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The abundance and distribution of biogenic, terrigenous and volcanic particles in the Panama Basin are markedly dependent on bottom topography and dissolution of calcite in the deeper parts of the basin. Of the coarse fraction (> $22\mu$ ), foraminiferal tests and acidic volcanic glass shards are concentrated on the Cocos and Carnegie Ridges as lag deposits. Foraminiferal fragments are found on these ridge flanks and on the Malpelo Ridge due to reworking by bottom currents accentuated by dissolution of calcite with increasing depth. The finest calcite, probably coccoliths with fine foraminiferal fragments, together with the hydrodynamically light radiolarian skeletons are concentrated by bottom currents in the basin adjacent to the ridges.

The foraminiferal calcite compensation depth in the basin is 3400 m. This relatively shallow depth probably reflects the high surface water productivity over the basin, although the pattern of productivity is not reflected in the pattern of biogenic sediments.

Acidic volcanic glass appears to have been carried into the basin from Costa Rica, Colombia and Ecuador by easterly winds at altitudes of 1500 to 6000 m. Basaltic shards from the Galapagos Islands have been dispersed only over short distances to the west. Terrigenous sand-sized material is found on the edge of the continental shelf, where associated glauconite points to a relict origin, and along the northern Cocos Ridge, where contour currents may act as the dispersal mechanism.

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### SURFACE SEDIMENTS OF THE PANAMA BASIN: COARSE COMPONENTS

#### INTRODUCTION

#### a) Background

In 1968, marine geologists from the Department of Oceanography at Oregon State University proposed a comprehensive study of deep-sea sediments in an effort to better understand the factors that control their distribution. The Panama Basin was chosen as a model area because of its variety of topographic features, complex water circulation, location within the high productivity belt of the equatorial Pacific and range of sediment sources.

The general distribution patterns of deep-sea sediments in the world oceans had already been described by numerous authors. Also, attempts had been made to relate these patterns to oceanic circulation, wind systems and bottom topography. Summaries are presented by Bramlette (1961), Arrhenius (1963) and recently Lisitzin (1972). Thus, the Panama Basin study evolved in order to look at a similar but smaller system in more detail in order to study the scale limits of the ocean-wide distributions, and the actual processes affecting deep-sea sediments.

The physiography and tectonism of the Panama Basin, which form the framework for the sedimentation study, have been described by van Andel et al. (1971a). The Panama Basin is bounded on the north by the Cocos Ridge, which extends southwest from the continental shelf of Costa Rica towards the Galapagos Islands to approximately 2° N (Figure 1). The southern limit of the basin just south of the equator, is formed by the Carnegie Ridge which trends east-west. The Galapagos Archipelago lies at the western end of this ridge. The continental margins of Costa Rica, Panama, Colombia and Ecuador close the basin on the east. Two other smaller topographic highs, the Coiba and the Malpelo Ridges, split the basin longitudinally into an eastern basin which is generally deeper than 3200 m and a western basin ranging from 2200 m to 3200 m deep. The Coiba Ridge is attached to the continent at its northern end whereas the Malpelo Ridge is an isolated block. The east-west trending spreading center called Galapagos Rift Zone has no marked topographic expression but is distinguished by a total lack of sediment cover. The north-south trending lineations in the topography of the basin reflect the fracture zone pattern shown by van Andel et al. (1971a). Although the Yaquina Graben forms a topographic depression in the eastern basin, no trenches are found within the study area. The Mid-America Trench terminates against the Cocos Ridge, and the Peru-Chile Trench meets a similar fate as it reaches the Carnegie Ridge. Consequently, no active subduction of the ocean floor is evident in the Panama Basin (van Andel et al., 1971a).



Figure 1. Location of surface samples. Open circles represent samples containing reworked microfossils. Contours in meters.

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The main effects of the topography on the general sediment distribution have been evaluated by Moore <u>et al.</u> (1973, in press). Most of the terrigenous material is confined to the low lying areas of the eastern basin. Consequently, the isolated ridges and the western basin receive almost exclusively biogenic sediments. This fractionation can be seen in the grain size distribution maps of van Andel (1973, in press). Fine sediments ( $\langle 62\mu \rangle$ ) are most abundant in the deep parts of the eastern basin, whereas coarse sediments occur on the ridges and in the western basin. Terrigenous sediments consist mostly of clays, whereas the biogenic sediments are formed predominantly by sand sized tests of planktonic foraminifera and radiolaria. Detrital mineral sands are found on the edge of the continental shelf and on the slope. Volcanic glass shards are found on the Cocos and Carnegie Ridges.

#### b) Purpose of the Study

The relative abundance of biogenic phases in deep-sea sediments is primarily a reflection of the balance between rates of supply and rates of removal. Near continental margins, the influence of dilution by terrigenous material also becomes important. The rate of supply is mostly a function of productivity, whereas the rate of removal depends upon chemical and physical properties of the bottom waters that act on the sediment. Both solution and winnowing remove sediments.

In addition, in situ reworking helps expose soluble tests to corrosive bottom waters and thereby increases the rate at which they dissolve.

To better understand the processes that modify the primary depositional patterns of deep-sea sediments, it is necessary to determine the response of various components of the sediment to a range of environmental conditions. The coarse fraction (>62 $\mu$ ) in Panama Basin sediments contains grains of biogenic calcite and opaline silica as well as terrigenous minerals. Because microscopic examination of this size fraction reveals subtle changes in the character of the particles, as well as in their abundance, it has been chosen in preference to the more abundant finer fractions for detailed study. In addition, coarse terrigenous debris is rarely abundant enough to mask the effects of dissolution and reworking on sand-sized biogenic: particles, a state of affairs that is not true for finer fractions in samples collected near the continental margin. Hydrodynamically, some of the particles retained on a  $62\mu$  sieve behave as silt grains, thereby increasing the effective size range studied.

Under current action foraminifera should be less easily eroded than radiolaria because the latter consist of an open meshwork of opaline silica, often with protruding ornamentation, that renders them hydrodynamically light. Studies by Berger (1971) have revealed that most foraminiferal tests suffer drastic dissolution after deposition. In the course of dissolution, the calcareous tests commonly break up.

The fragments are probably more succeptible to transport than the whole foraminifera. Thus, to evaluate the relative roles of dissolution and reworking on biogenic particles, whole foraminifera, foraminiferal fragments, and radiolaria have been distinguished throughout the study.

The value of glass shards as a tool for tracing sources and dispersal of deep-sea sediments has been recognized for some time. Thus, Ninkovich <u>et al.</u> (1964) determined that volcanic ash layers cored in the vicinity of the Mid-Atlantic Ridge came from the South Sandwich Islands some 750 km away, and Horn <u>et al</u>. (1969) defined the source areas of the various types of ash layers throughout the North Pacific on the basis of color and grain size of the glass shards. In the Panama Basin, three types of glass shards are present in the coarse fraction. The distribution of these types provides information on the source areas and paths of dispersion of non-biogenic components of the sediments.

Although this is a self-contained study, its results complement the independent investigations of the grain size (van Andel, 1973, in press), distributions of all biogenic components (Moore <u>et al</u>., 1973, in press) and mineralogy (Heath <u>et al</u>., 1973, in press) of Panama Basin sediments.

#### c) Oceanographic Setting

The surface circulation of the Panama Basin has been described by Wooster and Cromwell (1958), Wyrtki (1965) and Stevenson (1970). In brief, it is the meeting place of the Peru Current with the North Equatorial Countercurrent. Local wind-driven circulation generates small gyres within the basin, exemplified by the Colombia Current. Except where it produces upwelling, the surface circulation has little influence on bottom sediments.

