 400, and Cretaceous radiolarian limestone from 100 to 400. In general, natural gamma ray emissions from mixtures of these sediment end members were related to their mixed proportions. The lowest counts of 100 are emitted from the diabase.

Penetrometer

Needle penetration tests were made at Sites 147 and 149 with a 1-mm diameter needle. Sediment disturbance, methods, and equipment are discussed in the Appendix. CP on the graph stands for complete penetration.

Penetration ranged from 26 mm to zero with penetration decreasing with increasing depth below the sea floor to 230 meters. Between 0 and 30 meters below the sediment surface, needle penetration in Pleistocene-Pliocene gray orange nannofossil chalk and marl ooze decreased from 17 to 9 mm with a range of 9 to 26 mm. Pleistocene-Pliocene gray nannofossil foraminifera marl ooze and foraminifera nannofossil marl recovered from 30 to 70 meters below the sea floor were typically penetrated 10 mm with a range of 6 to 15 mm, while penetrations were less in Pliocene-Miocene brown clay and marls from 70 to 110 meters, which have typical penetration values of about 3 mm (1.5 to 5 mm limits). From 110 meters to 140 meters, penetration was typically 2 to 3 mm with narrower limits (1 to 3 mm), while below 140 meters, in Oligocene and older sedimentary rock, penetration was usually within 0 to 3 mm regardless of lithology (chalks and marls, and radiolarian chalks).

BIOSTRATIGRAPHY

The uppermost lithologic unit recognized at Site 149 consists of foraminiferal nannoplankton chalk and marl ooze and is about 75 meters thick. The first core was taken mostly above the sea floor so that only the core catcher contained sediment. The sample contained abundant pteropods, planktonic foraminifera and calcareous nannofossils. The planktonic foraminifera belong to the *Globorotalia fimbriata* Subzone of the *Globorotalia truncatulinoides truncatulinoides* Zone and the calcareous nannoplankton belong to the *Emiliania huxleyi* Zone; the sample is Holocene. Core 2 (1-10 m below the sediment surface) sampled somewhat older, definitely Pleistocene sediments. The planktonic foraminifera of the upper two sections belong to the *Globigerina calida calida* Subzone of the *Globorotalia truncatulinoides truncatulinoides* Zone. Samples of the *Globigerina bermudezi* Subzone of the *Globorotalia truncatulinoides truncatulinoides* Zone, which lies between the *Globorotalia fimbriata* Subzone and the *Globigerina calida calida* Subzone and is considered to be latest Pleistocene, were not recovered. Calcareous nannoplankton assemblages from the top of Core 2 also suggest that the youngest Pleistocene was not samples. At this site the lowest occurrences of *Globigerina calida calida* and *Emiliania huxleyi* both lie in the lower part of Section 2 or the upper part of Section 3 of Core 2. The lower sections of Core 2 and all of the material in Cores 3, 4, and 5 belong to the *Globorotalia hessi* Subzone of the *Globorotalia truncatulinoides truncatulinoides* Zone according to the

planktonic foraminifera or the *Gephyrocapsa oceanica* Zone using calcareous nannoplankton fossils. The highest occurrence of *Pseudoemiliania lacunosa* lies in the lower part of Section 2 or the upper part of Section 3 of Core 3, so that if the terminology of Gartner is used, only the upper two sections of Core 3 and lower four sections of Core 2 belong to the *Gephyrocapsa* Zone, lower sections and cores to the middle of Core 6 belonging to his *Pseudoemiliania* Zone. Very rare, well-preserved radiolarians are present in Core 2 but are not found in deeper samples from this unit.

The planktonic foraminiferal assemblages from Cores 6 to 11 are generally mixed, the sediments being disturbed by drilling; calcareous nannofossil assemblages from this same interval are also often mixed, but some small undisturbed pieces of the sediment yield normal assemblages in the expected stratigraphic order. Core 6 contains a highly condensed *Gephyrocapsa oceanica*-*Gephyrocapsa caribbeanica*-*Discoaster brouweri*-*Discoaster pentaradiatus* Zone sequence in less than 6 meters, probably a result of drilling disturbance. The highest occurrence of *Discoaster brouweri* has been used to determine the Pliocene-Pleistocene boundary between samples from Sections 3 and 4 of Core 6. Sections 1 to 5 of Core 7 are mixed in such a way as to suggest slumping of material from higher in the hole. Only the lowest section (6) of Core 7 contains an apparently indigenous assemblage, belonging to the *Discoaster pentaradiatus* Zone. Similarly, the first three sections of Core 8 contain mixed assemblages, but apparently indigenous assemblages of the *Discoaster surculus* Zone are present in Sections 4 and 6 of this core. In Core 9 it is possible to select undisturbed samples for calcareous nannofossils, particularly from the lowest section (6).

The interval from 75 to 138 meters (Cores 10-16) is represented by brown clay with some interbedded marl containing calcareous pelagic fossils. As noted above, the planktonic foraminiferal assemblages from Cores 10 and 11 appear to be mixed. In these cores the planktonic foraminifera are often damaged by solution effects. The calcareous nannoplankton assemblages have also been attacked and are particularly poor in the upper sections of Core 10. In Core 11 the *Reticulofenestra pseudumbilica* and *Discoaster asymmetricus* zones are present in Sections 1 to 3 and 4 to 5 (to 115 cm) but the earlier Pliocene *Ceratalithus rugosus* and Early Pliocene-Late Miocene *Ceratalithus tricorniculatus* zones are missing, the lowest part of Section 5 (129 cm) belonging to the *Discoaster quinqueramus* Zone of the Late Miocene. Section 5 of Core 11 is marly brown clay, and it may be that the calcareous nannofossils representing the latest Miocene-early Pliocene have been completely dissolved. The assemblages which bracket the barren interval between 115 cm and 129 cm are not necessarily in situ, so it is possible that the real thickness of the Early Pliocene-Late Miocene might be greater than the apparent 14-cm interval observed in the core.

The planktonic foraminiferal assemblages throughout the remainder of this unit are moderately to severely damaged by solution. The *Globorotalia acostaensis* Zone of the Late Miocene and the *Globorotalia menardii*, *Globorotalia mayeri*, *Globorotalia fohsi lobata*, *Gloro-*

talia fohsi fohsi, and *Globorotalia fohsi peripheroronda* zones of the Middle Miocene are all recognizable in Cores 12 to 16. However, the *Globorotalia fohsi robusta* Zone, which should intervene between the *Globorotalia fohsi lobata* and *Globorotalia mayeri* zones in the Caribbean was not detectable. The calcareous nannofossil sequence of *Discoaster quinqueramus*-*Sphenolithus heteromorphus* zones is complete, so that the absence of the *Globorotalia fohsi robusta* Zone may be due to the lack of the defining species in the impoverished planktonic foraminiferal assemblages from the lower sections of Core 15.

The subjacent lithic unit recognized at Site 149 is foraminiferal nannoplankton chalk which extends from 138 to 195 meters (Cores 17-22). In cores 17 to 20 the planktonic foraminiferal assemblages are generally well preserved or only slightly to moderately affected by dissolution and represent the *Globorotalia fohsi peripheroronda* and *Praeorbulina glomerosa* of the Middle Miocene and *Globigerinatella insueta* Zone of the late Early Miocene. These cores contain calcareous nannoplankton assemblages belonging to the *Sphenolithus heteromorphus* and *Helicopontosphaera ampliapertura* zones. Preservation of calcareous fossils of both groups is notably poorer in Cores 21 and 22 through Section 6. The *Globigerinita stainforthi* and *Globigerinita dissimilis* zones (mid-early Miocene) are not distinguishable and are lumped together. The *Sphenolithus belemnus* Zone can be recognized in sediment at 94 to 96 cm in Section 2 of Core 21. The remainder of Core 21 and Core 22 through Section 6 belongs to the *Discoaster druggii* Zone. Core 22 contains very rare, poorly preserved fragments of radiolaria, inadequate for zonal assignment.

The fourth lithic unit recognized at Site 149 is an indurated calcareous radiolarian ooze and radiolarian nannoplankton chalk. The core catcher of Core 22 and all subjacent cores (through 43) recovered at Site 149 belong to this unit which extends from 195 meters to the bottom of the hole at 390 meters.

The core catcher of Core 22 and subjacent cores through Section 3 of Core 27 are grayish green radiolarian chalk. Planktonic foraminiferal assemblages are only slightly affected by solution in the higher part of this unit and become progressively more damaged toward the bottom of the unit. The boundary between the *Globigerinoides primordius* Zone (earliest Miocene) and *Globorotalia kugleri* Zone (latest Oligocene) is between Cores 25 and 26. In the case of the calcareous nannofossils, the base of the *Discoaster druggii* Zone lies between samples from Sections 3 and 4 of Core 23. Radiolarians are few to common in Cores 23 to 27 and somewhat dissolved. Core 23 belongs to the *Lychnocanoma elongata* Zone as do subjacent samples to the lower part of Core 26. The base of Core 26, all of Core 27, and part or all of Core 28 belong to the *Dorcadospirys ateuchus* Zone.

The sediment from Section 3 of Core 27 through Section 2 of Core 30 is a yellowish gray radiolarian chalk. Planktonic foraminifera are sparse and solution effects have reduced the assemblages to only a few resistant species. Material in Cores 27 and 28 is tentatively referred to the *Globorotalia kugleri* Zone and Cores 29 and 30 to the *Globorotalia opima opima* Zone. Calcareous nannoplankton assemblages in this interval are also affected by solution,

but it is still possible to recognize the sequence *Triquetrorhabdulus carinatus* (Core 27, Section 3–Core 29, Section 1), *Sphenolithus ciperoensis* Zone (Core 29, Section 2), *Sphenolithus distentus* Zone (Core 29, Section 3), and *Sphenolithus predistentus* Zone (Core 30), although secondary species must be used to determine zone boundaries in the absence of the defining species. Nevertheless, this is good evidence that the Late and Middle Oligocene are represented by the sediments in this interval. The radiolarians are few to common and have been somewhat affected by dissolution. The base of the *Dorcadospyrus ateuchus* Zone lies in the lower part of Core 28 or upper part of Core 29. The base of the *Theocyrtis tuberosa* Zone, which may approximate the Eocene–Oligocene boundary, lies between Cores 30 and 31.

Cores 31 to 34 (Section 3) consist of radiolarian chalk ooze. Planktonic foraminifera are virtually absent although debris is present, indicating that they have been removed through dissolution. Calcareous nannofossils are very sparse in Core 31, somewhat more diverse but still very poor assemblages occur in Cores 32 to 34. Samples from Core 34 are referable to the Middle Eocene *Discoaster saipanensis* Zone. The radiolarians in these cores are abundant and well preserved, but the assemblages in Cores 31 and 32 contain a high proportion of reworked specimens. As a consequence it is difficult to recognize the bases of the Late Eocene *Thyrsoyrtis bromia* and *Podocyrtis goethana* zones which must lie in these cores. The base of the late Middle Eocene *Podocyrtis chalara* Zone is probably in the lower part of Core 32, and subjacent cores belong to the *Podocyrtis mitra* Zone.

Core 34, Section 3, through Core 43 (301–390 m) are radiolarian chalk and ooze. Planktonic foraminifera are virtually absent. Calcareous nannofossil assemblages have also been strongly attacked by solution, but it appears possible to recognize the *Discoaster tani nodifer* Zone in Cores 35 and 36, the *Chiphragmalithus alatus* Zone in Cores 37 to 39, and the *Discoaster sublodoensis* Zone in Cores 40 to 41; all belong to the Middle Eocene. No calcareous nannofossils were encountered in Cores 42 and 43. The Radiolaria are abundant and well preserved. The base of the *Podocyrtis mitra* Zone is between the bottom of Core 36 and the lower part of Core 37. The base of the *Podocyrtis ampla* Zone is between Cores 38 and 39. The base of the *Thyrsoyrtis triacantha* Zone is between Cores 42 and 43, and Core 43 belongs to the *Theocampe mongolfieri* Zone. All of the radiolarian zones are considered to belong to the Middle Eocene.

Two spot cores were taken in post-Eocene sediments at Site 146. In the first core taken at 96 to 105 cm, Sections 1 through 6 were devoid of foraminifera and Radiolaria, but contain fish debris and a poor calcareous nannofossil assemblage of the *Discoaster quinqueramus* Zone (Late Miocene). The core catcher sample from Core 1 contains rich planktonic foraminiferal and calcareous nannofossil assemblages belonging to the Late Miocene *Neoglobobulimina dutertrei* and *Discoaster quinqueramus* zones respectively. Correlation by depth of this core with Site 149 would suggest that this level should belong to the *Globorotalia acostaensis* Zone, and the sediment sampled may represent material slumped from slightly higher in the hole.

Core 2 was taken between 254 and 263 meters below the sediment surface. The upper four sections contain rich planktonic foraminiferal assemblages assigned to the Early Miocene *Globigerinoides primordius* Zone. Calcareous nannofossils are also abundant in these sections and belong to the *Discoaster druggi* Zone. Sections 5 and 6 are devoid of planktonic foraminifera but contain thick-walled benthonic foraminifera and rich calcareous nannofossil assemblages of the early Miocene, part of the *Triquetrorhabdulus carinatus* Zone. Radiolarians are abundant and moderately well preserved. Those from the upper half of the core belong in the *Lychnocanoma elongata* Zone and those from the lower part in the *Dorcadospyrus ateuchus* Zone, but, because the core is disturbed, the transition between these zones cannot be investigated in detail. Correlation by depth with Site 149 indicates that this material may be slumped from a level some 40 meters higher.

Continuous coring at Site 146 was initiated at a depth of 406 meters. Cores 3 to 8 belong to a lithified foraminiferal nannoplankton chalk with chert which extends from 382 to 441 meters below the sediment surface. Cores 3 and 4 yielded mostly chert fragments with no foraminifera or calcareous nannoplankton. Radiolarians are rare to common, moderately well to poorly preserved. Core 4 evidently belongs in the *Buryella clinata* Zone. Cores 5 to 7 contain some levels with planktonic foraminiferal assemblages adequate for dating, although all have been affected to some degree by dissolution. All of these assemblages are assigned to the new *Globorotalia edgari* Zone of earliest Eocene age. Calcareous nannofossil assemblages from rock fragments in the upper part of Core 5 belong to the *Discoaster diastypus* Zone; those from deeper levels in Core 5 and from Cores 6 and 7 belong to the *Discoaster multiradiatus* Zone. A meager assemblage from the top of Core 8 may belong to either the *Heliothius riedeli* or *Discoaster gemmeus* Zone (Paleocene). Radiolaria are as above, moderately well to poorly preserved, some being partially dissolved, thus silicified, and others perhaps zeolitized. An assemblage from Core 7 belongs to the *Bekoma bidarfensis* Zone.

A monotonous green siliceous clay was found in Cores 9, 10, and the upper part of 11. (441–477 m). Foraminifera and calcareous nannofossils are absent, and the Radiolaria belong to that part of the Paleocene left unzoned in the Leg 10 Initial Report.

A calcareous layer at 128 to 138 cm in Section 1 of Core 11 contains planktonic foraminifera belonging to three distinct assemblages occurring in different lenses. These assemblages belong to the *Globorotalia pseudobulloides* and the *Globigerina eugubina* zones of the earliest Paleocene, and a *Globotruncana* Zone of the Late Cretaceous. No calcareous nannoplankton were found in this material, but there are many small calcite crystals which may indicate complete recrystallization of the nannofossils. Cretaceous calcareous nannofossils appear immediately below this layer and the Cretaceous–Tertiary boundary is indicated at 138 cm in Section 1 of Core 11. The highest assemblage at 140 cm is extremely poor, but 3 cm below, specimens become more abundant. Moderately good diverse assemblages of Late Cretaceous forms appear in Section 2 of Core 11.

The radiolarians in Core 11 (476 to approximately 480 m) have what is commonly regarded as a "Cretaceous aspect," but they might equally well be early Paleocene since no well-dated assemblages of that age are known.

The sequence from 477 to 630 meters (Cores 12-27) is a varicolored nannoplankton chalk and marl. Planktonic foraminifera are abundant and the assemblages diverse, although almost all have been strongly damaged by dissolution. Core 12 did not recover any material for analysis. Core 13 belongs to the *Abathomphalus mayaroensis* Zone, Core 14 and the top of Core 15 to the *Globotruncana contusa* Zone, the remainder of Core 15 and subjacent material to near the base of Core 18 to the *Globotruncana gansseri* Zone, and the base of Core 18 through the base of Core 21 to the *Globotruncana tricarinata* Zone, all assigned to the Maestrichtian. Calcareous nannofossil assemblages in this interval are moderately well to poorly preserved and all show dissolution effects. Species diversity is generally low and it is impossible to establish a fine zonation. Core 22 contains relatively well-preserved planktonic foraminifera of the *Globotruncana calcarata* Zone (Late Campanian). Cores 23 to 27 contain progressively more corroded planktonic foraminifera belonging to the *Globotruncana elevata* Zone (Early Campanian). In this same interval the diversity of calcareous nannofossil assemblages decreases markedly.

From 630 to 738 meters the sequence consists of radiolarian limestone. Planktonic foraminifera are strongly affected by dissolution and the diversity of assemblages is considerably reduced. Nevertheless, it is possible to recognize the *Globotruncana concavata carinata* Zone (Cores 34-38), indicating the Santonian. The basal calcareous sediments (Cores 39-41) contain the assemblage of the *Globotruncana schneegansi* Zone of Late Turonian. Calcareous nannofossil assemblages in this unit tend to be very poor.

Practically all samples from Cores 12 to 41 (from 485 to approximately 740 m) contain rare, moderately well-preserved (partially dissolved) radiolarians representing a small number of taxa. Many samples (particularly those from sandy layers) from cores below Core 14 contain, in addition, common to abundant, poorly preserved (usually silicified) radiolarians representing large numbers of taxa. These results, together with the fact that an orderly sequence of foraminiferal faunas is found in the cores, suggest that the sparse, better preserved radiolarians are autochthonous, and that the floods of poorly preserved specimens were introduced by some mechanism such as turbidity currents, which carried material not significantly older than that being deposited at this site. This explanation requires a pattern of paleoecological conditions such that the water column at this site was inhabited by a restricted radiolarian assemblage, while at the presumably not-far-distant source of the transported component, a much more diverse fauna flourished.

CONCLUSIONS

Cores recovered from Site 146/149 give a record of apparently uninterrupted sedimentation for the last 80 m.y. Although total recovery was about 50 per cent, only 2 out

of 86 core barrels were completely empty. Thus, this site affords an exceptionally fine opportunity for studying a long record of sedimentary history in the Caribbean area.

As a result of the coring and measurement of sound velocities and densities of the rocks of this site, we feel that we can identify Horizons A" and B" with a high degree of confidence. Horizon A" correlates with the chalk/limestone and chert interface separating lithic units 2 and 3. Horizon B" is identified here with the upper dolerite sill (B" was found to be basalt or dolerite in sediments of approximately the same age at four other sites of Leg 15). The latter conclusion is of extreme importance: the nearly ubiquitous distribution of Horizon B" in the Venezuelan Basin and its occurrence in much of the Colombian Basin implies a wide areal extent to this igneous episode.

The earliest lithic unit is extremely varied and shows striking contrasts between successive layers. Although dominantly a radiolarian limestone, there are, especially near the base, intercalated basaltic ash beds, carbonaceous layers, and radiolarian sands. Glauconite and pyrite are present. This diversity in lithologies implies strongly that the topography of the sea floor was irregular, with high and low areas in juxtaposition. The reduced, organic-rich sediment, the relatively high phosphorous contents (Donnelly, Mineralogy and Chemistry of Noncalcareous Sediments, this volume), and the presence of glauconite and pyrite all suggest sedimentation on a bottom with limited water circulation. The intercalations of radiolarian sands indicate incursions of detritus from nearby topographic highs (see Biostratigraphic Summary); the sorting (with or without grading), sharp bottom contacts, and the relatively well-preserved Radiolaria and planktonic foraminifera in a sedimentary environment below the lysocline all indicate that these beds represent rapidly transported sediment from topographic high areas within the basin.

The lower radiolarian limestones pass upward into Campanian-Maestrichtian chalks and marls and younger chalks, oozes, marls, and clays. The gradual disappearance of the intercalated radiolarian sands and the blurring together of lithologies results from the gradual subduing of sea floor topography through sedimentation. The entire post-Cretaceous section is characterized by the near absence of juxtaposed contrasting lithologies, except that ash beds are recognizable as late as Oligocene at Site 149.

The entire post-Santonian section represents nearly constant pelagic sedimentation, with a variable volcanic admixture, under conditions dominated by changing patterns in productivity of calcareous and siliceous organisms and by the relative movement of the depth of calcium carbonate compensation above and below the sea bottom at the site. Thus, the Paleocene and Late Miocene-Early Pliocene intervals are marked by complete solution of calcareous fossils. During most of the remaining times, the site was at about the level of the depth of calcium carbonate compensation, and the planktonic foraminifera were more or less dissolved. During brief intervals the planktonic foraminifera escaped solution. A significant accumulation of siliceous fossils is seen from the late Cretaceous through the late Eocene, reaching a maximum during the latter unit of time and later falling to a low level through the remainder of the Cenozoic Era.

The history of volcanic activity shown by the sediments at Site 146/149 is a complete and interesting one (discussed more fully in Donnelly, *Circum-Caribbean Explosive Volcanic Activity* . . . , this volume). The basaltic episode at the base of the section actually consisted of several eruptions, represented by basaltic ash layers at Site 146 in Cores 39 and 41. The volcanic clays which form impressively thick layers in the later Cretaceous section (many are several cm thick) are of special interest. Several contain minerals typical of subalkalic, highly explosive eruptions of the continental margins (quartz, biotite, alkali feldspar, apatite, and zircon), but most consist of glass which has completely devitrified to montmorillonite. If these ashes are of continental origin, their thickness at relatively great distances from possible sources is remarkable; igneous activity of that age is found only in the Greater Antilles and, to a limited extent, along the Venezuelan coast. However, similar ashes outcrop in Puerto Rico, Jamaica, Curacao, and Bonaire. The possibility that they may represent eruptions from within the basin cannot be completely dismissed; similar volcanic materials are known from the east and southeastern Pacific.

After a diminution of volcanic activity during the late Maestrichtian-Paleocene, there was a sharp renewal of activity in the middle Eocene. This material is entirely pumice of a calc-alkaline origin, and the probable source was the Lesser Antilles. This activity diminished to a minimum during the middle Miocene but apparently was renewed in the late Pliocene to Recent (Site 148).

The occurrence of chert at Horizon A'' provides some valuable insights into the origin of chert layers of this age in many parts of the ocean. The analysis of Donnelly and Nalli (this volume) shows that the present non-chert silica component is not exceptionally great at the level of the main cherts, but was much greater at a higher level at which fresh opaline radiolarian and fresh glass shards were found. The chert represents a recrystallization, or lithification, of opal and volcanic glass, and its coincidence with chalks (in which calcitic fossil debris is recrystallized to sparry calcite)

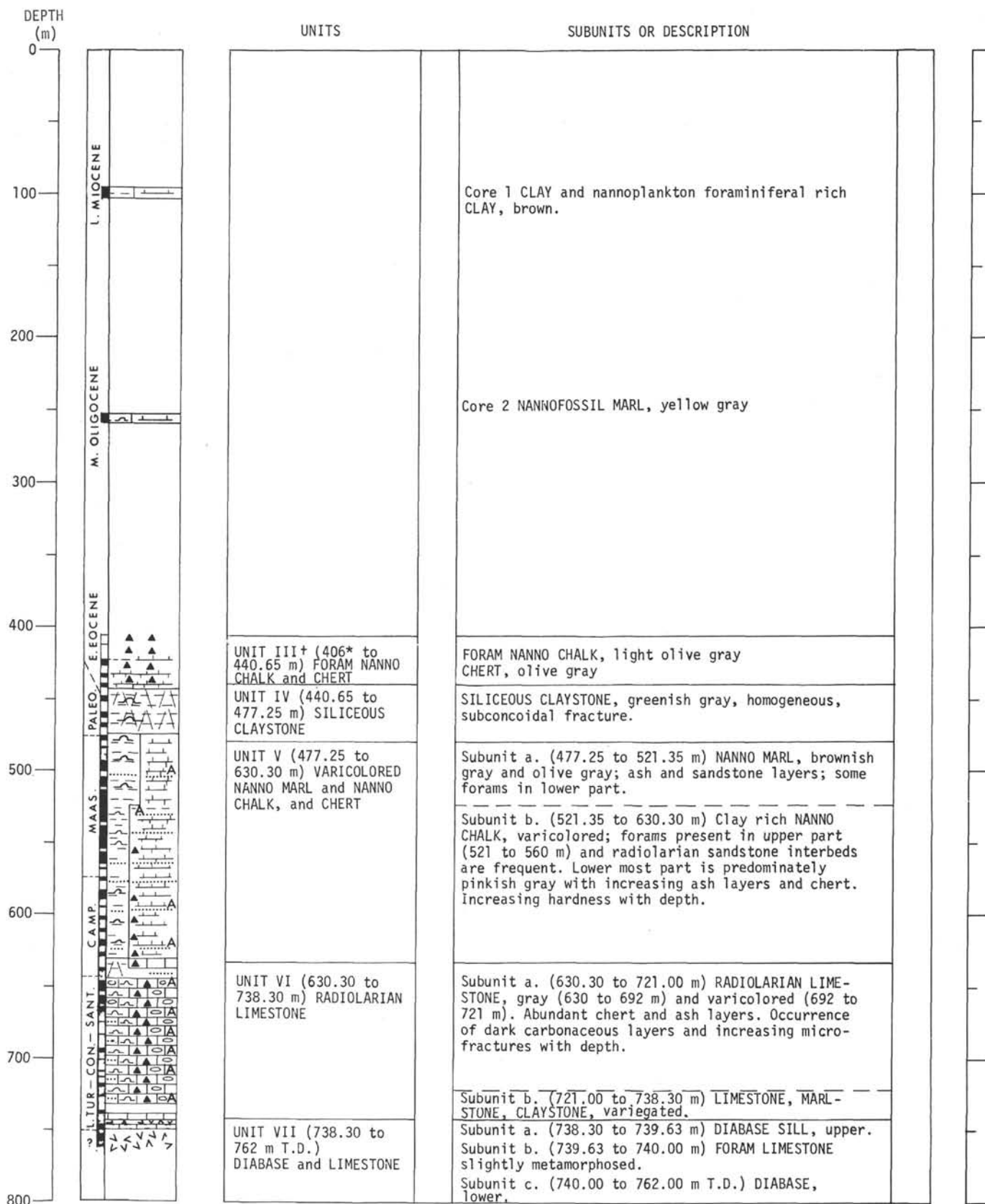
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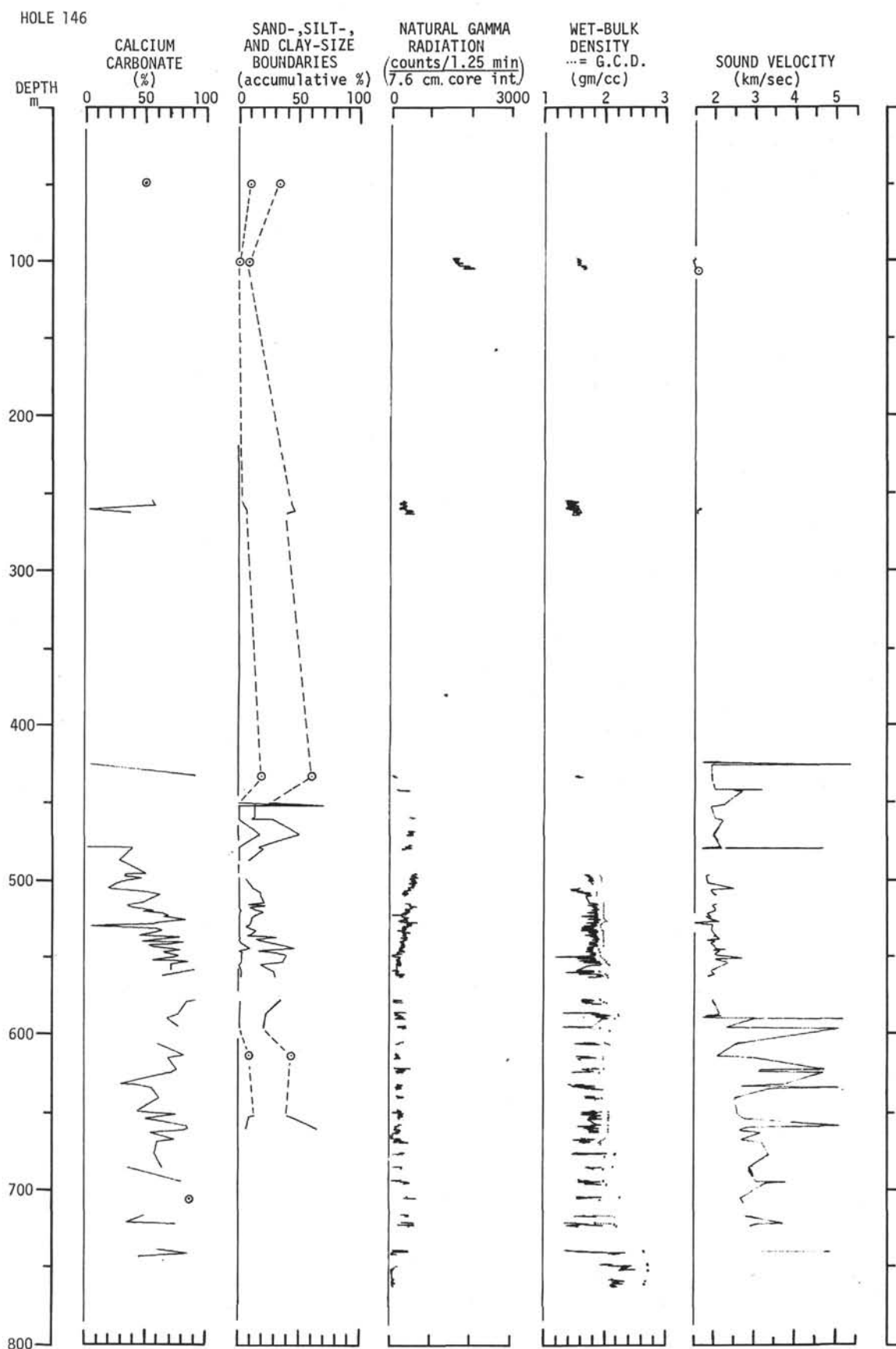
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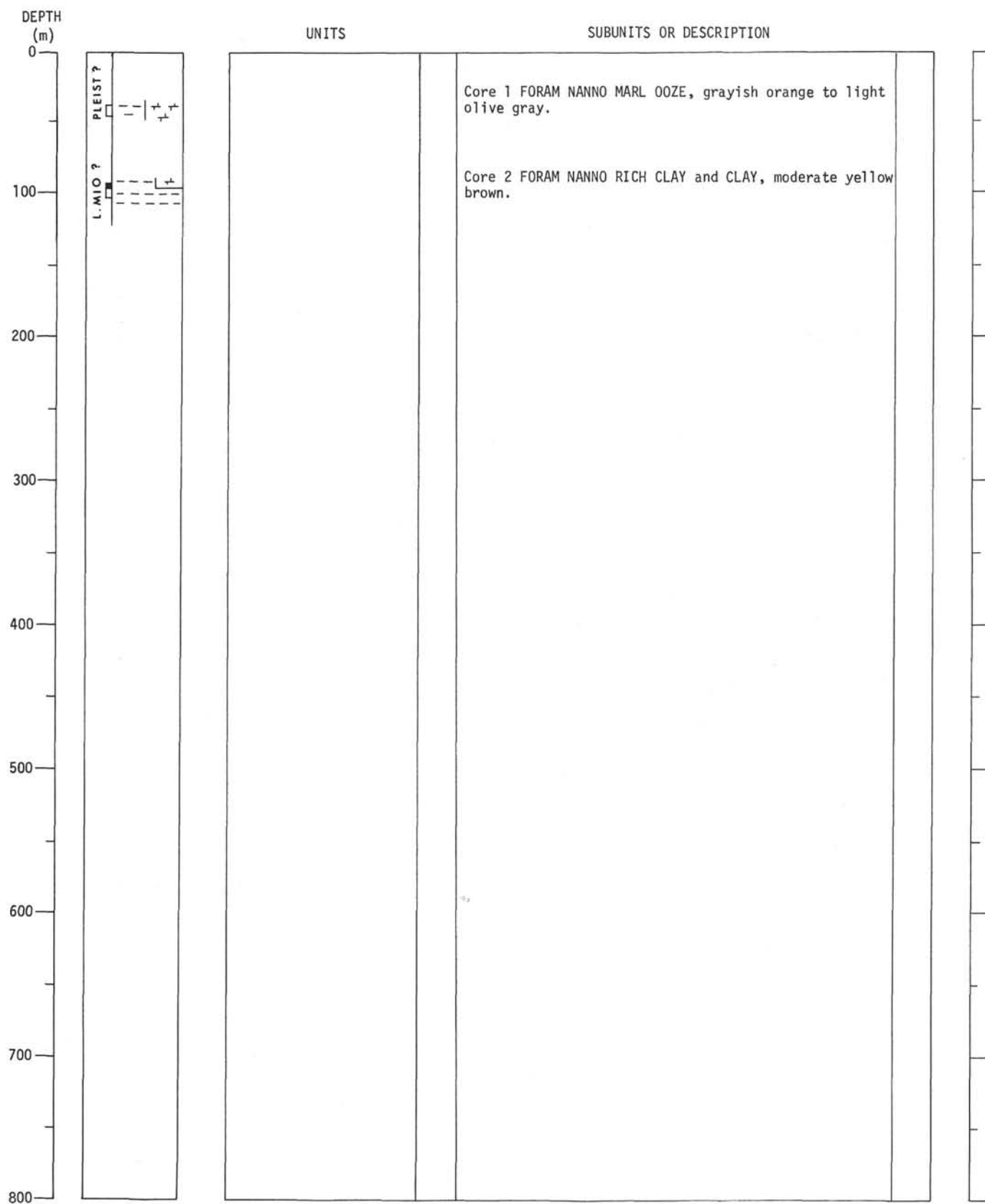


