REVISED PALEOGENE PLANKTONIC FORAMINIFERAL BIOZONATION FOR THE AUSTRAL REALM

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ABSTRACT

A major revision to the Antarctic Paleogene planktonic foraminifer biozonation is presented using the latest species concepts and biostratigraphic studies of Ocean Drilling Program (ODP) sites located between 52°S and 65°S paleolatitude in the southern South Atlantic and southern Indian Oceans. Shorthand prefixes for the Antarctic Paleogene zones are designated as "AP" zones for the "Antarctic Paleocene", "AE" zones for the "Antarctic Eocene", and "AO" zones for the "Antarctic Oligocene". New numerical ages for Paleogene planktonic foraminiferal and calcareous nannofossil first- and lastoccurrence events are estimated using new age-depth curves constructed for ODP Sites 738 and 744 in the southern Indian Ocean. The order and timing of these events are compared with bio-, magneto- and chemostratigraphic datums that have been recently published, reinterpreted, or observed in the present study. The revised zonal framework and age models will improve correlation of Paleogene planktonic foraminifer pelagic and hemipelagic carbonate sequences within and outside the Austral Realm.

INTRODUCTION

The first zonal scheme developed for correlation of Antarctic Paleogene (AP) planktonic foraminifer assemblages was based on Stott and Kennett's (1990) study of well-preserved and comparatively continuous faunal successions obtained from ODP Sites 689 and 690 on Maud Rise, which are located in the Weddell Sea. Cross-latitude correlation of bioevents used to define the original AP zonation was afforded by a magnetic reversal stratigraphy that was constructed for those sites (Speiss, 1990; Hamilton, 1990), though some of those original interpretations have subsequently come into question (e.g., Aubry and others, 1996; Ali and others, 2000; Florindo and Roberts, 2005). The AP zonal scheme was applied, with some minor modifications, in the first biostratigraphic investigations of Paleogene planktonic foraminifer assemblages from Kerguelen Plateau (Huber, 1991a, b; Berggren, 1992). However, subsequent updates of the Paleogene biostratigraphy of Southern Ocean sites (e.g., Quillévéré, 2000; Quillévéré and others, 2001, 2002; Shipboard Scientific Party, 2000; Kelly, 2002) and revisions to the taxonomy of Paleogene planktonic foraminifera (Olsson and others, 1999; Pearson and others, in

press) have revealed that a significant revision of the AP zonation is needed in order to provide a more reliable framework for correlation between the Southern Ocean deep sea sites.

The revised Antarctic biozonation proposed herein incorporates previously recognized and new planktonic foraminifer datum events that are judged to be consistently identifiable throughout the circum-Antarctic region. The new zonal scheme is based principally on reanalysis of species distributions at ODP Site 738 (Kerguelen Plateau) and correlation with species ranges documented at seven ODP sites in the southern South Atlantic and seven sites in the southern Indian Ocean, all between 52°S and 65°S paleolatitude (Figs. 1, 2). Identifications of zonal marker taxa are based on the taxonomy of Olsson and others (1999), Pearson and others (in press) and Spezzaferri (1994). To maintain nomenclatural consistency with the revised tropical Eocene and Oligocene biozonation ("E-zones" and "O-zones"; Berggren and Pearson, 2005, this issue) the "AP" notation is herein revised to represent "Antarctic Paleocene" zones, and we designate "AE" and "AO" zones in reference to "Antarctic Eocene" and "Antarctic Oligocene" biozones, respectively.