Laird (1971) deduced the bottom circulation by means of potential temperature changes. On the basis of data collected during YALOC-71 as well as the data available to Laird (Appendix V), and using the much improved bathymetric chart published by van Andel <u>et al.</u> (1971a), it has been possible to develop the new map of bottom water flow shown in Figure 2. It mainly confirms the broad features described by Laird (1971) but differs in detail, mainly due to better topographic control. The bottom waters enter the basin through the Peru-Chile Trench, circulate around the Malpelo Ridge and spread towards the western basin, warming up considerably along the way. Recently, Lonsdale <u>et al</u>. (1972b) reported the presence of ripple marks and dunes of foraminiferal sand along the gap in the central Carnegie Ridge. Similar structures on Horizon Guyot were produced by tidal currents of velocities exceeding 15 cm/sec (Lonsdale et al.,



Figure 2. Bottom water circulation in the Panama Basin, modified after Laird (1971). Potential temperature contours are in centigrade degrees. Black dots represent stations.

1972a). Indirect evidence for strong current activity on the ridges existed prior to this study. Van Andel <u>et al</u>. (1971a) found sediment thicknesses of 600 meters both north and south of the Carnegie Ridge, whereas basaltic basement and Miocene cherts were exposed in the central saddle at the ridge crest (van Andel <u>et al</u>., 1971b). Slightly thinner sediments surround the Cocos Ridge, but again contrast with the sediment-free ridge crest. Both T. Moore and M. Dinkelman (personal communication, 1972), using micropaleontologic evidence, conclude that most ridge sediments are reworked. Recently, van Andel (1973, in press) has further shown that winnowing is pronounced on the ridges, resulting in the transport of finer material down the ridge flanks.

It is possible that tidal currents, with their cyclic reversals of flow are responsible for most of the winnowing. This might be superimposed, however upon an advective current system, resulting in a net transport in or out of the basin across the ridges. In order to detect net flow across the ridges, sections of potential temperatures and potential densities have been constructed. The hydrographic data collected during YALOC-71 and the data provided by the NODC, were taken over many years. For the location of the hydrographic stations, see Appendix VI. Processing of the data is described in Appendix VII. Stations were chosen to span gaps across the Cocos and Carnegie Ridges. Locations of the sections are shown in Figure 3 together with





the potential density cross sections. One hoped that the constricted flow through the gaps would maximize current velocities, making flow patterns easier to detect. Most of the features in Figure 3 can also be observed in potential temperature sections suggesting that salinity exerts little effect on the potential density.

Regardless of location, potential density gradients are much greater outside than inside the basin, especially near the bottom. In all Cocos Ridge transects, density contrasts disappear at sill depth or slightly below it. On the Carnegie Ridge, the contrast extends above sill depth.

Across the Cocos Ridge, only section (IJ) indicates any preferential direction of flow. This transect shows slight downbending of the isopycnals inside the basin, suggesting water penetration into the basin. Transect (CD) shows very irregular density below sill depth. Although the data originate from several cruises, the regularity of the isopycnals above sill depth speaks against systematic measurement errors between institutions. Section (GH) shows no obvious trends.

Section (QR) on the Carnegie Saddle provides the most positive indication of net flow. In this section, the undulation of the potential density isopleths, and their downbending outside the basin point to both vertical mixing and outflow of water from the basin. Laird (1971) suggests that the Carnegie Saddle provides the route of escape

of basin waters into the open sea. Because five stations out of six in section (QR) were occupied during Leg 4 of YALOC-71, his arguments are much less conclusive than those presented here. Sediment thicknesses seem to reflect these directions of flow. The isopach map of van Andel <u>et al.</u> (1971a) shows thickened sediments south of both the Cocos and the Carnegie Ridges.

#### d) Methodology

One hundred and fourteen surface samples were taken from short gravity and in some cases, piston cores (for sample locations see Figure 1 and Appendix I). These were wet-sieved through a 62 micron mesh. The retained coarse fraction was dried and split. One split, mounted with Canada Balsam, was termed the "carbonate slide." It contained all coarse components of the sediment. The other split was warmed in buffered acetic acid (pH = 5) until all the calcium carbonate was removed. After washing and drying the residue was mounted with balsam. It is identified as the "carbonate-free" slide. All grains were counted on both slides, totals in each ranging from 300 to 8000. On the average, counts reached more than 1000 grains per slide (for further details, see Appendix IV).

The following components of the carbonate slide were counted: whole planktonic foraminifera, fragments of planktonic foraminifera, radiolarian skeletons, minerals and benthic foraminifera (see Appendix II).

More detailed counts were made of the remaining components in the carbonate-free slide. The radiolaria were subdivided into two sub-classes, Nassellaria and Spumellaria. The reason for this distinction was a suggestion by Haeckel (1887) that Nassellaria live in abyssal depths while Spumellaria are usually found very near the surface.

The minerals were also subdivided. Two types of shards were readily identified and counted. One consisted of brown (caramel colored) glass and the other consisted of colorless (transparent) glass.

Anisotropic, non-opaque minerals were also counted, as were glauconite grains, diatoms and sponge spicules.

In summary, Nassellaria, Spumellaria, brown volcanic glass shards, colorless volcanic shards, anisotropic non-opaque minerals, glauconite, diatoms and sponge spicules, were counted as components of the carbonate-free slides (see Appendix II). The data from the carbonate slides were converted to percentages of total coarse fraction (Appendix IIIa). Values for the carbonate-free slides were transformed into percentages of carbonate-free coarse fraction (Appendix IIIb).

#### SEDIMENT DISTRIBUTION

Once the percentages of each component in all samples were obtained, they were plotted on a Panama Basin base map for contouring. The results are discussed below. Only the maps that bear on the original goals of the study are presented here.

#### a) Distribution of Spumellaria and Nassellaria

No systematic difference in the abundances or distribution of Nassellaria and Spumellaria was detected. Spumellaria are invariably far more numerous than Nassellaria, with the ratio ranging from 28:1 to 3:1. There is a slight indication that the Spumellaria to Nassellaria ratio increases towards the continental margin. It ranges from 5:1 in the middle of the basin to 20:1 at the edge of the continental shelf. This is somewhat in agreement with Haeckel's hypothesis, but one must be cautious as the continental shelf samples contain few Radiolaria and counting statistics are therefore unreliable.

These results seem to confirm Campbell's ideas (1954), that although some Nassellaria live in abyssal depths, most are found together with Spumellaria in near-surface waters.

#### b) Distribution of Radiolaria "carbonate-free" (Figure 4)

Few radiolarians are found near the continental margin and



Figure 4. Distribution of radiolaria in surface sediments (carbonate-free coarse fraction). Open circles as Figure 1.

around the Galapagos Archipelago due to dilution by coarse terrigenous material and eroded volcanic debris, respectively. Areas of low abundance also coincide with the tops of the ridges.

Radiolarians are abundant in sediments of the shallow western basin, forming a pool between the surrounding ridges. They are also abundant in the eastern basin. This pattern is identical to the opal distribution described by Moore <u>et al.</u> (1973, in press), if one ignores the diluting effect of terrigenous clays near the continental margin.

The generally low concentration of radiolarians in ridge samples could reflect either silica dissolution at shallow depths or mechanical removal of the skeletons by ocean currents. M. Dinkelman (personal communication, 1972) reports that the preservation state of the radiolaria on the ridges is moderate to poor, but that even worse preserved assemblages are found in the deep eastern basin. This seems to indicate that pure dissolution is not the controlling factor. The evidence for vigorous current action on the ridges, presented in the previous chapter on physical oceanography, and the susceptibility of radiolarian skeletons to bottom transport suggest that the relative deficiency of radiolaria on the ridges is caused by current winnowing.

While winnowing from ridges seems to be responsible for some of the high concentrations of radiolaria in the western basin (normal pelagic sedimentation away from terrigenous influx provides additional contributions), we cannot use it to explain equally high concentrations in the eastern basin. Upwelling and high productivity must be involved.