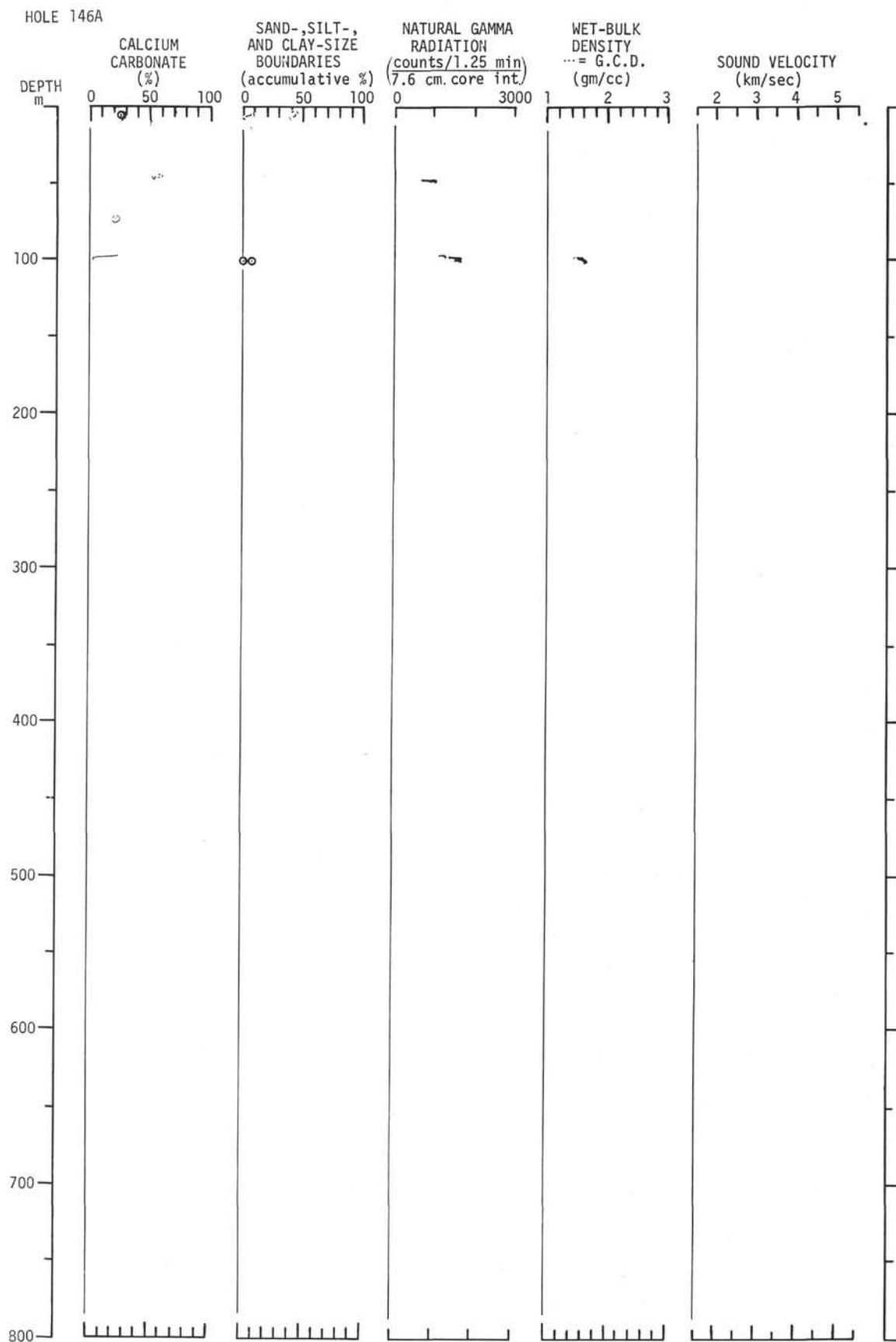
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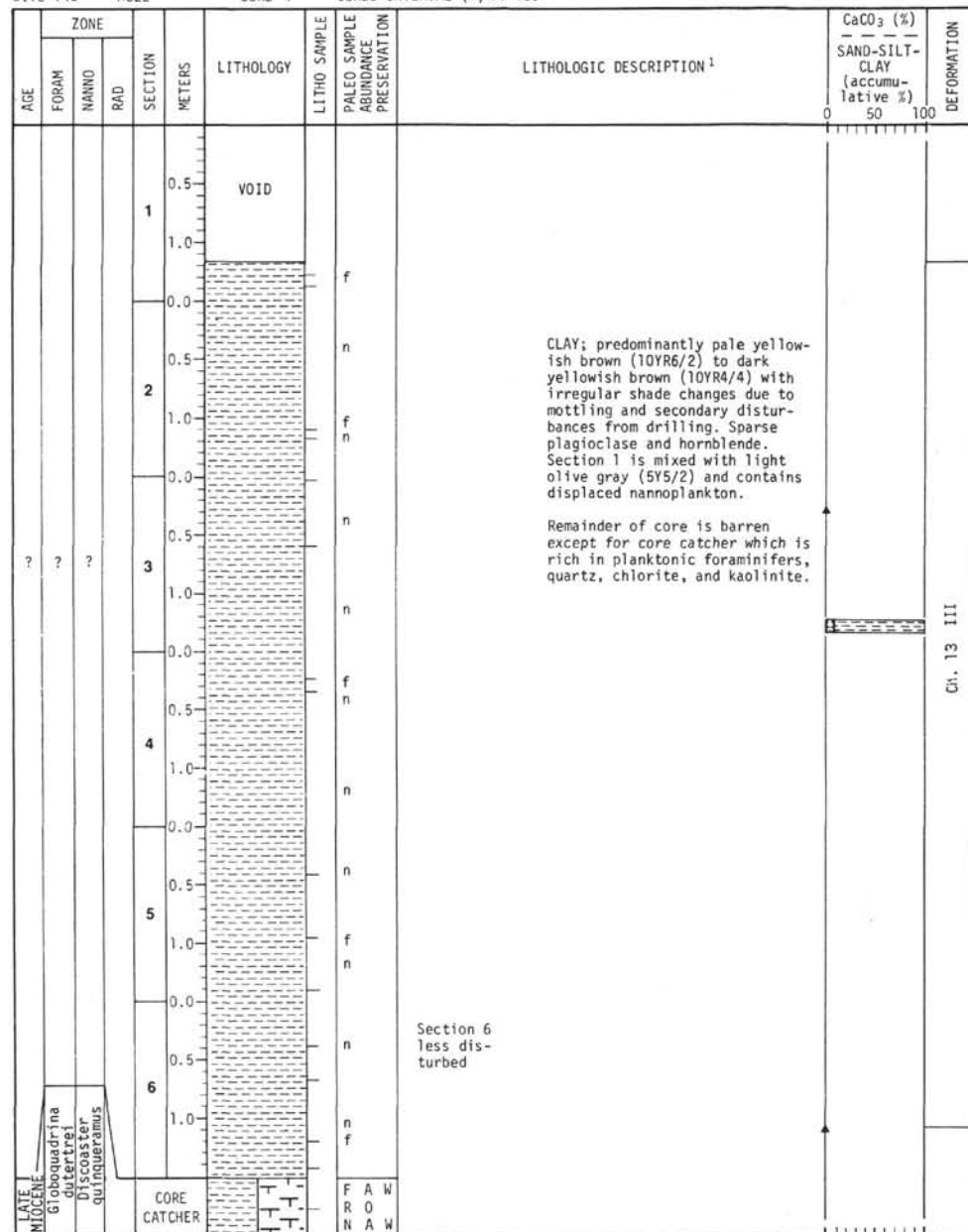
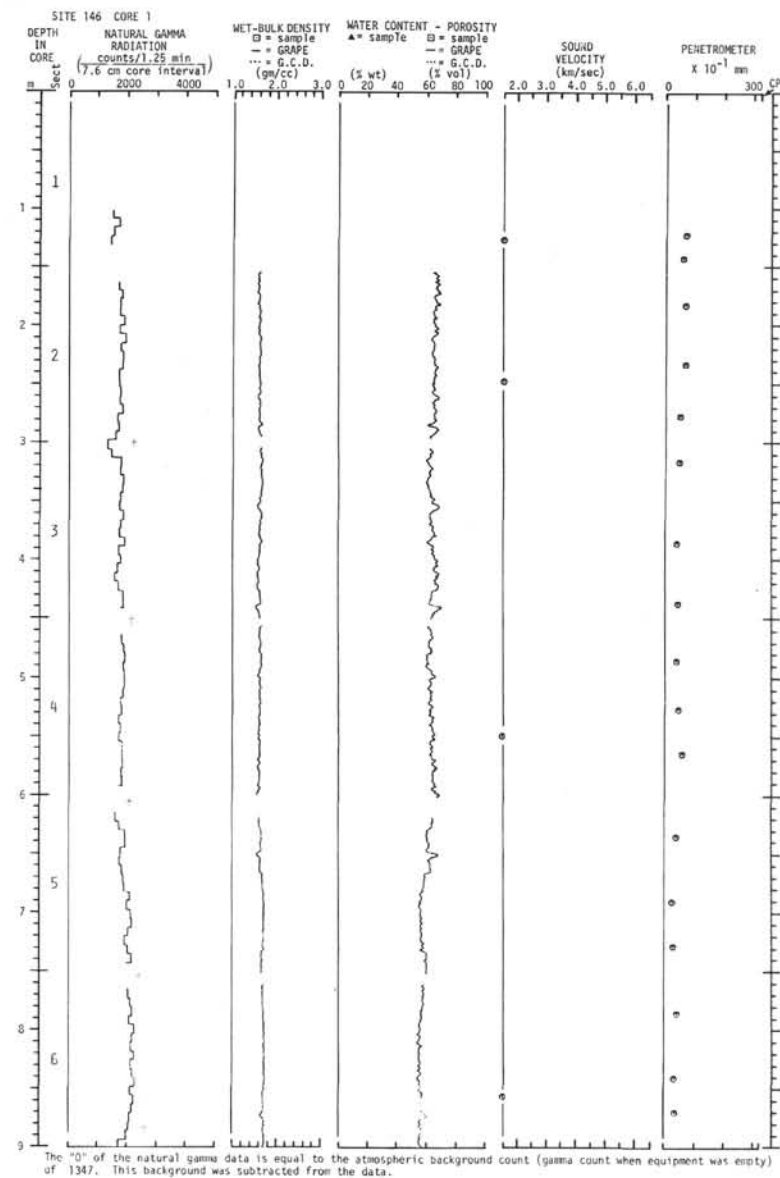
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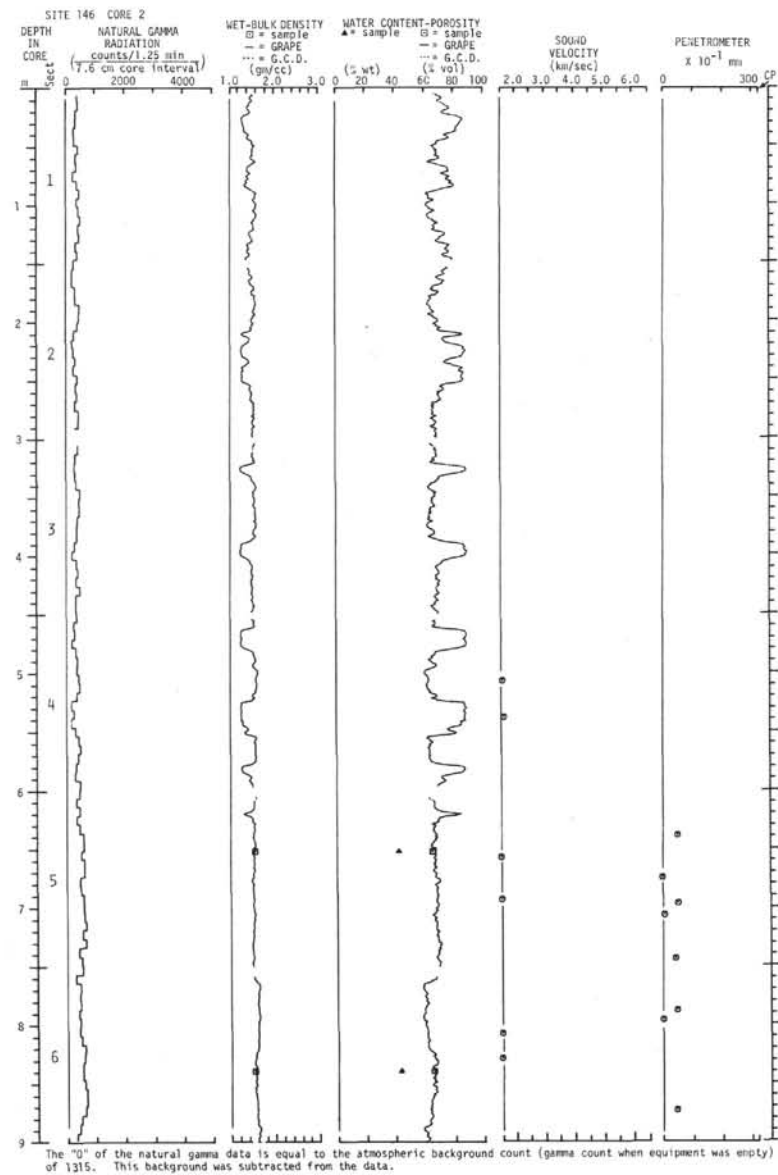
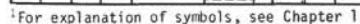
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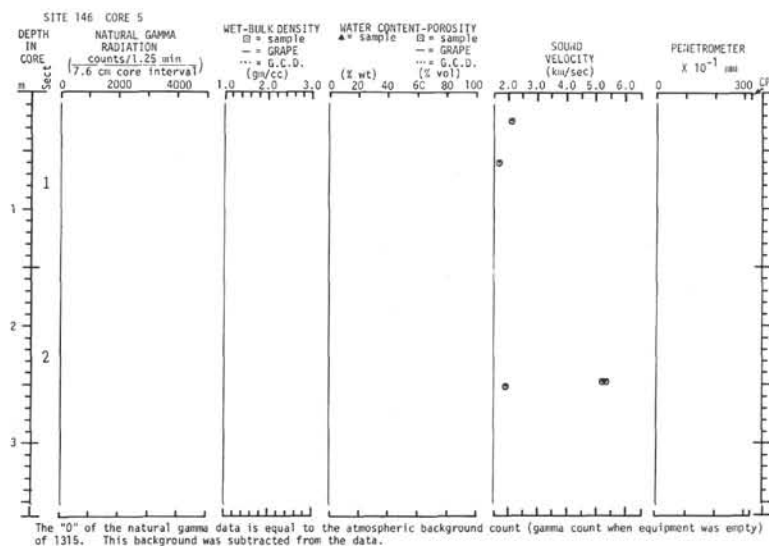
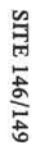
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AGE	ZONE			SECTION	METERS	LITHOLOGY	LITHO SAMPLE	PALEO SAMPLE ABUNDANCE PRESERVATION	LITHOLOGIC DESCRIPTION ¹	CaCO ₃ (%) SAND-SILT-CLAY (accumulative %)	DEFORMATION
	FORAM	NANNO	RAD								
				CORE CATCHER				R F M	Only two fragments were recovered from the core catcher: CHERT; dark gray (5Y4/1) with conchoidal fracture and a potential grayish green (5G5/2) alteration rim. CHERT; dark olive gray (5Y3/2) covered on one side with a thin (0.5 cm) layer of very pale green (10G8/2) chert. In thin section, cherts contain bands of lighter colored, somewhat calcareous materials. These bands resemble, in their shape and mutual relationship, the mottled and bioturbated areas of the adjoining limestone. Mainly parallel, well-preserved to recrystallized radiolarians are present. In one case, chalcedony has been observed. Microcrystalline quartz fills chambers. Abundant "ghosts" of radiolarians and some probably benthonic foraminifer occurs. Dark cherts contain irregular patches of probably argillaceous material. Matrix is mainly microcrystalline cristobalite. Lighter areas contain some scattered barite crystals.	0 50 100	

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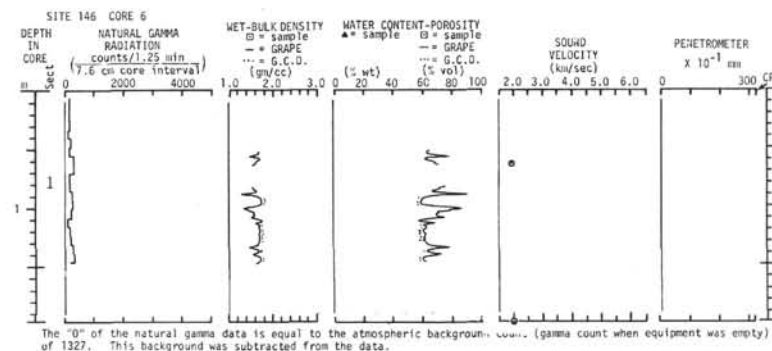
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	FORAM	NANNO	RAD								
	UNZONED			CORE CATCHER				R C M	Six fragments of CHERT were collected from the core catcher. They vary from olive gray (5Y4/2) to very pale green (10G8/2) and greenish gray (5G6/1). Some have a laminated structure; conchoidal fracture. The lowest fragment has sand-sized white grains at the bottom. In addition, X-ray identified palygorskite. These samples show varying degrees of lithification.	0 50 100	

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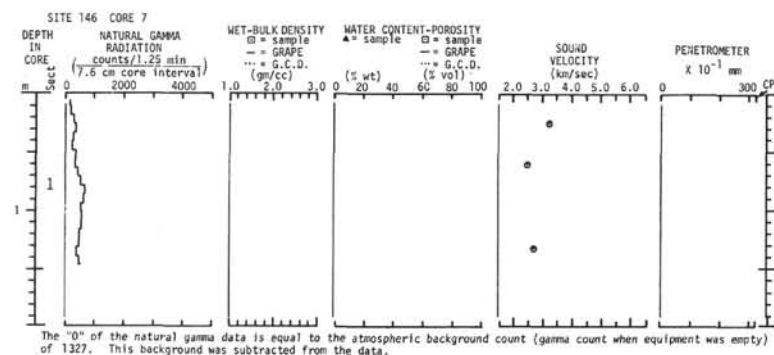


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FORAM	NANNO	RAD									
LATE PALEOCENE EARLY EOCENE	Globobulimina edgari	Discoaster multiradiatus		1	0.5 1.0	VOID		N R P R F M	Sparse clinophtolite, fish debris Sandy textured zone Chert fragments (5YR3/4)		
				CORE CATCHER					Core catcher has fragments of CHALK and CHERT similar to Section 1. Chert shows transitional change to chalk. Some chert fragments are grayish brown (10YR5/3) to light gray (N7).		

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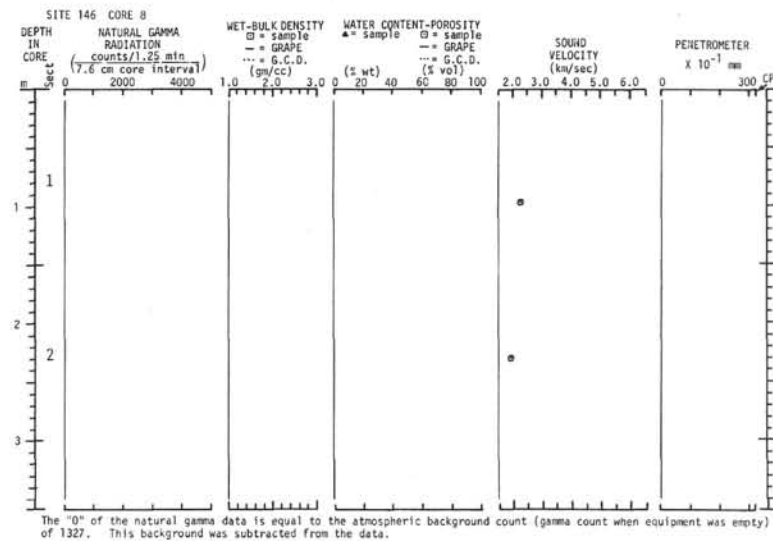


AGE	ZONE			SECTION	METERS	LITHOLOGY	LITHO SAMPLE	PALEO SAMPLE ABUNDANCE PRESERVATION	LITHOLOGIC DESCRIPTION ¹	CaCO ₃ (%)	SAND-SILT-CLAY (accumulative %)	DEFORMATION
	FORAM	NANNO	RAD									
LATE PALEOCENE / EARLY EOCENE	Globorotalia edgari multiradiatus	Bekoma bidarfensis		1	0.5		R C M		Zone particularly rich in forams			
					1.0		R C G					
							N A W					
				CORE CATCHER								

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SITE 146 HOLE CORE 8 CORED INTERVAL (m) 449-458

AGE	ZONE			SECTION	METERS	LITHOLOGY	LITHO SAMPLE	PALEO SAMPLE ABUNDANCE PRESERVATION	LITHOLOGIC DESCRIPTION ¹	CaCO ₃ (%)	SAND-SILT-CLAY (accumulative %)	DEFORMATION
	FORAM	NANNO	RAD									
MIDDLE PALEOCENE		Discoaster gemmeus		1	0.5		N F P		SILICIFIED VOLCANIC CLAYSTONE; greenish gray (5G6/1), hard, lithified, friable to massive, blocky to subconchoidal, developing shaly cleavage. Faint burrow mottling, very flattened, occurs throughout. Cristobalite, volcanic glass, and plagioclase throughout; Sparse clinoptilolite and pyrite. X-ray diffraction shows dominant cristobalite and minor barites in Section 2. Trace rhodochrosite. Highly fragmented.	0		
					1.0							
				2	0.0		R R P		X-ray diffraction results: Section 1 - 3 cm Amorphous scattering 63% Calcite 29% Quartz 7% Cristobalite 55% Plagioclase 4% Clinoptilolite 1% Barite 3%	50		
					0.5							
					1.0		n R R P		Section 1 - 26 cm Amorphous scattering 60% Quartz 4% Cristobalite 86% K-feldspar 1% Plagioclase 2% Montmorillonite 3% Barite 2%	100		
				CORE CATCHER					Section 2 - 41 cm Amorphous scattering 66% Quartz 4% Cristobalite 85% Plagioclase 5% Montmorillonite 4% Barite 2%			
									Section 2 - 58 cm Amorphous scattering 59% Quartz 55% Plagioclase 14% Montmorillonite 24% Clinoptilolite 2% Barite 5%			

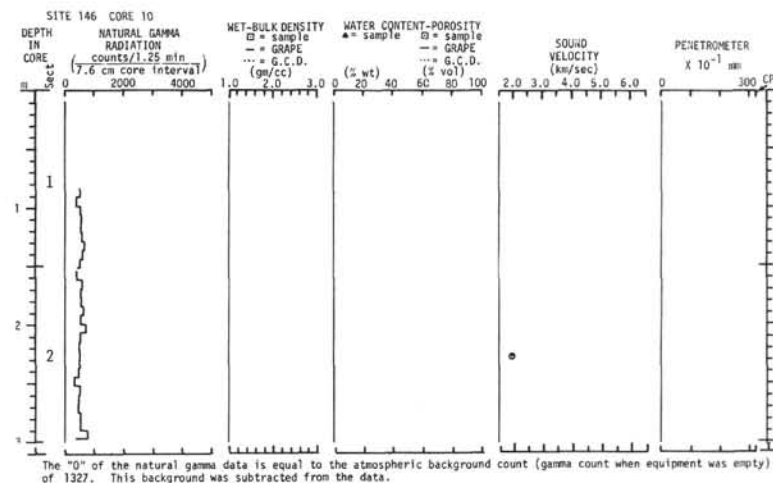
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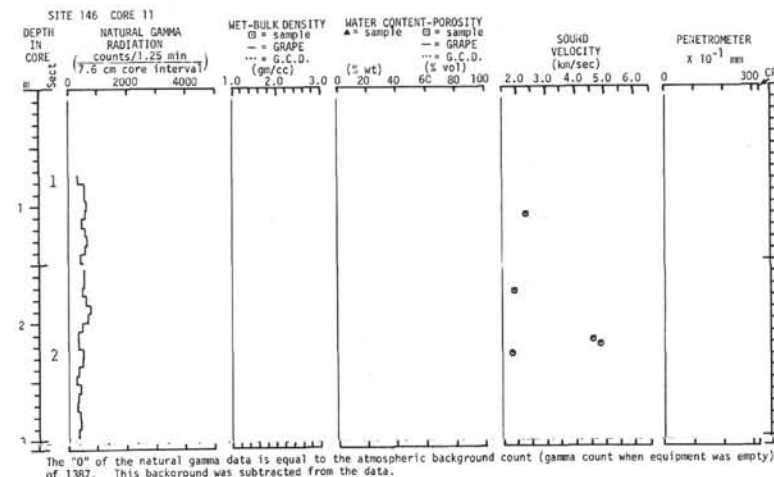
Figure 1 is a multi-panel plot showing geophysical data for Site 146, Core 9. The plot has five vertical panels sharing a common depth axis from 0 to 2 meters. The data is plotted against depth in core (m) on the y-axis. The x-axes for each panel are: Natural Gamma Radiation (counts/1.25 min), Wet-Bulk Density (gm/cc), Water Content-Porosity (% wt), Squared Velocity (km/sec), and Penetrometer (x 10⁻¹ mm). The legend indicates that filled triangles represent sample data and open squares represent grape data. The plot shows a significant increase in gamma radiation and a decrease in bulk density and water content at approximately 1.3 meters depth, which corresponds to the background level mentioned in the caption.

The "0" of the natural gamma data is equal to the atmospheric background count (gamma count when equipment was empty) of 1327. This background was subtracted from the data.

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	FORAM	NANNO	RAD									
EARLY PALEOCENE				1	0.5 1.0	VOID		R T P	Chert Stringer	0	50	100
? LATE CRETACEOUS	Gf. pseudobul. loides or ? Globogerrina eugubina			2	0.0 0.5 1.0	Olive gray (5G7/2) Nanno Marl	N R P		(10YR6/2) (5YR8/1) (5G8/1)			
				CORE CATCHER								

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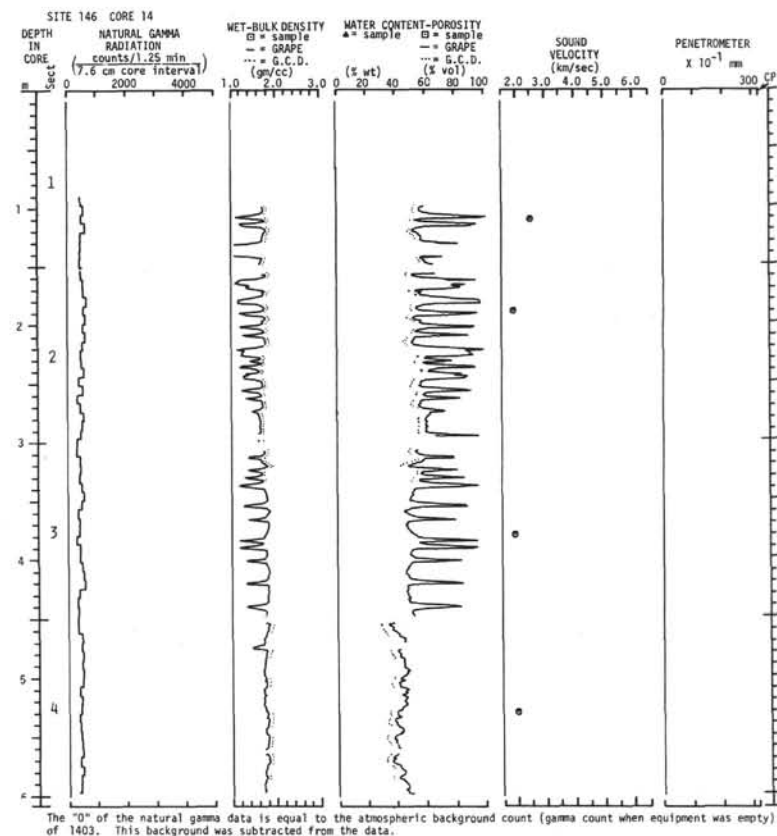
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	FORAM	NANNO	RAD							SAND-SILT-CLAY	(accumulative %)		
? LATE CRETACEOUS				1	0.5	VOID			A few pieces of NANNOPLANKTON MARL AND CHALK light brownish gray (5YR6/1), hard and compacted. Lighter colored mottling due to fine burrowing occurs throughout. Some radiolarians and foraminifers, more conspicuous in the upper pieces. Minor biotite, quartz, and carbonate pellets.				
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				CORE CATCHER					X-ray diffraction results, 126-127 cm Amorphous scattering 46% Calcite 72% Quartz 26% K-feldspar 2%				

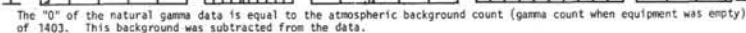
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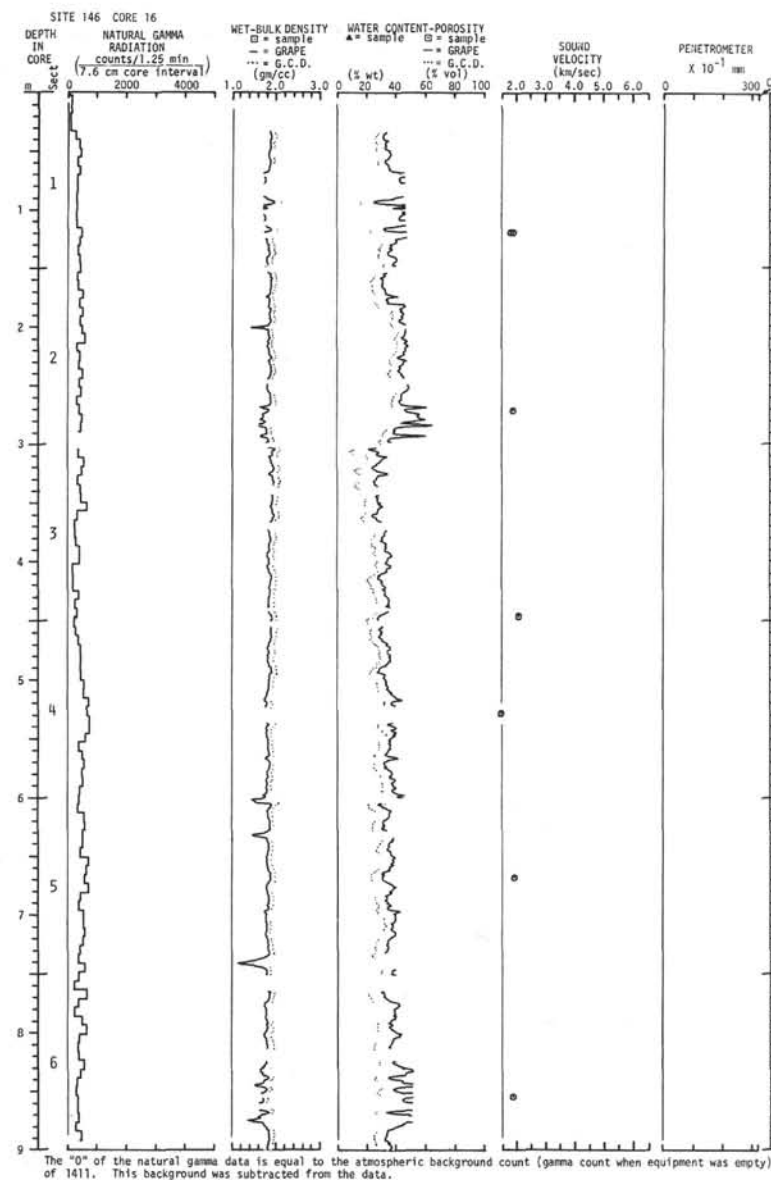
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	FORAM	NANNO	RAD									
MAASTRICHTIAN	Abathomphalus mayaroensis Lithraphidites quadratus					VOID						
				1	0.5		R O		apatite			
					1.0		R R M					
							N F P					
					0.0		N R P		(5YR6/1)			
					0.5		R R M					
							N F M		(58G7/2)			
				2	0.5		R R M					
					1.0		N R P		(587/1)			
					0.0		N F M					
					0.5		R R M					
				3	1.0		N F M		(587/1)			
					0.0		N F M					
					0.5		N C M					
				4	1.0		R R M					
					0.0		N R P		Common chlorite			
					0.5		N C M		Bioturbated ash			
				5	1.0		R R M		(588/1)			
							N F M		(588/1)			
							R R M					
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SITE 146 HOLE CORE 14 CORED INTERVAL (m) 503-512

AGE	ZONE			SECTION	METERS	LITHOLOGY	LITHO SAMPLE	PALEO SAMPLE ABUNDANCE PRESERVATION	LITHOLOGIC DESCRIPTION ¹	CaCO ₃ (%)	SAND-SILT-CLAY (accumulative %)	DEFORMATION
	FORAM	NANNO	RAD									
MAASTRICHTIAN	Globotruncana contusa			1	0.5	VOID			Interbedded FORAMINIFERAL NANNOPLANKTON MARL and CALCAREOUS CLAY; light olive gray (5Y6/1) to olive gray (5Y4/1) with abundant horizontal varicolored burrow mottling, mainly brownish gray (5YR4/1) and greenish gray (5G6/1) with devitrified glass fragments throughout. Color shades are gradational as are variations in carbonate content. Dark brown areas are characteristic of high clay content. Minor clinoptilolite. Traces of biotite, chlorite, apatite, plagioclase, and quartz. Sparse fish debris. In addition, X-ray shows K-feldspar, barite, and hematite.			
					1.0	N F M						
					0.0	N F M						
					0.5	N R P						
					1.0	R R M						
					0.0	N R P						
					0.5	N R P						
					1.0	R R M						
					0.0	N F P						
					0.5	R R M						
					1.0	N F M						
					4	1.0	R R M					
CORE CATCHER												

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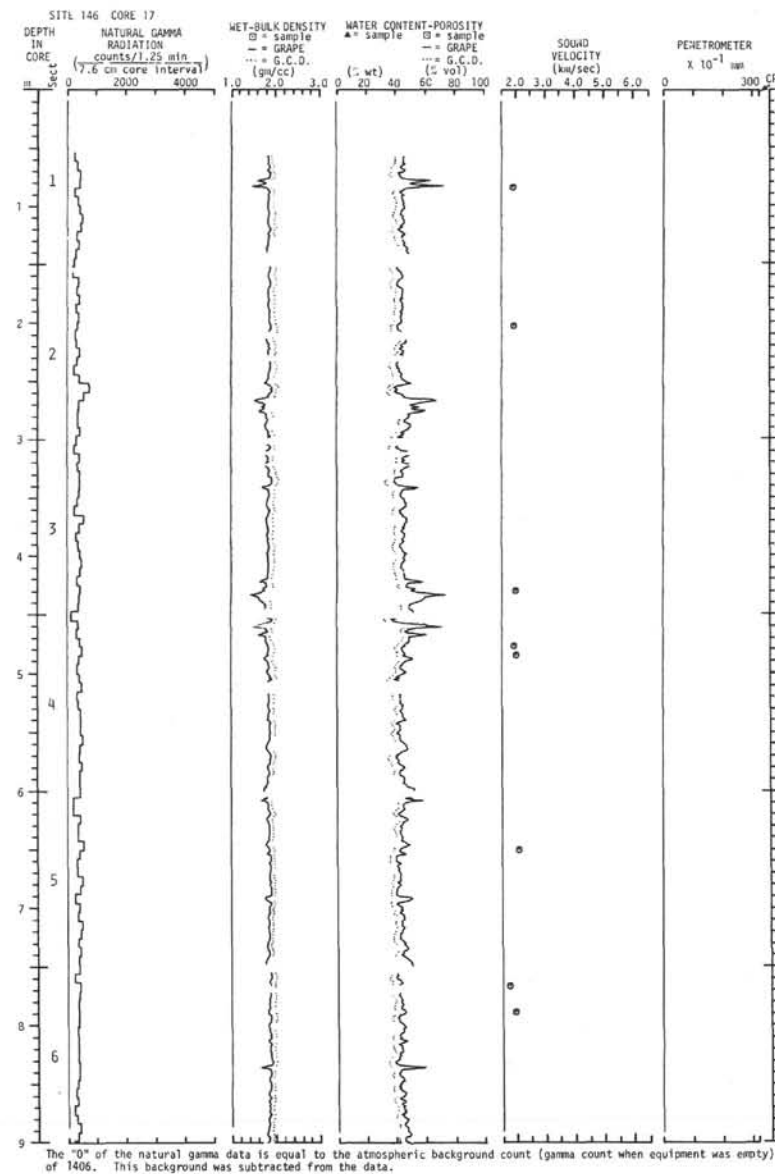


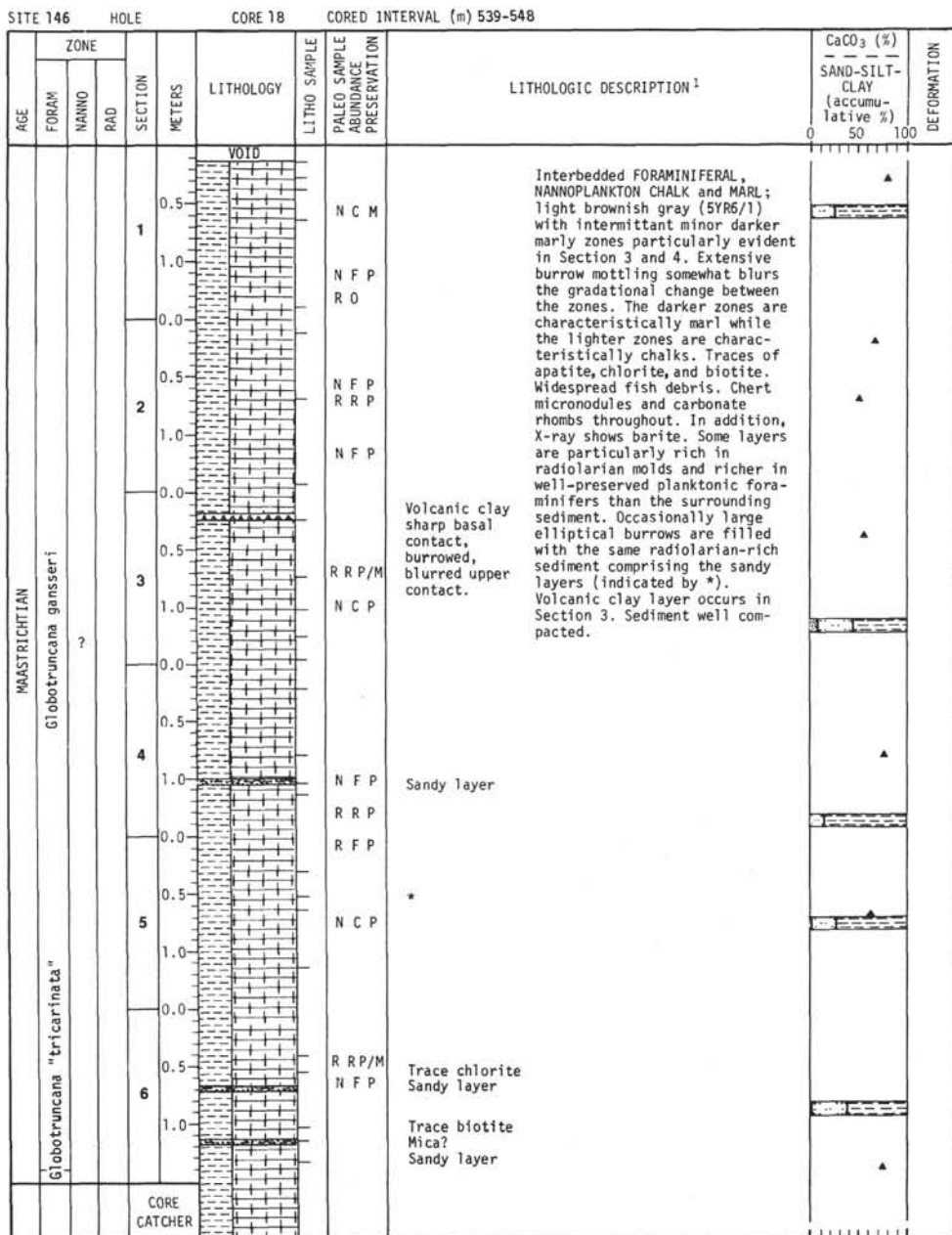
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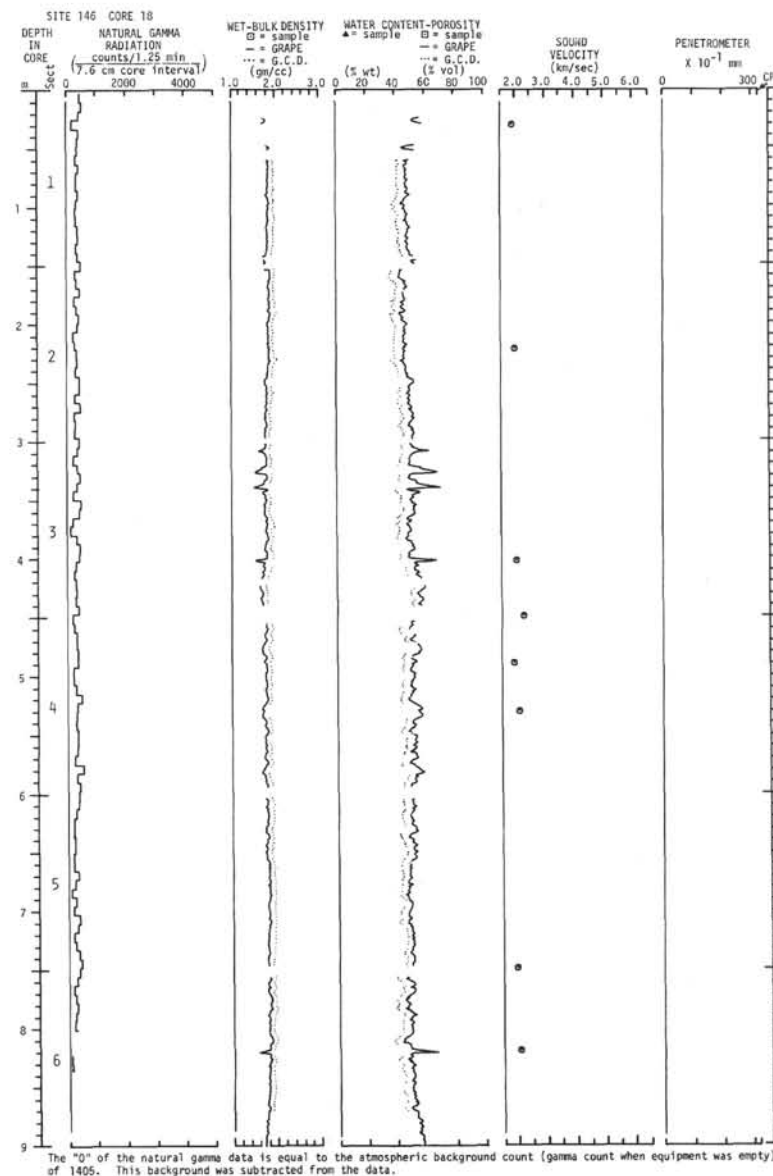
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	FORAM	NANNO	RAD									
MAASTRICHTIAN	Globotruncana gansseri	?				VOID						
				1	0.5							
					1.0		N F P		Interbedded FORAMINIFERAL NANNOPLANKTON CHALK AND MARL; predominantly light gray (5YR7/1) and pinkish gray (5YR8/1) to light brownish gray (5YR6/1) and medium brownish gray (5YR5/1). The brown or "dark zones" are marl; the gray or "light zones" are characteristically chalk. Gradational contacts. Vari-colored burrow mottling, mostly parallel or subparallel to bedding, occurs throughout. Sandy layers particularly rich in radiolarian molds and foraminifers appear at several levels (indicated by *).			
					0.0		N F P		Chevron like burrow.			
				2	0.5							
					1.0		R O		Drilling disturbances			
					0.0			MCND			CH. 13 V	
				3	0.5				Pyritic materials in burrows.			
					1.0		N F P					
					0.0		R A P/M	*				
					0.0		N C P					
				4	0.5				Drilling disturbance			
					1.0		R C P		Sulfide			
					0.0				Sulfide concentration with 2 main concentric dark rings.			
				5	0.5		N F P					
					1.0		R A P	*				
					0.0				Volcanic clay (5YR4/1)			
				6	0.5							
					1.0		R A P/M	*				
							N C M					
						CORE CATCHER						

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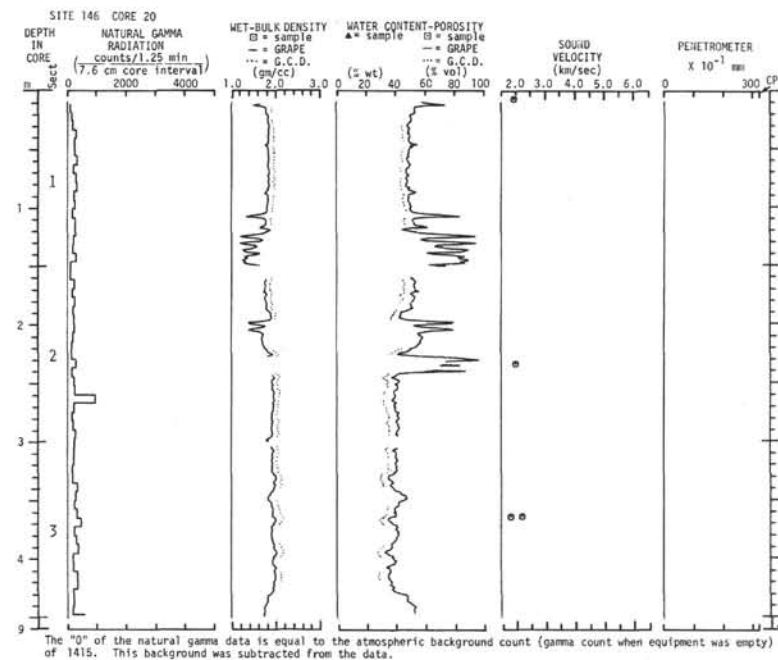
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	FORAM	NANNO	RAD							SAND-SILT-CLAY (accumulative %)																																			
MAASTRICHTIAN	Globotruncana "tricarinata"	?				VOID			Interbedded, well-compacted, FORAMINIFERAL NANNOPLANKTON CHALK AND MARL; predominantly light gray (N7) to light olive gray (5Y7/1) interlayered with slightly marly darker zones, but less conspicuous than in preceding barrels. Extensive burrow mottling throughout.	0	100																																		
													1	0.5	N C P	* sharp basal and upper boundaries Graded bedding	▲																												
																		1.0	R R P	Vertical burrow	Several sandy layers rich in both plankton foraminifers and radiolarian molds, intermittently occur sharply intersecting the surrounding sediments. Sparse plagioclase, biotite, fish debris, apatite, and minor chert nodules. In addition, X-ray shows K-feldspar and barite.	▲																							
																							0.0	N C P	Secondarily burrowed	▲																			
																											0.5	R R P	▲																
																														1.0	N F P	* Vertical burrow	▲												
																																		0.0	N F P	VOLCANIC CLAY; brownish gray (5YR4/1).	▲								
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				1.0	N F P																																								
								CORE CATCHER	R R M																																				
												R F P																																	