As is characteristic of low-latitude assemblages, species diversity in circum-Antarctic faunal successions increases through the Paleocene, reaching a maximum during the latest Paleocene and early Eocene, and gradually declines from the middle Eocene through Oligocene. Yet with the exception of the early Paleocene, the high-latitude Paleogene assemblages bear little similarity to contemporaneous assemblages from low latitudes, as the most dominant and biostratigraphically useful low-latitude species are either absent or significantly diachronous in their austral high-latitude occurrences. Similarly, the dominant elements of austral assemblages tend to be absent or rare and sporadic in their low-latitude distributions. Thus, chronostratigraphic correlation of the Antarctic zonal boundaries with the tropical to subtropical zonal scheme of Berggren and Pearson (2005) is achieved by integrating magneto-, bio-, and chemostratigraphic data from several high-latitude sites for the construction of new age-depth curves. These age estimates are reported relative to the time scale of Berggren and others (1995).

CIRCUM-ANTARCTIC PALEOGENE STRATIGRAPHY

The principal sites used as the basis for revision of the Antarctic Paleogene biozonation include ODP Leg 113 Sites 689 and 690 on Maud Rise (65°S) and ODP Leg 119 and 120 sites 738, 744, 747, 748 and 749 on Kerguelen Plateau (56–62°S). A brief overview of the stratigraphy of these sites is presented below. Species distributions were also compared with published data for ODP Leg 114 sites in the southern South Atlantic (Sites 698, 699, 700, 702, 703; Nocchi and others, 1991) and Leg 183 sites on Kerguelen Pla-

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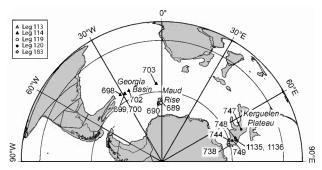


FIGURE 1. Paleogeographic reconstruction for 40 Ma (after http://www.odsn.de/odsn/services/paleomap/paleomap.html) showing location of circum-Antarctic ODP sites discussed in this study.

teau (Sites 1135, 1136; Coffin and others, 2000; Arney and Wise, 2003). The paleogeographic locations of these sites are shown in Figure 1 and the Paleogene lithostratigraphy for each site and denotation of intervals that have been magnetostratigraphically calibrated are presented in Figure 2. Details regarding the location, water depth, core recovery, and microfossil preservation at each of these sites are provided in the ODP Initial Reports volumes for the respective drill legs (Barker and others, 1989; Ciesielski and others, 1988; Barron and others, 1988; Coffin and others, 2000).

ODP Sites 689 and 690 yield a nearly continuous composite pelagic carbonate record from the Cretaceous/Paleogene (K/P) boundary through the upper Oligocene (Barker and others, 1988), with only a short interval in the lower Eocene missing at both sites. Subsequent to the study of Stott and Kennett (1990), higher resolution planktonic foraminifer biostratigraphic studies have been published for the Paleocene of Site 690 (Quillévéré and others, 2002) and for

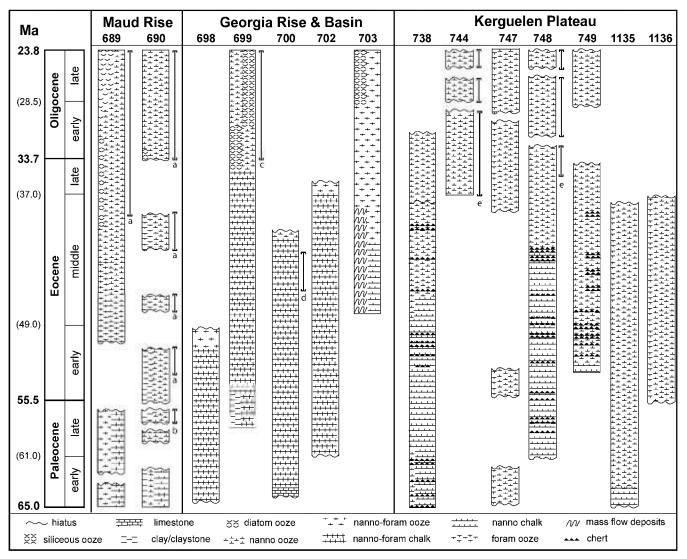


FIGURE 2. Stratigraphy of circum-Antarctic ODP sites with chronostratigraphic reinterpretation based on this study. See Figure 1 for site locations. Vertical bars with letter designations represent intervals that have been magnetostratigraphically calibrated; publication sources are shown for the following letter designations: a = Florindo and Roberts, 2005; b = Ali and others, 2000; c = Hailwood and Clement, 1991; d = Clement and Hailwood, 1991; e = Roberts and others, 2003. See text for references to site reports. See ODP site reports referenced in text for explanation of lithostratigraphy.