Ellis (1972) has shown that in the South Atlantic surface standing crop is correlated with the opal content of sediments. Moore <u>et</u> <u>al</u>. (1973, in press) have tried to relate productivity (expressed as  $mg C/m^2/day$ ) within the basin to the distribution of opal and radiolaria. Unfortunately, no clear correlation was found. The highly corroded radiolarian skeleton assemblages found in the eastern basin by M. Dinkelman (personal communication, 1972) suggest that their distribution is affected by bottom transport.

## c) Distribution of Radiolaria in Total Coarse Fraction (Figure 5)

Because of the negative correlation inherent in percentage data (Chayes, 1960), Figure 5 is essentially the complement of the combined foraminiferal maps. The tongue of abundant radiolaria extending south near the continental margin marks the location of the Yaquina Graben. This topographic feature is isolated from the continental margin by a sill 2400 m deep. This sill blocks off coarse terrigenous sediments. Since the graben is too deep for carbonate deposition, radiolarians are the only coarse particles that reach the sea floor.



Figure 5. Distribution of radiolaria in surface sediments (percent of total coarse fraction).

#### d) Distribution of Whole Planktonic Foraminifera (Figure 6)

Whole foraminifera are very abundant in ridge sediments, especially those on the Galapagos pedestal of the Carnegie Ridge. The pattern closely resembles the carbonate distribution presented by Moore <u>et al.</u> (1973, in press). The only exception is the Malpelo Ridge, where carbonate-rich sediments are present, but whole foraminifera are conspicously lacking. This apparent deficit is accounted for by the abundance of foraminiferal fragments and fine carbonate.

The abundance of whole foraminifera on the ridges emphasizes the considerations of the previous sections. Selective sorting removes radiolarians while coarser and hydrodynamically larger foraminiferal sand is left behind. The continental margins, where a similar process might be expected, are low in whole planktonic foraminifera due to dilution by mineral grains.

Low foraminiferal values on the eastern basin can be attributed to the dissolution of calcium carbonate with depth. The calcite compensation depth (Bramlette, 1961) in the Panama Basin is 3400 meters (Moore <u>et al.</u>, 1973, in press). The hydrographic data outlined previously (Figure 2) show that the coldest and most corrosive bottom water circulates first through the eastern basin. By the time it flows into the carbonate-rich western basin, it has warmed up considerably.



Figure 6. Distribution of whole planktonic foraminifera in surface sediments (percent of total coarse fraction). Open circles as Figure 1.

### e) Distribution of Planktonic Foraminiferal Fragments (Figure 7)

The concentration of foraminiferal pieces is high on the slopes of all four major ridges, although the pattern is least well defined on the Carnegie Ridge. The concentration is low on the ridge crests, where whole foraminifera predominate. As with the whole foraminifera, fragments are absent in the eastern basin.

The restriction of fragments to the flanks of ridges at intermediate depths can be explained by either partial dissolution of whole tests with increasing depth, or by reworking processes, which, in addition to exposing the tests to dissolution, would tend to remove the smaller pieces depositing them downslope. The mean percentage of foraminiferal fragments within the coarse fraction of the 28 reworked samples identified by Moore is 50%. On the other hand, the mean for all other samples is only 18%. This suggests that mechanical reworking and resultant increased exposure to attack by corrosive bottom waters is an important factor in the fragmentation of foraminiferal tests.

Reworking must be especially vigorous on the Malpelo Platform because essentially all foraminifera have been reduced to fragments. The proximity of cold, corrosive bottom waters, the steepness of the slopes and the constriction caused by the ridge, increasing current velocities as they swing west, create an especially harsh environment



Figure 7. Distribution of planktonic foraminiferal fragments in surface sediments (percent of total coarse fraction). Open circles as Figure 1.

for the survival of carbonate shells. The presence of radiolaria on the north slopes of the Malpelo Ridge suggests that erosion by bottom currents is minimal there and points to the important role played by dissolution in the comminution of foraminifera.

The north Cocos Ridge area is anomalous. As already mentioned, unlike other parts of the ridge, it contains abundant radiolaria. Furthermore, it contains few foraminiferal tests (either whole or broken). Dilution by terrigenous sand grains is not a logical explanation since radiolaria dominate the coarse fraction. Winnowing can be excluded since the samples on the north Cocos Ridge show no micropaleontologic evidence of reworking, and since the hydrodynamically light radiolaria are not depleted. In upwelling areas like the Panama Basin which are adjacent to continents, the production of organic matter seems to outweight the production of foraminifera (Parker and Berger, 1971). In the Panama Basin, both algal blooms and continental detritus are important sources of organic matter (Forsbergh, 1969). As a result, benthic activity in such areas is high and corrosive bottom waters are present at quite shallow depths, leading to a marked shoaling of both the lysocline and the calcite compensation depth. There is no evidence for upwelling on the north Cocos Ridge (Moore et al., 1973, in press). Therefore, highly corrosive conditions may be present near the bottom without the high production of calcareous tests in the overlying waters. The result is

a scarcity of calcareous sediments in the area.

In contrast with the north Cocos Ridge, marked upwelling and high productivity occur over the eastern Carnegie Ridge (Moore <u>et al.</u>, 1973, in press). Here surface sediments contain abundant foraminiferal tests. These differences cannot be quantitatively evaluated by the sediment data available in this study. However, it is clear that even though bottom waters on both the Cocos and the Carnegie Ridges are rich in  $CO_2$  and are highly corrosive to calcite (Culberson, 1972), the rate of supply of foraminifera to the Carnegie Ridge exceeds the rate of solution while on the Cocos Ridge it does not.

#### f) Distribution of Fine Carbonate (Figure 8)

The concentration of calcium carbonate in the fine ( $\langle 62\mu \rangle$ ) fraction of Panama Basin sediments was calculated by subtracting the percent weight of foraminifera in the  $\rangle 62\mu$  fraction from the percent weight of carbonate in the total sediment (Moore <u>et al.</u>, 1973, in press). The data on carbonate in the total sediment are expressed as weight percents, whereas those for foraminifera (whole forams + <u>fragments</u>) are expressed as numerical percents. The latter must 4 be converted to weight percents on the basis of the weight of an average grain of each coarse component. The following grain masses were used in the calculation:



4°4°90°86°82°78°Figure 8.Distribution of fine-grain carbonate in surface sediments (percent weight of total sediment)%% Fine carbonate (weight) = % Carbonate (weight) - % Foraminifera (weight).

weight of l planktonic foraminifera

10 μ gm
(range l in well pres. to
20 in poorly preserved
assemblages)

weight of 1 mineral grain > 62 microns  $5 \mu$  gm weight of 1 radiolarian skeleton (Moore, 1969)  $0.05 \mu$  gm The weight percentage of foraminifera in the coarse fraction of each sample can be converted to weight percentage of the total sediment, since the proportion of each sample coarser than  $62\mu$  is known.

Figure 8 shows high concentrations of fine carbonate north and south of the Carnegie Ridge. The distribution is similar to that of radiolarian skeletons that have been winnowed from the ridge (Figure 4). The Malpelo Ridge, where foraminiferal fragments are abundant in the coarse fraction, is also rich in fine carbonate which may have formed by comminution of the calcareous tests. The Cocos Ridge is generally richer in fine carbonate than the Carnegie Ridge, suggesting that current action over the former is less pronounced. The region rich in fine carbonate on the crest of the north central Cocos Ridge, like that on the Malpelo Ridge, coincides with an area rich in foraminiferal pieces.

A comparison of the distribution pattern of fine carbonate (Figure 8) with the maps of fine grain-size modes of van Andel (1973, in press), shows that van Andel's modes D and E combined correlate best with the carbonate. Oser (1972) found that a mode between 6.30  $\phi$  and 7.90  $\phi$  (12.7  $\mu$  - 4.2  $\mu$ ) in pelagic sediments from the North Pacific consists of pure <u>Coccolithus pelagicus</u>. This size range corresponds to van Andel's mode D, which ranges from 6.80  $\phi$  to 7.60  $\phi$ . This is one of the largest coccolith "species," however, and most of the coccoliths will occur in finer modes, such as van Andel's E (7.68  $\phi$  and 8.30  $\phi$ ). Clearly, a detailed examination of fine carbonate particles by both electron and optical microscopy is needed to throw further light on these sediments, but it seems likely that much of the fine carbonate in the vicinity of the Carnegie Ridge consists of coccoliths.