SITE 146 HOLE CORE 20 CORED INTERVAL (m) 557-566

AGE	ZONE			SECTION	METERS	LITHOLOGY	LITHO SAMPLE	PALEO SAMPLE ABUNDANCE PRESERVATION	LITHOLOGIC DESCRIPTION ¹	CaCO ₃ (%)	SAND-SILT-CLAY (accumulative %)	DEFORMATION
	FORAM	NANNO	RAD									
MAASTRICHTIAN	Globotruncana "tricarinata"	?		1	0.5			N C P	FORAMINIFERAL NANNOPLANKTON CHALK; light gray (N7) to very light gray (N8) with minor interbedded light brownish gray (5YR6/1) zones of greater clay content. Extensive burrow mottling throughout. Very compact, but crumbly especially in light gray zones. Trace amounts of biotite, apatite, barite, plagioclase, mica, quartz, and widespread fish debris. Chert micronodules and carbonate rhombs throughout. Chert fragment grayish orange (5YR7/2) with light brown (5YR6/4) nucleus is at top section 1.	0	50	
					1.0			R C P				
				2	0.0				Sandy layer with predominance of foraminifers and with graded bedding.	50	100	
					0.5			N F P				
					1.0			R R P	Zone with abnormally high gamma count contains mainly devitrified volcanic glass with few crystals of plagioclase and biotite.	50	100	
					1.0			R R P/M				
				3	0.0					50	100	
					0.5			N F P				
					1.0			R R M				
					1.0							
				CORE CATCHER								



SITE 146 HOLE CORE 21 CORED INTERVAL (m) 566-575

AGE	ZONE			SECTION	METERS	LITHOLOGY	LITHO SAMPLE	PALEO SAMPLE ABUNDANCE PRESERVATION	LITHOLOGIC DESCRIPTION ¹	CaCO ₃ (%)	SAND-SILT-CLAY (accumulative %)	DEFORMATION
	FORAM	NANNO	RAD							0		
*	*	*		CORE CATCHER					No recovery. Core catcher consists of FORAMINIFERAL NANNOPLANKTON CHALK, light gray (N7), crumbly and fragmented.		-	

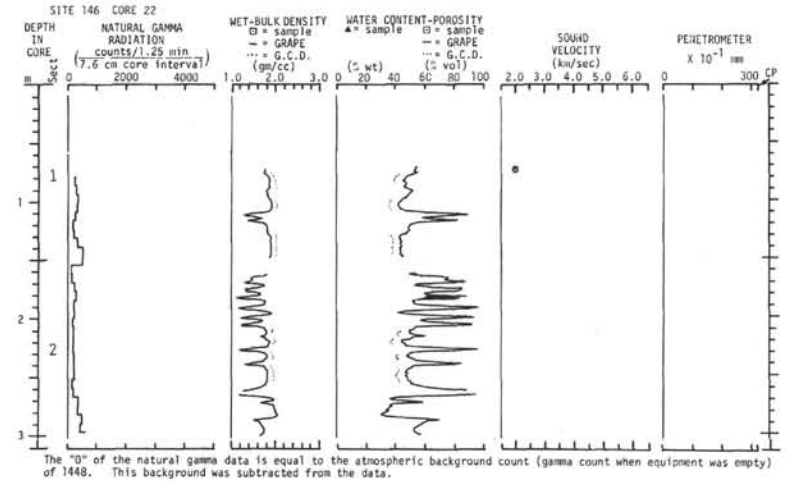
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* MAASTRICHTIAN

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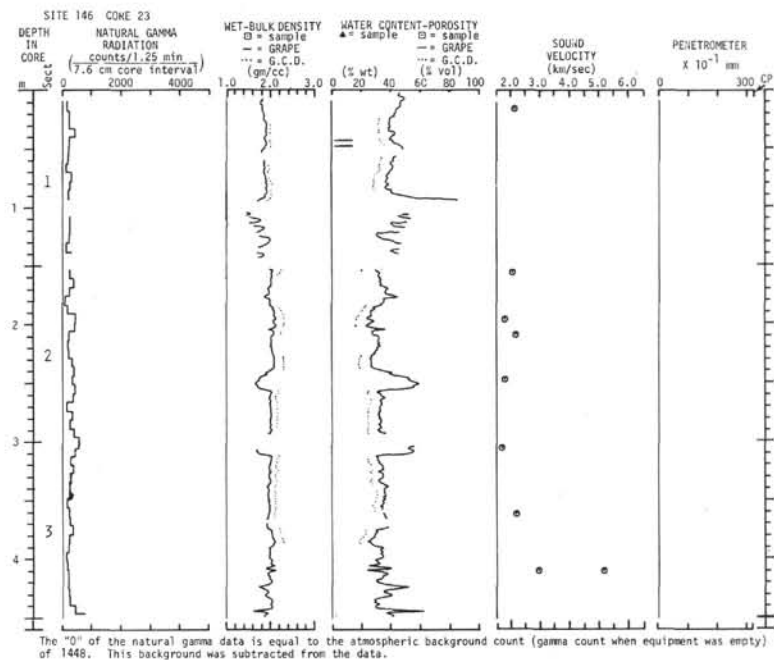
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	FORAM	NANNO								
CAMPANIAN	Globotruncana calcarata	?	1	0.5 1.0	VOID		R C P R R M R F P		0 50 100	
			2	0.0 0.5 1.0						
			CORE CATCHER				R N C N F P R R M			

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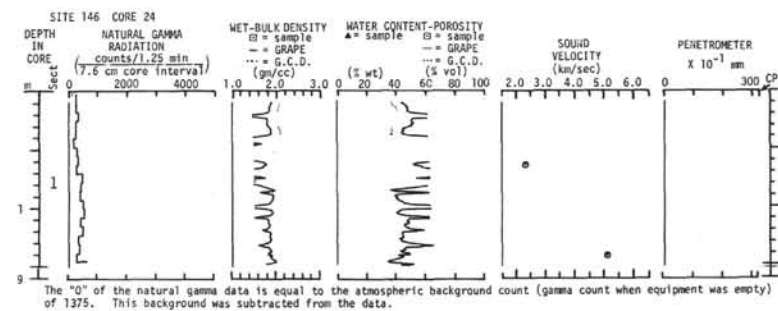
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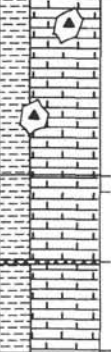

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	FORAM	NANNO	RAD									
CAMPANIAN	Globotruncana elevata	?		1	0.5			R R M	NANNOPLANKTON CHALK; light olive gray (5Y7/1) becoming gradationally pale yellowish brown (10YR7/2) with higher clay content in intermittent zones. Sparse plagioclase, alkali feldspar, apatite, and barite. Widespread biotite, fish debris, and carbonate rhombs. In addition, X-rays shows palygorskite. Two * VOLCANIC CLAY layers medium gray (N5) and medium dark gray (N4) occur in sharp contrast to the surrounding lighter sediment in Sections 2 and 3. Ash silt on CHERT fragments, very pale red (10R7/2) to grayish red (10R4/2) is interbedded in Section 3 with apparent sharp contacts. Burrow mottling abundant throughout.	0		
					1.0			N C M				
				2	0.0			N C M				
					0.5							
				3	1.0	A A A A A A		* (N4)				
					0.0	A A A A A A		* (N5)				
				4	0.5			R R M				
					1.0			R C P P R C M P P				
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				CORE CATCHER					(10R7/2) to (10R4/2) Broken fragments of cherts.			

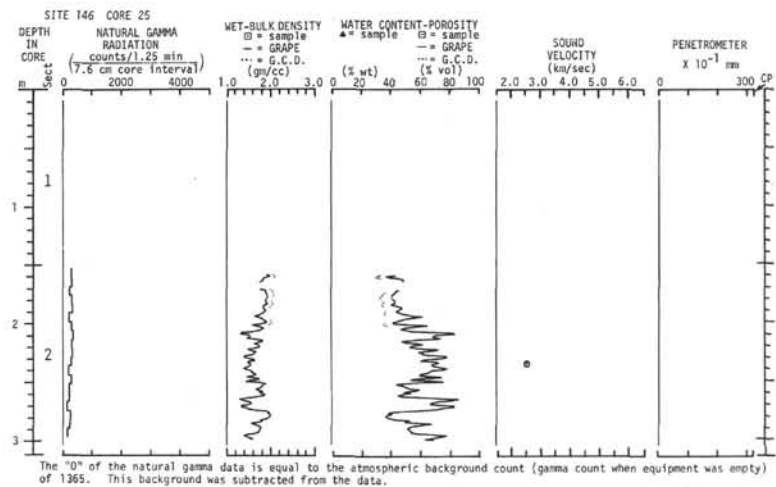


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FORAM	NANNO	RAD											
CAMPANIAN	Globotruncana elevata	?		1	0.5		N C P			(5YR4/1)	0	50	100
				1.0	R C P R R M								
				CORE CATCHER						(5YR4/1) and (5Y4/1)			
										(5R6/2)			

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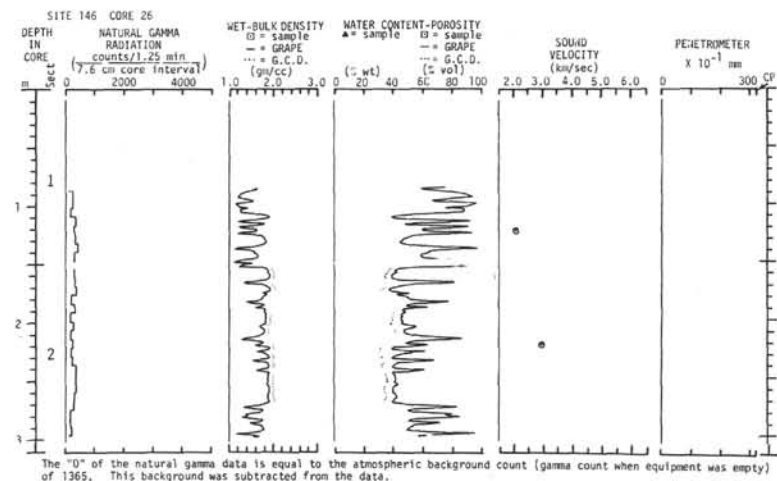


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AGE	ZONE			SECTION	METERS	LITHOLOGY	LITHO SAMPLE	PALEO SAMPLE ABUNDANCE PRESERVATION	LITHOLOGIC DESCRIPTION ¹	CaCO ₃ (%) SAND-SILT-CLAY (accumulative %)	DEFORMATION
	FORAM	NANNO	RAD								
LATE CRETACEOUS			?	1	0.5 1.0		R R C P R R M P	(5GY8/1) (5GY8/1) (5GY8/1) Volcanic clay (5YR2/1) (5GY8/1)	Section 1: Very soupy mixture of CHERT cuttings and CHALK, totally disturbed. NANNOPLANKTON CHALK; predominantly light brownish gray (5YR6/1) to pinkish gray (5YR7/1). The darker (brownish) layers are characteristically marly. Minor fish debris, apatite, chert, and barite microneodules. Carbonate rhombs throughout. In addition, X-ray shows K-feldspar. Extensive burrow mottling throughout, and occasionally associated with contrasting hue change into light greenish gray (5GY8/1). Thin lamina of brownish black (5YR2/1) volcanic clay is partly blurred by mottling. Semi-indurated.	0 50 100	CH. 13 I
				2	0.5 1.0						
				CORE CATCHER							



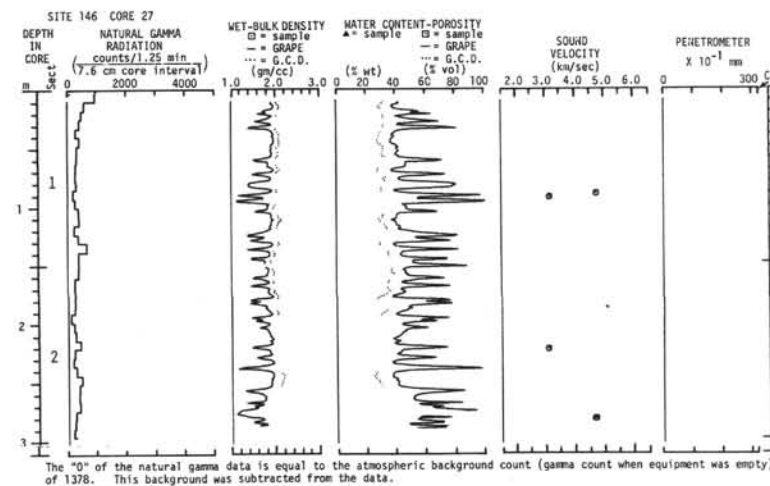
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	FORAM	NANNO								
CAMPAZIAN	Globostrucana elevata	?	1	0.5	VOID					
				1.0		N C P	* (5YR7/1)			
			2	0.0		R R M				
				0.5		N F P				
				1.0		N C P	*			
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			CORE CATCHER							

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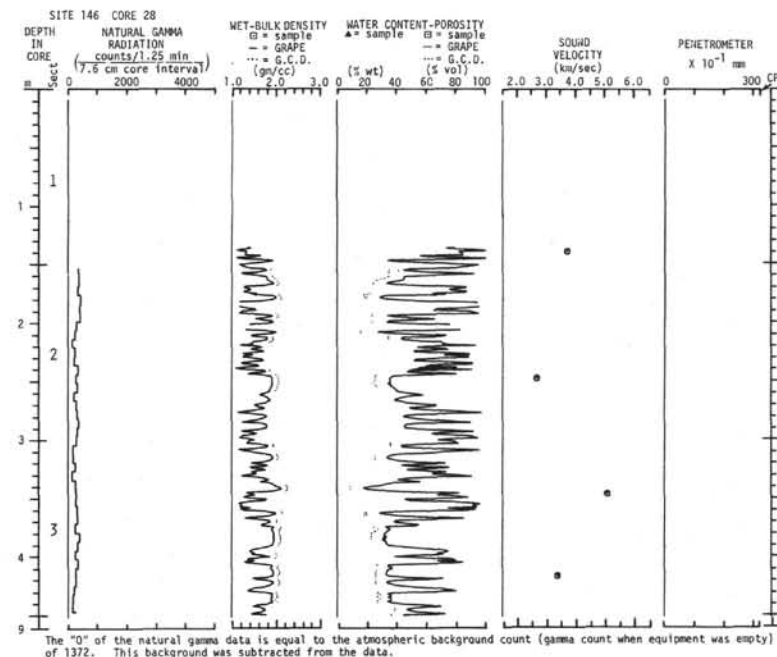


SITE 146 HOLE CORE 27 CORED INTERVAL (m) 620-629

AGE	ZONE			SECTION	METERS	LITHOLOGY	LITHO SAMPLE	PALEO SAMPLE ABUNDANCE PRESERVATION	LITHOLOGIC DESCRIPTION ¹	CaCO ₃ (%)	SAND-SILT-CLAY (accumulative %)	DEFORMATION																																										
	FORAM	NANNO	RAD																																																			
LATE CRETACEOUS		?		1	0.5	VOID	R C P	R R M	(5R4/2)	▲	0	50																																										
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					0.0		R C P	R C P																																														
					0.5		R R M	R R M																																														
				2	1.0		R R M	N F P	(5R6/2)	▲	100																																											
							R A P/M	R A P/M																																														
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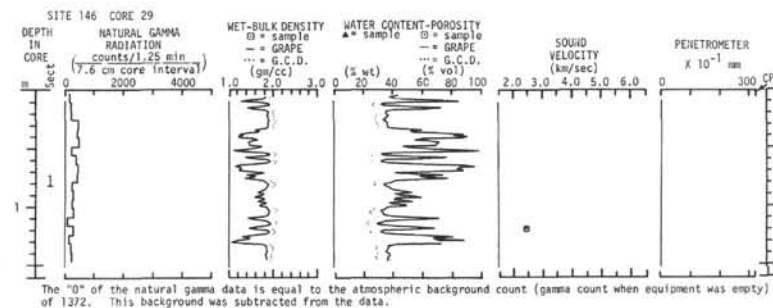
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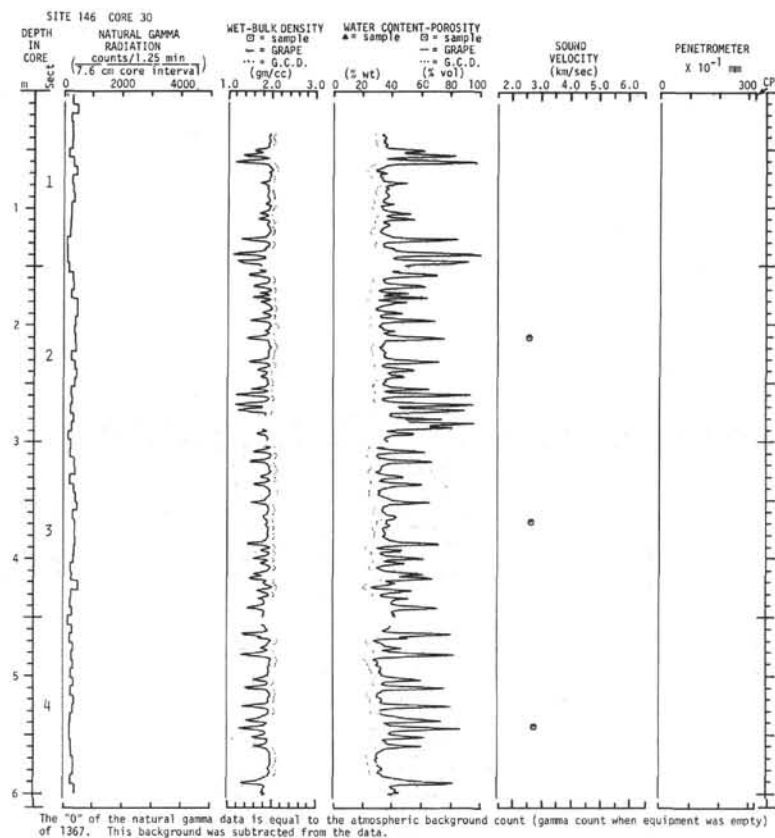
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AGE	ZONE			SECTION	METERS	LITHOLOGY	LITHO SAMPLE	PALEO SAMPLE ABUNDANCE PRESERVATION	LITHOLOGIC DESCRIPTION ¹	SAND-SILT-CLAY (accumulative %)		
	FORAM	NANNO	RAD							0	100	
LATE CRETACEOUS				1	0.5	VOID						
				1	1.0							
				2	0.0		R C P R R M		Chert (10R4/2) Chert (5Y4/1)			
		?		2	0.5		N R P		*Volcanic clay (N4)			
				2	1.0		R C P		Thin volcanic clay (N4)			
				3	0.0				10R4/2			
				3	0.5		N R P R C P R R M N R P		10R4/2			
				3	1.0				10Y4/2			
							R F M					
						CORE CATCHER						
For explanation of symbols, see page												

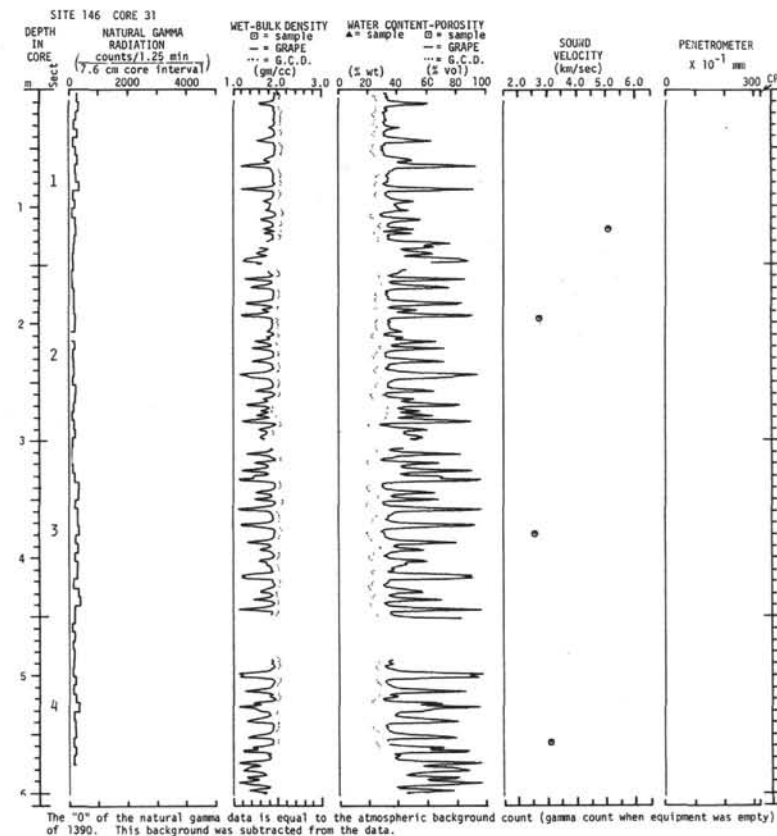
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SITE 146 HOLE CORE 29 CORED INTERVAL (m) 638-647

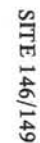
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	FORAM	NANNO	RAD									
LATE CRETACEOUS	?			1	0.5	[Lithology symbols]	N F P		Volcanic clay *(5YR3/1)	0	50	100
					1.0							
				CORE CATCHER		[Lithology symbols]	R C P R R M		Chert (5R6/2)			
						[Lithology symbols]	R F P/M		VOLCANIC CLAY, dark brownish gray (5YR3/1), and CHERT, pale red (5R6/2), are randomly intercalated in limestone, which also presents some sandy textured zones with no definite boundaries.			
									*VOLCANIC CLAY, contains alkali feldspar, plagioclase, chlorite, biotite, apatite, clinoptilolite, zircon, and devitrified glass.			

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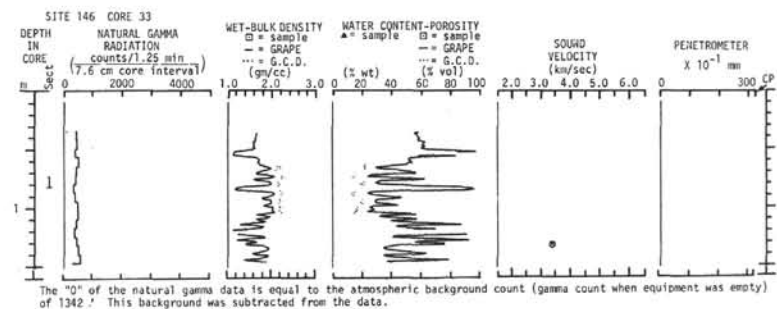
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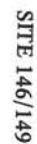
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SITE 146 HOLE CORE 33 CORED INTERVAL (m) 674-683

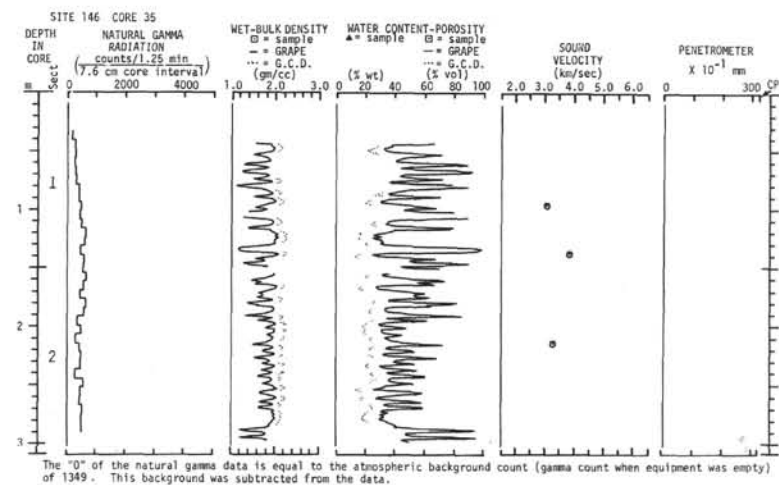
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	FORAM	NANNO	RAD									
SANTONIAN	<i>Globotruncana concavata carinata</i>	?		1	0.5 1.0	VOID		R R P N R P	Horizontal calcitic lenses Microfracture with sparite few fragments (5Y6/1)	0 50 100		
				CORE CATCHER								





SITE 146 HOLE CORE 35 CORED INTERVAL (m) 692-701

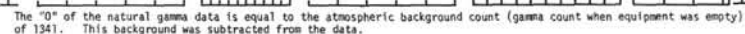
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	FORAM	NANNO	RAD									
CONIACIAN/SANTONIAN	<i>Globotruncana concavata concavata</i>	?		1	0.5 1.0	VOID	N R P R R P/M		RADIOLARIAN LIMESTONE; light olive gray (5Y5/1) interlayered with dark olive gray (5Y3/1) and dark greenish gray (5GY4/1) associated with burrow mottling. In addition, some blackish red (5R2/2) volcanic-rich layers occur in sharp contrast at several levels in Section 2. Sandy-textured zones present, but blurred. CHERT; brownish gray (5YR4/1) and medium gray (N5) present in both sections. Boundaries between limestone and cherts are sharp in hand specimen, but gradual under microscope. Sparite seems to fill some of the radiolarian cavities. Limestone is sparse to packed biomicrite with mainly calcified radiolarians and very rare benthic foraminifers. Slightly argillaceous lenses and laminae unevenly distributed. Representative thin section from Section 2, 136-139 cm contains abundant foraminifers with fish debris, pyrite, diffuse organic matter, glauconite, and plagioclase. Bioturbated.	50		
				2	0.0 0.5 1.0							
				CORE CATCHER			R A P					
									In general, sparse plagioclase, hornblende, biotite, and fish debris. Minor chert micro-nodules and carbonate rhombs throughout.			
									fragments (5Y5/1)			
									Microfossils aligned parallel. Partly silicified, with concentration of clays at silicification front.			

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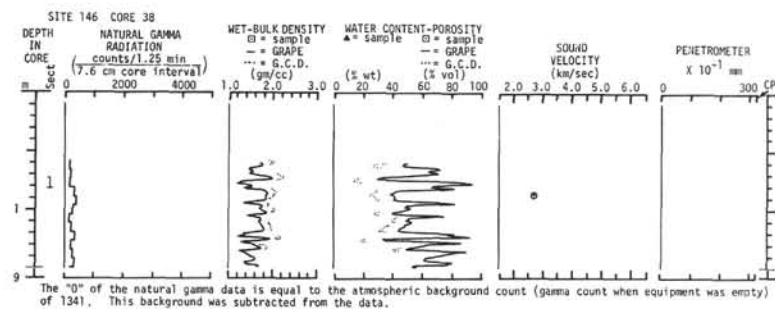
Core 37R: No recovery; Cored Interval (m) 710-714

* * *Globotruncana concavata concavata*



SITE 146 HOLE CORE 38R CORED INTERVAL (m) 714-719

AGE	ZONE			METERS	LITHOLOGY	LITHO SAMPLE	PALEO SAMPLE ABUNDANCE PRESERVATION	LITHOLOGIC DESCRIPTION ¹	CaCO ₃ (%)	SAND-SILT-CLAY (accumulative %)	DEFORMATION
	FORAM	NANNO	RAD								
CONIACIAN/SANTONIAN	Globotruncana concavata	?	1	0.5	VOID		R C P R R M N F P	layer rich in organic carbon 11.2% (5Y3/1)	0	50	100
				1.0							
*				CORE CATCHER			R R M	Microfracture filled with Sparite			
*Globotruncana concavata concavata								fragments (N7) and (5GY6/1)			
								<p>RADIOLARIAN LIMESTONE; predominantly light gray (N7) to greenish gray (5GY6/1) with interbedded olive black (5Y3/1) zones rich in detrital volcanics (plagioclase, hornblende, biotite), radiolarian molds, organic carbon, and clay. Flattened burrow mottling often gives a finely laminated structure due to color changes. Limestone in microscopic study is a sparse foraminiferal radiolarian biomicrite, with minor amount of mollusc shell and echinoid fragments. Forams are filled with microspar and sparite. Radiolarians are usually calcified. Skeletal fragments and volcanic grains oriented parallel to bedding. Pyrite disseminated throughout, often concentrated in lenses.</p> <p>Sparse hornblende and biotite. Chert micromodules and carbonate rhombs throughout.</p> <p>X-ray diffraction also shows K-feldspar, trace gypsum, and pyrite.</p> <p>RADIOLARIAN LIMESTONE, with rare foraminifers and fish debris. Secondary dendritic opaque material.</p>			

¹For explanation of symbols, see Chapter 1

AGE	ZONE			SECTION	METERS	LITHOLOGY	LITHO SAMPLE	PALEO SAMPLE ABUNDANCE PRESERVATION	LITHOLOGIC DESCRIPTION:	CaCO ₃ (%)	SAND-SILT-CLAY (accumulative %)	DEFORMATION
	FORAM	NANNO	RAD									
TUROMIAN/CONIACIAN	Globotruncana schneegansi			1	0.5	VOID	n	R C P	(5Y2/1)	▲	50	
					1.0							
					0.0							
					0.5							
					1.0							
				CORE CATCHER								

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LITHOLOGIC DESCRIPTION:

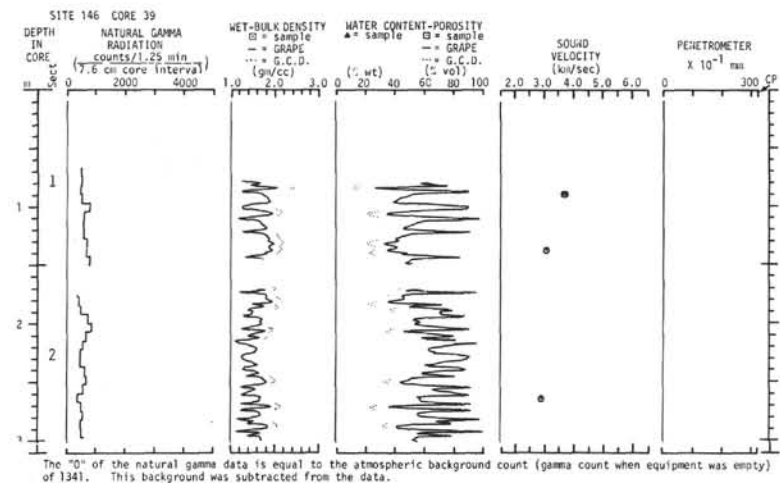
FORAMINIFERAL RADIOLARIAN and ARGILLACEOUS LIMESTONE and BASALTIC ASH; light gray (N7) to greenish gray (5GY6/1) with abundant interbedded olive black (5Y2/1) ash beds becoming particularly abundant in Section 2. These ash layers occur as rhythmic, size-graded, medium to fine grained sequences somewhat disturbed by burrowing. Calcitic veins cutting the bedding plane nearly vertically occur at several levels.

Limestone is a sparse to packed biomicrite with predominantly planktonic foraminifers and calcified radiolarians. Filling is mainly microsparite and sparite. Matrix partly silicified or microsparic, with some biogenic fragments, carbonaceous material, and carbonate rhombs. More argillaceous and pyritic filling of burrows. Interpenetration and clay bending around fossils.


X-ray diffraction results:

	Section 1 145-148cm	Section 2 46-91-
Amorphous		47cm 93cm
scattering	35%	48% --
Calcite	66%	59% 2%
Quartz	30%	23% 2%
K-feldspar	4%	-- 7%
Plagioclase	--	6% 9%
Mica	--	8% 3%
Montmorillonite--		3% 77%

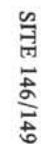
Basaltic ash layers consist of 200μ, graded, altered palagonite grains with holocrystalline basaltic fragments, some augite, and plagioclase. The green layers are a fine grained equivalent, with a very similar chemical composition. Sparse apatite. X-ray results: dominant mica, minor montmorillonite, some clinoptilolite, K-feldspar, barite, and pyrite.



SITE 146 HOLE CORE 40R CORED INTERVAL (m) 728-737

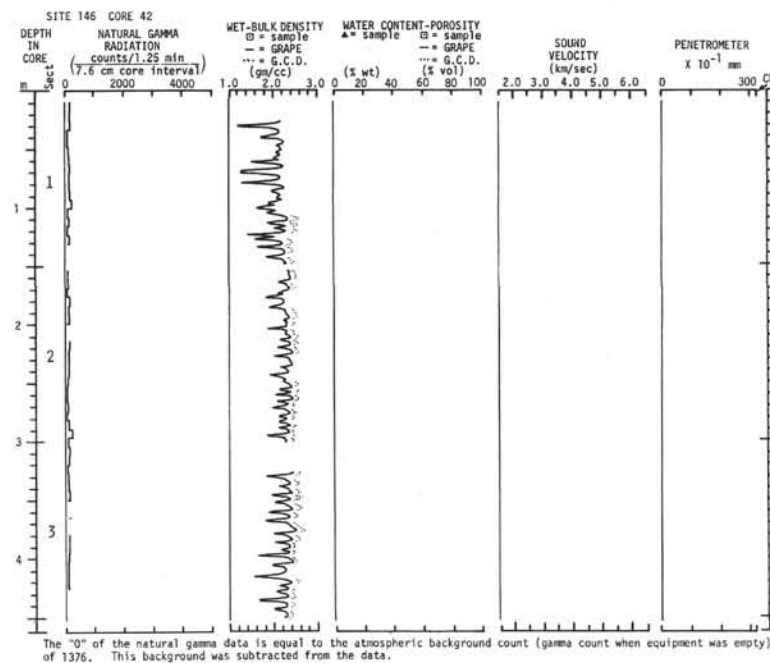
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	FORAM	NANNO	RAD								
				CORE CATCHER				R R M	LIMESTONE; medium dark gray (N4) with irregular lighter shades of gray to light brownish gray (5YR5/1) with finely sublaminate structure due to flattened burrow mottling.		

¹For explanation of symbols, see Chapter 1



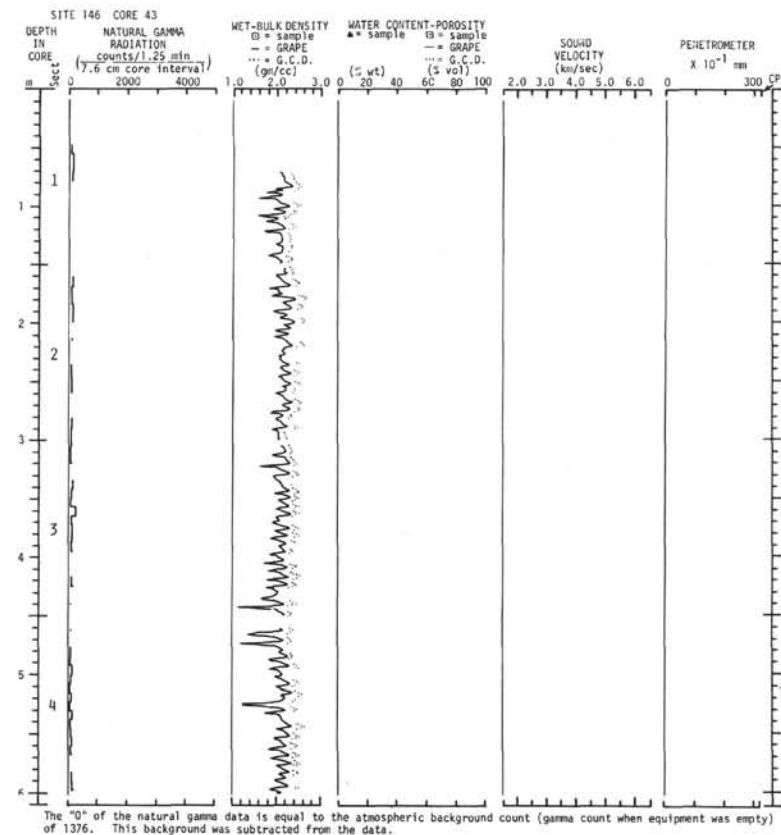
SITE 146 HOLE CORE 42R CORED INTERVAL (m) 746-755 m

AGE	ZONE			SECTION	METERS	LITHOLOGY	LITHO SAMPLE	PALEO SAMPLE ABUNDANCE PRESERVATION	LITHOLOGIC DESCRIPTION ¹	CaCO ₃ (%)	SAND-SILT-CLAY (accumulative %)	DEFORMATION
	FORAM	NANNO	RAD									
						VOID						
				1	0.5				DOLERITE; grayish black (N2) with subvertical fractures, some filled with calcitic materials. Conspicuously finer grained (about 0.1 mm) than in barrel 41, very uniform.			
					1.0							
					0.0							
				2	0.5							
					1.0							
					0.0							
					0.5	VOID						
				3	0.5				Vertical fracture filled with calcitic material.			
					1.0							
									DOLERITE			
				CORE CATCHER								

¹For explanation of symbols, see Chapter 1

SITE 146 HOLE CORE 43R CORED INTERVAL (m) 755-760

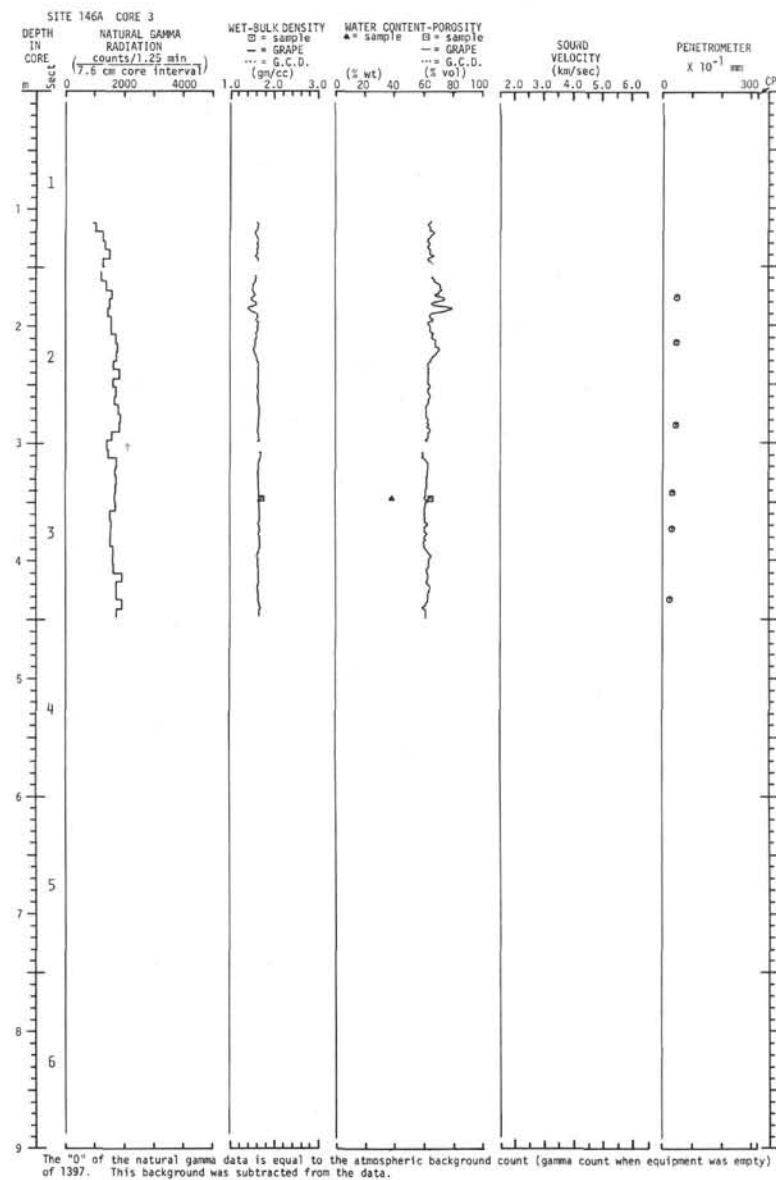
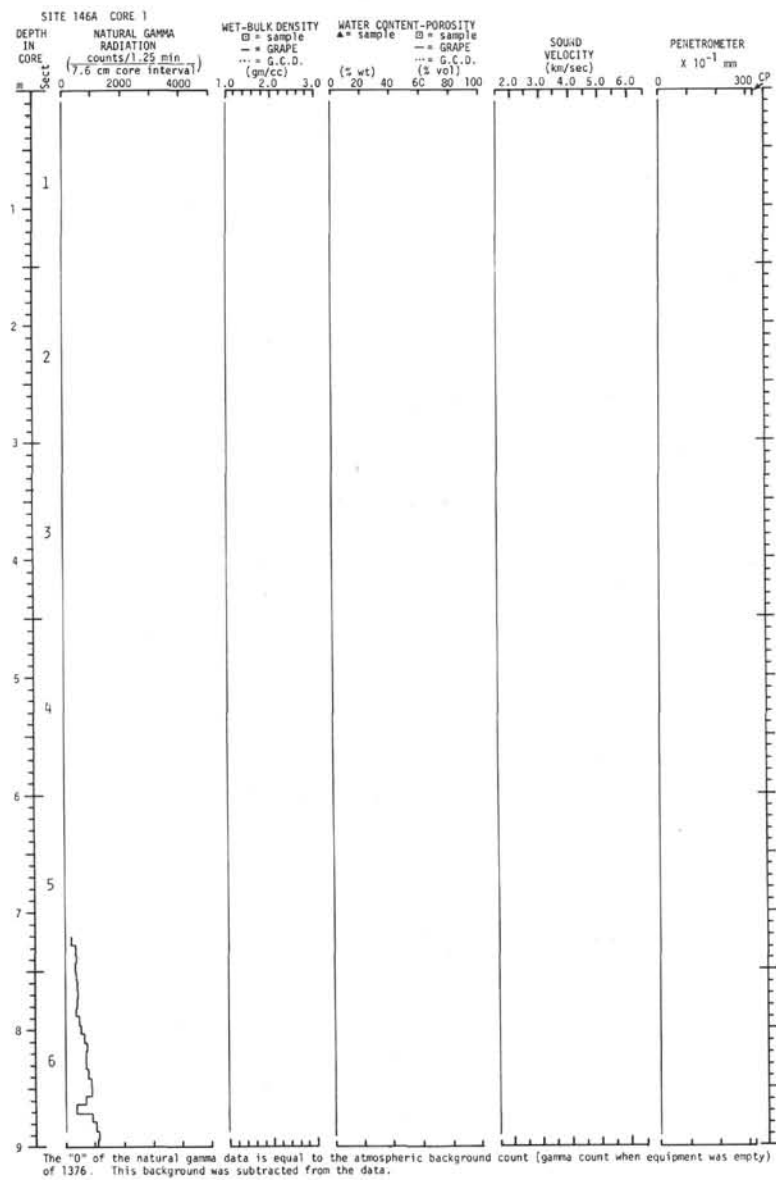
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	FORAM	NANNO	RAD									
					0.5	VOID			DOLERITE; grayish black (N2) with minor calcitic veining, fine grained, uniform.	0	50	100
				1	1.0							
					0.0							
				2	0.5							
					1.0							
					0.0							
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					1.0							
					0.0							
				4	0.5							
					1.0							
				CORE CATCHER								