the Paleocene-Eocene boundary interval of Site 690 (Kelly, 2002). The magnetic polarity stratigraphy of Site 690 is based on the work of Spiess (1990) and the revised interpretations of Ali and others (2000) for the Paleocene interval.

The most complete Paleogene record obtained from Kerguelen Plateau was drilled at the southernmost site, ODP Site 738, where a lower Paleocene-lower Oligocene section ranging from ~17-377 mbsf (meters below seafloor) was recovered (Figs. 1, 2). Core recovery was nearly complete in the upper Eocene to lower Oligocene interval, moderate in the middle Eocene, and poor to moderate in the Paleocene to lower Eocene interval (Barron and others, 1989). Other than a hiatus that spans calcareous nannofossil Zone CP14b within the middle Eocene (Fig. 2), the Paleocene to lower Oligocene record from this site was judged to be biostratigraphically complete (Wei and Thierstein, 1991; Huber, 1991a, b). Relative abundance estimates of moderately to well-preserved planktonic foraminifera were obtained at relatively low resolution (~1 sample/1.5 m) for the Cretaceous through Neogene by Huber (1991a, b), and abundance counts were made for the Paleocene-Eocene boundary interval by Lu and Keller (1993). The shipboard magnetic polarity stratigraphy for this site was considered ambiguous (Barron and others, 1989), and no new magnetostratigraphic data from Paleogene sediments recovered at this site have been published subsequent to the shipboard study.

Less complete Paleogene pelagic carbonate sequences from Kerguelen Plateau were cored at Sites 744, 747, 748 and 749. The lithostratigraphy and distribution of hiatuses are shown in Figure 2. Low-resolution biostratigraphic studies of well-preserved planktonic foraminifera and calcareous nannofossils have been published for each of these sites (Huber, 1991b; Wei and Thierstein, 1991; Berggren, 1992; Aubry, 1992). Shipboard magnetostratigraphic interpretations for Sites 744 and 748 have been superseded by the higher resolution study of Roberts and others (2003), who developed a new age model using correlation with published nannofossil and planktonic foraminifer datums and strontium isotope data. These authors provide the basis for determining the extent of several of the hiatuses shown in Figure 2.

SITE 738 AGE-DEPTH PROFILE

An age-depth curve is constructed for the Paleogene sequence of Site 738 (Fig. 3) using calcareous nannofossil and planktonic foraminifer datums that have been previously calibrated using paleomagnetic control. These are marked in bold and referenced in Table 1. The datum levels represent the midpoint between the sample containing the datum marker and the next sample below or above where the datum marker is absent, and are based on biostratigraphic data reported for nannofossils by Wei and Thierstein (1991) and for planktonic foraminifera by Huber (1991a, b), as well as observations from the present study. Additional datums that provide reliable tie points for the age-depth curve include the carbon isotope excursion (CIE), which is used to identify the Paleocene/Eocene boundary, and the calcareous plankton mass extinction, which is used to identify the Cretaceous/Paleogene (K/P) boundary.

Two disconformities are recognized in the Paleogene sequence of Site 738. A \sim 25-m.y. disconformity identified at \sim 18.17 mbsf separates lower Oligocene sediments estimated at 33.0 Ma from upper Miocene sediments. The second disconformity is placed at \sim 70.59 mbsf and is estimated to span between 36.8 and 38.8 Ma. The remaining intervals of the Paleogene section are judged to be continuous, with sedimentation rates ranging between a maximum of 14.3 m/m.y. in the middle Eocene to less than 4.5 m/m.y. in the lowermost Danian (Fig. 3).