### g) Distribution of Volcanic Glass Shards

As can be seen in Figure 9, colorless glass shards are concentrated in a lobe extending from the continental margin on to the eastern Carnegie Ridge, and on the central Cocos Ridge. Smaller concentrations are found along the coasts of Colombia and Costa Rica near the Cocos Ridge. In contrast, brown shards are concentrated west of the Galapagos Archipelago, with only a single sample in the basin, between the Malpelo and the Coiba Ridges, also containing some of this type of glass.

The brown glass differs from the colorless in its larger grain size, color, blocky appearance, abundance of well formed vesicles and anisotropic mineral inclusions. Heiken (1972) terms such shards



Figure 9. Distribution of colorless volcanic glass shards in surface sediments (carbonate-free coarse fraction). Dotted shading marks the area of concentration of brown glass shards.
"phraetomagmatic." They form from glasses that were rapidly quenched by contact with shallow bodies of water or ground water. Such quenching causes the glass to shatter along smooth planes, preserving the gas bubbles originally present in the magma. Since the brown glasses observed near the Galapagos are fairly rich in vesicles, one can assume that they were derived from extremely shallow marine vents or subaerial eruptions where the lava entered the ocean while still in a semi-molten state.

Shards were mounted using the technique described by Nayudu (1962) and their refractive indices determined with standard immersion oils. Brown shards making up 49 percent of the coarse fraction of sample 175, collected immediately northwest of Abermarle Island, have refractive indices ranging from 1.596 to 1.602. On the basis of curves that relate the refractive index of volcanic glass to its silica content (George, 1924, in Williams <u>et al.</u>, 1955), this glass contains about 48% silica, that is, it is basaltic.

The colorless shards can be divided into two types. One is very clear with walls formed of bubble surfaces. The other contains striations due to stretched vesicles, and has abundant inclusions of opaque minerals. Both shard types fall into the "magmatic" category of Heiken (1972), where "magmatic" indicates explosive expansion of the gases contained in the vesicles. Such a process creates both Y-shaped shards in which three bubbles are connected by thin walls (first group) and rod shaped shards where gas bubbles become stretched (second group). Thus, all the white shards were formed by explosive subaerial eruptions.

The refractive indices of colorless shards from sample 161 on the central Cocos Ridge range from 1.500 to 1.504, whereas shards with stretched bubbles from sample 192 near the Carnegie Ridge have refractive indices ranging from 1.502 to 1.506. The silica content of both types of colorless shards is, therefore, about 70%  $SiO_2$ . Explosive eruptions are most commonly associated with viscuous acidic magmas, thus both the composition of the source magma and the shard morphology agree with an explosive mode of eruption.

The transparent colorless shards are found on the north and central Cocos areas, whereas the shards with stretched bubbles and opaque inclusions occur along the coast of Colombia and on the Carnegie Ridge. Both occurrences are close to regions of intense Quaternary volcanism. Gansser (1950) mentions that andesitic and dacitic volcanism occur in southern Colombia west of the Central Cordillera, at the same latitude as the Carnegie Ridge glass-rich samples. Quaternary volcanoes occur west of Puntarenas, Costa Rica (Lloyd, 1963; King, 1969), again at the latitude of the Cocos Ridge glass-rich deposits offshore. Most of the volcanoes here are andesitic and basaltic, but local fumaroles are rhyolitic and dacitic (Weyl, 1961). The Panama area is devoid of Quaternary volcanoes, probably because oceanic crust is not presently being subducted beneath Panama (van Andel <u>et al</u>., 1971a; Malfait and Dinkelman, 1972), and no glass shards are found offshore.

It is apparently surprising that most of the volcanic activity is andesitic in character, but the glass shards studied are clearly acidic. The answer must lie in the character of the eruptions producing the shards. As already mentioned, the transparent shards show signs of explosive eruption. Such eruptions eject debris higher into the atmosphere than the more voluminous but less viscous outpourings of andesitic glasses. Surface winds in the Panama Basin are variable, but weak westerlies predominate (Stevenson et al., 1970). From 850 mb to 500 mb, which at Guayaquil correspond to 1500 m to 6000 m, winds become easterly, with peak velocities occurring between 700 and 500 mb (U. S. Navy, 1959; Lamb, 1970). Thus, it appears that only the colorless shards are ejected high enough to be entrained in the strongest easterlies and carried for considerable distances. The limited dispersion of basaltic shards from the non-explosive volcanic centers in the Galapagos substantiates these conclusions.

The mechanism described above does not seem to be capable of explaining the distribution of glass shards on the central Cocos Ridge. Concentrations in this area increase to the southwest, and the region of shard-rich sediments does not seem to merge with the nearshore glass deposits of the northeast Cocos Ridge. The character of the glasses, as well as their refractive indices are identical, however. Cocos Island is a possible source, but it does not lie at the center of the colorless shard occurrence, and its rocks are basic rather than acidic (McBirney and Williams, 1969). It appears that the isolated area of ash-rich sediments is a lag deposit formed by current winnowing of the ridge crest. The high concentrations of foraminiferal pieces on the flanks of the ridge, the very low content of radiolaria in the ash-rich deposits, and the extremely thin sediment cover in the area (van Andel <u>et al.</u>, 1971a) seem to confirm this hypothesis. Although sand-sized glass shards are hydraulically equivalent to quartz grains only half their size (Fisher, 1965), they are still hydraulically large compared to radiolarian skeletons.

## h) Distribution of Anisotropic Minerals (Carbonate-free)

As expected, sand-sized non-biogenic particles are concentrated on the continental margin, with highest values occurring on the shelf (Figure 10). The coarse sand at the edge of the shelf in the Gulf of Panama has been identified by Golik (1965) as being of transgressive origin. The Galapagos Archipelago also contributes coarse terrigenous material. The extremely low quartz content of these sediments (Heath <u>et al.</u>, 1973, in press) results from the petrology of the islands; they are mainly tholeiitic basalt, olivine tholeiites and alkali-olivine basalts (McBirney and Williams, 1969).



Figure 10. Distribution of anisotropic mineral grains in surface sediments (carbonate-free coarse fraction).

Two mineral-rich tongues extend from the continental margin. The northern one is terrigenous sediment that was probably transported by bottom contour currents. Silt Mode C of van Andel (1973, in press) shows the same distribution pattern. The southern tongue on top of the east Carnegie Ridge coincides with an area of abundant colorless glass shards (previous section). Since terrigenous sand cannot reach the ridge because the topographic depression between the ridge and the continental slope acts as a barrier, the sands on the Carnegie Ridge must be transported by some other agent. The cooccurrence of mineral particles and volcanic glass, together with the areal extent of these deposits suggest eolian transport. Similar lobate volcanic deposits transported by wind and including heavy minerals as well as glass shards have been reported by Lisitzin (1972, page 184), and Naboko (1947).

Only four samples from the continental margin contain enough heavy minerals to allow their separation. Two of these samples (1, 3) come from the shelf of the Panama Gulf and the other two (137, 147) were collected on the continental shelf at the northeast end of the Cocos Ridge. Microscopic inspection reveals abundant green hornblende and basaltic hornblende with common diopside and minerals of the epidote group, lesser amounts of hypersthene, and trace amounts of garnet. The two northern (Cocos) samples contain the more volcanic suite, which is rich in basaltic hornblende and hypersthene. The frothy glass matrix surrounding each mineral grain confirms their volcanic origin. Possible sources for the Gulf shelf sands include Late Mesozoic eugeosynclinal volcanic and clastic deposits, and Quaternary coastal plain clastics (King, 1969). The large quartzdiorite pluton of the Peninsula of Azuero (Ferencic <u>et al.</u>, 1968) probably supplies most of the green hornblende and epidote found in the Gulf shelf samples.