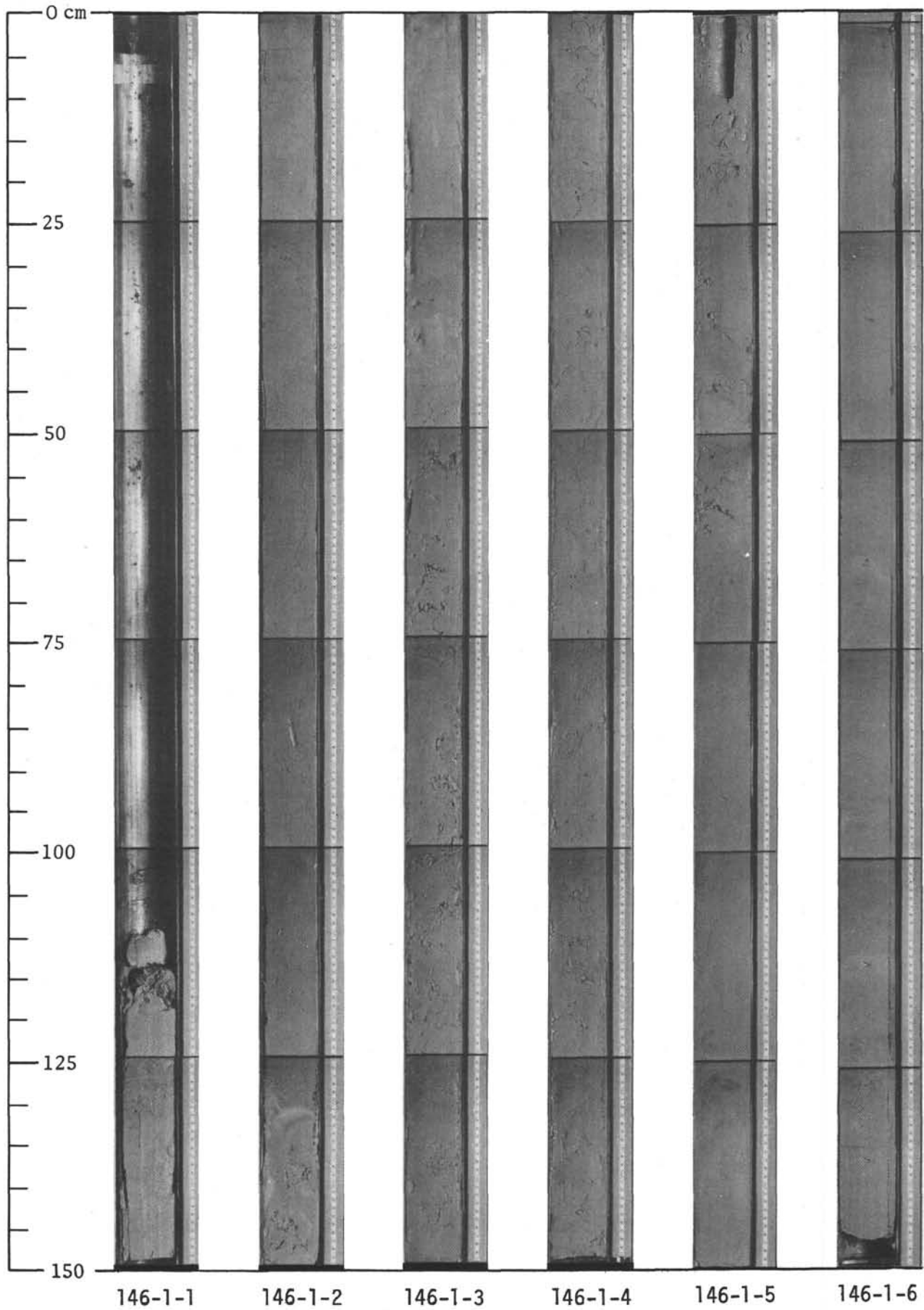


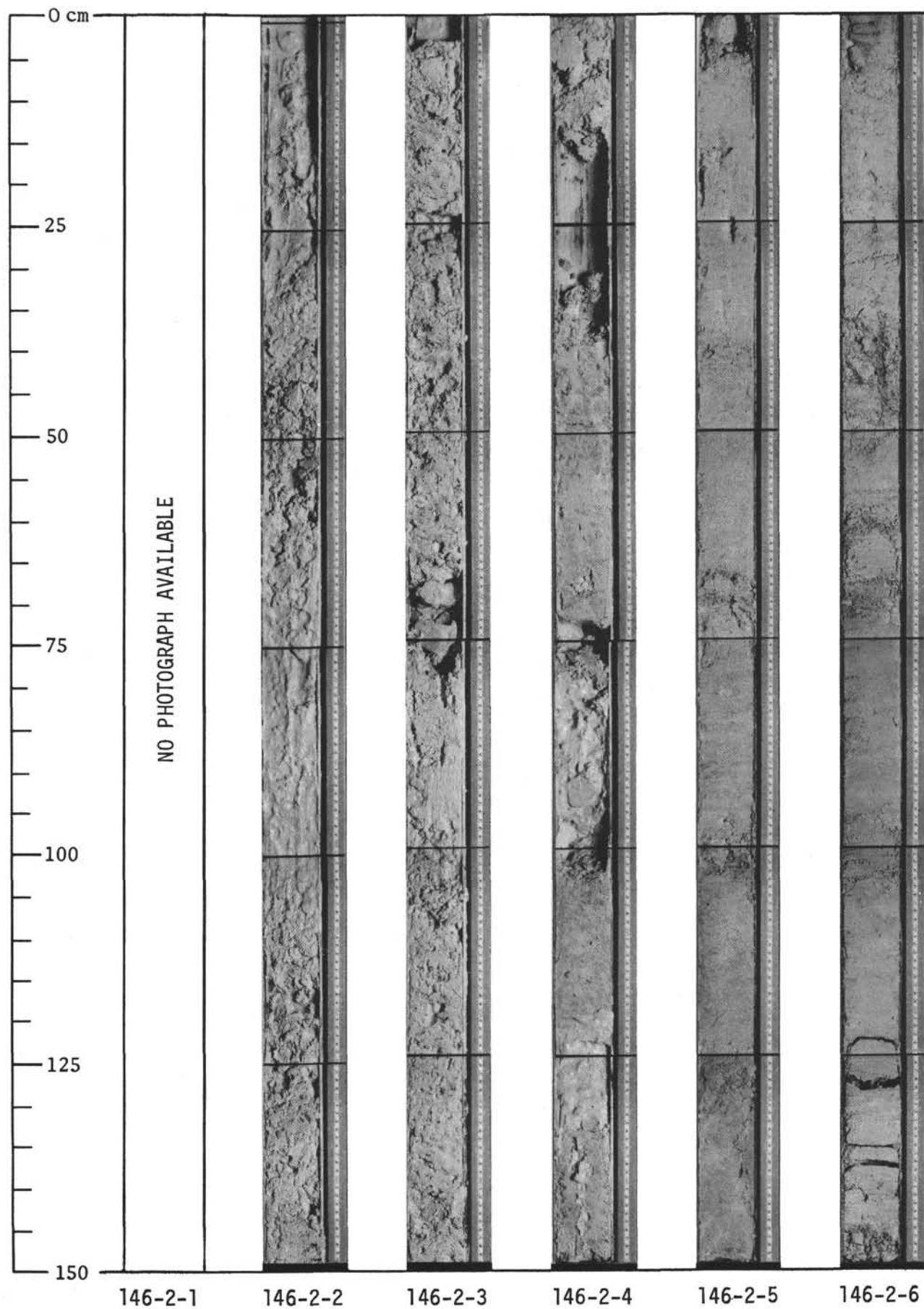
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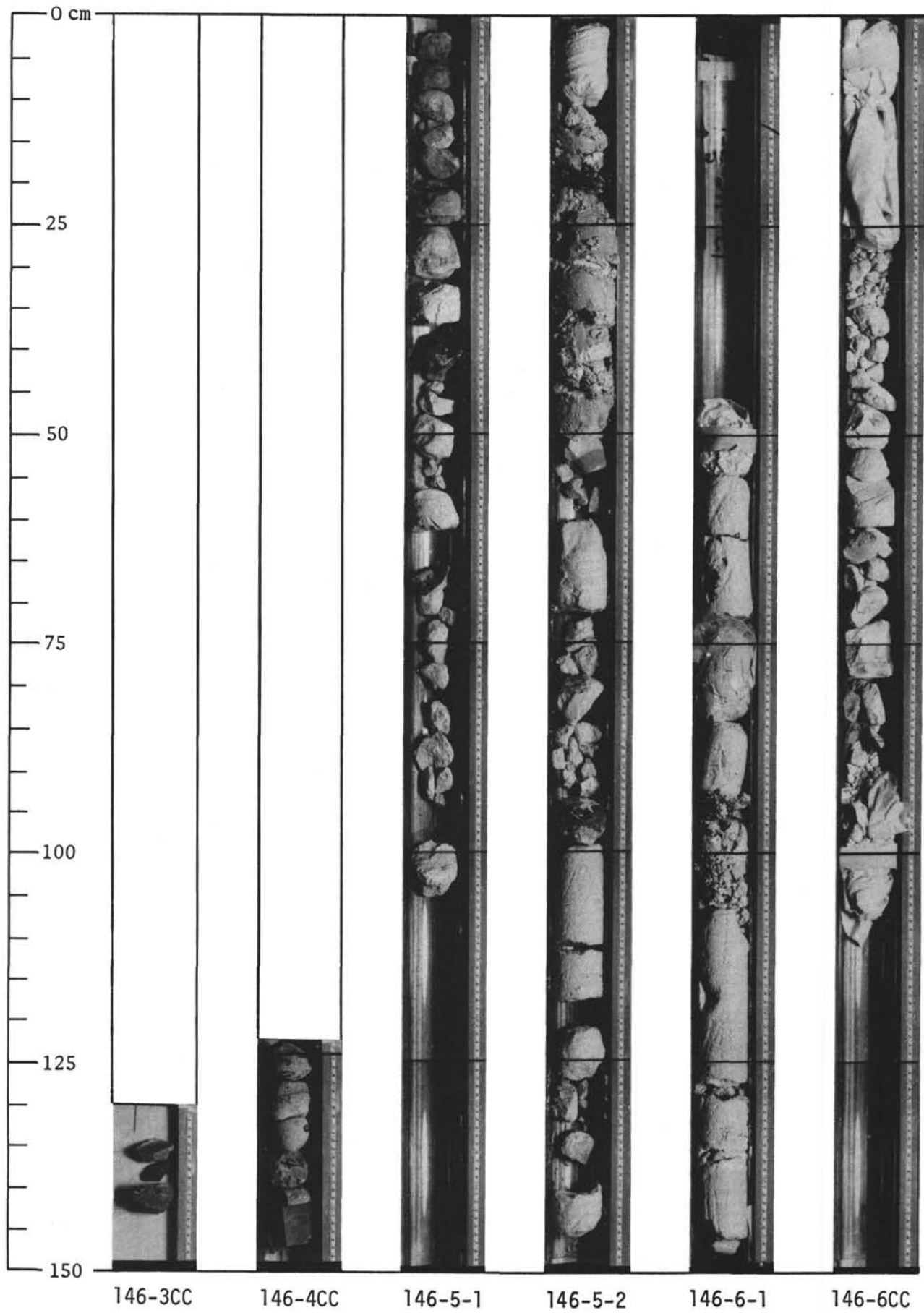
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	FORAM	NANNO	RAD									
									DOLERITE, grayish black (N2).	0	50	100
				CORE CATCHER								

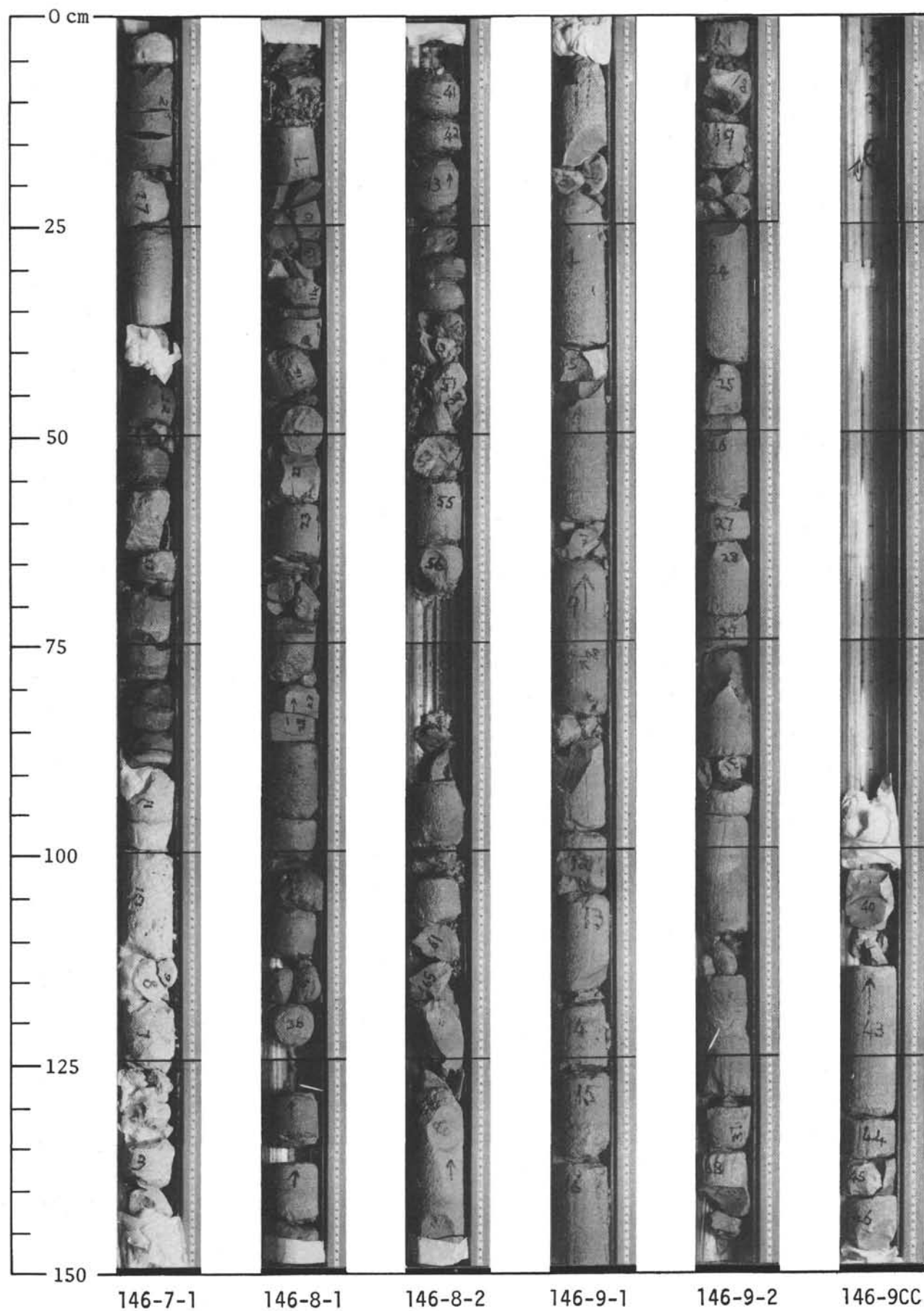
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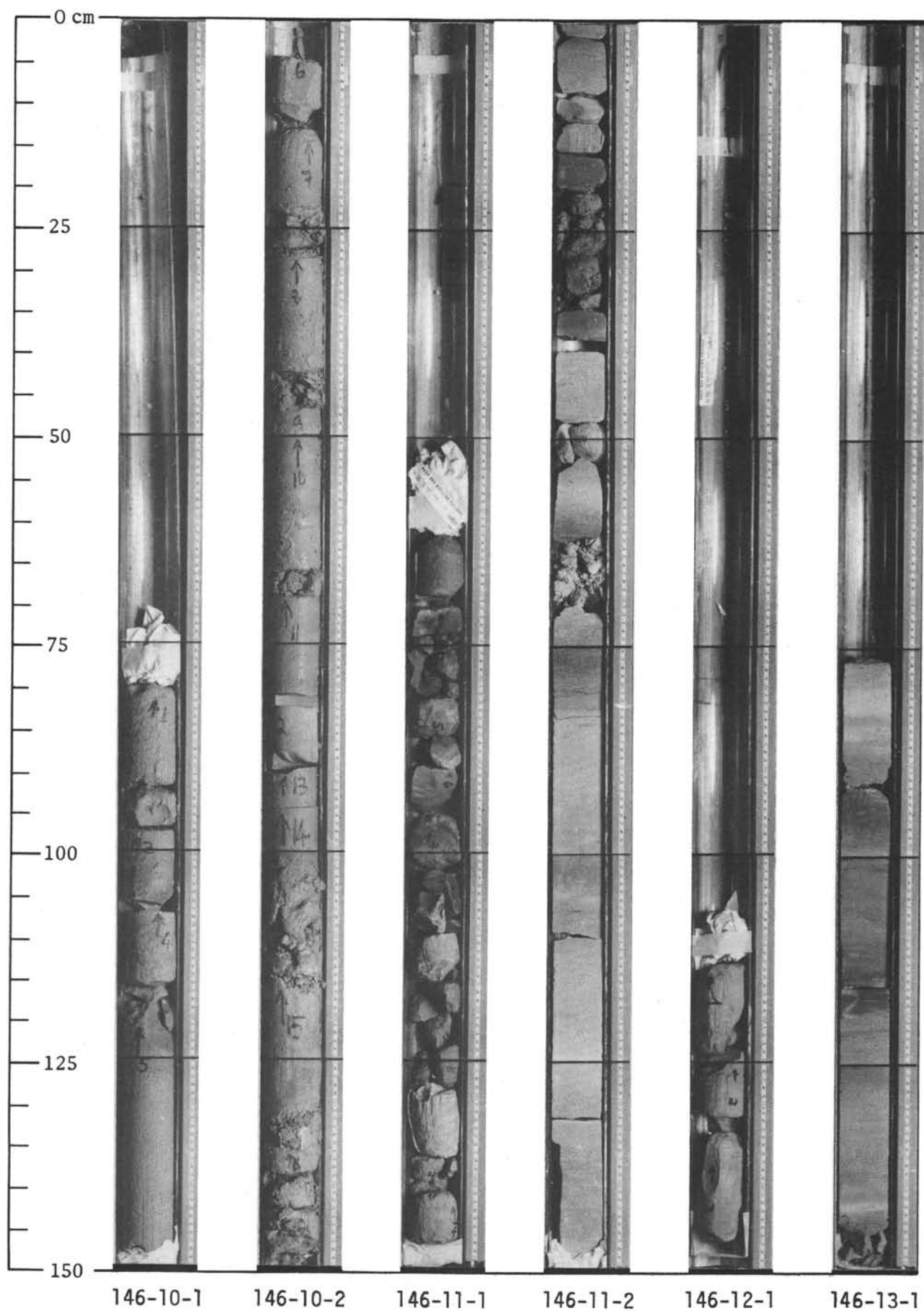