On the basis of the Site 738 age-depth curve, new age estimates for nannofossil and planktonic foraminifer datums (Table 1) are calculated for previously calibrated datum events and for highest and lowest occurrences of biostratigraphically important nannofossil and foraminifer species that have not been paleomagnetically calibrated (Table 1). Age estimates for planktonic foraminifer species whose highest and lowest occurrences are used to define zonal boundaries for the revised Antarctic Paleogene zonal scheme used in this study are also presented in Table 1 and are cited in the next section.

ANTARCTIC PALEOGENE BIOZONATION

Below we present a planktonic foraminiferal zonal scheme for the Antarctic Paleogene that has been significantly modified from that of Stott and Kennett (1990). These are designated with the new short-hand prefixes "AP", "AE" and "AO" zones to represent the "Antarctic Paleocene", "Antarctic Eocene" and "Antarctic Oligocene" zones, respectively. Age estimates for zonal datums that have not been paleomagnetically calibrated (i.e., estimated) are designated below with an "approximately" (~) symbol, and are based on the age model developed for Site 738 (see above for explanation; Table 1). Reference sources for the zonal datums that have been paleomagnetically calibrated and their ages are presented in Table 2.

In the discussion below we differentiate between lowest (LO) and highest (HO) occurrences of marker species used to define biozone boundaries, and first-appearance (FAD) and last-appearance (LAD) datums used to define the temporal limits of a bioevent. When stratigraphic sections are continuous, the LO and HO of a taxon are also equal to the FAD and LAD of the taxon (Aubry, 1995; Berggren and others, 2000). Thus, the biozone is converted into a chronozone whose boundaries record the FAD and LAD of the nominate taxon/taxa.

We adopt the naming convention for five categories of interval zones as described by Berggren and Pearson (2005).

ANTARCTIC PALEOCENE (AP) BIOZONATION

APO. Guembelitria cretacea Partial-range Zone (herein defined; different denotation than Smit [1982] and Keller [1988]).

Definition: Biostratigraphic interval characterized by the partial range of the nominate taxon from the HO of Cretaceous planktonic foraminifera (e.g., Abathomphalus, Globotruncana, Rugoglobigerina, Globigerinelloides) to the LO of Globoconusa daubjergensis (Fig. 4).

Magnetochronologic calibration: At ODP Hole 690C, the LO of G. daubjergensis was recorded in the late part of Chron C29r (Hamilton, 1990).

Estimated age: Base 65.00, top \sim 64.76 Ma; earliest Paleocene (Fig. 5, Table 2).