## i) Minor Components

<u>Glauconite</u>. Except for an obvious increase in abundance towards shore, the occurrence of glauconite sediments is irregular. Glauconite associated with foraminiferal pieces is common in sediments at two locations on the northeast Cocos Ridge. It is also common around the Coiba Ridge, and locally on the Carnegie and southwest Cocos Ridges.

The glauconite associated with foraminiferal tests probably formed as internal molds (Ehlmann <u>et al.</u>, 1963). The occurrence along the continental shelf, like many similar occurrences (Emery, 1968), are associated with the basal transgressive sands deposited during the Holocene rise in sea level.

Benthic Foraminifera. Ratios of benthic to planktonic foraminifera have been used as depth indicators (for example, Stehli and Creach, 1964). Although Funnell (1967) did not believe that depth is the controlling variable, he observed that benthics are more abundant on continental shelves, and are inversely correlated with the abundance of planktonics. This cannot be confirmed here since the sampling on the continental shelf is very sparse.

Parker and Berger (1971) noted that in the deep sea, the planktonic to benthic ratio is primarily a function of preservation. In wellpreserved assemblages the ratio is high while in badly preserved ones, it is low. This is well demonstrated in the Panama Basin. Benthic foraminifera are present (although in small absolute numbers) in the areas where carbonate dissolution is most pronounced, such as the north Cocos, Malpelo and Coiba Ridges. These areas are rich in fragments of planktonic foraminifera.

<u>Diatoms</u>. Because the samples analyzed in this study were sieved through a  $62\mu$  mesh, most of the diatom population was not retained. Diatoms generally range from 10 to 100  $\mu$  in diameter (Riedel, 1963), in contrast to radiolaria which generally range from 50 to 400  $\mu$  in diameter and are, therefore, the dominant form of opaline silica in the coarse fraction (Riley and Chester, 1971).

The highest concentration of diatoms observed in the coarse fraction is less than 1% (sample 57 west of the Coiba Gap). All specimens are badly preserved. Frustules are discoidal (Coccinodiscus) and approximately 100 microns in diameter.

<u>Sponge Spicules</u>. Spicules make up a significant portion of the carbonate-free coarse fraction only in one sample from the Galapagos Platform (27%) and another immediately north of it (17%). Everywhere else, their abundance is 1% or less, and does not vary systematically over the basin.

Sponges are benthic animals that live attached to the bottom. Therefore, they need a solid substratum. Because of their fragile structure, they prefer low energy environments. As filter feeders, they thrive in somewhat agitated waters rich in organic debris but low in terrigenous material. Optimum growth conditions require well oxygenated and nutrient-rich waters (Meglitsch, 1967).

Apparently, depth is not a decisive factor, because sponges are found from the shallowest depths to the abyssal sea floor (Moore, 1958). Sokolova (1959) related the location of benthic communities to topography, and indirectly to sediment accumulation rates. Sponges as well as other filter feeders occur where sedimentation rates are low. Thus, they prefer the edge of the continental shelf or even better, the edge of submarine banks where basement outcrops can serve as "footholds." Sample 64 is at the edge of the Galapagos Platform. Water circulation is quite active, judging by the coarse foraminiferal sand and the badly preserved radiolaria present in the sample. In fact, the large sponge spicules are probably concentrated with the coarsest components by current winnowing.

Almost all types of spicules are represented in the Galapagos samples: monoaxons (curved, monoactinic and diactinic), thorny rhabds, hexactinic and triradiate spicules and sphaeraster. In other samples, amphidiscs are also present.

# DEPTH DISTRIBUTION OF CARBONATE COMPONENTS

Moore <u>et al</u>. (1973, in press) have established that the calcite compensation depth (CCD) in the Panama Basin is about 3400 m. This is much shallower than the 4500 m and 4700 m depths found in the south and central equatorial Pacific, respectively. If the proportions of whole foraminifera and foraminiferal fragments are plotted against depth (Figure 11), it is apparent that the foraminiferal compensation depth, like the CCD, lies at 3400 m.

In Figure 12, whole foraminifera and fragments are distinguished. Both are expressed as percentages of biogenic components only so as to minimize the effects of terrigenous dilution. The dotted line is the envelope enclosing all samples containing whole foraminifera. Its deepest limit is the "whole foraminifera" compensation depth, and has a value of 3400 m, the same as the CCD. Within the envelope, most of the samples rich in whole foraminifera are found near 2200 m. This peak is readily explained by the physiography of the basin.



Figure 11. Abundance of planktonic foraminifera vs. depth. Horizontal portion of the dotted line is the foraminiferal compensation depth. Abundance of foraminifera in % of coarse fraction.



Figure 12. Abundance of whole planktonic foraminifera and fragments vs. depth. Base of the dotted line marks the compensation depth for whole foraminifera.

The 2200 m contour outlines the ridges on which whole foraminifera are ubiquitous. The low values in the 2200 m depth range belong to samples from several locations, including the anomalous northeastern Cocos Ridge and the Malpelo Ridge.

The foraminiferal fragments (open circles in Figure 12) show a different distribution. Below 1500 m, they are very abundant but there is a considerable scatter of the points. The rapid increase in fragments at 1500 m, may well be a result of severe carbonate dissolution (discussed below). The scatter of the data below 1500 m, shows little relationship with depth, and reflects the heterogeneity of the basin, and the importance of reworking and redeposition as well as dissolution on the distribution of calcite grains.

If the non-carbonate portion of the sediment is assumed constant, it is possible to estimate the proportion of carbonate dissolved as a function of water depth. Figure 13 shows the results of such calculations for terrigenous-free calcium carbonate (data from Moore <u>et al.</u>, 1973, in press) and for whole foraminifera (whole forams + radiolaria = 100%). Dissolution values are averaged over 500 m depth intervals and plotted at the middle of each interval. For the shallowest interval, in which samples are rare, data were averaged from 617 - 1500 m. For the total carbonate, a non-carbonate concentration of 5% was assumed in undissolved sediment. A value of 7% was used for the whole foraminifera. These values were based on the



Figure 13. Percent dissolution of calcium carbonate and whole foraminifera as a function of depth, assuming initial concentrations of 5% and 7% non-carbonate, respectively. Median values of carbonate and whole foraminifera contents (terrigenousfree) at 500 m depth intervals were used to calculate the amount of dissolution. Horizontal bars show values of dissolution calculated using the 80% confidence limits for the medians of the concentrations of carbonate and whole foraminifera. Vertical bars, equal for both carbonate and foraminifera, show the depth intervals over which the median concentrations were calculated.

least dissolved samples in the suite, and are undoubtedly conservative. The medians of the carbonate and foraminiferal percentages for each depth interval were used in the calculations of dissolution, because the data are not normally distributed. Samples from the continental shelf that lacked planktonic foraminifera due to dilution have been excluded from the calculations.

Horizontal bars through the dissolution values of Figure 13 are the 80% range "confidence limits" for the medians (Tate and Clelland, 1957, Table D). Vertical bars indicate the depth intervals for which each dissolution value was calculated.

The most striking feature of both curves is the degree of dissolution at shallow depths. By 1500 m, 80% of the carbonate has dissolved and 98% of the whole foraminifera have either been fragmented or completely dissolved. These calculations are consistant with Berger's (1971) observations that "well preserved" foraminiferal assemblages in the South Pacific have already lost 50% of the fauna due to dissolution. The toll must be even greater in the Panama Basin, where oxidation of organic matter beneath the productive upwelling surface waters produces unusually corrosive bottom water.