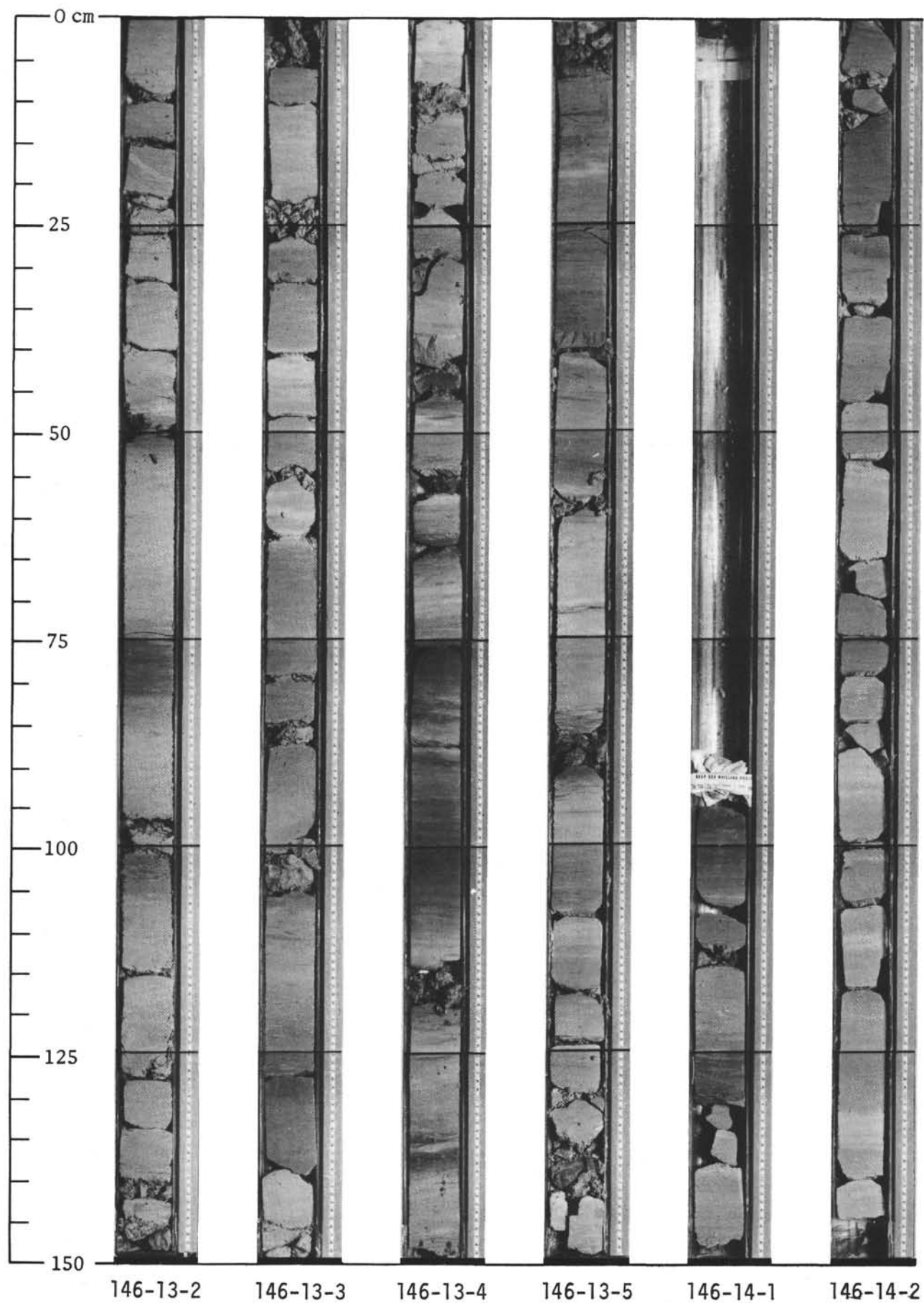


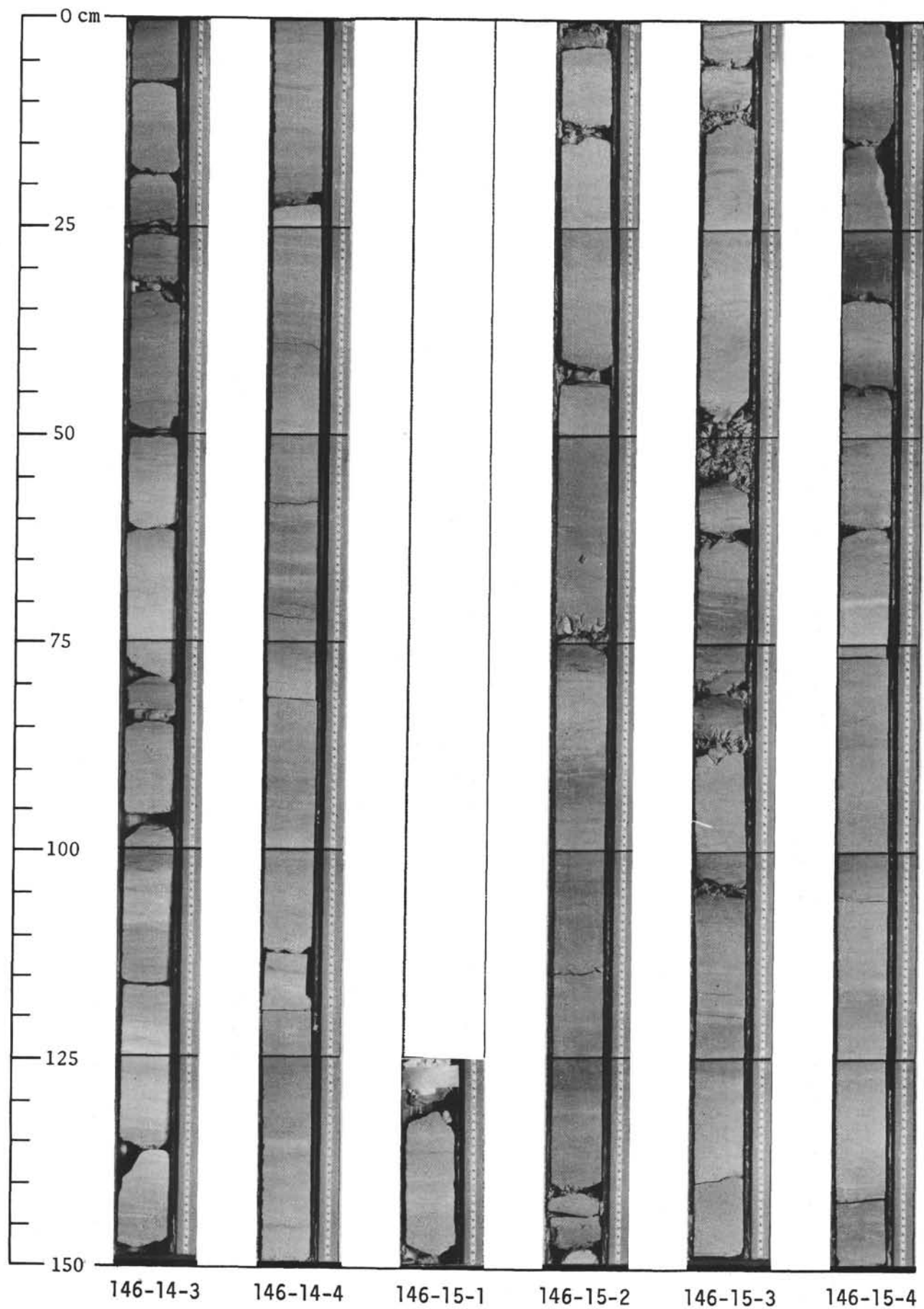


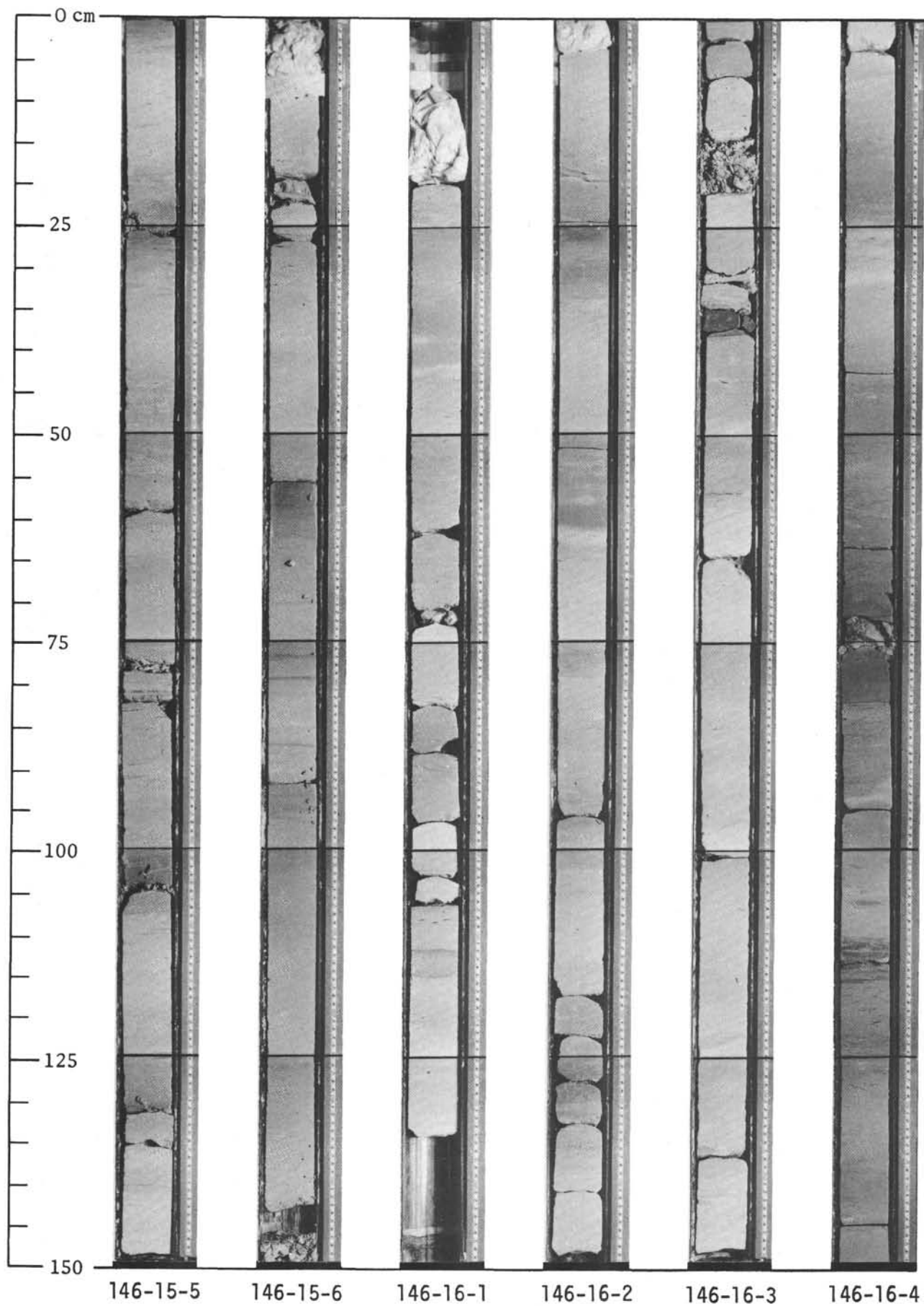


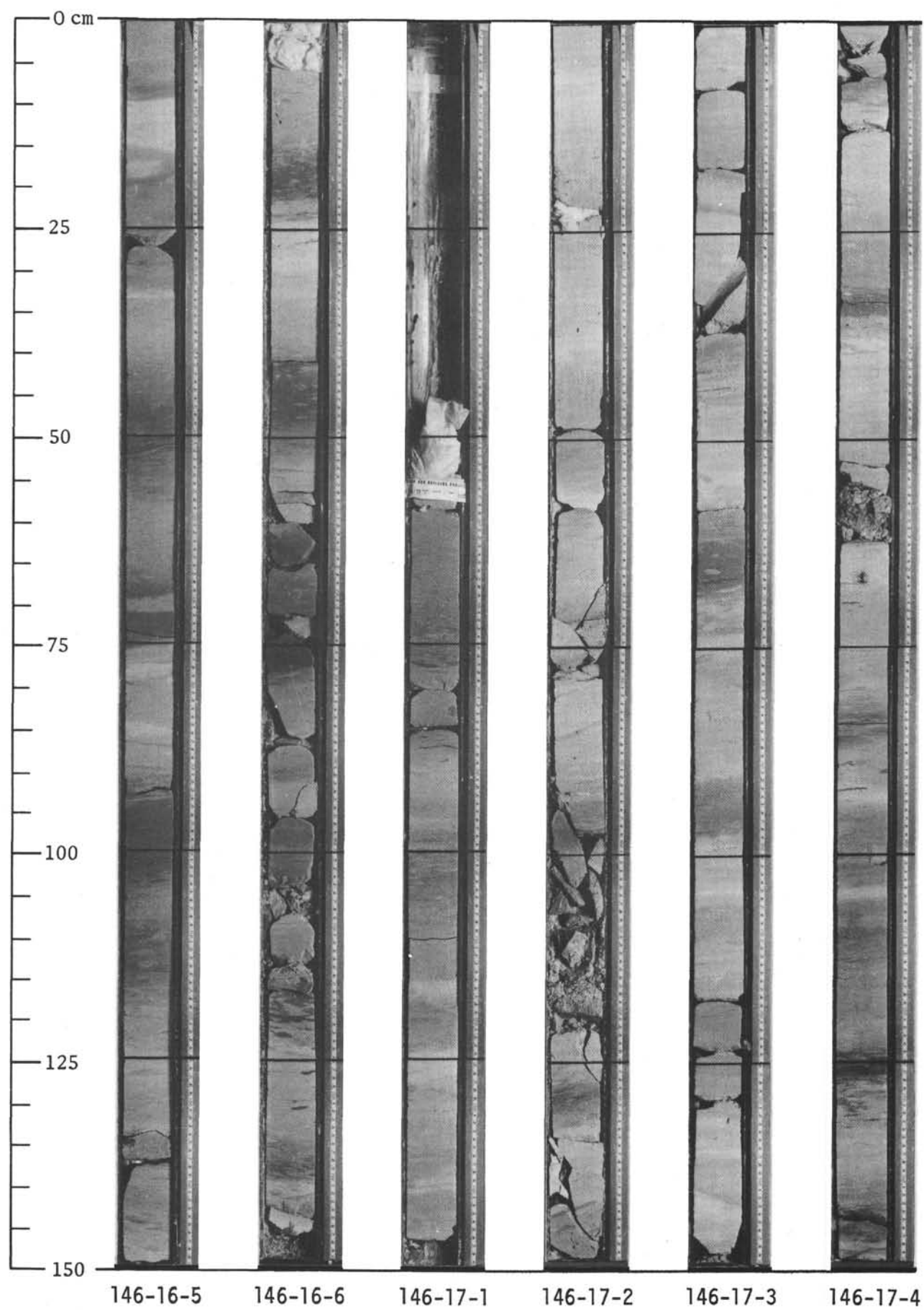


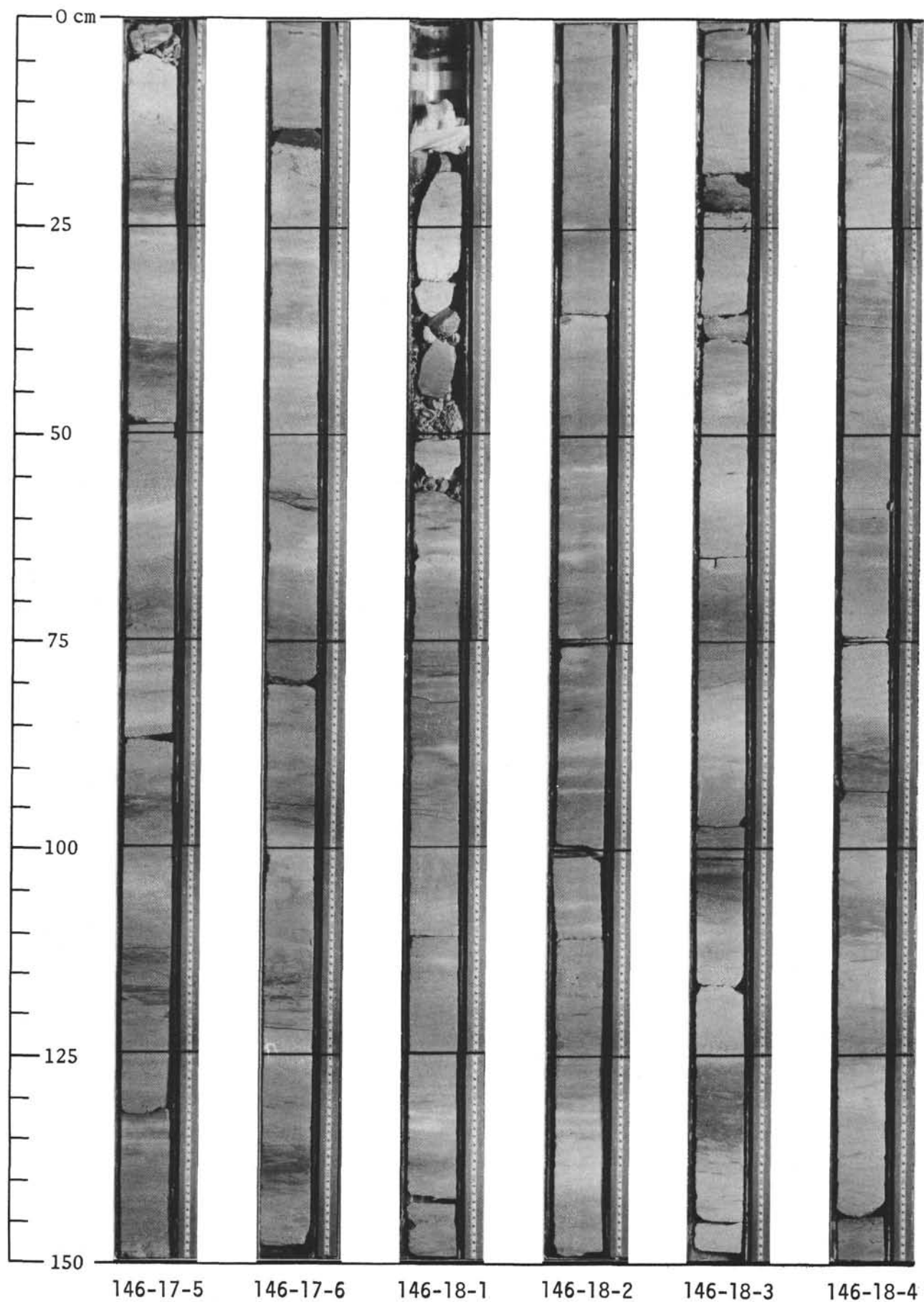


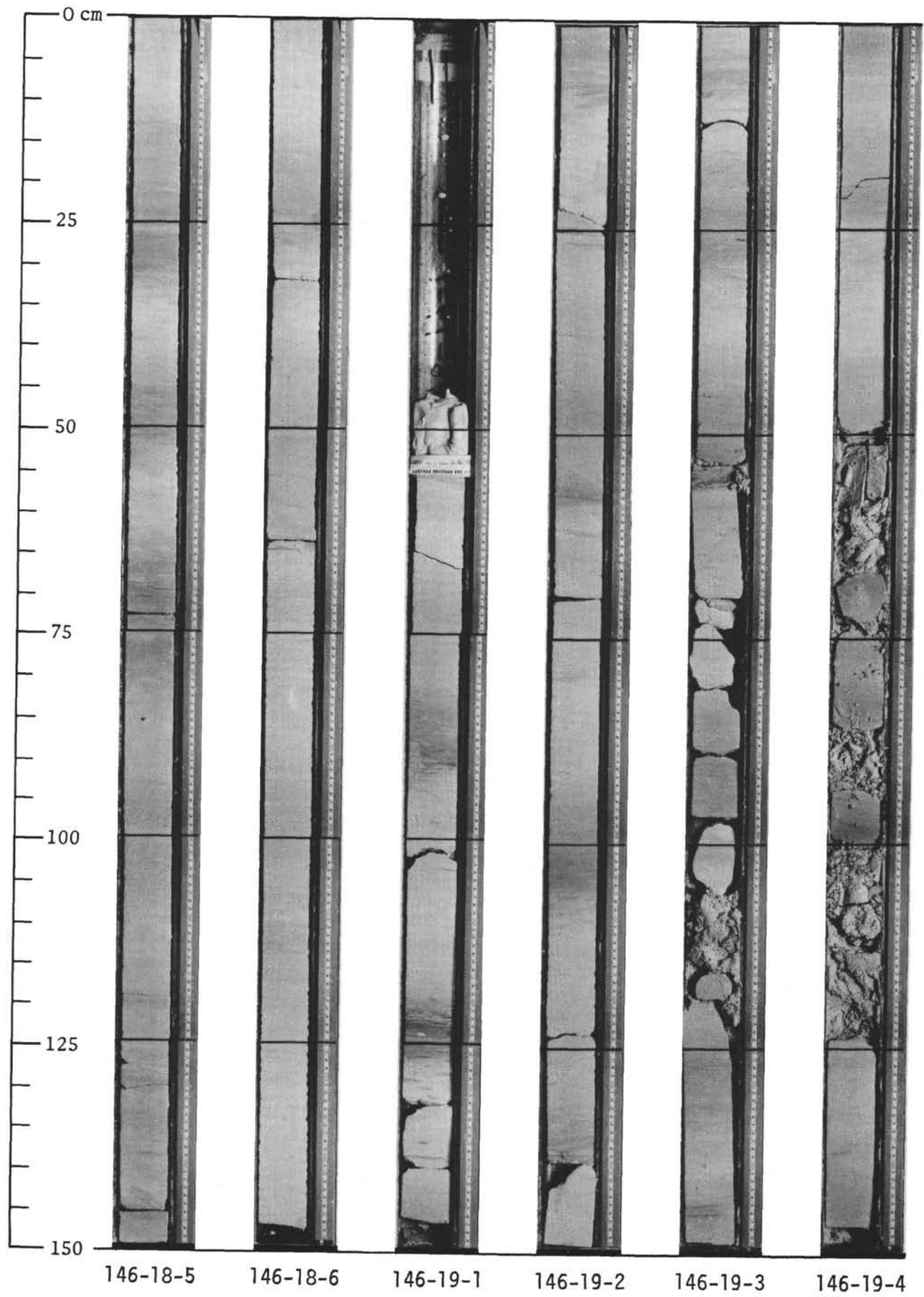


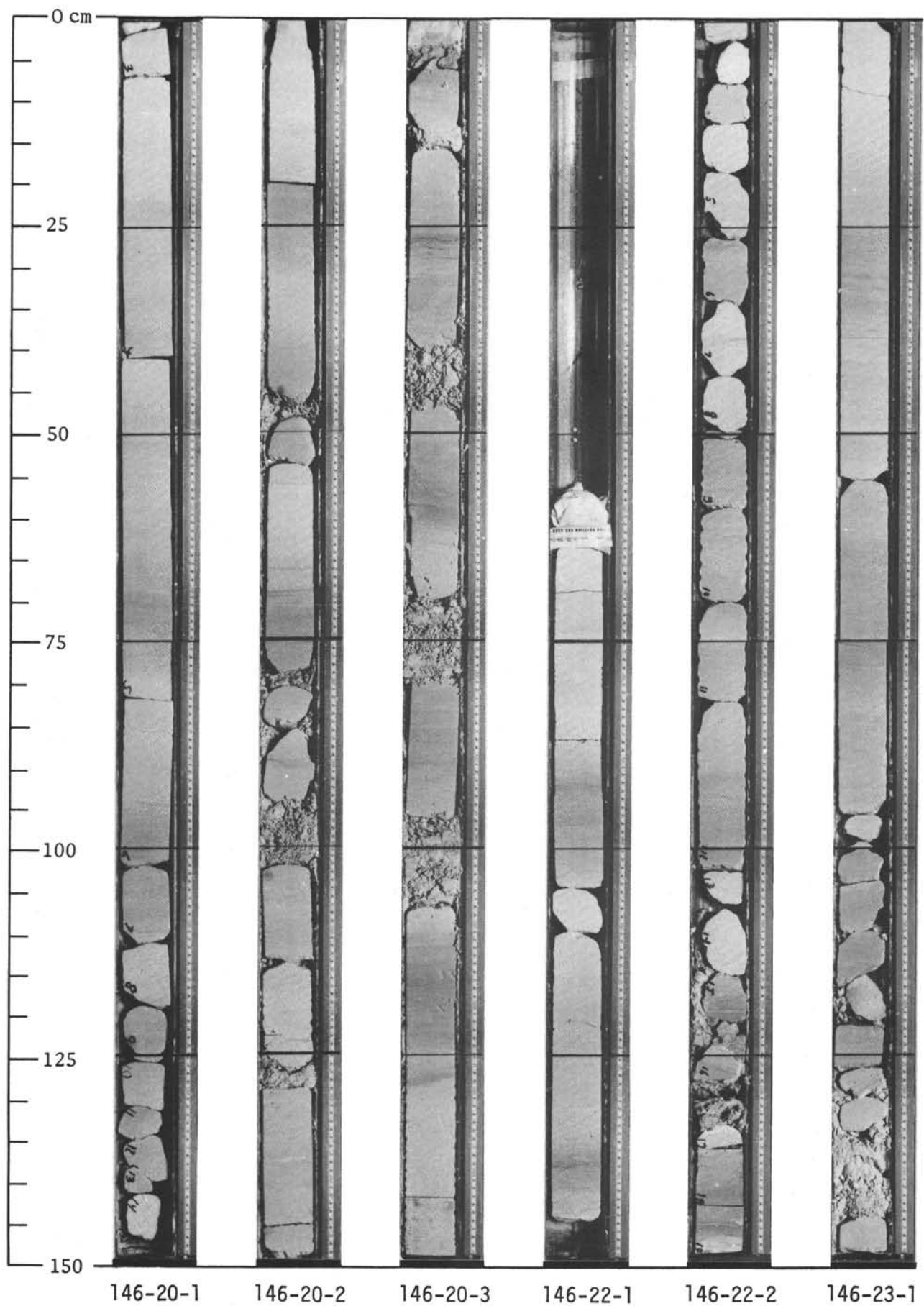


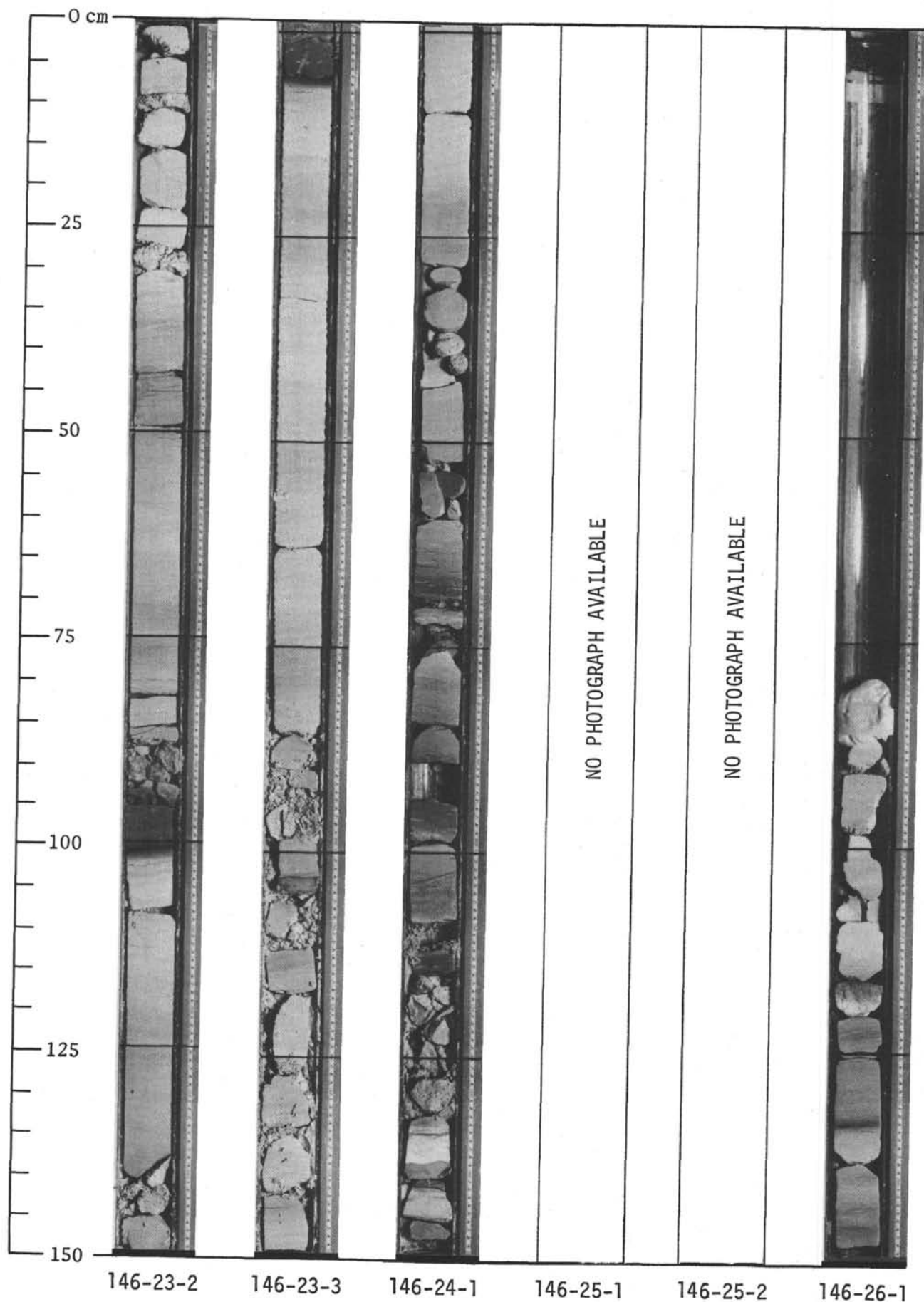


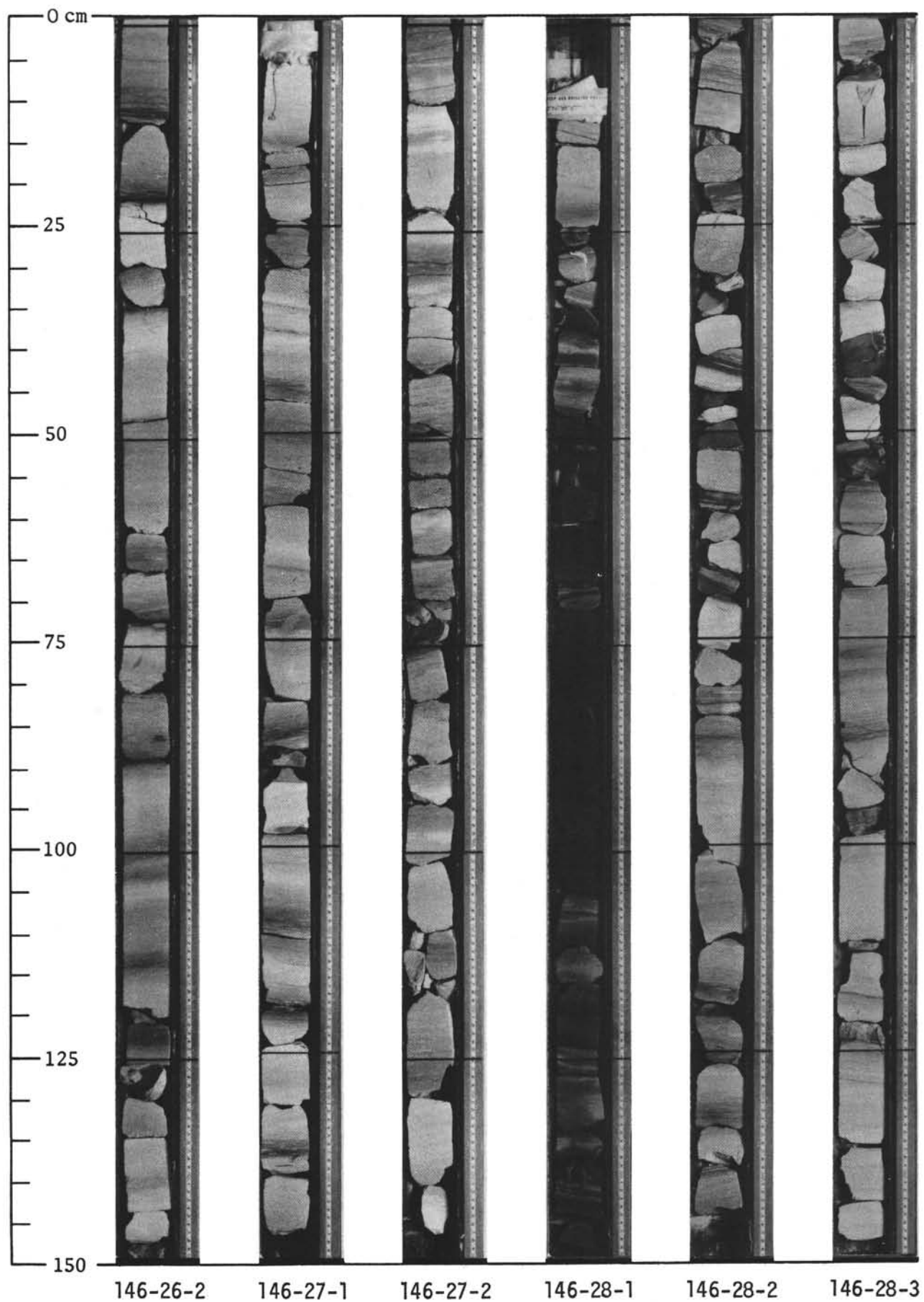


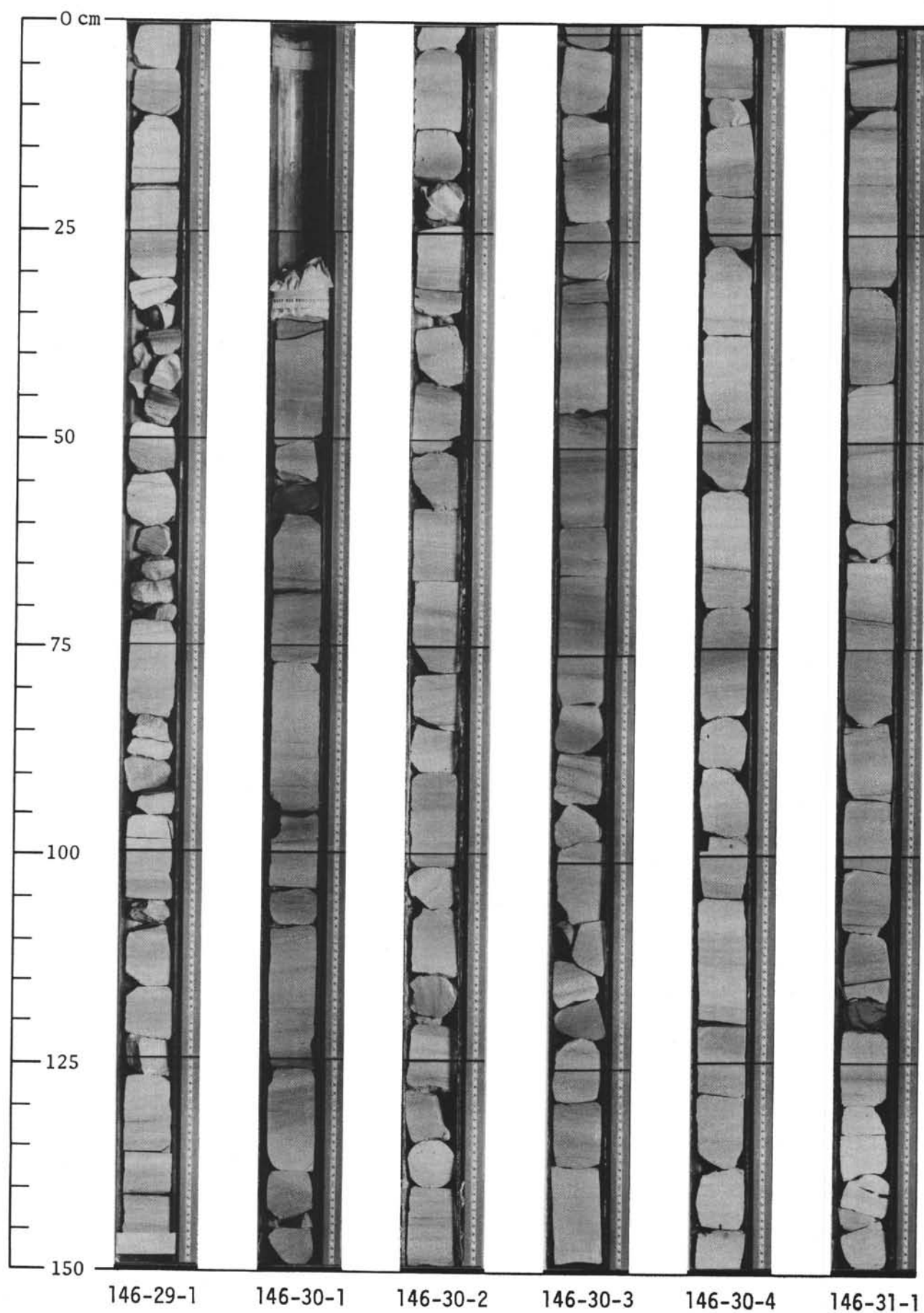


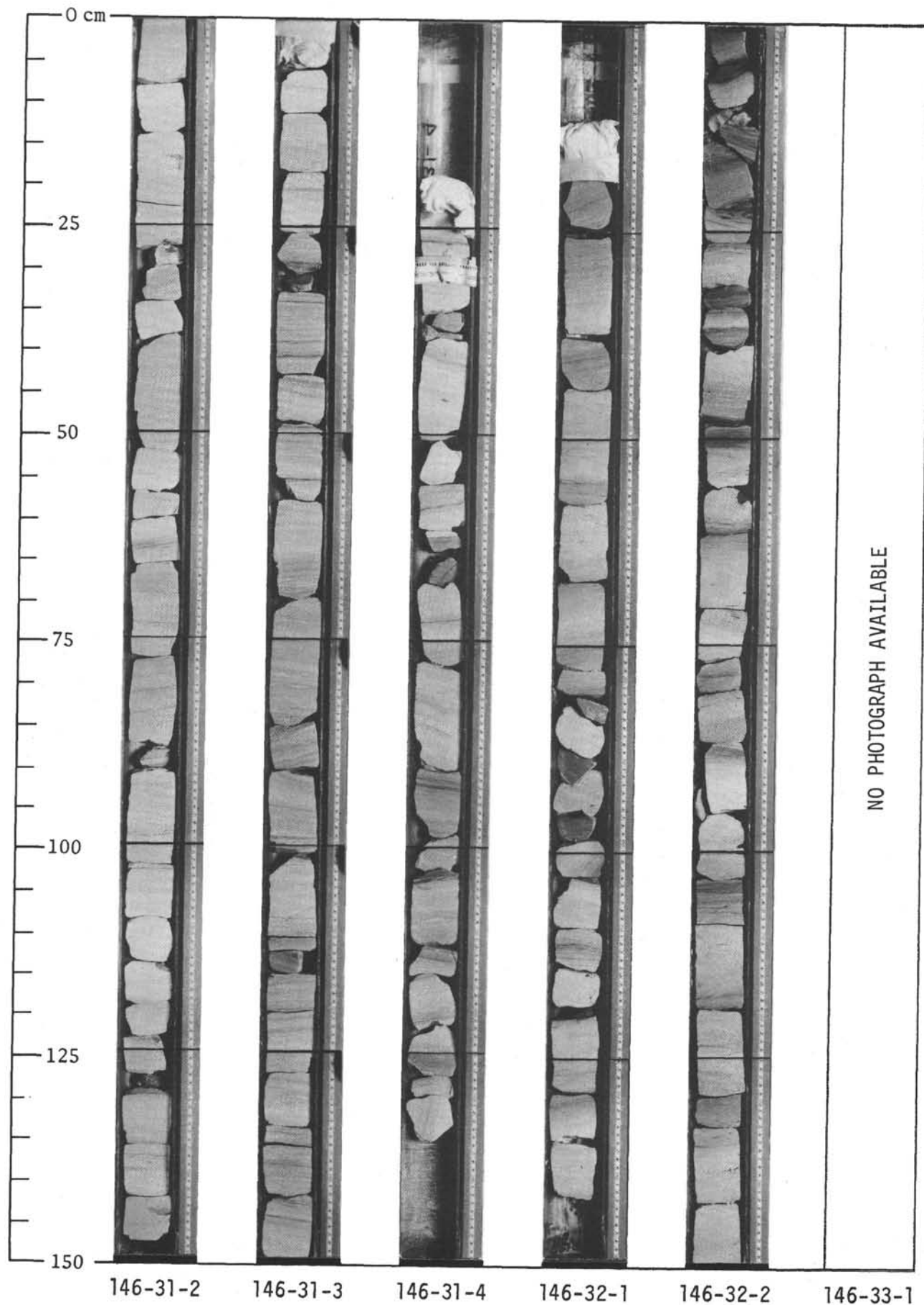


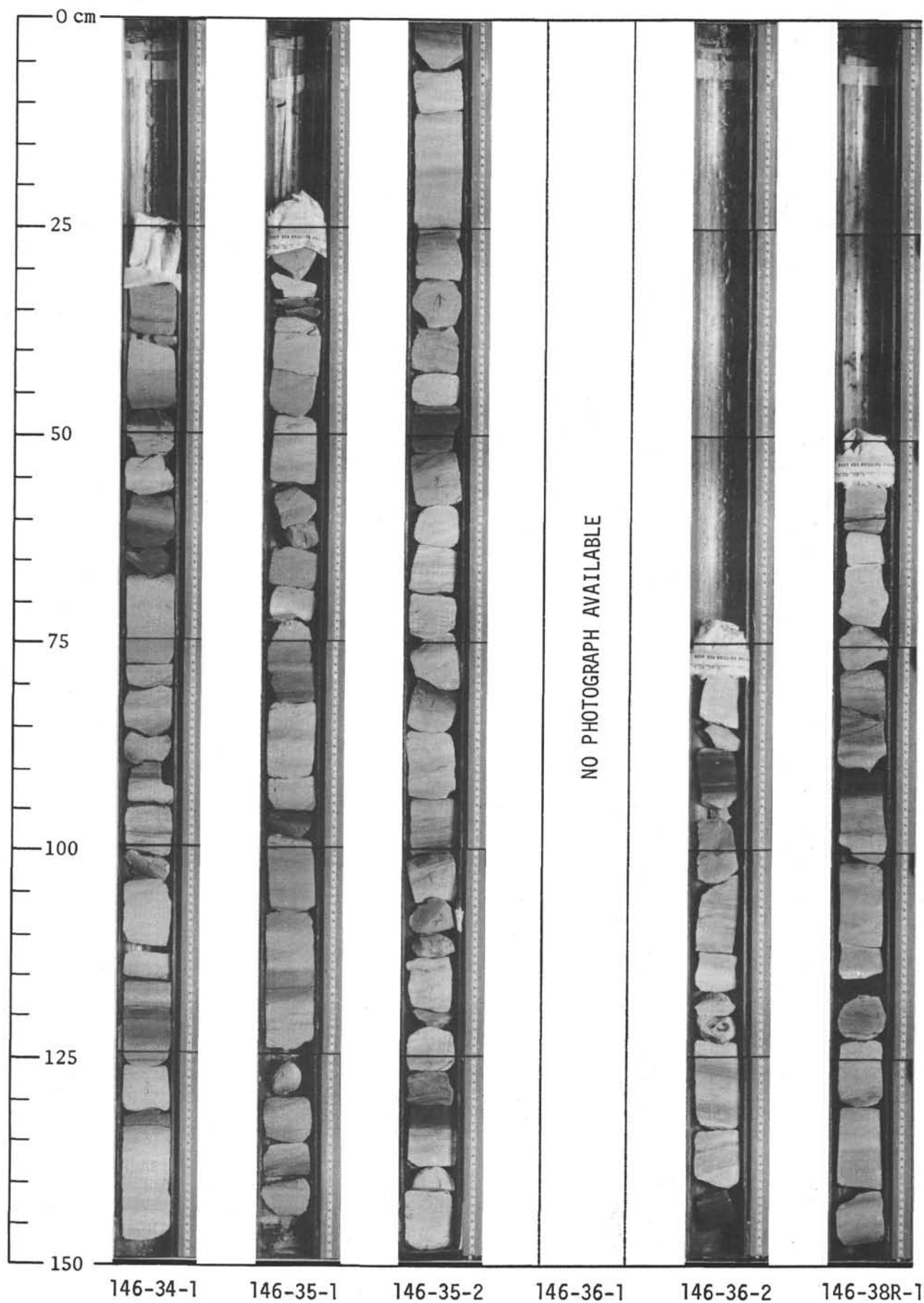


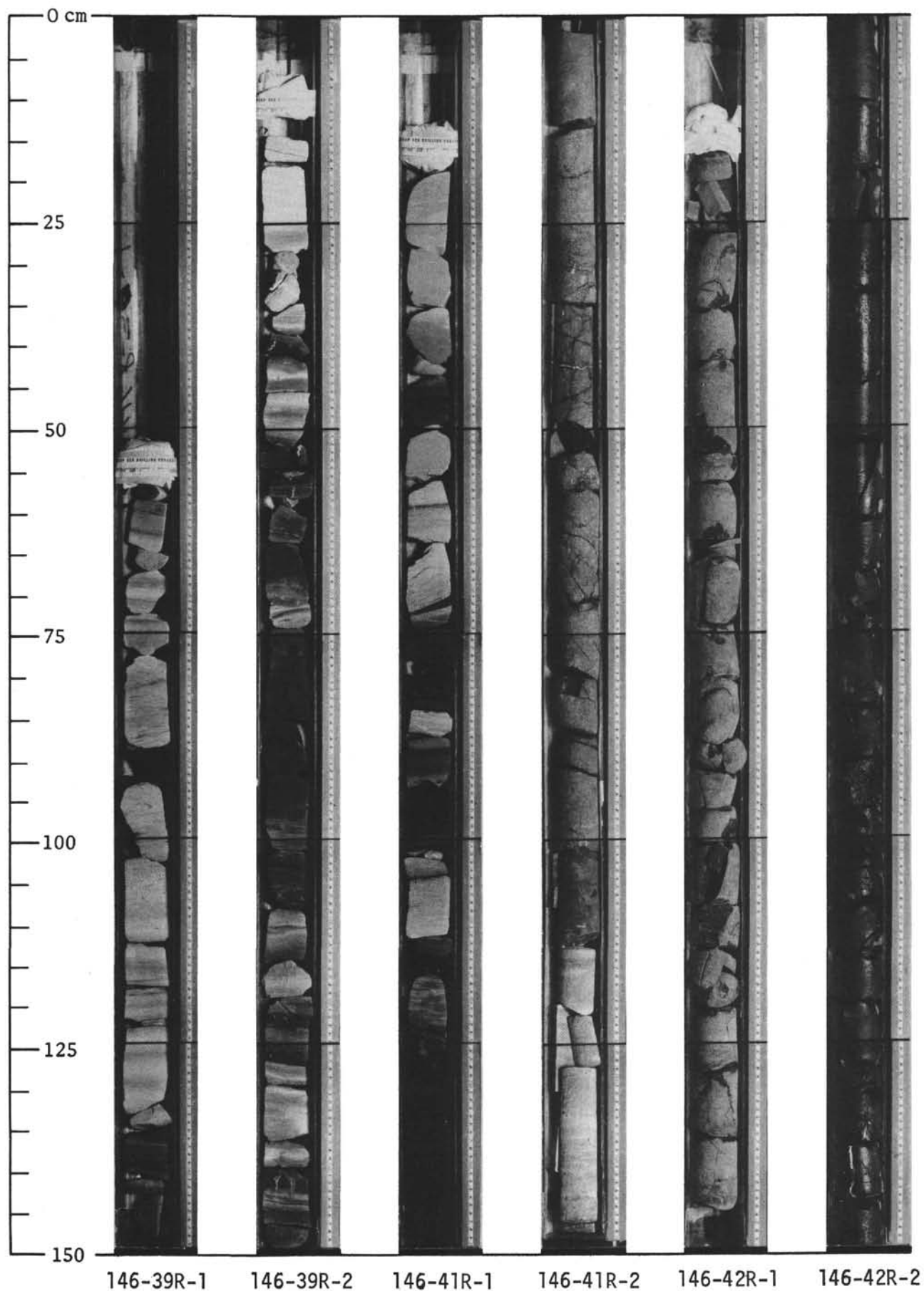


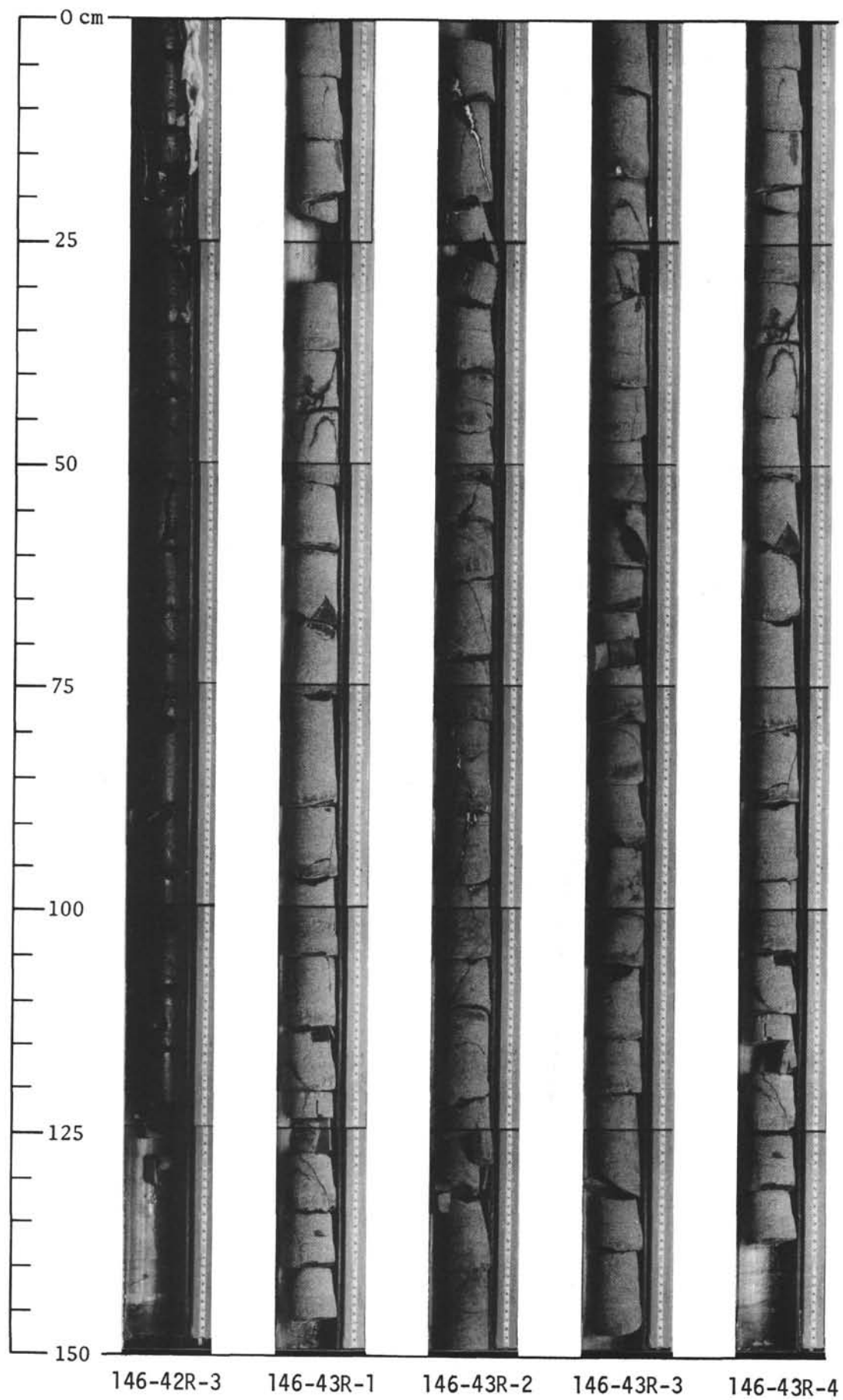






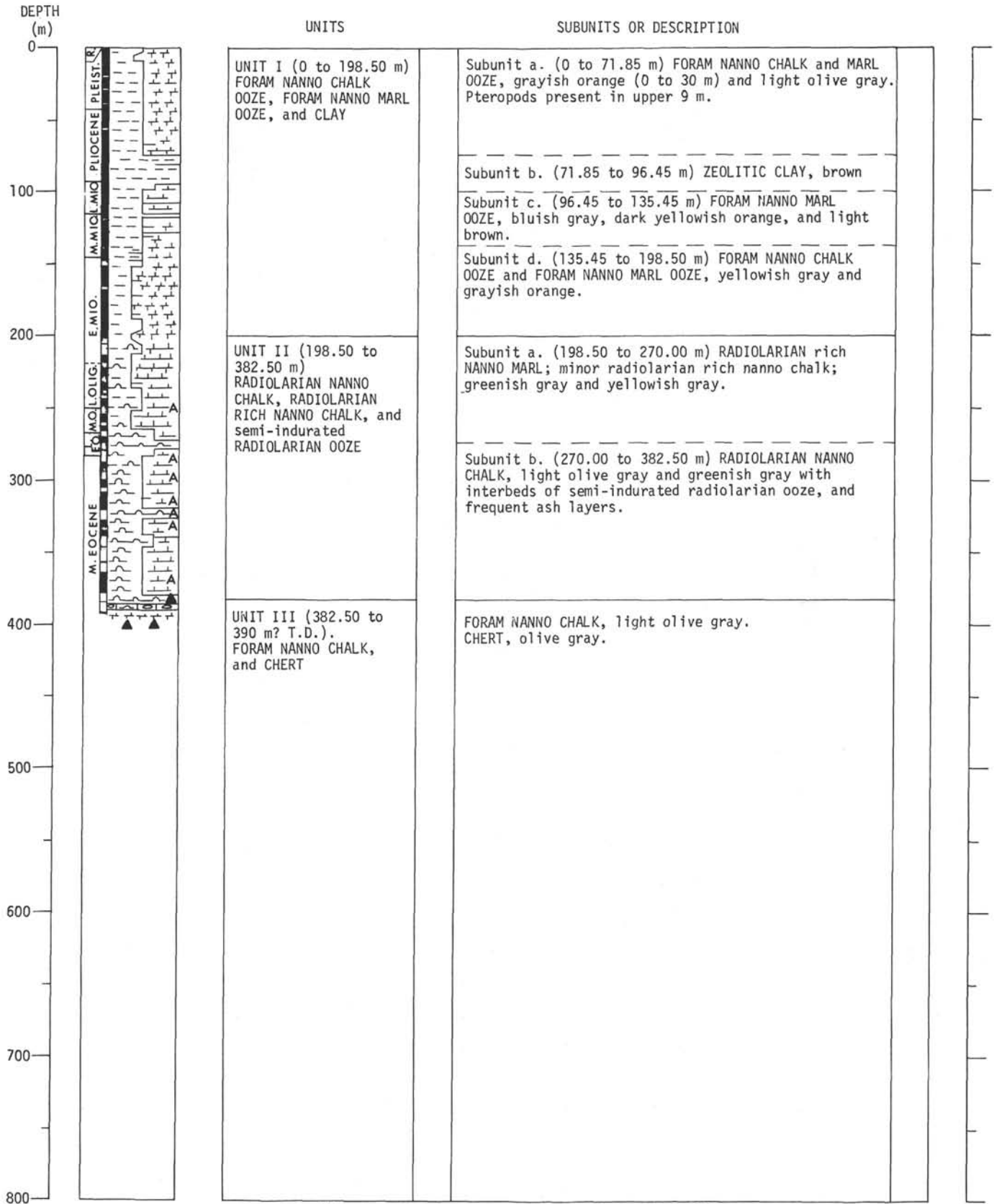


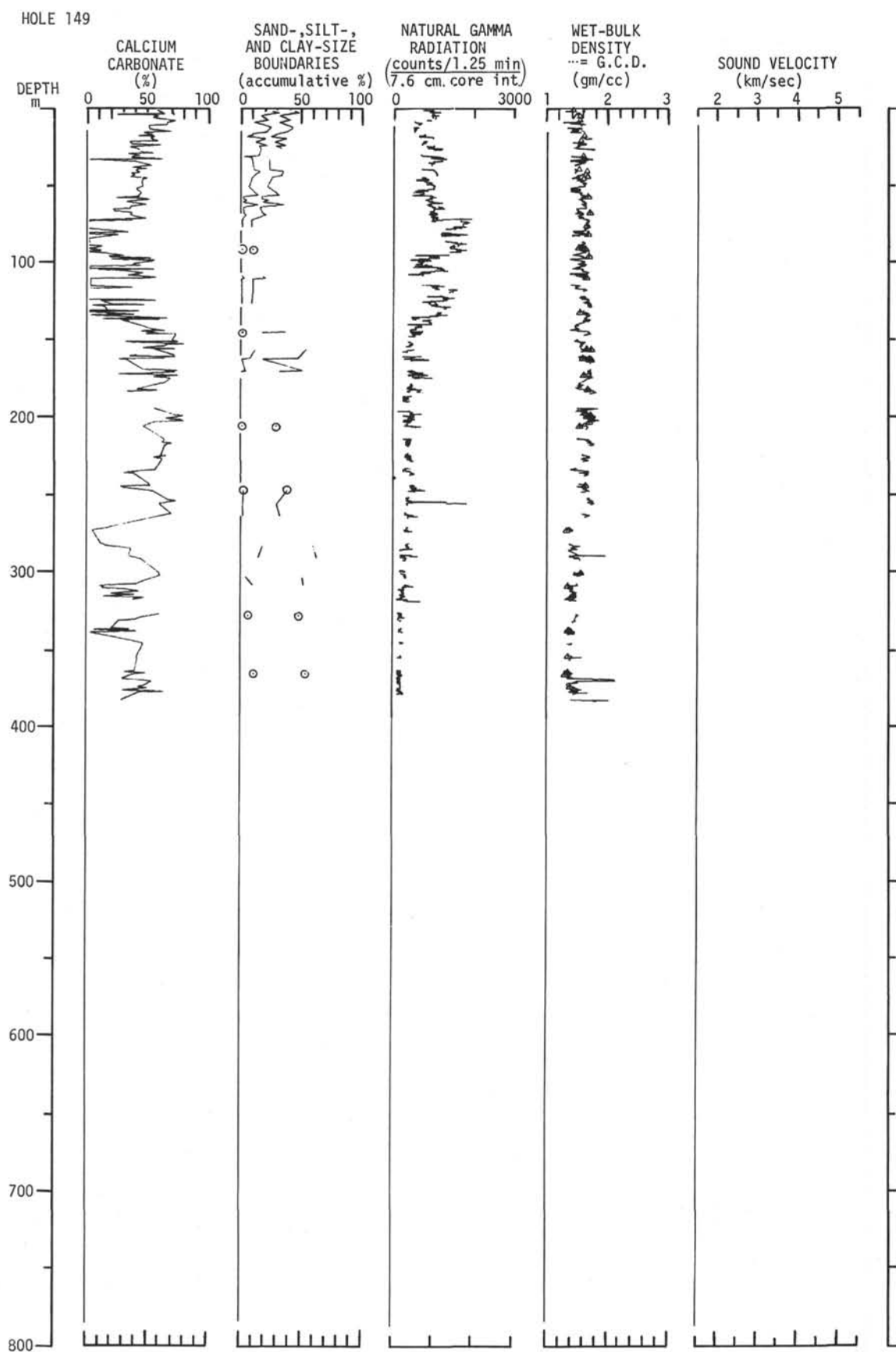





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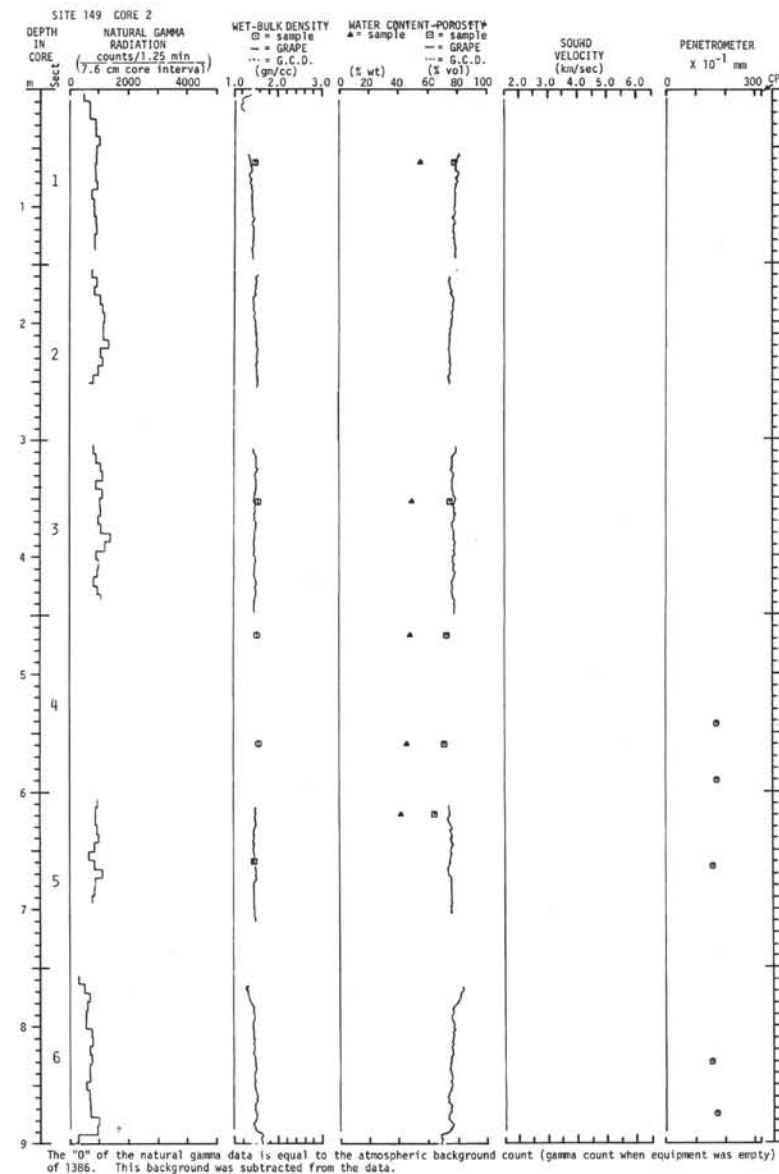