Remarks: Although G. cretacea was rare during the late Maastrich-

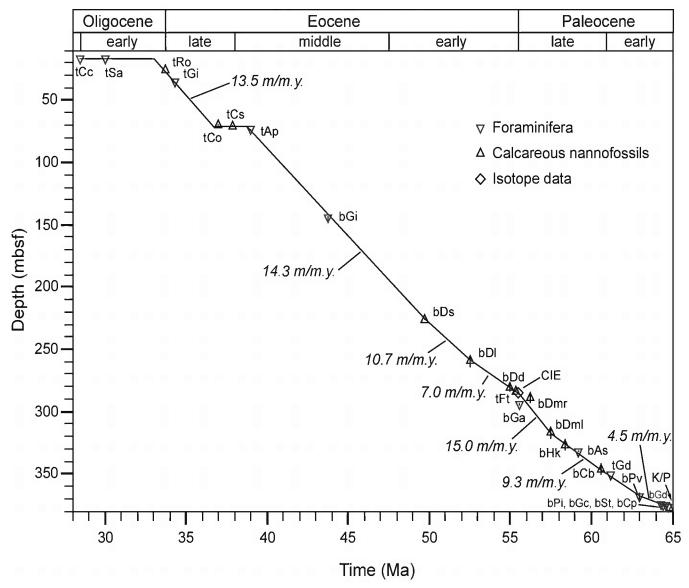


FIGURE 3. Paleocene through early Oligocene age-depth curve constructed for ODP Site 738 based on reliable planktonic foraminifer and calcareous nannofossil geochemical datums. Sedimentation rates calculated from this age model are in italics. Datum labels abbreviated for b = base or t = top followed by upper-case first letter of genus and lower case first letter of species are listed in bold in Table 1. Vertical bars within symbols represent depth errors (see Table 1 for explanation). CIE = carbon isotope excursion. Age-depth model created using the *CHRONOS* ADP application (see http://www.chronos.org).

tian, its abundance dramatically increased immediately following the K/P boundary event in the open ocean, and it became a cosmopolitan taxon (see Olsson and others, 1999). *Guembelitria cretacea* is abundant in the lowermost Danian sediments recovered from ODP Sites 690, 738 and 747, where it ranges throughout Zone AP0 and Subzone AP1a.

Zone AP0, as defined herein, is not an equivalent of Stott and Kennett's (1990) Zone AP α (see Fig. 5). These authors defined AP α as the Eoglobigerina fringa Partial Range Zone from the HO of A. mayaroensis to the initial common occurrence of Subbotina pseudobulloides (i.e., Parasubbotina pseudobulloides, following Olsson and others, 1999). Eoglobigerina fringa is an ambiguous taxon since it may be a senior synonym for E. eobulloides (e.g., Olsson and others, 1999). To distinguish the top of AP0, we used the LO of the morphologically very distinctive Globoconusa daubjergensis to avoid ambiguities in the stratigraphic delineation of an initial "common" occurrence. The LO of G. daubjergensis occurs \sim 0.2 m above the K/P boundary at ODP Hole 690C (this work), \sim 0.4 m above the K/P boundary at ODP Site 738 (Huber, 1991a), and \sim 1 m above the K/P boundary at ODP

Holes 747A and 747B (Berggren, 1992). Based on the temporal interpretation of the sediments recovered at ODP Hole 690C (Quillévéré and others, 2002), we estimate the LO of *G. daubjergensis* at 64.76 Ma. This is in good agreement with the age estimate of 64.84 Ma at Site 738 (Table 1) and is essentially the same age as the base of Zone P1a in the revised tropical/subtropical zonation of Berggren and Pearson (2005).

AP1. Globoconasa daubjergensis Taxon-range Zone (herein defined).

Definition: Biostratigraphic interval characterized by the total range of the nominate taxon (Fig. 4).

Magnetochronologic calibration: See above for magnetostratigraphic calibration of the LO of *G. daubjergensis*. No magnetostratigraphic data are available to calibrate the HO of *G. daubjergensis* (but see below).

Estimated age: Base 64.76, top 61.20 Ma; earliest Paleocene (Danian; Fig. 5, Table 2).

Remarks: We estimate the LO of G. daubjergensis at 64.76 Ma (see

bold) using the age-depth curve constructed for Site 738 (see Figure 3). LAD = Last Appearance Datum; FAD = First Appearance Datum; type refers to datum type: PF = planktonic foraminifera; N = nannofossil; CIE = Carbon Isotope Excursion; G = geochemical; MECO = Mid-Eocene Climatic Optimum. Asterisks in the sample column refer to planktonic foraminifer datums determined during this study; "Top Depth" and "Bott. Depth" refer to the depths in meters below seafloor (mbsf) for the sample containing the datum and the next sample studied above or below that datum level; "Depth Error" refers to the difference in meters between those two samples and "Midpt. Depth" refers to the mbsf depth between those two samples." "Inconf." refers to unconformity. refers to datum age calibrations based on previously published radiometric and/or paleomagnetic tie points; "Est. Ages" refer to ages interpolated between calibrated datum tie points (listed in Calibrated and estimated datums for planktonic foraminifera (Huber, 1991a, b; this study) and calcareous nannofossils (Wei and Thierstein, 1991) from ODP Site 738. "Calib. Age" Ages in million years; depths in meters and meters below seafloor.