## VECTOR ANALYSIS

As an objective check on the results and conclusions of Section II, the coarse fraction data were analyzed by the vector

analysis technique of Imbrie and van Andel (1964). Vector analysis is essentially a principal component analysis. It differs from the standard factor analysis in that it describes samples in terms of endmembers of the total suite (Q-Mode). The number of end-members (number of factors) is specified by the user of the computer program. This technique reduces a large number of variables to a comprehensible and mappable set of extreme factors.

A three factor system, which accounted for 95% of the variability among the Panama Basin samples, gave the end-members shown in Table I. Depth is expressed as percentage of range. Temperature is expressed as percentage of range of the natural logarithm of the bottom potential temperature at each sample location. The logarithm is used to stress horizontal temperature differences due to the migration of cold water masses and to minimize the influence of depth on the temperature of the water column. The varimax loading for the first, second and third factors are 46%, 33% and 20%, respectively. This indicates that none of the factors represents a trace component.

The first end-member (sample 142) primarily represents samples rich in radiolaria and opal, but low in> $62\mu$  particles, that are found in deep and cold water. The distribution of this vector in the basin is shown in Figure 14. High values are found in the eastern basin where siliceous material is abundant and where continental

	Factor l Sample 142	Factor 2 Sample 17	Factor 3 Sample 137
Depth	78.9%	29.4%	40.1%
Radiolaria (carbonate-free)	99.2	4.2	1.2
Carbonate*	15.7	95.4	5.2
Opal (carbonate-free)*	41.2	22.9	11.2
Terrigenous	49.6	3.5	84.2
Bottom Water Temp.	8.4	35.1	20.3
>62 μ	0.7	87.0	14.0
Whole Planktonic Forams	0.0	33.4	0.0
Planktonic Foram Fragments	0.2	64.9	0.0
Minerals ( >62µ, carbonate-free)	1.1	1.0	99.5
Transparent Glass	0.0	29.0	1.2
Glauconite	0.2	53.9	22.4

# Table 1. End Members (three factor vector analysis)

\*from Moore <u>et al</u>. (1973, in press)



Figure 14. Contours of Q-mode vector 1 ("opaline end-member") in surface sediments of the Panama Basin.

runoff deposits terrigenous clays. Low values reflect the lack of siliceous material on the ridges. These observations substantiate the conclusions reached on the distribution of radiolaria in Chapter II.

The second end-member (sample 17) represents samples rich in calcium carbonate, foraminiferal components, and coarse (> $62\mu$ ) particles. Such samples are found in warm, relatively shallow water. The areal distribution of this vector is shown in Figure 15. High values are found on the isolated ridges, particularly in the western basin. These results resemble both the foraminiferal map and the carbonate map of Moore <u>et al</u>. (1973, in press) presented in Chapter II.

The third end-member (sample 137) is representative of samples rich in terrigenous material, both coarse and fine-grained. As shown in the third map (Figure 16), contours of this vector hug the continental shelf and slopes, except where a tongue of sediment extends along the southern flank of the northeast Cocos Ridge. A similar lobe can be seen in one of the grain size maps of van Andel (1973, in press). The general pattern is similar to that of the mineral map presented in Chapter II as well as to the map of quartz abundance (Heath <u>et al</u>., 1973, in press), but is not influenced by the volcanic components of the sediment. Neither the concentrations of colorless glass on the central Cocos Ridge nor the glass-rich sediments on the eastern Carnegie Ridge appear in the vector map. The



Figure 15. Contours of Q-mode vector 2 ("carbonate end-member") in surface sediments of the Panama Basin.



Figure 16. Contours of Q-mode vector 3 ("terrigenous end-member") in surface sediments of the Panama Basin.

brown glass off the Galapagos Islands is reflected in this vector, however.

Vector analysis using five end-members produced patterns even more similar to those of Chapter II. The first two factors are geologically redundant and group radiolaria and terrigenous clay in one case, and radiolaria and opal at great depths in the other. The third factor is identical to the third factor in the three component system, with the addition of glauconite. This is the glauconite associated with the relict sands at the shelf edge in the Panama Gulf. The fourth and fifth factors split the carbonate components into foraminiferal pieces (associated with glauconite and volcanic glass shards) and whole foraminifera respectively.

#### SUMMARY

The coarse sediments in the Panama Basin reflect an environment dominated by current action. Winnowing of ridge sediments help break foraminiferal shells, it exposes them to dissolution by bottom waters and, it removes the skeletons of radiolaria, depositing them in the deeper parts of the basin. Indirect evidence indicates that fine-grained carbonate, probably coccoliths, is also being redeposited in the inter-ridge basin. Coarse foraminiferal sand and volcanic glass shards are left behind on the ridge crests. Foraminiferal fragments make up an average of 50 percent of the coarse fraction of reworked samples, but only 18% of unreworked samples. Reworking overshadows the effect of increasing dissolution of carbonate sediments with depth and masks the effect of surface high primary productivity on the distribution patterns of biogenic sediments.

Areal distributions of the sediment components and of vectors incorporating all components reveal the strong influence of the topography of the basin on sedimentation. No foraminifera are found in sediments deposited below 3400 m, the calcite compensation depth for the basin. The CCD is extremely shallow compared to other equatorial regions of the Pacific because the high production of high concentrations of organic matter in the surface waters is not balanced by foraminiferal production. Organic matter is provided by coastal upwelling that leads to high biologic productivity and by continental runoff. Oxidation of the organic matter at depth increases the carbon dioxide content of the bottom waters, rendering them more corrosive to calcium carbonate. This corrosiveness results in very high relative rates of dissolution of calcium carbonate and foraminiferal tests at shallow depths. Eighty percent of the total carbonate is dissolved and 98% of the foraminifera are either dissolved or broken between 600 and 2000 meters. As a result, the eastern basin which is for the most part below the CCD, is poor in carbonate sediments. Cold bottom waters of the Panama Basin penetrate along the Peru-Chile

Trench and contribute to the dissolution of the carbonate.

Volcanic sediments, mostly colorless acidic glass shards are concentrated in tongues north and south of the basin, reflecting the distribution of Quaternary continental volcanoes and the direction of easterly winds. The shards originate from explosive eruptions characteristic of viscous magmas. Brown basaltic shards are found immediately west of the Galapagos Archipelago. They have the quenched appearance of glasses derived from shallow submarine flows or littoral eruptions.

Terrigenous sands are restricted to the edge of the continental shelf and slope. Authigenic glauconite associated with them indicates an environment of non-deposition typical of relict sands. Contour currents seem to have transported terrigenous material into the north part of the basin.

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APPENDICES

## APPENDIX I. Surface Sample

	PL:	Lamont	P	S: Scripps	PO	OSU
Core	$\%$ wt. > 62 $\mu$	Water Depth (corr. meters) Sampler	Sample Top (cm)	Sample Bottom (cm) Lat. (deg. min.)	Long. (deg. min.)	Samples
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# APPENDIX II. Specimens Per Slide

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Sample	Pl. Foram,	Foram. Pieces	Rads	Mins.	Bent. Foram	Na ssella ria	Spumellaria	Br. Glass	Transp. Gl.	Minerals	Glauconite	Diatom	S. Spicules
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# APPENDIX II. Specimens Per Slide

## carbonate slide

carbonate-free slide

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# APPENDIX IIIa. Percentages of Total Coarse Fraction

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Sample	Whole Pl. Forams.	Pl. Foram. Pieces	Radiolaria	Minerals	Benthic Forams.
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APPENDIX IIIb.	Percentages	of Carbonate-	Free	Coarse	Fraction
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S. Spicule	0012210310203850011328422772211110000232211110121400400221 1.0000232211110121400400221 126.0000232211110121400400221	• 1
Diatom	n 2 0 2 3 0 2 3 0 2 3 9 2 9 2 9 2 9 2 9 2 9 2 9 2 9 2 9 2	Ĵ,
Glauconite	53.5571255551172 1555551172 1555551172 1555551172 1555551172 1555551172 1555551172 1555551172 15555555555	• 4
Minerals	4562 13 11 1 23 231914 85 32 221 53 66 732 3 13 566489916659310318147479036900110226859592811354864010991141	• 1
Transp. Gl.	1124238563933278252574758245544594515136687751324012811272698	14.9
Br. Glass	00800000000000000000000000000000000000	• 7
Spumellaria	6576 R 777785288 77 R7588 67451778718182177872767787377777 1679999538955559763126R1535375045852228644985482598629717R45 814257656799492458103142443817699211425671242393954517489735	79.3
Nassellaria	117259427497136668A217700436593921271762361191767192564477543	14.0
Sample	17579135791757917579175791757917579702468824680946809957015702467111111222	124

APPENDIX IIIb. Percentages of Carbonate-Free Coarse Fraction

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#### APPENDIX IV

### Sample Preparation and Counting Procedure

Undisturbed tops of gravity and some piston cores were obtained from the collections of Lamont, Scripps and OSU. Locations of the cores, bottom depths and sampling intervals within the cores are listed in Appendix I.