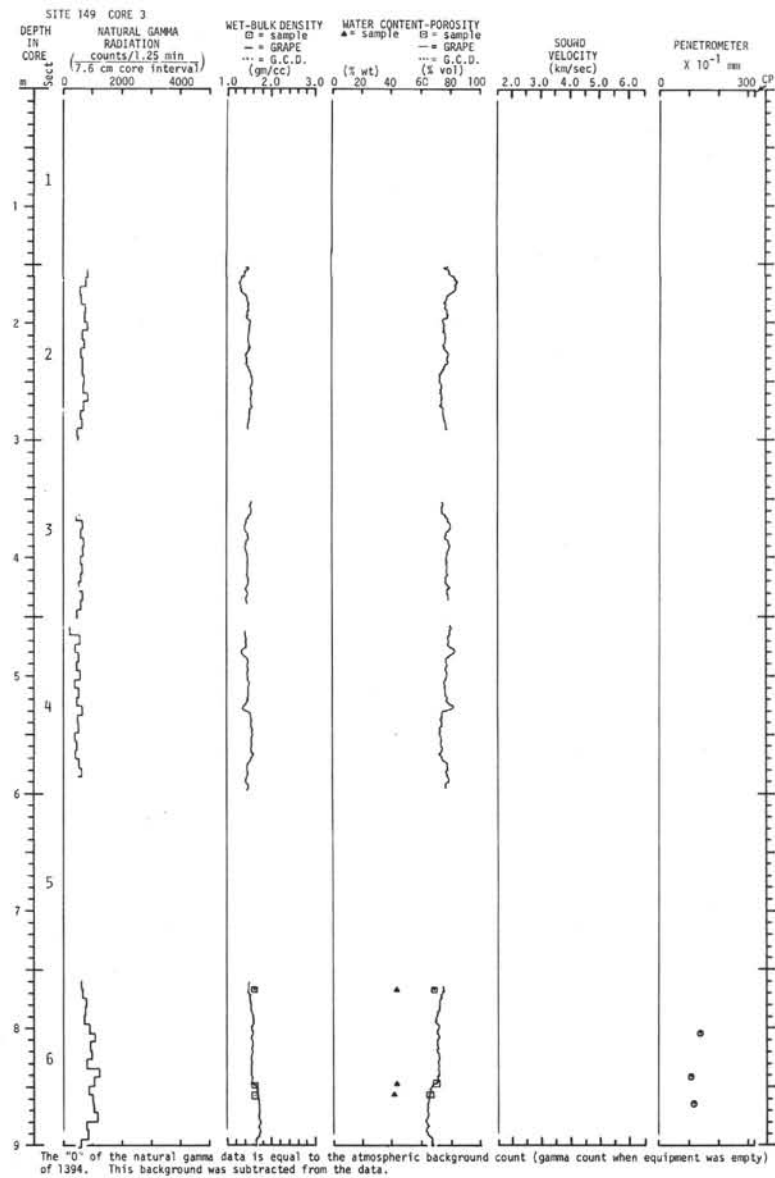
SITE 149		HOLE		CORE 1		CORED INTERVAL (m) 0-1							
AGE	ZONE			SECTION	METERS	LITHOLOGY	LITHO SAMPLE	PALEO SAMPLE ABUNDANCE PRESERVATION	LITHOLOGIC DESCRIPTION ¹	CaCO ₃ (%)		DEFORMATION	
	FORAM	NANNO	RAD							SAND-SILT- CLAY (accumu- lative %)			
RECENT	<i>Globorotalia fimbriata</i>	<i>Emiliana huxleyi</i>		CORE CATCHER				F A W	FORAMINIFERAL CHALK OOZE with abundant pteropods.	0	50	100	

²For explanation of symbols, see Chapter 1

AGE	ZONE			SECTION	METERS	LITHOLOGY	LITHO SAMPLE	PALEO SAMPLE ABUNDANCE PRESERVATION	LITHOLOGIC DESCRIPTION ¹	CaCO ₃ (%)	SAND-SILT-CLAY (accumulative %)	DEFORMATION
	FORAM	NANNO	RAD									
PLEISTOCENE	(Globigerina calida calida sz)	Emilliana huxleyi		1	0.5		FAW		FORAMINIFERAL NANNOPLANKTON MARL and CHALK Ooze; light yellowish brown (10YR6/2) to grayish orange (10YR7/4) and moderate yellowish brown (10YR5/4). Abundant pteropods in upper sections. Disseminated black spots throughout. Sediment is soft, homogenous, and slightly disturbed.	0 50 100		
				1	1.0		NCW					
				2	0.0		FAW					
				2	0.5		FAW					
				2	1.0		NCW					
						GEO CHEM						
	(Globorotalia truncatulinoides (Globorotalia hesli sz))	Gephyrocapsa oceanica		3	0.0		NCW					
				3	0.5		FAW					
				3	1.0		NAW					
				4	0.0		FAW					
				4	0.5		FAW					
				4	1.0		NAW					
				5	0.0		FAW					
				5	0.5		FAW					
				5	1.0		FAW					
						GEO CHEM						
				6	0.0		FAW					
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				CORE CATCHER			RRG					
							FAW					

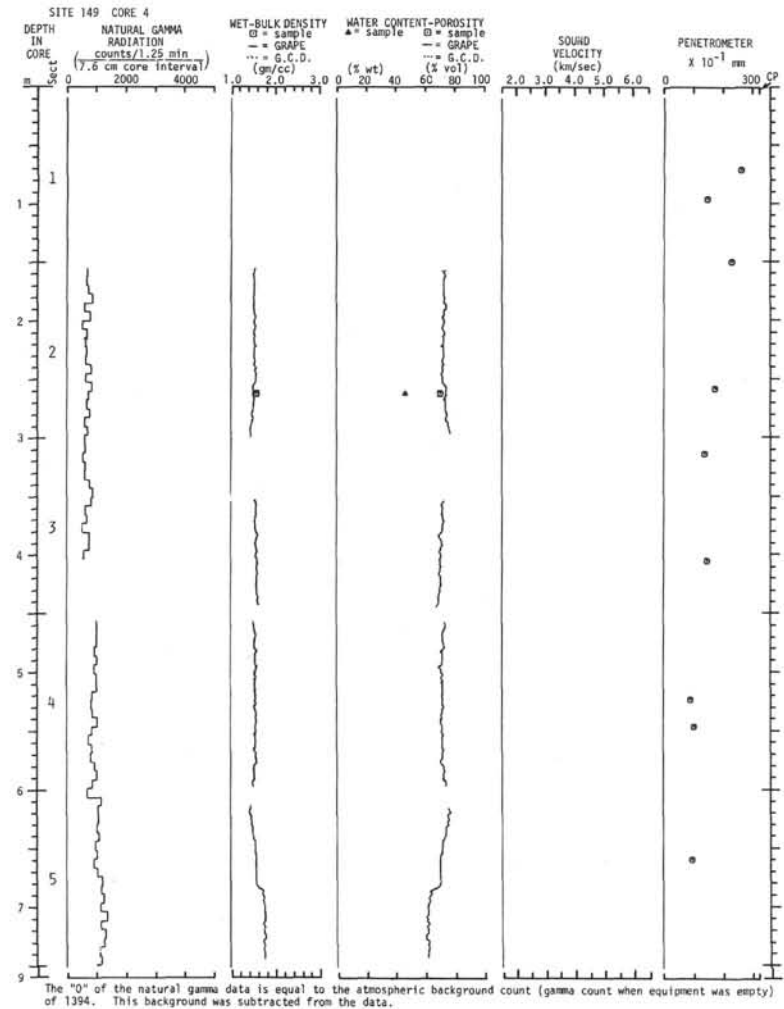
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AGE	ZONE			SECTION	METERS	LITHOLOGY	LITHO SAMPLE	PALEO SAMPLE ABUNDANCE PRESERVATION	LITHOLOGIC DESCRIPTION ¹	CaCO ₃ (%) SAND-SILT-CLAY (accumulative %)	DEFORMATION
	FORAM	NANNO	RAD								
PLEISTOCENE	<i>Globorotalia truncatulinoides</i> (<i>Globorotalia hessi</i> sz)	<i>Gephyrocapsa oceanica</i>				VOID					
				1	0.5				10YR8/4		
					1.0		F A W		10YR6/4		
					0.0		F A W		10YR8/4		
				2	0.5		F A W				
					1.0						
					0.0			burrow mottling			
				3	0.5		F A W				
					1.0		N A W	*			
					0.0						
				4	0.5		F A W				
					1.0						
					0.0						
				5	0.5		N C W				
					1.0		F A W				
							F A W				
				CORE CATCHER							

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SITE 149 CORE 5

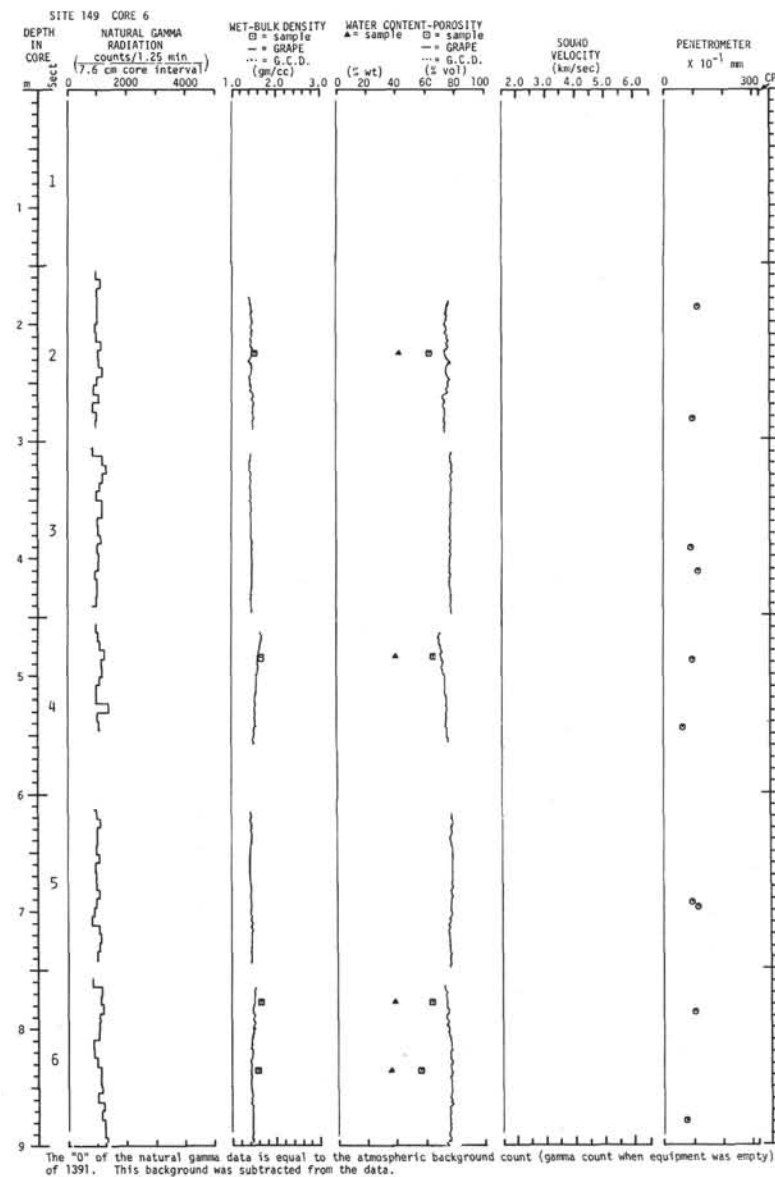
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	0	2000	1.0	3.0	(% wt)	(% vol)		
0								
1								
2								
3								
4								
5								
6								
7								

The "0" of the natural gamma data is equal to the atmospheric background count (gamma count when equipment was empty) of 1378. This background was subtracted from the data.

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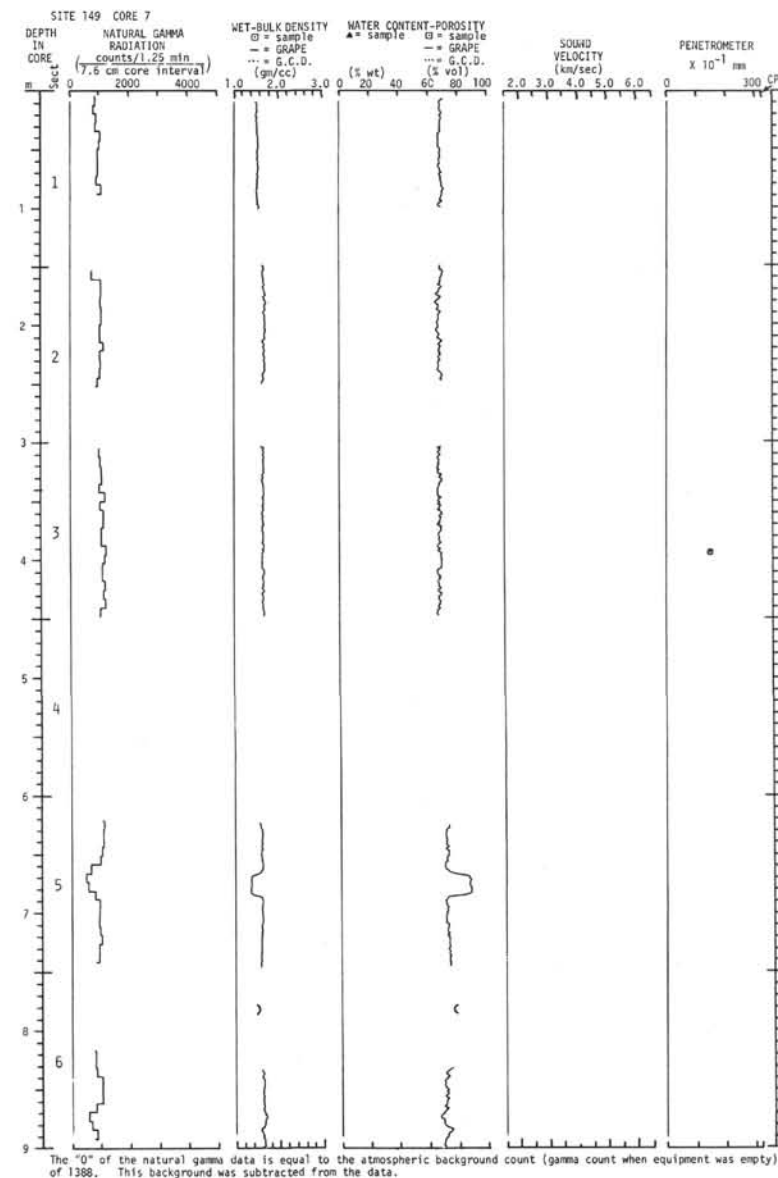
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	FORAM	NANNO							
PLEISTOCENE	Gephyrocapsa oceanica	Gephyrocapsa oceanica	1	0.5	VOID		FORAMINIFERAL NANNOPLANKTON MARL Ooze; light olive gray (5Y6/2) to greenish gray (5GY6/1) with intermittent dusky blue (5PB3/2) layering throughout. Some plagioclase and hornblende. X-ray also shows K-feldspar. Sediment moderately firm and plastic. Foraminiferal-rich layer indicated by "-". Black, 1-2 cm diameter pods of sulfide minerals at 90 and 140 cm in Section 6.	0	CH-13
			2	1.0	VOID			50	
			3	0.0		FAW		100	CH-13
			4	0.5		NCW			VI
			5	1.0		NCW			
			6	0.0		FAW			CH-13
LATE PLEISTOCENE	Gephyrocapsa caribbeanica	Gephyrocapsa caribbeanica	7	0.5		FAW	dusky blue		III
			8	1.0		FAW			
			9	0.0		FAW			
			10	0.5		FAW			
			11	1.0		NCW			CH-13
			12	0.0		NCW			V
LATE PLEISTOCENE	Discoaster pentaradiatus	Discoaster pentaradiatus	13	0.5		FAW			
			14	1.0		FAW			
			15	0.0		NCW			
			16	0.5		NCW			
			17	1.0		NCW			CH-13
			18	0.0		NCW			III
CORE CATCHER			19	0.5		FAW	Dusky yellow (5Y6/4) blotches of oxidized hydrotroilite.		
			20	1.0		FAW			

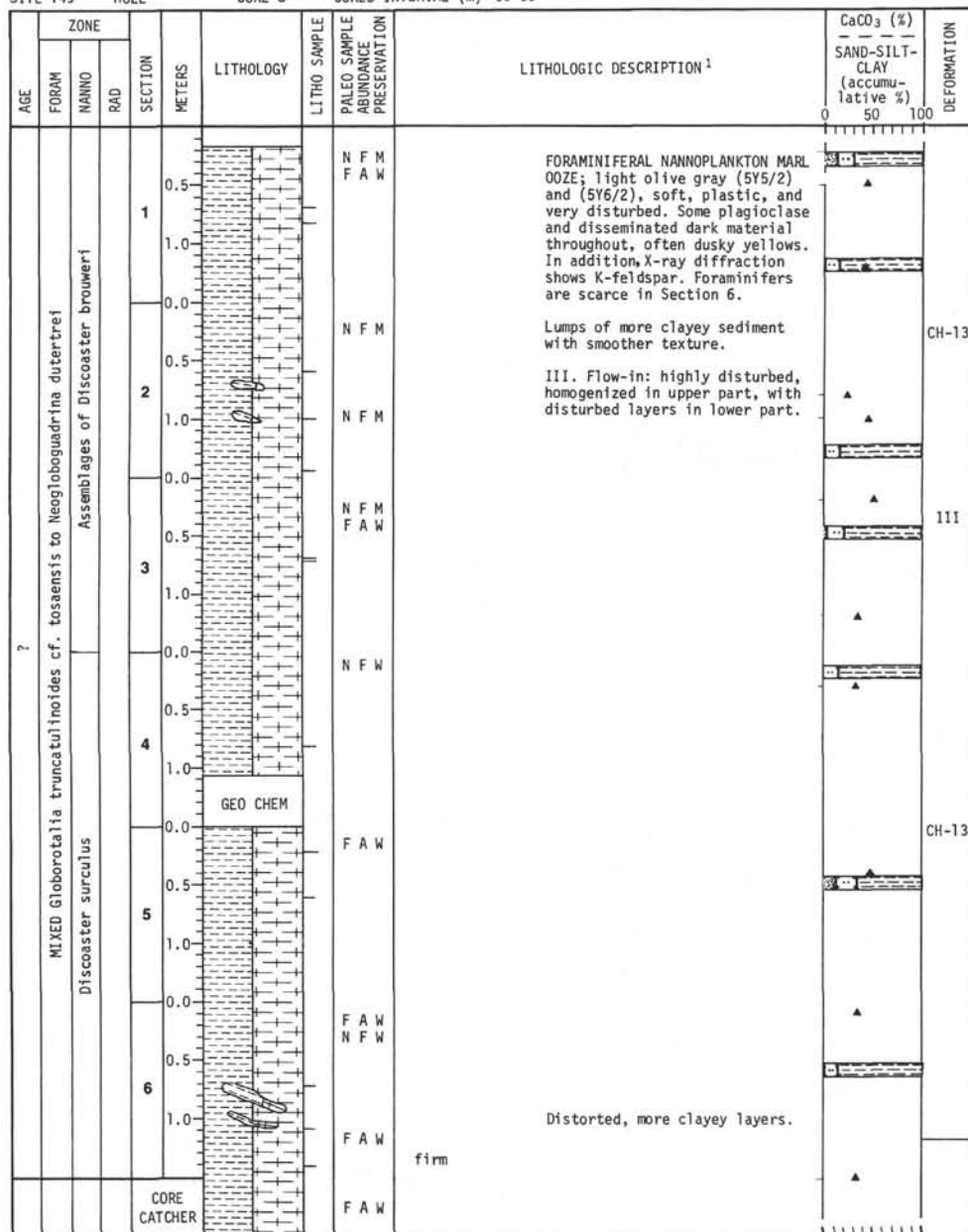
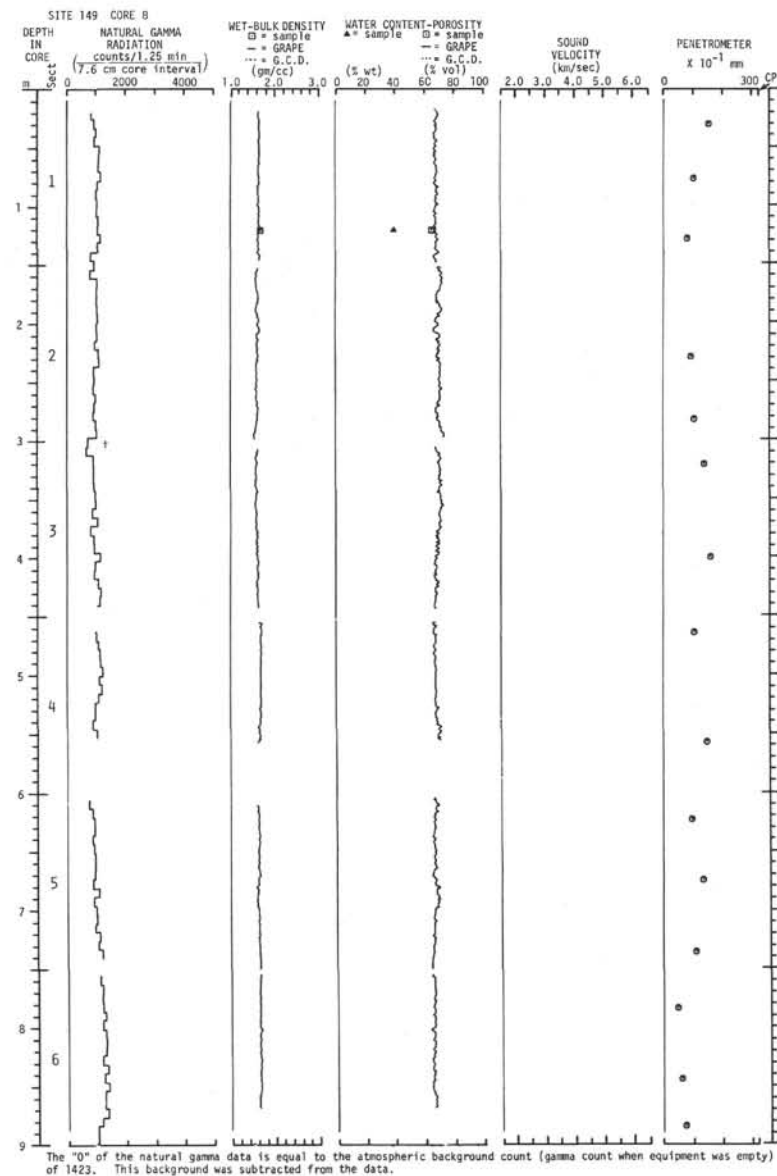
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SITE 149 HOLE CORE 7 CORED INTERVAL (m) 46-56

AGE	ZONE			SECTION	METERS	LITHOLOGY	LITHO SAMPLE	PALEO SAMPLE ABUNDANCE PRESERVATION	LITHOLOGIC DESCRIPTION ¹	CaCO ₃ (%)	SAND-SILT-CLAY (accumulative %)	DEFORMATION
	FORAM	NANNO	RAD									
PLEISTOCENE	MIXED Globorotalia truncatulinoides cf. to Neoglobuladrina dutertrei MIXED Gephyrocapsa caribbeana and Discoaster brouweri			1	0.5			FAW	FORAMINIFERAL NANNOPLANKTON MARL Ooze; light olive gray (5Y6/2) and (5Y6/1). Dark material diffused throughout. X-ray shows K-feldspar. Sediment soft, plastic and badly disturbed. Washed coarse fraction in Section 5 consists mainly of planktonic foraminifers, some filled by dark material. Very rare benthonic foraminifers, ostracods, and echinoderm spines.	0	50	
					1.0			NCW				
				2	0.0	VOID						
					0.5			FAW				
				3	1.0			NCW				
					0.0	GEO CHEM						
				4	0.5			FAW				
					1.0			NCW				
				5	0.0	VOID						
					0.5			NCW				
MID PLIOCENE	Discoaster pentaradiatus			6	0.0			FAW	sparse green and red hornblende	100	100	CH-13 III VI
					0.5			FAW				
				CORE CATCHER	1.0			FAW				

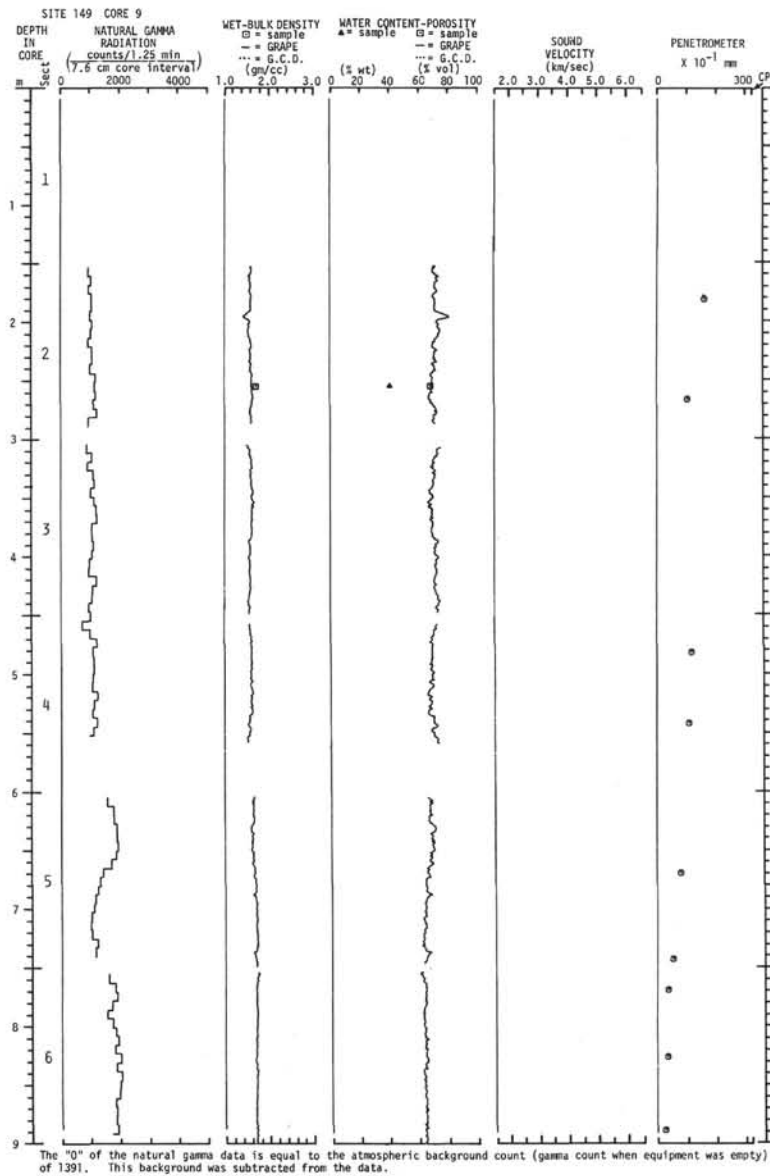
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SITE 149 HOLE CORE 9 CORED INTERVAL (m) 65-75

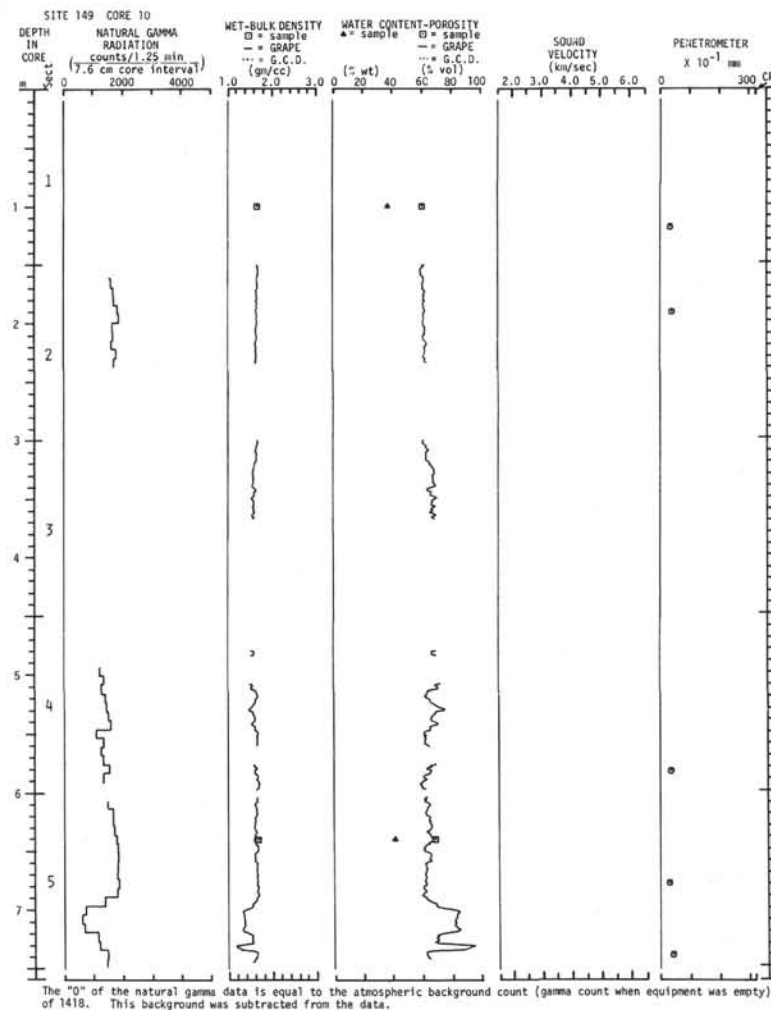
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	FORAM	NANNO	RAD								
	MIXED Globobulimina truncatulinoides cf. tosaensis to Neoglobobulimina dutertrei										
	Discoaster surculus										
				1	0.5 1.0	VOID		N F M F A W N F W	FORAMINIFERAL NANNOPLANKTON MARL and FORAMINIFERAL NANNOPLANKTON CLAY; light olive gray (5Y6/1) to (5Y6/2) and greenish gray (5GY6/1). Rare dark specks. Sediment is soft and plastic; badly disturbed by drilling.	0 50 100	
				2	0.0 0.5 1.0			F A W			CH-13 III
				3	0.0 0.5 1.0						
				4	0.0 0.5 1.0	GEO CHEM		F A W			
				5	0.0 0.5 1.0			F A W	INTERBEDDED FORAMINIFERAL NANNOPLANKTON MARL and CALCAREOUS CLAY; light yellowish brown (10YR5/4) and olive gray (5Y5/1). Conspicuous burrow mottling at zone boundaries. Sparse nannofossils in clay.		
				6	0.0 0.5 1.0			F C M N R P F F M N R P	CLAY; moderate yellowish brown (10YR5/4), firm, and plastic. Scattered grayish olive mottling.		
				CORE CATCHER				F C M	X-ray shows K-feldspar throughout core and pyrite in Section 6.		