Est. ages (Ma)	unconf.	unconf.	33.64	38.89	34.28	34.49	35.54	35.67	35.67	unconf.	unconf.	unconf.	unconf.	39.06	40.41	42.33	43.92	44.08	46.08	46.70	46.70	46.70	47.43	49.26	49.76	50.23	51.49	52.57	52.59	53.10	53.10	54.94	55.33	55.33	55.33	55.33	55.45	55.45	55.45	55.46	55.72	56.02
Calib. age (Ma)	28.50 □	30.00₽	33.70^{a}		34.30^{a}				37.70	37.70 □	38.00 □	37.00□	37.90♭	39.00□			43.10^{a}	43.70 ^d							49.70ª			52.85°				53.64⁴	55.00a	55.33 _°				55.90□	55.90ª	55.50	56.20^{a}	55.55
Midpt. depth (mbsf)	18.17	18.17	25.91	30.65	35.65	37.15	50.92	53.15	53.15	60.45	63.91	69.84	70.88	73.65	92.85	120.20	142.96	145.15	173.70	182.55	182.55	182.55	192.90	219.03	225.93	231.52	246.76	259.58	259.70	264.23	264.23	280.43	283.85	280.43	283.85	283.85	285.30	285.27	285.33	285.43	289.40	294.00
Depth error (m)	0.73	0.73	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.16	1.50	1.50	1.10	1.50	1.50	0.57	1.50		3.00	1.20	3.30	4.20	5.70	5.70	5.70	4.20	1.55	99.0	7.37	2.15	9.04	8.80	0.25	0.25	5.94	06.0	5.94	06:0	06.0	1.50	0.00	0.04	0.15	7.20	2.00
Bott. depth (mbsf)	18.53	18.53	26.66	31.40	36.40	37.90	51.50	53.90	53.90	61.00	64.66	70.59	71.16	74.40		121.70	143.56	146.80	175.80	185.40	185.40	185.40	195.00	219.8	226.26	235.20	247.83	264.10	264.10	264.35	264.35	283.40	284.30	283.40	284.30	284.30	286.05	285.31	285.35	285.50	293.00	295.00
Top depth (mbsf)	17.80	17.80	25.16	29.90	34.90	36.40	50.34	52.40	52.40	59.90	63.16	60.69	70.59	72.90	92.85	118.70	142.36	143.50	171.60	179.70	179.70	179.70	190.80	218.25	225.60	227.83	245.68	255.06	255.30	264.10	264.10	277.46	283.40	277.46	283.40	283.40	284.55	285.22	285.31	285.35	285.80	293.00
Sample	738B-3H-4, 90-95	738B-3H-4, 90-95	738B-4H-2, 66-68	738B-4H6, 90-95	738B-5H-3, 90-95	738B-5H-4, 90-95	738B-6H-6, 84-89	738B-7H-2, 90-95*	738B-7H-2, 90-95	738B-7H-CC	738B-8H-3, 66-68	738B-8H-CC	738B-9H-1, 66-68	738B-9H-3, 90-95	738B-11H-6, 35-37	738B-14X-CC*	738B-17X-5, 36-38	738B-17X-5, 30-35	738B-20X-4, 90-95	738B-21X-CC	738B-21X-CC	738B-21X-CC*	738B-22X-4, 90-95	738C-4R-2, 85-90	738C-5R-, 69-70	738C-5R-2, 73-78	738C-7R-1, 88-93	738C-8R-CC	738C-8R-1, 90-95	738C-9R-1, 25-30	738C-9R-1, 25-30	738C-10R-3, 66-68	738C-10R-CC	738C-10R-CC	738C-10R-CC	738C-10R-CC	738C-11R-1, 115-118	738C-11R-2, 31-33*	738C-11R-2, 40-42*	738C-11R-2, 44-46	738C-11R-CC	738C-11R-CC
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Datum	LAD	LAD	LAD	LAD	LAD	LAD	FAD	LAD	LAD	LAD	FAD	FAD	LAD	LAD		FAD	LAD	FAD	FAD	LAD	LAD	LAD	FAD	FAD	FAD	FAD	FAD	FAD	FAD	LAD	LAD	FAD	FAD	LAD	FAD	FAD	LAD	FAD	FAD		FAD	FAD