At OSU, the samples were washed and sieved through a 62  $\mu$ mesh. The coarser-than-62  $\mu$  fraction was dried in an oven at 100° C and subsequently split once, with a microsplitter. One split was further subdivided until only enough material was left to make one slide (carbonate slide). The other split was warmed in buffered acetic acid of pH = 5, to dissolve the carbonate components but preserve all the delicate radiolaria intact. During the splitting operation, care was taken to avoid air currents and the splitters were tamped on a hard surface until all the radiolaria sticking to the walls of the splitter fell into the buckets underneath.

Once the material for the carbonate slide had been isolated, it was transferred to 1 ml beakers. These were one-fourth filled with water using a squeeze bottle with a very fine nozzle. The water was used to ensure an even distribution of the material once it was dumped onto the slide, and to prevent the light radiolaria from flying away during the transfer to the slide. The microscope glass slides had been previously marked with the sample identification and had been placed on a hot plate at about 100° C. To avoid spreading of the sample on the glass slide, a frame of silicone grease was applied with a carved-out eraser that had the same dimensions as the cover slip. This frame also allowed the addition of enough balsam to completely cover the thick planktonic foraminifera.

Once on the slide, the water containing the sediment was allowed to evaporate. Additional washings of the beaker onto the slide ensured that all the sample was transferred. Immediately after complete evaporation of the water, balsam slightly diluted with xylene was added to the slide until all foraminifera were covered. The slide was allowed to sit on the hot plate for a few seconds so that the air bubbles trapped in the foraminiferal tests could escape. A cover slip was then applied with very little pressure. The most fragile globigerinids survived this treatment without breaking. Since original foraminiferal fragments in the sediment were to be counted, this was an important consideration. The finished slide was put into an oven at 50° C for hardening of the balsam for at least 24 hours.

The split used in the carbonate-free slide was inspected with a binocular microscope after 12 hours in warm acetic acid with periodic stirring. If all the carbonate had been removed, the sample was transferred to a 62  $\mu$  sieve, washed to remove all the acid and then dried. It was then split until just enough sample remained for making

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one slide and processed in the same way as the carbonate slide.

The contents of the slides were identified and counted using a Leitz binocular petrographic microscope. All grains present under the cover slip were counted. Planktonic foraminifera were considered whole when the proloculus was present even if parts of the later chambers were missing. An occasional foraminifer that was broken during mounting of the cover slip was easy to identify. The pieces lay close together and were radially distributed. These pieces were counted as one whole foraminifer.

Only four samples contained enough heavy minerals for an effective separation. The carbonate-free splits were separated in bromoform (Q = 2.89) by standard procedure (Tickell, 1965). The heavy minerals were mounted on slides with Aroclor (n = 1.66) and were identified with a Zeiss petrographic microscope.

APPENDIX V. Bottom Water Hydrographic Data

Ship	Lat.	Long. (W)	Depth Cast	Temp.	Salin.	Dens.	Pot. T.	Pot. D.	De <b>pth</b> Bottom
VĒ	9.20	89.05	3492	1.90	0	0	1.79	0	3488
11	5.0U 0.57	89.28	2905	1.82	34.675	27.76	1.60	27.77	C
EX 20	8.5/	35.25	2455	1.85	34.670	27.75	1.67	27.77	2964
- <del>.</del>	9.00	- 78 KG - 22002	3004	1.55	34.047	27 71	1.59	27.75	3372
VE	9.43	88.00	3169	1.84	14.073 N	C • / 4	1.75	27•70 N	3160
TT	8.00	37.00	3011	1.83	34.674	27.76	1.60	27.77	3164
44	8.46	56.17	3120	1.85	34.665	27.75	1.61	27.77	3091
ΤŢ	9.54	36.27	4496	2.00	34.676	27.75	1.59	27.78	4518
	9.02	86.50	2500	0	34.679	0	0	0	3110
00	9.23	36.26	322F	1.86	34.675	27.76	1.60	27.77	3220
ΤT	8.58	85.57	2460	1.85	34.669	27.75	1.67	27.76	3102
HN	9.57	31.36	2273	4.04	0	0	3.95	0	2924
RC	7.17	92.03	3538	1.87	34.671	27.75	1.58	27.77	2375
HO	7.15	35.45	2888	1.83	ŋ , , , , , , ,	0	1.75	0	3438
V 5	7.05	55.04 ea.10	2448	1.82	34.670	27.75	1.64	27.77	0
V 5 V 5	7.55	30.12	2930	1.55	34.000	2/•/6	1.62	27.18	3410
VE	7.15	35.55	2855	1.82	U 0	0	1 75	U 0	3914
ŘН	7.01	32.22	2382	2.04	34.661	27.73	1.86	27.74	3109
n۵	7.30	79.19	2500	2.09	34.640	27.71	1.90	27.72	2550
	7.06	79.55	3000	2.02	34.630	27.71	1.78	27.73	3548
ΟA	7.07	78.41	2900	2.03	34.670	27.74	1.80	27.76	3150
HN	7.16	79.24	2183	2.18	34.690	27.74	2.02	27.76	2300
00	7.(2	73.50	3693	2.02	34.672	27.74	1.71	27.76	3685
	7.16	78.30	3500	2.02	34.650	27.72	1.73	27.75	3650
KH CD	7.01	78.49	3365	1.98	34.680	27.75	1.71	27.77	3475
20 VE	5.53	33.16	2907	2 1 7	54.650	27.74	1.62	27.75	3603
00	6.00	32.35	4713	2.20	34.672	0 27 73	2.03	U 27 76	2201
0C	6.15	82.50	3509	2.10	34.675	27.74	1.81	27.76	3550
HN	6.56	82.00	2407	2.10	34.670	27.73	1.92	27.75	27 10
AC	5.49	30.25	2900	2.02	34.670	27.74	1.79	27.76	3140
SN	6.32	30.04	3063	2.04	34.620	27.70	1.80	27.72	3583
64	6.39	8 <b>0.3</b> 2	3409	2.04	34.679	27.74	1.75	27.75	3490
YQ	6.43	73.45	3306	2.02	34.675	27.74	1.75	27.76	3333
RH	6.58	79.57	2359	2.19	34.670	27.73	2.00	27.74	3054
74	5. 10 5. 10	79.14	3270	1.99	34.650	27.75	1.73	27.75	32 0 0
2C	5.16	87.57	2628	1 01	34.6/4	21.15	1.73	21.16	3190
Ϋ́ŋ	5.09	85.00	2676	2.04	34.663	27.73	1.84	27.75	2703
зĈ	5.29	83.58	3435	2.09	34.673	27.74	1.81	27.76	3439
ЯH	5.04	33.33	2908	2.05	34.670	27.74	1.82	27.75	3295
CN	5.59	32.56	3231	2.10	34.633	27.70	1.84	27.72	3324
RH	5.61	32.24	2639	2.01	34.680	27.75	1.81	27.76	2995
YQ	5.09	32.33	2463	2.06	34.638	27.71	1.88	27.72	2497
00	5.23	51.11	3700	2.04	34.675	27.74	1.73	27.77	3704
τu pu	5 61	01.15	3782	2.09	34.6/1 7/ 600	21.13	1.78	21.75	3768
RC	9∙0⊥ 5,19	30.30 30.30	2479	2.01	34.672	21.10	1 77	27 76	3558
00	5.31	30.18	3026	1.99	34.675	27.75	1.75	27.76	3008
но	5.43	30.31	2665	1.95	34.641	27.72	1.76	27.73	2926
ΥQ	5.15	30.18	3603	2.03	34.657	27.73	1.73	27.75	3637
੨ਸ	5.02	79.57	2567	2.05	34.670	27.74	1.86	27.75	3091
રમ	5.02	73.44	3325	1.97	34.703	27.77	1.70	27.79	3436