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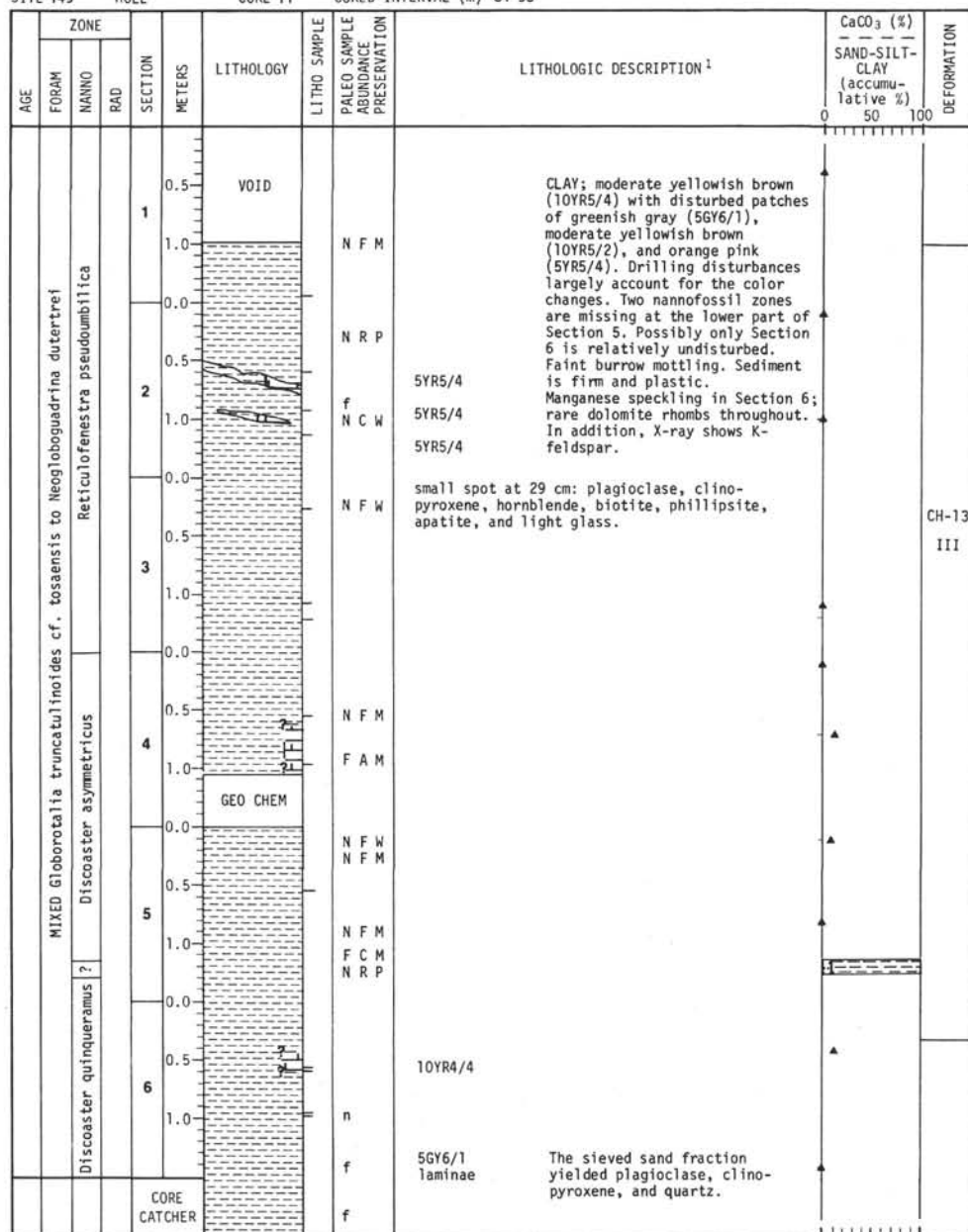
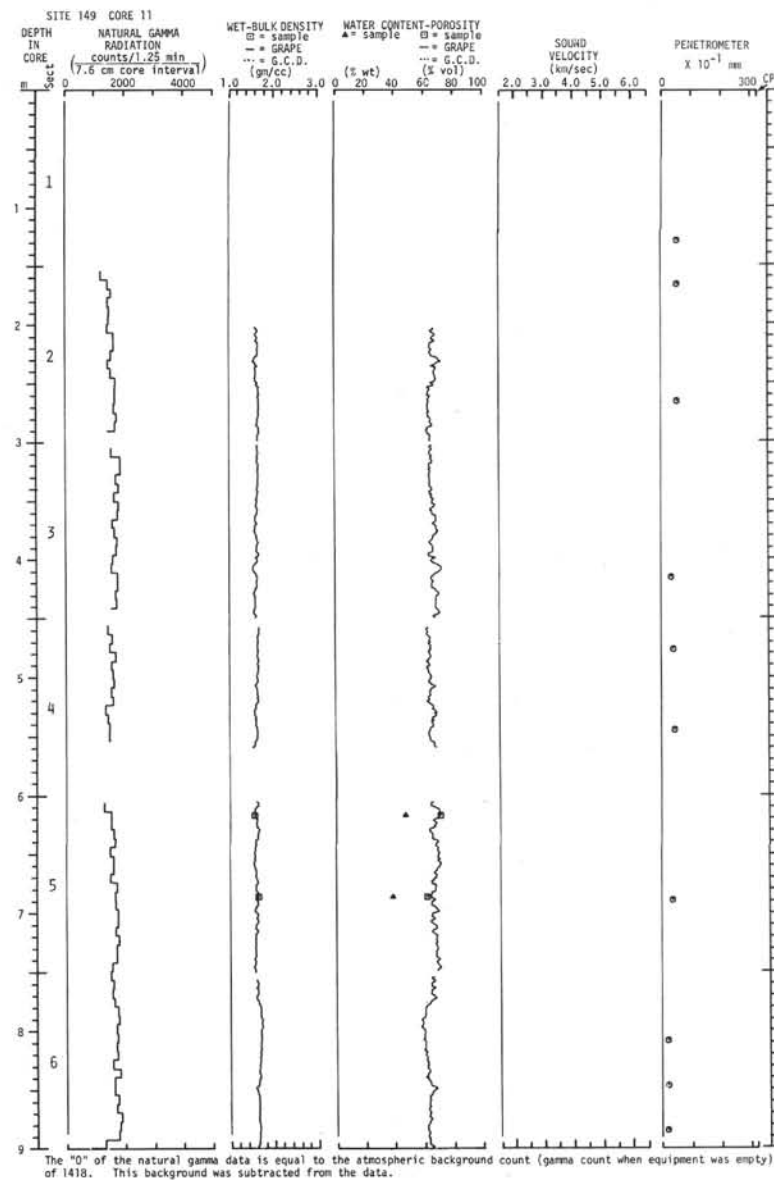


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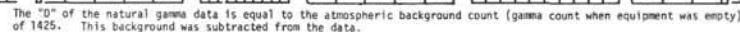
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SITE 149 HOLE CORE 11 CORED INTERVAL (m) 84-93

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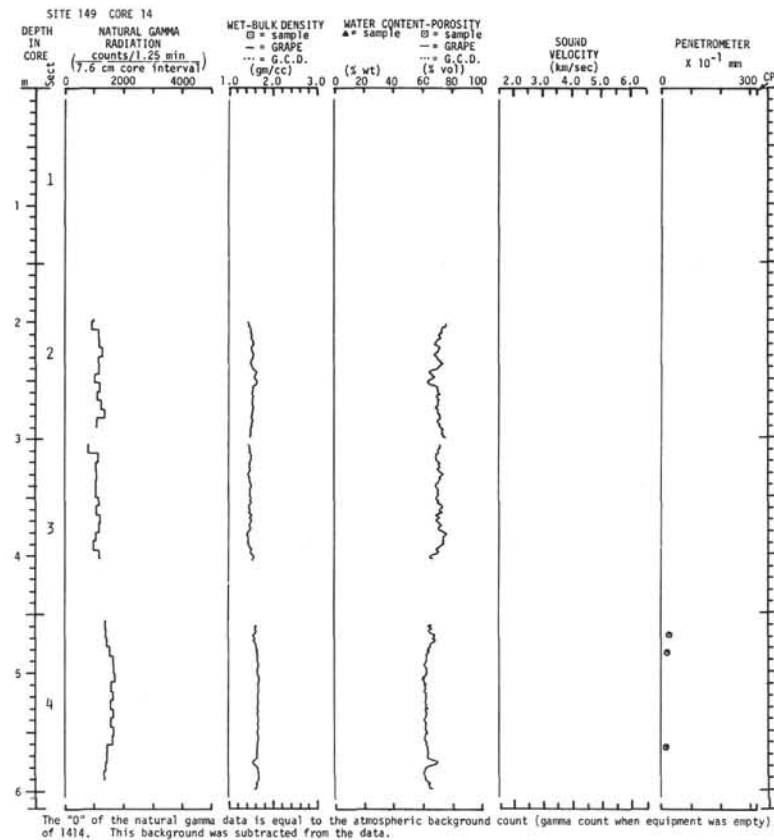


SITE 149 CORE 13

DEPTH IN CORE (m)	NATURAL GAMMA RADIATION (7.6 cm core interval) counts/1.25 min	WET-BULK DENSITY (gm/cc)	WATER CONTENT-POROSITY (% wt) (% vol)		SOUND VELOCITY (km/sec)	PENETROMETER $\times 10^{-1}$ mm
		□ = sample — = GRAPE ... = G.C.D.	▲ = sample — = GRAPE ... = G.C.D.	□ = sample — = GRAPE ... = G.C.D.		
0	~1000	~1.5	~40	~60	~2.5	~10
1	~1500	~1.6	~40	~60	~2.5	~10
2	~1800	~1.7	~40	~60	~2.5	~10
3	~2000	~1.8	~40	~60	~2.5	~10
4	~2200	~1.9	~40	~60	~2.5	~10
5	~2500	~2.0	~40	~60	~2.5	~10
6	~2800	~2.1	~40	~60	~2.5	~10
7	~3000	~2.2	~40	~60	~2.5	~10
8	~3200	~2.3	~40	~60	~2.5	~10
9	~3500	~2.4	~40	~60	~2.5	~10

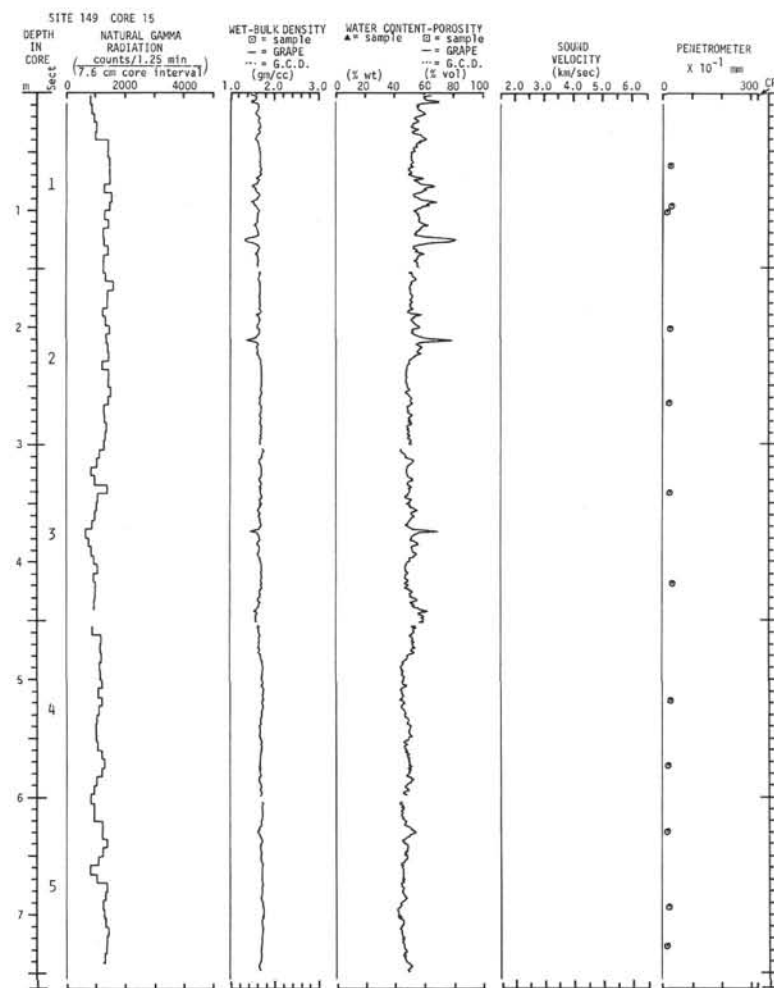
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	FORAM	NANNO	RAD									
LATE MIOCENE	Globorotalia acostaensis			1	0.5	VOID			CLAY with minor MARL; mainly grayish orange (10YR7/4) but extensively mixed with varicolored marley lumps due to drilling disturbances. Sparse plagioclase and carbonate rhombs. Sediment is soft and plastic.	0	50	
				1	1.0	VOID						
MIDDLE MIOCENE	Globorotalia menardii	Discoaster hamatus		2	0.5	VOID			V. Drilling breccia: varicolored lenses and lumps of marl increases toward Section 3.	100		CH-13 III V
				2	1.0	VOID						
				3	0.5	VOID			CLAY; moderate yellowish brown (10YR5/4) becoming slightly grayish yellow green (5GY7/2) toward the bottom. Distinct light brown (5YR5/6) lamina occurs in Section 4. Traces of carbonate rhombs and plagioclase. Faint burrow mottling. Sediment is firm to very firm in lower part.			
				3	1.0	VOID						
				4	0.5	GEO CHEM			In addition, X-ray diffraction shows K-feldspar scattered throughout.			
				4	1.0	GEO CHEM						
				CORE CATCHER								

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SITE 149 HOLE CORE 15 CORED INTERVAL (m) 121-130

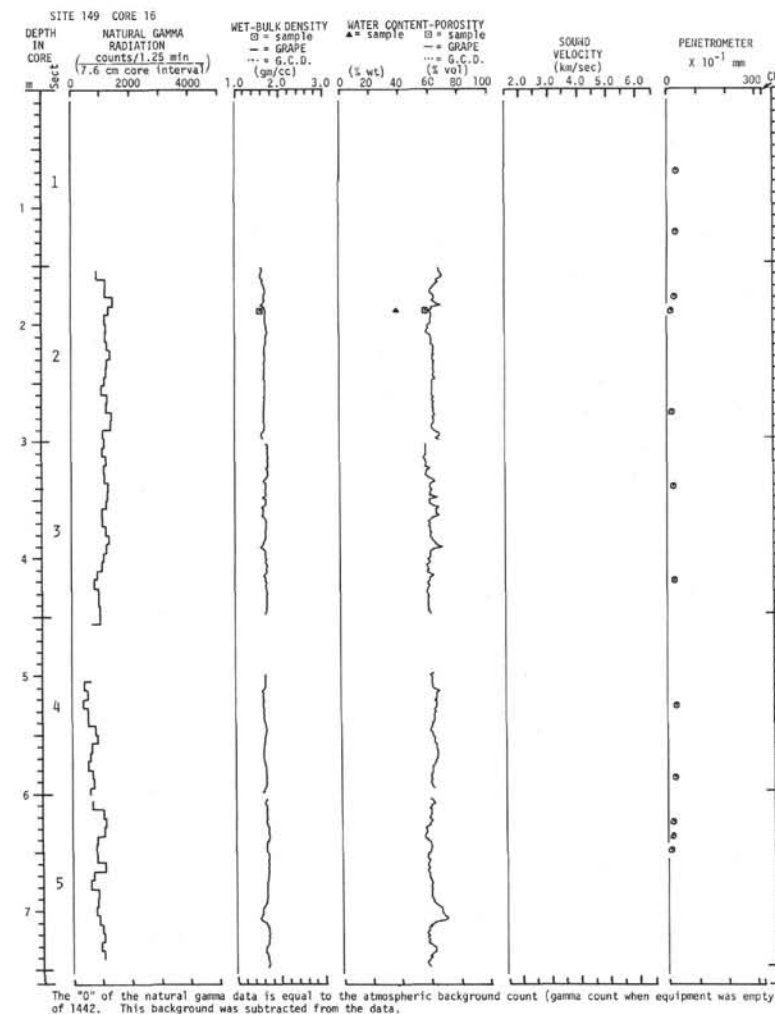
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										0 50 100		
MIDDLE MIOCENE	Globorotalia menardii	Catinastr coalitus		1	0.5		FRP		NANNOPLANKTON MARL; grayish orange (10YR8/4) to (10YR5/4), very disturbed.			CH-13
					1.0		NR P		Disseminated dark material			VI
					0.0		n		CLAY; moderate yellowish brown (10YR5/4); firm and plastic. Slight mottling.			
	Globorotalia mayeri	Catinastr coalitus		2	0.5		n		VI. Mixed assemblage: nanno-fossils indicate collapse from higher up in the hole.			
					1.0		N C M		Interbedded NANNOPLANKTON MARL and CALCAREOUS CLAY; grayish orange (10YR8/4) and (10YR7/4) to light olive gray (5Y6/1). Traces of carbonate rhombs, plagioclase, apatite, and glauconite. Extensive burrow mottling throughout. Somewhat blurs primary layered structure.			
					0.0		F F P					
	Discoaster kugleri			3	0.5		N C W	*	Lenses of plagioclase, glauconite, and apatite are indicated by asterisks.			
					1.0		F C P	*				
					0.0		N C W					
	Globorotalia fohsi lobata			4	0.5		N F W					
					1.0		N C W					
					0.0		F F P					
	Globorotalia fohsi			5	0.5		f					
					1.0		F C P					
					0.0		FRP					
				CORE CATCHER			FRP					

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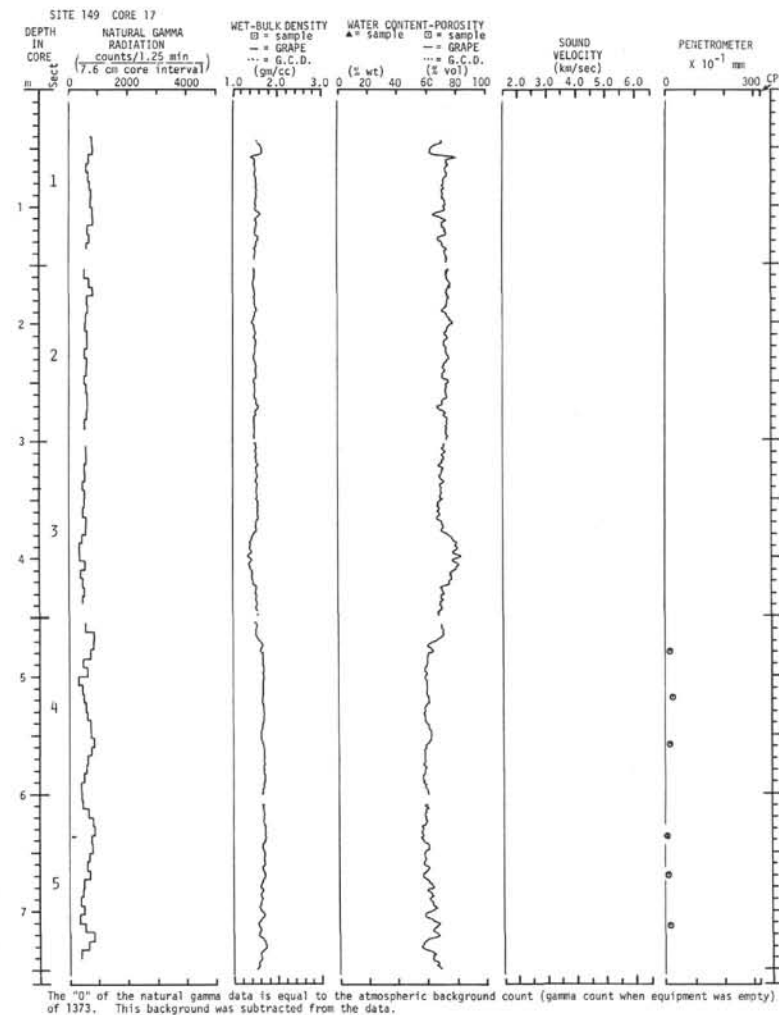
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	FORAM	NANNO	RAD								
MIDDLE MIOCENE	Globorotalia foehli	Discoaster exilis				VOID			Interbedded NANNOPLANKTON MARL, CALCAREOUS CLAY, and CLAY; moderate yellowish brown (10YR5/4) to yellowish gray (5Y7/2) and olive gray (5Y5/1). Traces of plagioclase and carbonate rhombs throughout. In addition, X-ray diffraction shows K-feldspar in Section 1. Boundaries between layers somewhat blurred by extensive burrow mottling throughout. Sediment firm and plastic.	0 50 100	CH-13 VI
				1	0.5						
				1	1.0		N C W				
					0.0						
				2	0.5		F R P N F W				
	Globorotalia foehli peripheron	Sphenolithus heteromorphus		2	1.0		F C P N F W	distinct orange layer			
					0.0						
				3	0.5		f N C W				
					0.0						
				4	0.5		F A M				
CORE CATCHER											

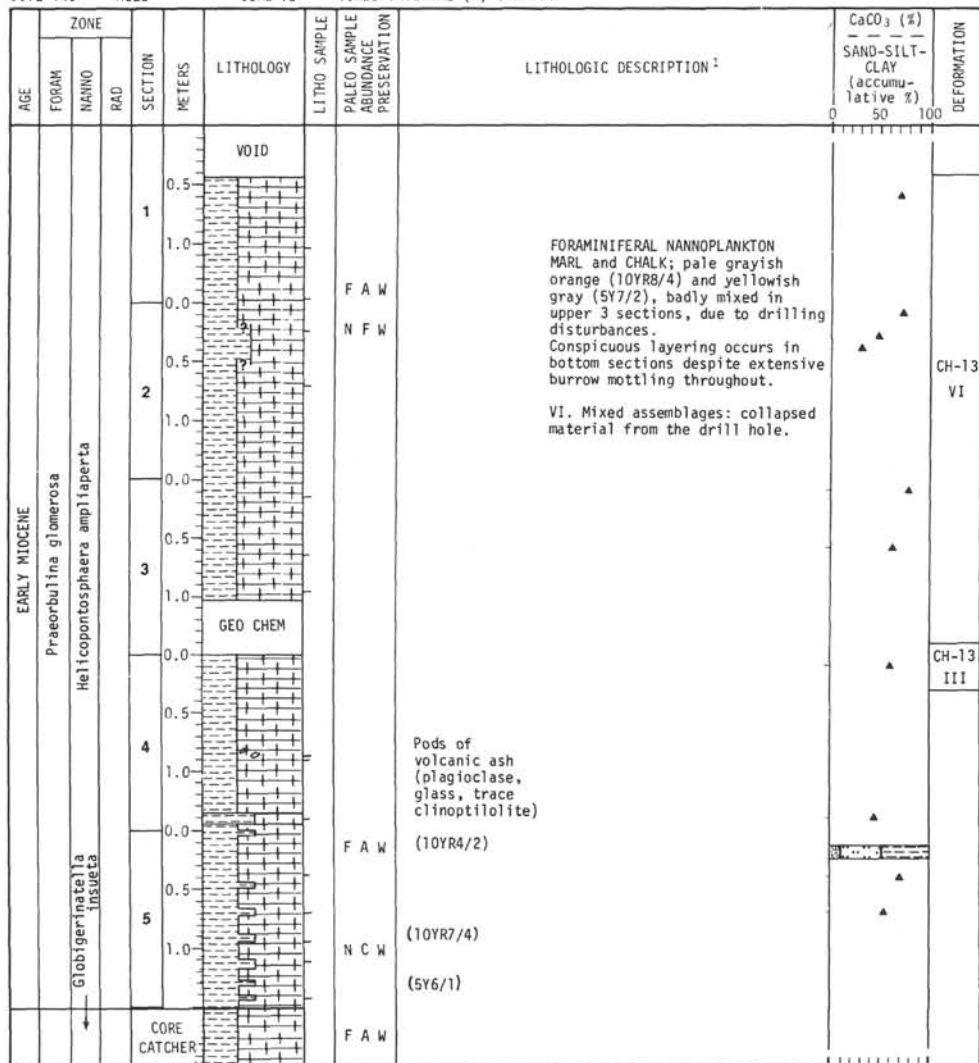
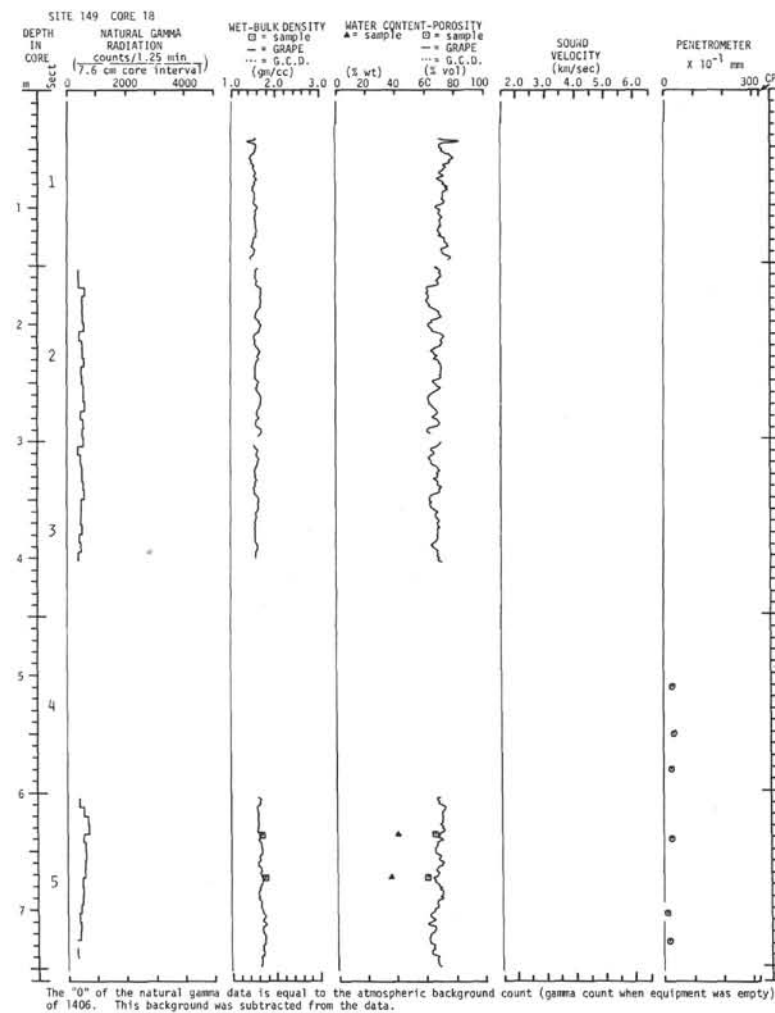
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SITE 149 HOLE CORE 17 CORED INTERVAL (m) 139-149

AGE	ZONE			SECTION	METERS	LITHOLOGY	LITHO SAMPLE	PALEO SAMPLE ABUNDANCE PRESERVATION	LITHOLOGIC DESCRIPTION ¹	CaCO ₃ (%)	SAND-SILT-CLAY (accumulative %)	DEFORMATION
	FORAM	NANNO	RAD									
MIDDLE MIOCENE	Globorotalia foisi peripheronda Sphenolithus heteromorphus					VOID						
				1	0.5				trace carbonate rhombs			
					1.0			F F P				
				2	0.0							
					0.5							
					1.0							
				3	0.0							
					0.5			F C M				
					1.0							
					0.0			F A M				
EARLY MIOCENE	Praeorbulina glomerosa				0.5			N C W				
				4	0.0							
					0.5							
					1.0							
					0.0			F C M				
				5	0.5							
					1.0			F A M				
								N C W				
								F A M				
				CORE CATCHER								

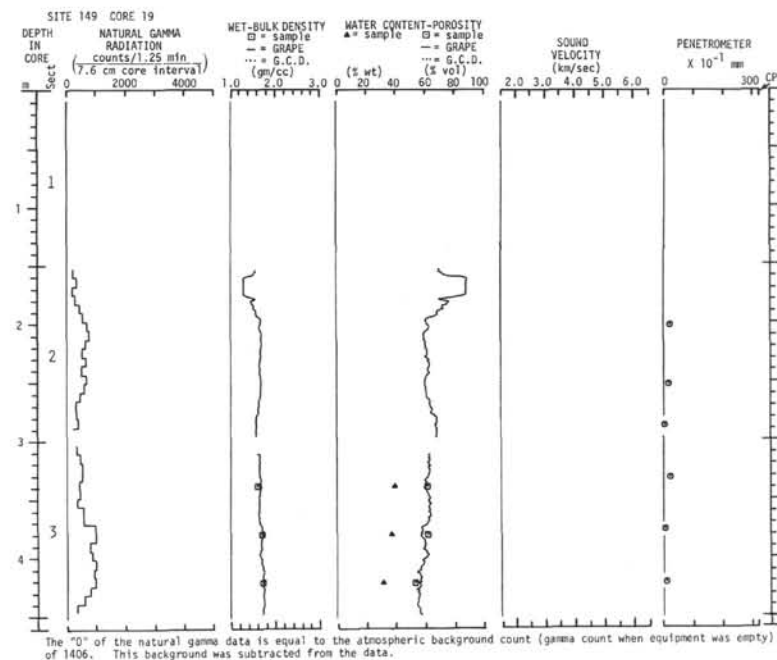
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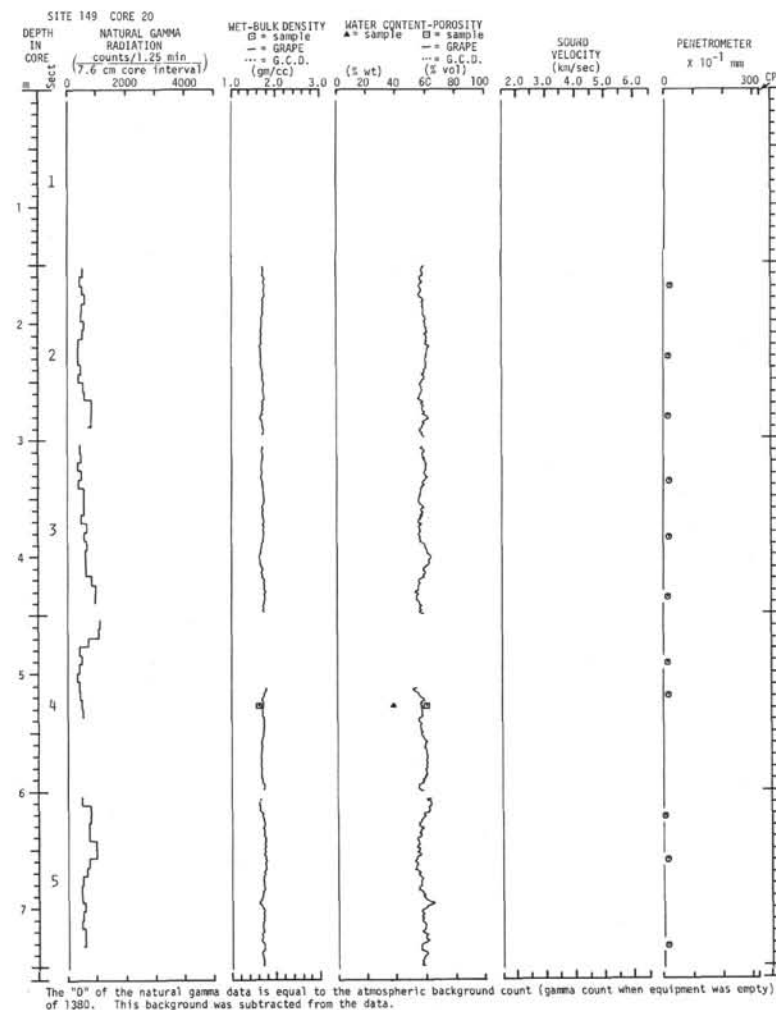
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AGE		ZONE			SECTION	METERS	LITHOLOGY	LITHO SAMPLE	PALEO SAMPLE ABUNDANCE PRESERVATION	LITHOLOGIC DESCRIPTION ¹	CaCO ₃ (%)		DEFORMATION	
FORAM	NANNO	RAD	SAND-SILT-CLAY (accumulative %)											
EARLY MIOCENE	Globigerinatalia insueta	Helicopontosphaera ampliaperta									0	50	100	
				1	0.5	VOID								
					1.0									
					0.0					chalk lens (10YR6/4)				CH-13 III
					0.5			F A W						
				2	0.5									
					1.0									
					0.0									
					0.5									
				3	0.5									
					1.0									
					0.5									
					1.0									
				CORE CATCHER				F A W		sharp contact				
								F A W						

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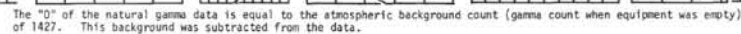
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SITE 149 HOLE CORE 21 CORED INTERVAL (m) 176-185

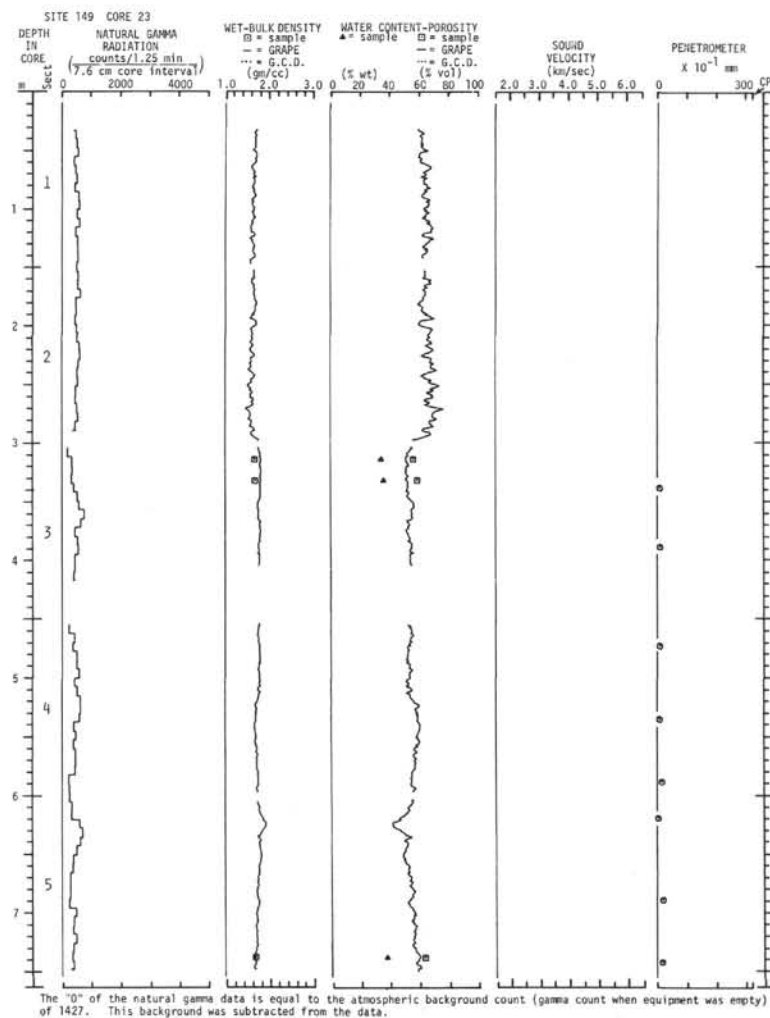
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	FORAM	NANNO	RAD							0	50		100
EARLY MIOCENE	Globigerinita stainforthi - Globigerinita dissimilis	Sphenolithus belemnos				VOID							
				1	0.5								
				1.0									
				0.0									
				0.5									
				2	1.0								
				0.0									
				0.5									
				3	1.0								
				0.0									
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4	1.0												
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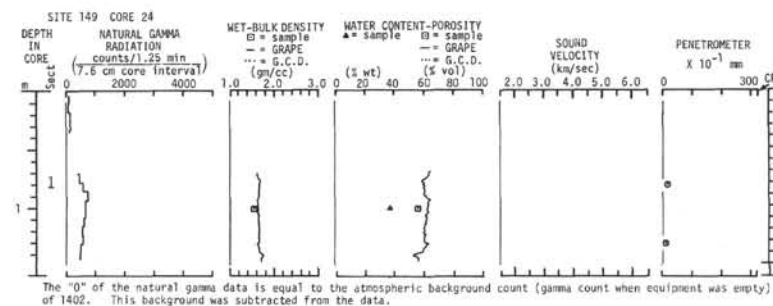
SITE 149 HOLE CORE 23 CORED INTERVAL (m) 175-204

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	FORAM	NANNO	RAD									
EARLY MIOCENE	Globigerinoides primordius	Discoaster druggii	Lynchocantium bipes	1	0.5	VOID			FORAMINIFERAL NANNOPLANKTON CHALK; predominantly grayish orange (10YR7/4) with mixed light greenish gray (5GY8/1) and moderate orange pink (6YR8/4). Color mixed due to extreme drilling disturbance. Traces of radiolarians and plagioclase.	0	50	100
					1.0							
				2	0.0				IV. Fragmentation highly disturbed, with firm lumps of plastic sediment.			CH-13 IV
					0.5							
				3	0.0				Interbedded FORAMINIFERAL NANNOPLANKTON CHALK and RADIOLARIA-RICH NANNOPLANKTON CHALK and MARL; light olive gray (5Y7/1) and light greenish gray (5GY8/1). Traces of plagioclase and sponge spicules. Faint burrow mottling throughout. Sediment is compact yet crumbly.	▲	▲	
					0.5							
				4	0.0							
					0.5							
				5	0.0							
					0.5							
				CORE CATCHER								

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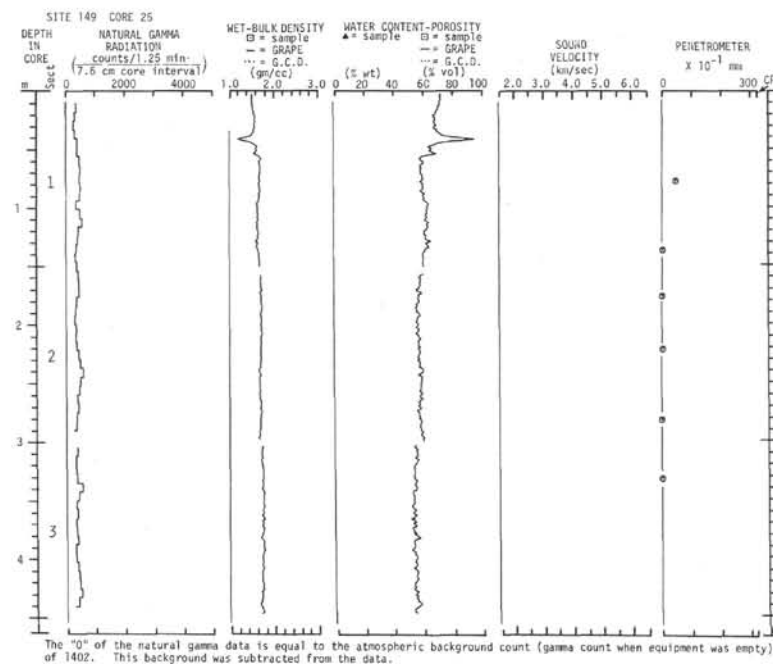
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	FORAM	NANNO								
EARLY MIOCENE	Globigerinoides primordius Triquetrorhabdulus carinatus Lychnocanium bipes		1	0.5	VOID			R F M	0	
				1.0						
			CORE CATCHER					F A M R C M		



SITE 149 HOLE CORE 25 CORED INTERVAL (m) 213-223

AGE	ZONE		SECTION	METERS	LITHOLOGY	LITHO SAMPLE	PALEO SAMPLE ABUNDANCE PRESERVATION	LITHOLOGIC DESCRIPTION ¹	CaCO ₃ (%) SAND-SILT-CLAY (accumulative %)	DEFORMATION
	FORAM	NANNO								
EARLY MIOCENE	Globigerinoides primordius Triquetrorhabdulus carinatus Lychnocanoma elongata		1	0.5	VOID			RADIOLARIA-RICH FORAMINIFERAL NANNOPLANKTON CHALK; grayish yellow green (5GY7/2) to very pale grayish yellow green (5GY8/2). Trace plagioclase. Sediment very compact. Faint burrow mottling at scattered levels.	0	CH-13 III
				1.0						
			2	0.0	VOID			F F M R C M	50	
				0.5						
				1.0						
			3	0.0	VOID			R C M	100	
				0.5						
				1.0						
			CORE CATCHER					F A M R C M		



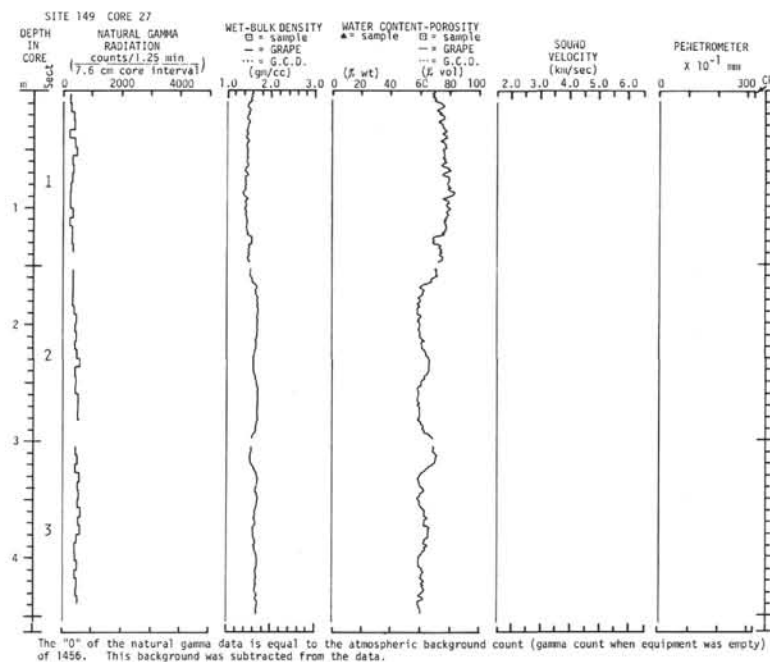
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SITE 149 CORE 26
 DEPTH IN CORE (m) 0 1 2 3 4
 NATURAL GAMMA RADIATION (counts/1.25 min) (7.6 cm core interval) 2000 4000
 WET-BULK DENSITY (gm/cc) 1.0 2.0 3.0
 WATER CONTENT-POROSITY (% wt) 0 20 40 60 80 100
 SOUND VELOCITY (km/sec) 2.0 3.0 4.0 5.0 6.0
 PENETROMETER (x 10⁻¹ mm) 0 300 CP
 Legend: □ = sample, ○ = gouge, --- = G.C.D., - - - = G.C.D., (% vol)

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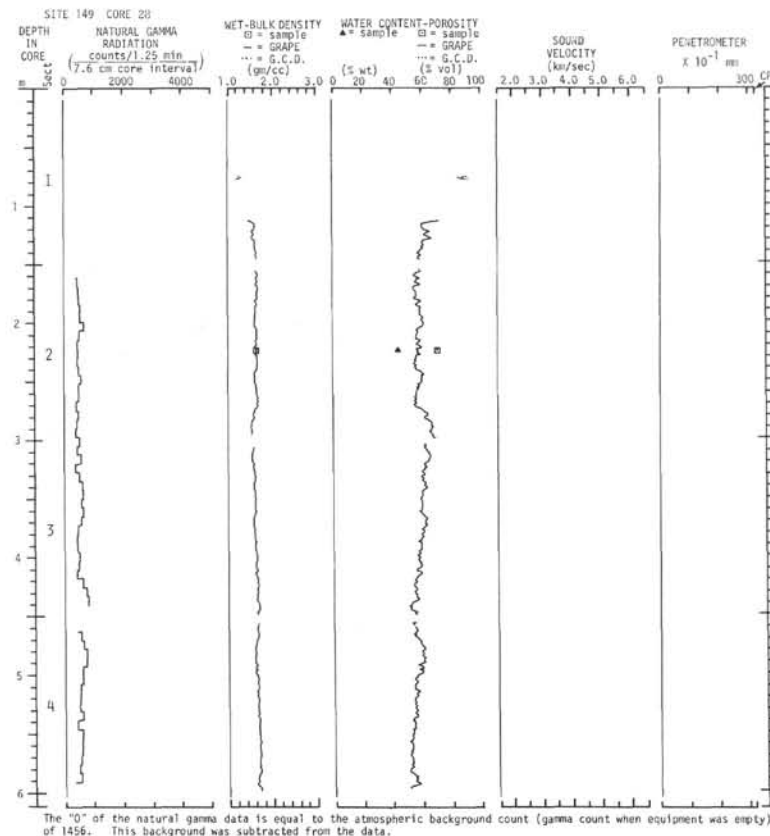
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	FORM	NANNO	RAD									
LATE OLIGOCENE	? Globorotalia kugleri	Triquetrorhabdulus carinatus	Dorcadospiralis ateuchus	1	0.5	VOLU			RADIOLARIA-RICH NANNOPLANKTON MARL; grayish yellow green (5G7/2) to yellowish gray (5Y7/2), compact and moderately crumbly. Burrow mottling. Glass and plagioclase dispersed throughout.	0	50	CH-13 VII
					1.0							
				2	0.0		N C W	R C M	VII. Flocculent soup secondarily colored by Rhodamine dye.	0	50	
					0.5							
				3	0.0		N C W	R C M	disseminated pumice	0	50	
					0.5							
				3	0.0		N F P	R C M	RADIOLARIA-RICH CALCAREOUS CLAY.	0	50	
					0.5							
				3	0.0		N C W	R C M	trace hornblende	0	50	
					1.0							
				CORE CATCHER			R C M	f				