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	naerica mai neella teuriensis	PF	738C-15R-CC	321.90	331.60	9.70	326.75		58.52
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FAD Fasciculithus tympaniformis	npaniformis	z	738C-17R-CC	341.30	350.90	09.6	346.10	59.70₽	60.54
FAD Chiasmolithus bidens	idens	z	738C-17R-CC	341.30	350.90	09.6	346.10	60.70^{a}	60.54
LAD Globoconusa daubjergensis	ubjergensis	PF	738C-17R-CC	350.45	350.90	0.45	350.68	61.20°	61.10
FAD Prinsius martinii		z	738C-18R-CC	350.90	360.50	9.60	355.70	62.40°	61.64
FAD Parasubbotina varianta	arianta	PF	738C-19R-CC	365.00	371.22	6.22	368.11	63.00□	63.09
LAD Praemurica inconstans	mstans	PF	738C-20R-1, 102-104	371.22	372.88	1.66	372.05	63.23 8	63.83
FAD Globanomalina compressa	compressa	PF	738C-20R-2, 118-120	372.88	374.10	1.22	373.49	63.23s	64.19
FAD Subbotina triloculinoides	ulinoides	PF	738C-20R-3, 90-92	374.10	374.87	0.77	374.49	64.69s	64.41
FAD Globoconusa daubjergensis	ubjergensis	PF	738C-20R-5, 56-57	376.76	376.85	0.09	376.81	64.768	64.84
FAD Cruciplacolithus primus	primus	z	738C-20R-5, 84.1	377.04	377.04	0.00	377.04	64.80a	64.92
FAD Eoglobigerina eobulloides	bulloides	PF	738C-20R-5, 95-96	377.15	377.16	0.01	377.16		64.99
FAD K/P boundary ^h		PF	738C-20R-5, 96.5	377.16	377.16	0.00	377.16	65.00 $^{\circ}$	65.00

^a Berggren and others, 1995.
^b Arney and Wise, 2003.
^c Bohaty and Zachos, 2003.
^d Incorrectly reoprted as 42.9 Ma in Berggren and others, 1995.
^e Backman, 1986.
^f Lu and Keller, 1993.
^g Calibrated this study.
^h Thierstein and others, 1991.

TABLE 2. Revised Antarctic Paleogene Zones, defining datums, and datum ages. FAD = First Appearance Datum; LAD = Last Appearance Datum; PRZ = Partial Range Zone; HOZ = Highest Occurrence Zone; TRZ = Taxon Range Zone; CRZ = Concurrent Range Zone; PRSZ = Partial Range Subzone; LOSZ = Lowest Occurrence Subzone; CRSZ = Concurrent Range Subzone.