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Ship	Lat.	Long. (W)	Depth Cast	Temp.	Salin.	Dens.	Pot. T.	Pot. D.	Depth Bottom
YQ RC	5.00 4.41	78.00 91.58	3830 3393	0 1.84	34.676	0 27.76	0 1.57	0 27.78	0 3270
YQ QQ	4.47	85.00 84.22	2597	2.14	34.671 34.669	27.73	1.85	27.75	3390
RH V 5	4.53	84.54	2280	2.05	34.660	27.73	2.00	27.74	22.87 0
00 00	4.46	52.12 32.52	3847 3674	2.07	34.676	27.74	1.74	27.77	3857 3647
00 00	4.59	81.05	3752 3690	2.06	34.675	27.74	1.74	27.76	3757
VE YO	4.25	78.20	3755 2537	2.03	0 34.668	0 27.75	1.90	0	3755
Y Q Y Q	3.28 3.00	89.43 85.39	2161 2991	2.01 2.07	34.658 34.662	27.73 27.73	1.86	27.74	2198 3020
YQ YQ	3.59 3.00	84 <b>.</b> 57 34.59	3073 3001	2.07 2.97	34.665 34.654	27.73 27.72	1.83 1.83	27.75	3045 3030
RH CN	3.F4 3.46	33.42 31.37	2620 2264	2.03 2.17	34.670 0	27.74 0	1.83 2.11	27.75 0	2730 2264
RH YQ	3.05 3.24	81.06 79.00	2365 3845	2.06 2.04	34.680 34.676	27.74 27.74	1.89 1.71	27.75 27.77	2895 3848
Y 0 Y 0	3.50 2.59	79.40 93.00	3918 2122	2.05 2.18	34.677 34.648	27.74 27.71	1.71 2.03	27.77 27.72	3950 2140
YQ RC	2.05	39.29 88.03	2247 2479	2.13 2.07	34.660 34.670	27.72 27.74	1.97 1.88	27.74 27.75	0 2454
Y O Y Q	2.02	88.18 36.32	2480 2802	2.10 2.08	34.660 34.660	27•73 27•73	1.91 1.86	27.74	2586 2870
RH YQ	2.55 2.53	36.16	2702	2.04	34.660	27.73	1.83	27.75	2835 2811
20 21 21	2.58	85.00	3096 2828 7205	2.09	34.680	27.73	1.84	27.74	0 3017
00	2.11	34.36	3285	2.97	34.679	27.74	1.80	27.76	3127 3460
YQ CN	2.00	33.51 32.57	3697	2.05	34.670	27.74	1.78	27.76	3721
Y0 00	2.00	50.02 80.28	4228	2.08	34.668	27.92	1.70	27.93	4550
00 00 Y 0	2.36	73.26	3539	1.96	34.672	27.75	1.67	27.76	4550 3534 2580
YQ YQ	1.00	92.00 90.01	2327	1.97	34.657	27.73	1.80	27.75	2319
YQ YQ	1.30	33.15 37.25	2583 2384	2.06	34.661	27.73	1.86	27.74	2535 2586
¥0 ₹Н	1.28 1.03	87.54 87.25	2599 2530	2.07 2.08	34.665 34.680	27.73 27.74	1.87 1.89	27.75 27.76	27 07 2645
YQ YQ	1.50 1.00	36.30 30.39	2840 2620	2.08 2.06	34.675 34.656	27.74 27.72	1.86 1.86	27.76 27.74	2368 2640
al २म	1.45 1.01	36.14 86.14	2464 2587	2.05 2.07	34.690 34.720	27.75 27.78	1.87 1.87	27.77 27.79	277C 2560
40 H0	1.59	85.29 34.59	2743 2800	2.05	34.665 ŋ	27.73 0	1.84 1.95	27.75 0	2630 2880
RH OC	1.04 1.29	34.55 84.14	2828 3319	2.04	34.69D 34.674	27.75	1.82 1.77	27.77 27.76	2880 3393
90 00		8 <b>5</b> • 51 8 <b>3</b> • 28	3410 3402	2.05	34.656	27.73	1.77	27.75	3325 3364
КН 00	1.28	52.29 32.29	3033 2975	2.00	34.670	27.74	1.76	27.76	3145 2967
⊀Η ΥΩ ≈Ω	1.03	51.10 30.46	2799	2.01	34.673	27.74	1.79	27.76	2972
υυ ¥0	1.35 (30	30.18 31.39	3306 2741	1.90	34.673	27.75	1.63 1.64	27.77	3347 2362

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Ship	Lat.	Long. (W)	Depth Cast	Temp.	Salin.	Dens.	Pot. T.	Pot. D.	Depth Bottom
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### APPENDIX VI

# Location of Hydrographic Stations used in the sections of Figure 3.

				W	Bottom
Transect	Station	NODC ID	Lat.	Long.	Depth
				00.0(	20/4
CD	1	EX 310864	8,57	88.26	2964
CD	2	RC 311166	8.33	88.03	3372
CD	3	TT 311504	8.00	87.00	3164
CD	4	YPT 29	6.18	85.12	1700
CD	5	OC 311681	5.29	83.58	3439
CD	6	RH 310675	5,04	83,38	3295
CD	7	OC 311681	4.42	82.52	3647
СН	1	VTP 107	4, 47	88.26	2750
CH	2	VPT 34	3, 57	87.34	1600
GH	3	YTP 106	2.58	86.32	2810
IJ	1	YTT 75	3.28	89.43	2200
IJ	2	YPT 37	2.34	89.01	2000
IJ	3	YTT 75	2.02	88.18	2500
IJ	4	YTT 73	1.28	87.54	2600
IJ	5	RH 310675	1.03	87.25	2645
OR	1	YO 714/41	0.59	85.30	2650
OR	2	YO 714/39	0.00	85.30	3330
OR	3	VO 714/49A	0.415	85.31	2595
OR	4	$x_{0} 714/37$	0.595	85.26	2305
OR	5	$x_{0}^{2}$ 714/35	2.005	85.30	2440
OR	6	$x_{0} 714/33$	2.595	85.30	3165
QR	7	V5 311621	3.57S	85.49	3500

#### APPENDIX VII

#### Processing of Hydrographic Data

The parameters used to define the physical oceanographic conditions in the basin were potential temperature and potential density. Potential temperature was obtained by applying the formula of Fofonoff (1962) to the temperatures measured by reversing thermometers from hydrocasts. Potential density was obtained by inserting potential temperatures and salinities in the Sigma-T formula of Cox et al. (1970).

The temperatures used in tracing bottom water circulation were measured as near to the bottom as possible. The station locations and maximum depth of casts are given in Appendix V. Stations over local topographic highs were not taken into consideration. The topography is based on the bathymetric map of van Andel <u>et al</u>. (1971a) and on a small area on the central Carnegie Ridge, conducted by Malfait and Baumgartner (unpublished data surveyed during YALOC-71, Leg 3).

In the potential density cross sections (Figure 3), topographic details are included only where they affect the interpretation of the isopycnals.