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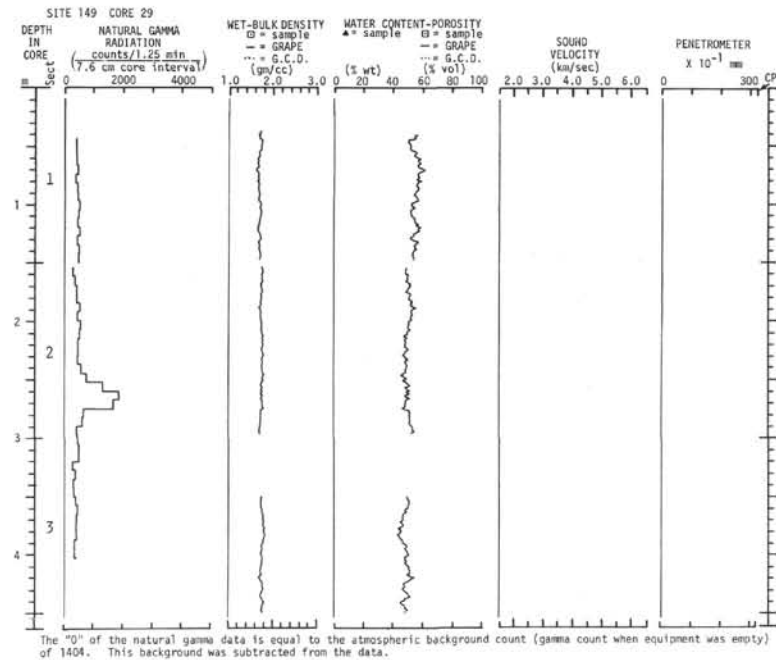
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	FORAM	NANNO	RAD									
LATE OLIGOCENE	Globorotalia kugleri	Triquetrorhabdulus carinatus	Dorcadospiralis atechus	CORE CATCHER								

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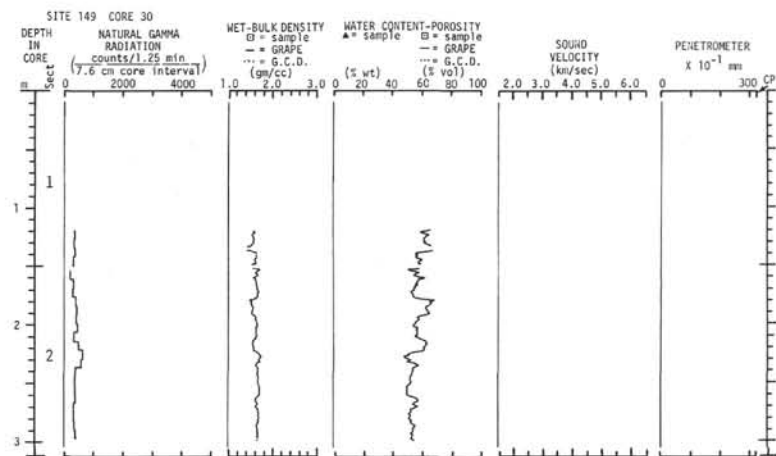
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	FORAM	NANNO	RAD									
MIDDLE OLIGOCENE	Triquetropachidulus carinatus			1	0.5	VOID	R C M		Dispersed ASH in burrows RADIOLARIA-RICH NANNOPLANKTON CHALK; yellowish gray (5Y7/2) to greenish gray. Abundant dispersed light ASH. Burrow mottling, sparse light glass, and plagioclase throughout. Sediment firm and crumbly.	50		
					1.0		N C W					
					1.0		F R P					
					1.0		R C M					
	Globobulimina optima	Sphenolithus ciperoensis		2	0.0		N C W			50		
					0.5		R C M					
	Sphenolithus distans	Theocyrtis tuberosa		3	0.5		N C W		Dispersed ASH	50		
					1.0		R C M					
	CORE CATCHER				0.5	GEO CHEM	N C P		Distinct ASH layer, brownish gray (5YR5/1) in Section 2. Despite burrowing layer presents sharp upper and lower contacts with sloped, graded bedding upward. Abundant light glass, biotite, and zircons; sparse apatite.	50		
					1.0		R C M					
							N C W					
							R C M		plagioclase, pumice			
							f					

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SITE 149 HOLE CORE 30 CORED INTERVAL (m) 260-270

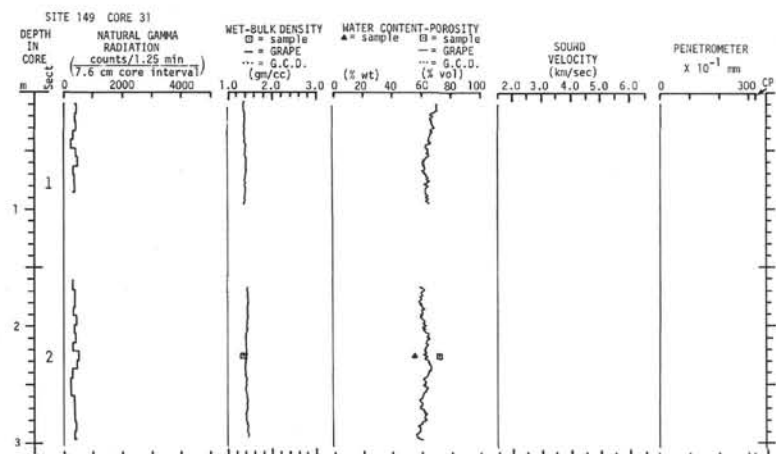
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	FORAM	NANNO	RAD									
MIDDLE OLIGOCENE	Globorotalia opima opima Sphenolithus predistentus Theocyrtis tuberosa			1	0.5	VOID			RADIOLARIA-RICH NANNOPLANKTON CHALK; yellowish gray (5Y7/2), semi-indurated, and crumbly. Scattered faint burrow mottling. Plagioclase and glass dispersed throughout.	0	50	100
					1.0		R C G	N C M				
							F R P					
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					0.5		R C M	N C M				
					1.0		R C M	N C M				
							R C M					
							F R P					
							R C M					
				CORE CATCHER					Dispersed ASH in burrows			



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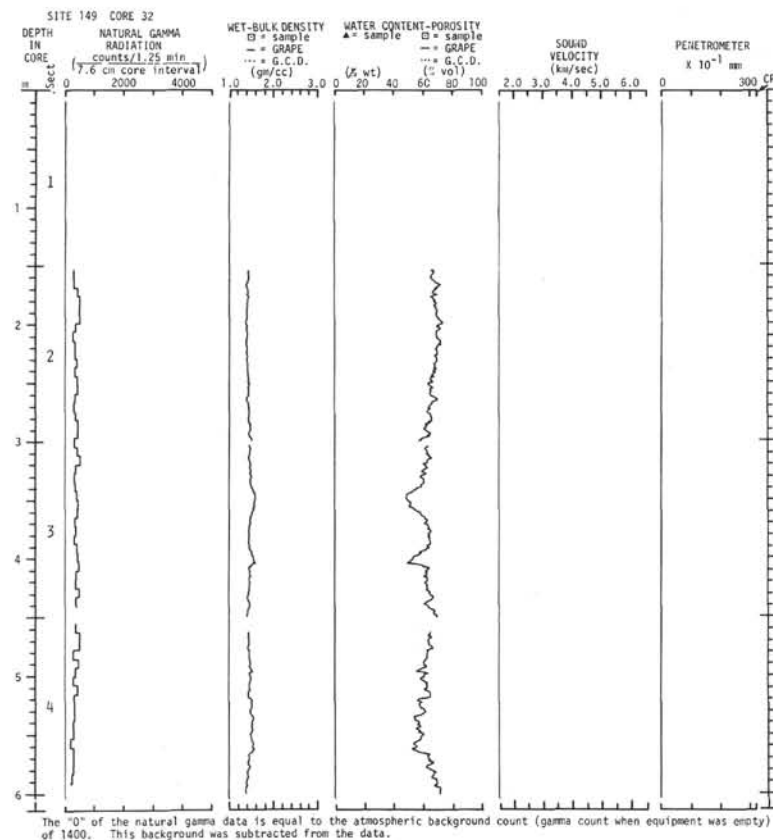
SITE 149 HOLE CORE 31 CORED INTERVAL (m) 270-279

AGE	ZONE			SECTION	METERS	LITHOLOGY	LITHO SAMPLE	PALEO SAMPLE ABUNDANCE PRESERVATION	LITHOLOGIC DESCRIPTION ¹	CaCO ₃ (%)	SAND-SILT-CLAY (accumulative %)	DEFORMATION
	FORAM	NANNO	RAD									
LATE EOCENE	No zone			1	0.5		R C M		Disseminated pumice pebbles up to 1.5 cm. SEMI-INDURATED CALCAREOUS-RICH RADIOLARIAN OOZE; grayish orange (10YR7/4) to dark yellowish orange (10YR6/6). Sediment quite crumbly. Sparse plagioclase and light glass throughout.	0	50	100
					1.0		N R P					
							F R P					
							R C M					
							F R P					
					0.0	GEO CHEM						
					0.5		F R P					
					1.0		R C M					
							N R P					
							F R P					
				CORE CATCHER					red hornblende, orthopyroxene			
							R C M		Washed residue includes plagioclase, orthopyroxene, clinopyroxene, microtektites, and pumice.			



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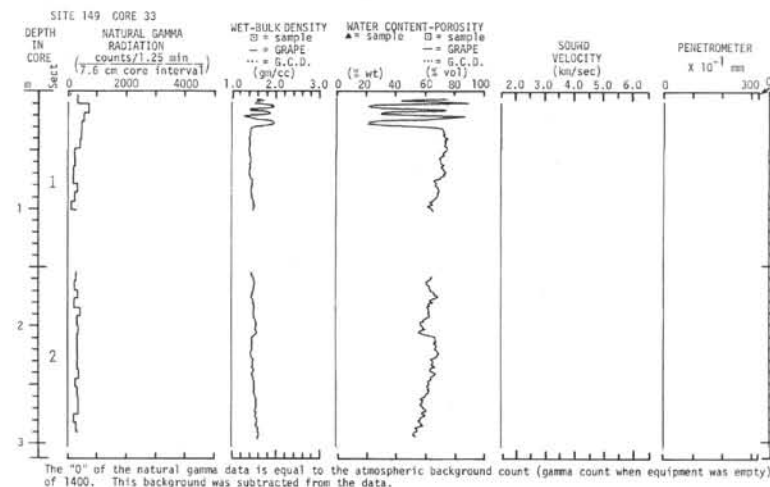
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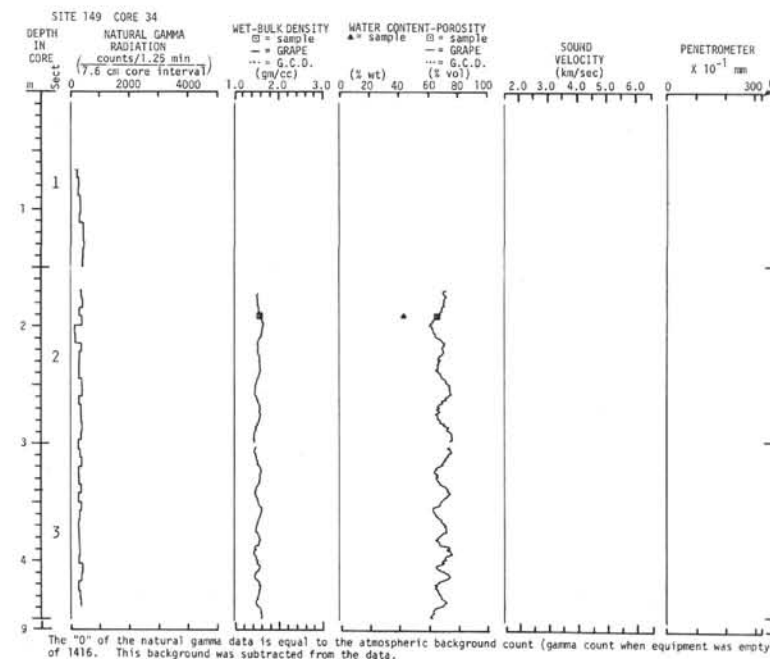
SITE 149 HOLE CORE 33 CORED INTERVAL (m) 288-298

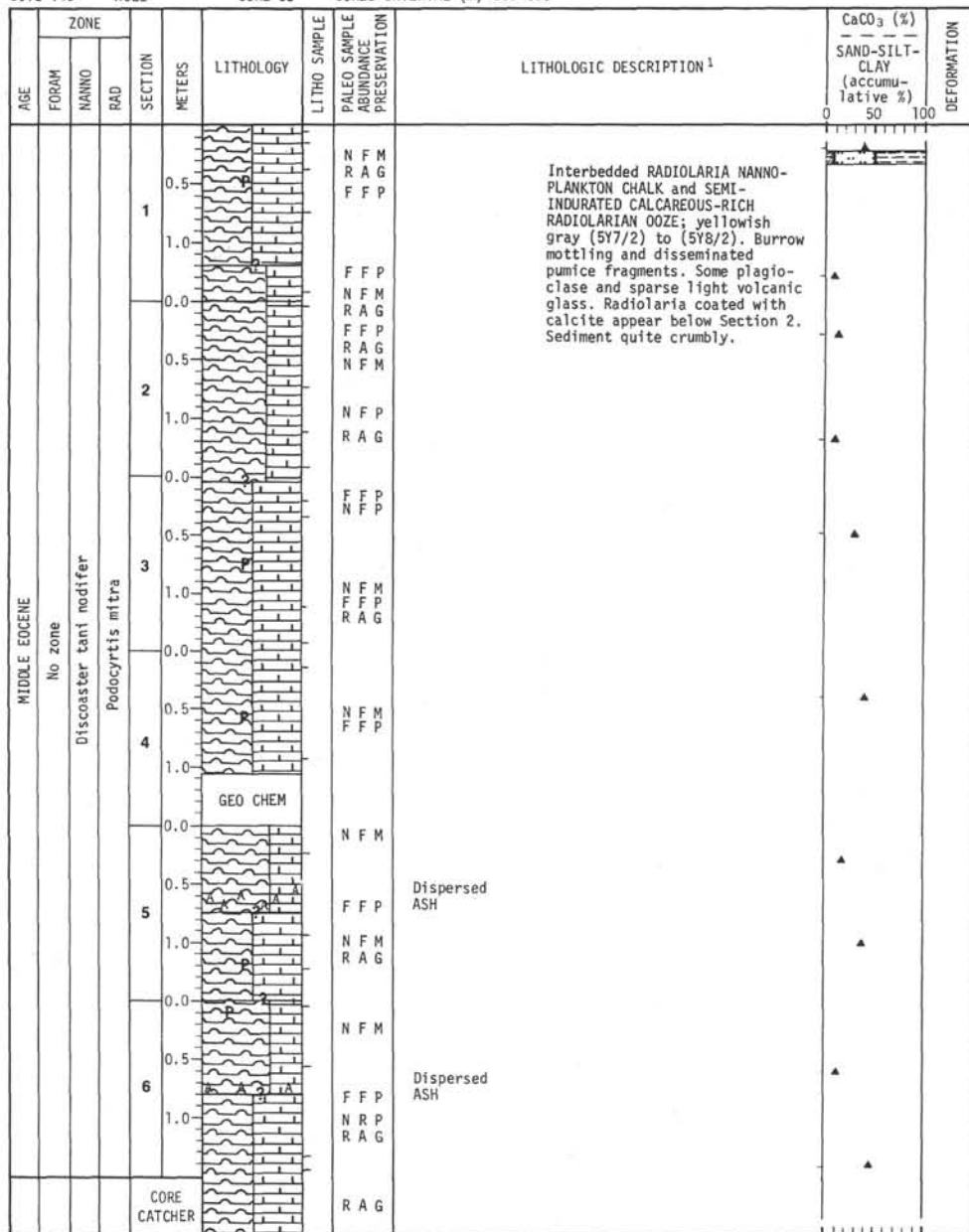
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	FORAM	NANNO	RAD									
MIDDLE EOCENE	No zone	Discoaster saipanensis	Podocyrthis mitra	1	0.5	▲▲▲▲▲	RAG		CHERT; predominantly light olive gray (5Y5/2) to moderate yellowish brown (10YR5/4) with light brown (5YR5/0) blotches and grayish green streaks (10G4/2) associated with microfractures.	▲		CH-13
					1.0	▲▲▲▲▲	RAG					
				2	0.0	GEO CHEM	NFM					
					0.5	▲▲▲▲▲	NFM					
					1.0	▲▲▲▲▲	NFM					
					1.0	▲▲▲▲▲	RAG					
					1.0	▲▲▲▲▲	RAG					
					1.0	▲▲▲▲▲	RAG					
					1.0	▲▲▲▲▲	RAG					
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					1.0	▲▲▲▲▲	RAG					
				CORE CATCHER								



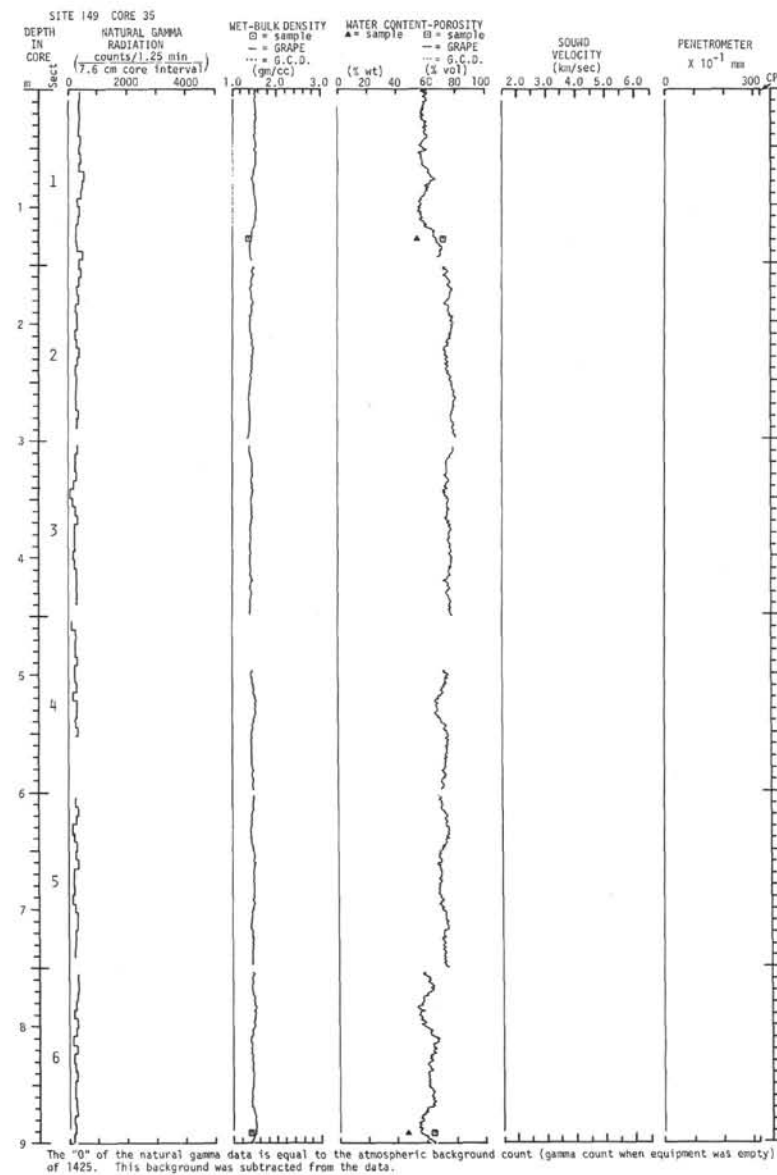
SITE 149 HOLE CORE 34 CORED INTERVAL (m) 298-307

AGE	ZONE			SECTION	METERS	LITHOLOGY	LITHO SAMPLE	PALEO SAMPLE ABUNDANCE PRESERVATION	LITHOLOGIC DESCRIPTION ¹	CaCO ₃ (%)	SAND-SILT-CLAY (accumulative %)	DEFORMATION
	FORAM	NANNO	RAD									
MIDDLE EOCENE	No zone	Discoaster saipanensis	Podocyrthis mitra	1	0.5	VOID			RADIOLARIA NANNOPLANKTON CHALK; grayish orange (10YR8/4) to (10YR7/4). Pumice fragments and disseminated black blotches particularly conspicuous from the bottom of Section 1 to top of Section 3. Plagioclase and light glass are dispersed throughout.	▲		
					1.0	VOID	NFM					
				2	0.0	VOID	RAG					
					0.5	VOID	NFM					
					1.0	VOID	NFM					
					1.0	VOID	NFM					
					1.0	VOID	RAG					
					1.0	VOID	RAG					
					1.0	VOID	RAG					
					1.0	VOID	RAG					
				CORE CATCHER								

¹For explanation of symbols, see Chapter 1



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SITE 149 HOLE CORE 36 CORED INTERVAL (m) 316-325

AGE	ZONE			SECTION	METERS	LITHOLOGY	LITHO SAMPLE	PALEO SAMPLE ABUNDANCE PRESERVATION	LITHOLOGIC DESCRIPTION ¹	CaCO ₃ (%)	SAND-SILT-CLAY (accumulative %)	DEFORMATION
	FORAM	NANNO	RAD									
MIDDLE EOCENE	No zone	Discoaster ?	Podocyrthis mitra	1	0.5	VOID						
					1.0							
				CORE CATCHER								

sparse light glass

RADIOLARIA NANNOPLANKTON CHALK and SEMI-INDURATED RADIO-LARIAN Ooze; yellowish gray (5YR8/2) and light olive gray (5Y6/2) respectively. Abundant volcanic ASH; light brownish gray (5YR6/1) below 136 cm. Some plagioclase and sparse light glass throughout. Radiolaria coated with calcite.

SITE 149 HOLE CORE 37 CORED INTERVAL (m) 325-334

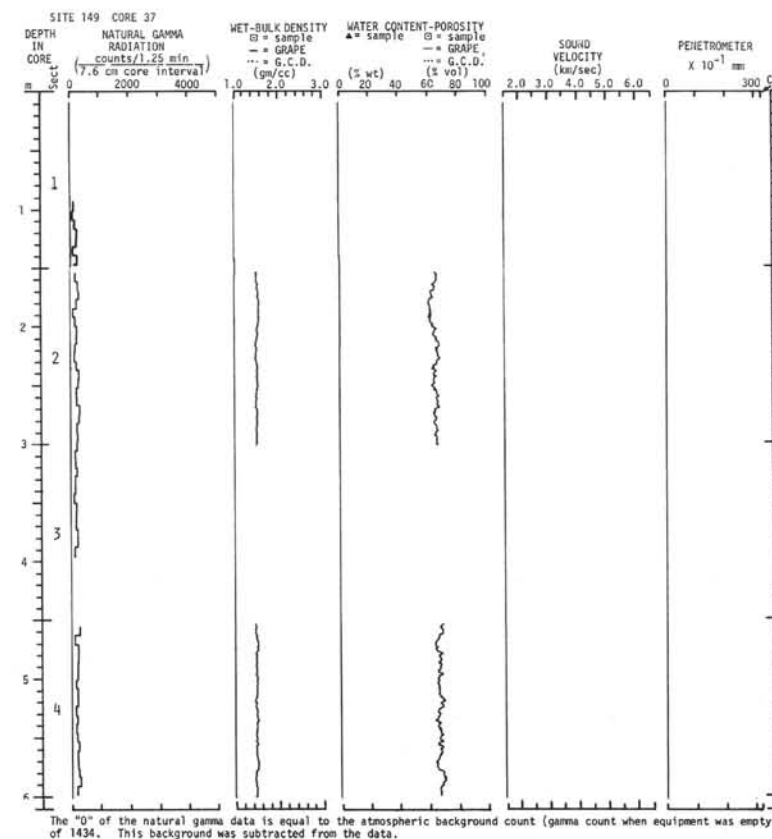
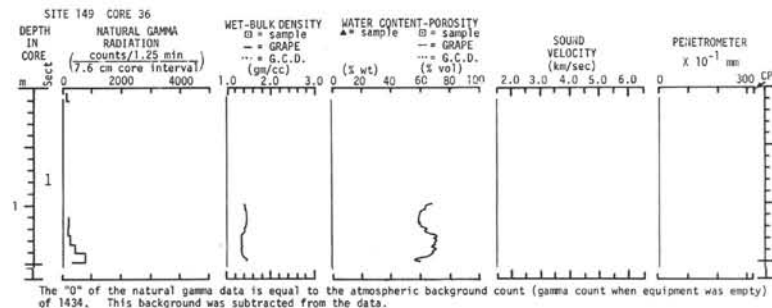
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	FORAM	NANNO	RAD									
MIDDLE EOCENE	No zone	Chiphragmalithus alatus	Podocyrthis ampla	1	0.5	VOID						
					1.0							
				2	0.0							
					0.5							
					1.0							
				3	0.0							
					0.5							
					1.0							
				4	0.0	GEO CHEM						
					0.5							
					1.0							
				CORE CATCHER								

pumice fragment

Dispersed ASH

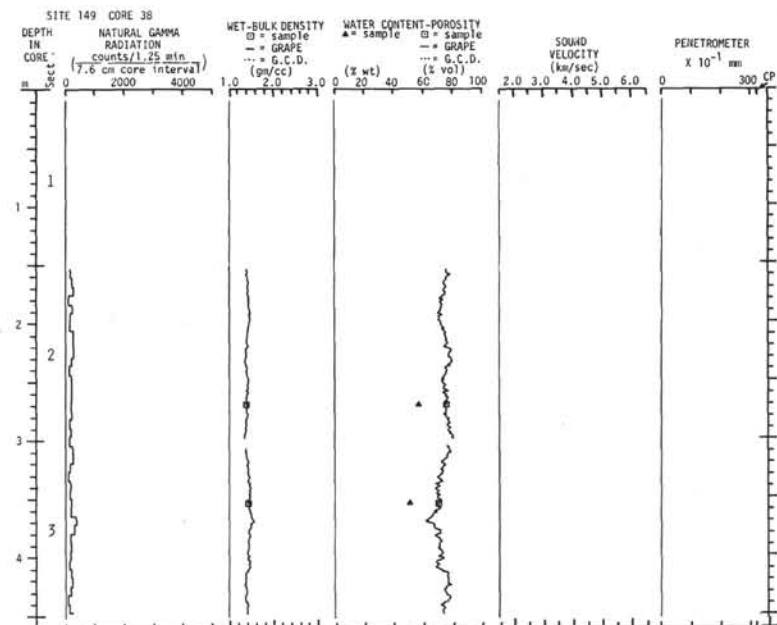
RADIOLARIA NANNOPLANKTON CHALK; very pale orange (10YR8/2), very compact and crumbly. Trace plagioclase. Radiolaria coated with calcite.

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AGE	ZONE			SECTION	METERS	LITHOLOGY	LITHO SAMPLE	PALEO SAMPLE ABUNDANCE PRESERVATION	LITHOLOGIC DESCRIPTION ¹	CaCO ₃ (%)	SAND-SILT-CLAY (accumulative %)	DEFORMATION
	FORAM	NANNO	RAD									
MIDDLE EOCENE	No zone	Chiphragmalithus alatus	Podocyrthis ampla	1	0.5	VOID			Interbedded RADIOLARIA NANNO-PLANKTON CHALK and CALCAREOUS-RICH RADIOLARIAN OOEZE; yellowish gray (5Y7/2) to light olive gray (5Y6/2). Sediment firm yet crumbly. Burrow mottling throughout, but particularly conspicuous in darker radiolarian ooze zones. Scattered pumice fragments. Trace plagioclase, light volcanic glass. Radiolarians coated with calcite. ASH layer light brownish gray (5YR5/1). Contacts are disturbed by burrowing.	0	50	100
					1.0							
					0.0			R A G				
					0.5			N C M				
					0.0			F F P				
					0.5							
					1.0			N F P				
					0.0			F F P				
					0.5			N F P				
					1.0			F F P				
				3	0.0			N F P	fish debris	▲	CH-13	V
					1.0			R A G				
					0.5			N F P	pumice	▲		
					1.0			R A G				
				CORE CATCHER				R A G				

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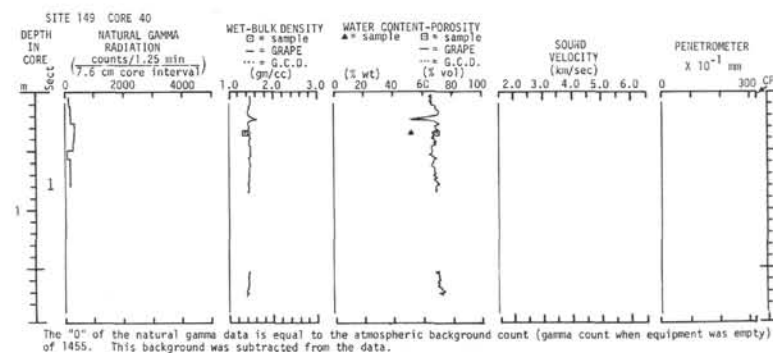
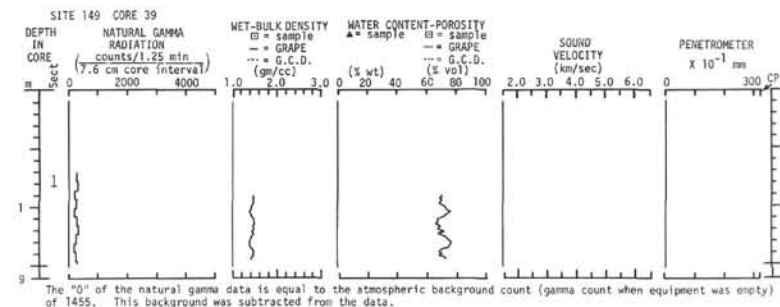
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SITE 149 HOLE CORE 39 CORED INTERVAL (m) 344-353

AGE	ZONE			SECTION	METERS	LITHOLOGY	LITHO SAMPLE	PALEO SAMPLE ABUNDANCE PRESERVATION	LITHOLOGIC DESCRIPTION ¹	CaCO ₃ (%)	SAND-SILT-CLAY (accumulative %)	DEFORMATION
	FORAM	NANNO	RAD									
MIDDLE EOCENE	No zone	Chirophragma lithus alatus	Thyrsoyrtis triacantha	1	0.5 1.0	VOID		R A G N F P F F P R A G	RADIOLARIA NANNOPLANKTON CHALK; yellowish gray (5Y8/1), compact, and crumbly.			
				CORE CATCHER					pumice fragments			

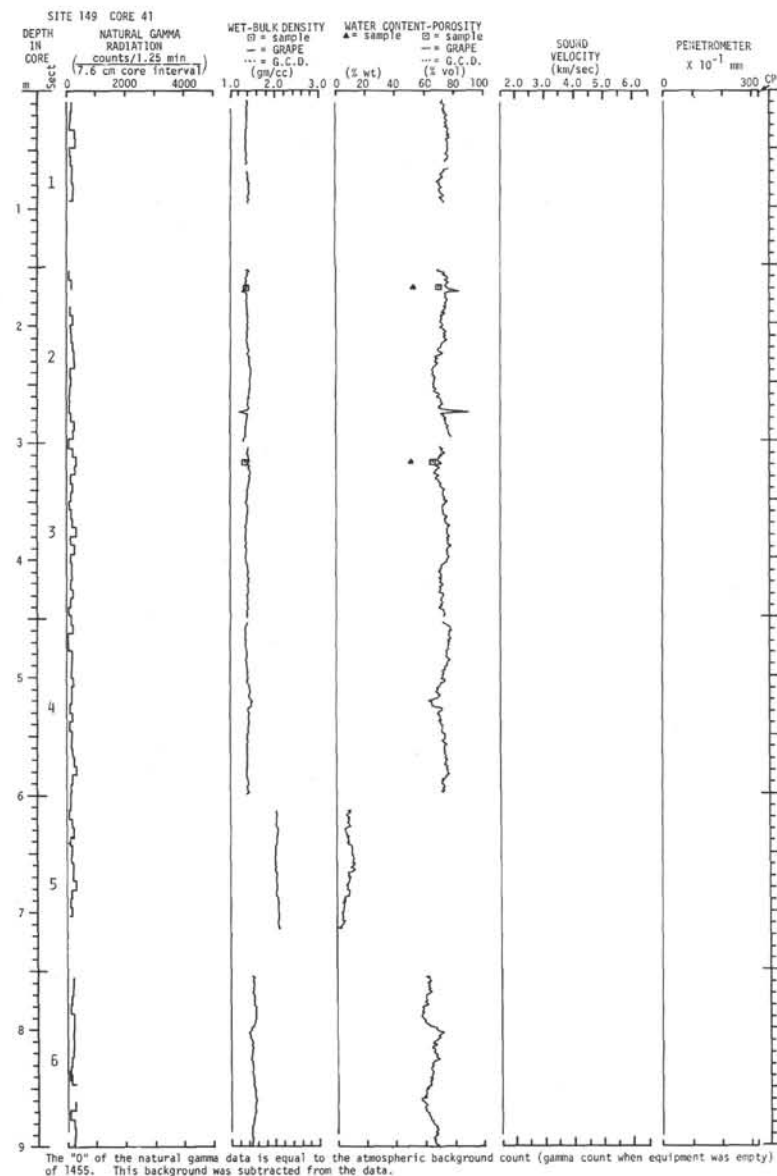
SITE 149 HOLE CORE 40 CORED INTERVAL (m) 353-362

AGE	ZONE			SECTION	METERS	LITHOLOGY	LITHO SAMPLE	PALEO SAMPLE ABUNDANCE PRESERVATION	LITHOLOGIC DESCRIPTION ¹	CaCO ₃ (%)	SAND-SILT-CLAY (accumulative %)	DEFORMATION
	FORAM	NANNO	RAD									
MIDDLE EOCENE	No zone	? Discoaster Subtodensis	Thyrsoyrtis triacantha	1	0.5 1.0 0.0	GEOCHEM VOID		R A G N F P F F P R A G	trace fish debris RADIOLARIA NANNOPLANKTON CHALK; yellowish gray (5Y7/2); semi-lithified and more friable zones interbedded in upper 20 cm of Section 1.			
				CORE CATCHER								

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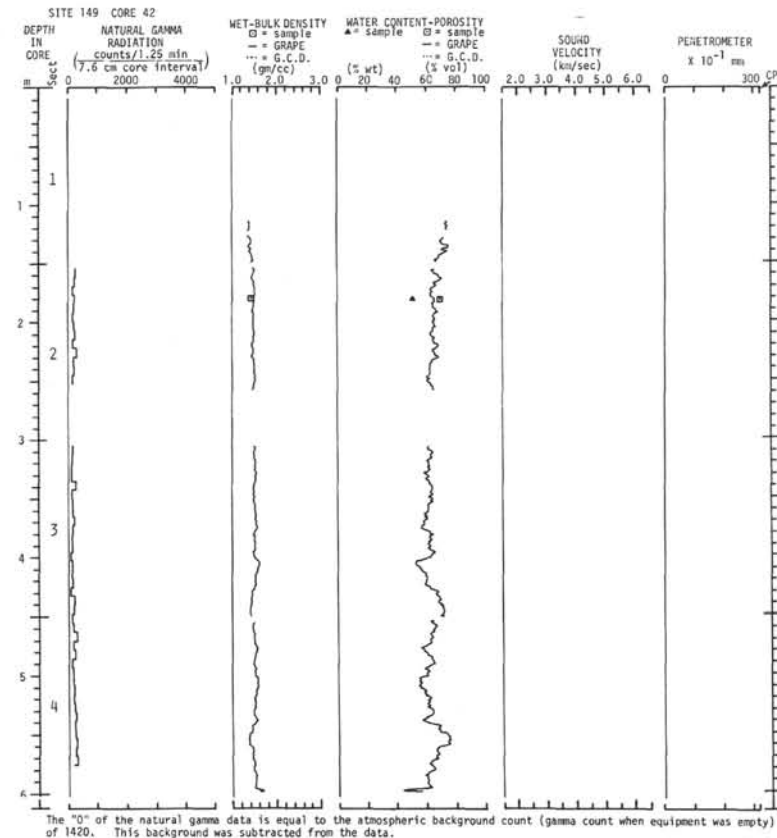
AGE	ZONE			METERS	LITHOLOGY	LITHO SAMPLE	PALEO SAMPLE ABUNDANCE PRESERVATION	LITHOLOGIC DESCRIPTION ¹	CaCO ₃ (%)	SAND-SILT-CLAY (accumulative %)	DEFORMATION
	FORAM	NANNO	RAD								
MIDDLE EOCENE	No zone	Discoaster subloboensis	Thyrsocyrtis triacantha		VOID						
				0.5		F F P		Interbedded SEMI-INDURATED CALCAREOUS-RICH RADIOLARIAN OOZE and RADIOLARIA NANNOPLANKTON CHALK; pale yellowish gray (5Y8/2) to very pale grayish orange (10YR8/4) and grayish orange (10YR7/4). Sparse plagioclase, light volcanic glass, apatite, diatoms, and fish debris. In addition, X-ray diffraction shows palygorskite. Radiolarians coated with calcite. Sediment quite crumbly with some semi-lithified and more friable zones. Pumice scattered at several levels above volcanic ash of Section 6. Faint burrow mottling.			
				1.0		N F M					
					VOID						
				0.0		N R P					
				0.5		R A G					
						F F P					
				1.0		F F P					
						R A G					
				0.0		F F P					
				0.5		R A G					
				1.0		N F P					
MIDDLE EOCENE	No zone	Discoaster subloboensis	Thyrsocyrtis triacantha			R A G					
				0.0		F F P					
				0.5		R A G					
				1.0		N F P					
						R A G					
				0.0		F F P					
				0.5		R A G					
				1.0		N F P					
						R A G					
				0.0		F F P					
				0.5		R A G					
				1.0		N F P					
MIDDLE EOCENE	No zone	Discoaster subloboensis	Thyrsocyrtis triacantha		GEO CHEM						
				0.0		F F P					
				0.5		R A G					
				1.0		R A G					
						F F P					
				0.0		F F P					
				0.5		R A G					
				1.0		R A G					
						F F P					
				0.0		F F P					
				0.5		R A G					
				1.0		R A G					
MIDDLE EOCENE	No zone	Discoaster subloboensis	Thyrsocyrtis triacantha		CORE CATCHER						
						F F P					
						R A G					

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SITE 149 HOLE CORE 42 CORED INTERVAL (m) 371-381

AGE	ZONE			SECTION	METERS	LITHOLOGY	LITHO SAMPLE PALEO SAMPLE ABUNDANCE PRESERVATION	LITHOLOGIC DESCRIPTION ¹	CaCO ₃ (%)	DEFORMATION	
	FORAM	NANNO	RAD						SAND-SILT-CLAY (accumulative %)		
MIDDLE EOCENE	No zone	? Discoaster Lodoensis	Thyrocystis trifacantha						0		
					0.5	VOID				50	
				1	1.0			DRILLING SAND of broken fragments caused by drilling.		100	CH-13 V
					0.0		R A G F F P				
				2	0.5		F F P	Interbedded INDURATED RADIO-LARIA NANNOPLANKTON CHALK; yellowish gray (5Y8/1) to grayish orange (10YR7/2), crumbly. Some plagioclase, and sparse light volcanic glass and diatoms. In addition, X-ray shows palygorskite. Few pumice fragments in Section 3.			
					1.0		R A G				
					0.0	GEOCHEM	R A G F F P				
				3	0.5			sparse fish debris			
					1.0		F F P				
					0.0		F F P				
				4	0.5		R A G	ASH layer disturbed by burrowing.			
					1.0			sharp basal contact			
								CALCAREOUS-RICH RADIOLARIAN OOZE; carbonate increases downward.			
								CHERT pebble; between light brownish gray (5YR6/1) and light olive gray (5Y6/1).			
				CORE CATCHER			R A G F F P				

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AGE	ZONE			SECTION	METERS	LITHOLOGY	LITHO SAMPLE	PALEO SAMPLE ABUNDANCE PRESERVATION	LITHOLOGIC DESCRIPTION ¹	CaCO ₃ (%) SAND-SILT-CLAY (accumulative %)	DEFORMATION
	FORAM	NANNO	RAD								
				Theocampe mongolfieri	1	VOID			SILICIFIED RADIOLARIAN LIMESTONE; varicolored yellowish gray (5Y8/1) to light brownish gray (5Y6/1) extensively burrowed and fragmented. Basal contact sharp. "Ghosts" of radiolaria and foraminifers filled by microquartz and chalcedony. Soft CHALK layer rich in planktonic foraminifers.	0 50 100	CH-13 IV
				CORE CATCHER					CHERT; varicolored, predominantly olive gray (5Y4/1) with abundant streaks of green, dusky purple, and grayish orange shades associated with burrowing. Almost packed biomicrite with well-preserved to totally replaced radiolaria and rare foraminifers. Chalcedony filling. Irregular silicification. X-ray shows palygorskite.		

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