Zone		Base Datum	Base age (Ma)
AN1	Globigerina brazieri PRZ ^a	LAD Globigerina euapertura	23.80 ^b
AO4	Globigerina euapertura HOZ	LAD Globigerina labiacrassata	27.10 ^b
AO3	Globigerina labiacrassata HOZ	LAD Chiloguembelina cubensis	28.50 ^b
AO2	Chiloguembelina cubensis HOZ	LAD Subbotina angiporoides	30.00 ^b
AO1	Subbotina angiporoides HOZ	LAD Globigerinatheka index	34.30 ^b
AE10	Globigerinatheka index HOZ	LAD Tenuitella insolita	34.49°
AE9	Tenuitella insolita TRZ	FAD Tenuitella insolita	35.54°
AE8	Subbotina linaperta PRZ	LAD Acarinina primitiva	39.00 ^b
AE7	Acarinina primitiva/Subbotina angiporoides CRZ	FAD Subbotina angiporoides	42.33°
AE6	Acarinina collactea PRZ	FAD Globigerinatheka index	43.70 ^b
AE5	Pseudohastigerina micra PRZ	LAD Cassigerinelloita amekiensis	46.70°
AE4	Cassigerinelloita amekiensis TRZ	FAD Cassigerinelloita amekiensis	50.23°
AE3	Globanomalina chapmani PRZ	FAD Acarinina primitiva	51.49°
AE2	Acarinina wilcoxensis PRZ	LAD Chiloguembelina wilcoxensis	53.10°
AE1	Globanomalina australiformis/ Chiloguembelina wilcoxensis CRZ	FAD Globanomalina australiformis	55.55 ^d
AP4	Acarinina mckannai PRZ	LAD Subbotina triloculinoides	56.50 ^b
AP3	Acarinina subsphaerica/Subbotina triloculinoides CRZ	FAD Acarinina subsphaerica	59.20 ^d
AP2	Parasubbotina varianta PRZ	LAD Globoconusa daubjergensis	61.20 ^d
AP1c	Praemurica inconstans/Globoconusa daubjergensis CRSZ	FAD Praemurica inconstans/ Globanomalina compressa	63.23 ^d
AP1b	Subbotina triloculinoides LOSZ	FAD Subbotina triloculinoides	64.69 ^d
AP1a	Eoglobigerina eobulloides PRSZ	FAD Globoconusa daubjergensis	64.76 ^d
AP1	Globoconusa daubjergensis TRZ	FAD Globoconusa daubjergensis	64.76 ^d
AP0	Guembelitria cretacea PRZ	K/P boundary	65.00 ^b

^a Berggren, 1992.

^d Calibrated this study (see Table 1).

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57 -		LATE	THANETIAN	ΑP	3	ric	subsphae- ca/S. trilo-	Subbotina triloculinoides	H Acarinina subs
59 -	ENE	LA	NAI			С	culinoides CRZ	Subbott	
60 -	LEOCENE		SELANDIAN	AP.	2	P	? varianta PRZ	Globoconusa daubjergensis	
61 -	PAL					TRZ	P. incons- tans/G.	Sa daub)	Praemurica inconstans
63 -		EARLY	DANIAN	٨٦٨	С	Jensis T	daubjer- gensis CRSZ	opocoun	Praem
64 -		EA	DAN	AP1	b	G. daubjergensis	S. triloculi- noides LOSZ rE. eobulloid. PRSZ	- Ch	

FIGURE 4. Planktonic foraminifer species used to define the new Antarctic Paleocene (AP) zones and subzones. Stratigraphic ranges are shown with horizontal lines representing zonal datum levels. Time scale based on Berggren and others (1995) with the inclusion of the Sparnacian Stage as defined by Aubry and others (2003).

above). Quillévéré (2000) and Quillévéré and others (2001) have shown that in high southern latitudes (ODP Holes 690C and 750A), the HO of *G. daubjergensis* can be used to approximate the tropical/subtropical P1/P2 zonal boundary (61.37 Ma; Berggren and others, 2000; Berggren and Pearson, 2005).

Zone AP1, as defined herein and shown in Figure 5, is not an equivalent of Stott and Kennett's (1990) and Huber's (1991a) Zone AP1. Stott and Kennett (1990) defined Zone AP1 as the Subbotina pseudobulloides Interval Zone between the initial "common" occurrence of S. pseudobulloides (i.e., Parasubbotina pseudobulloides, following Olsson and others, 1999) and the initial occurrence of "Planorotalites imitatus" (i.e., Globanomalina imitata, following Olsson and others, 1999). Huber (1991a) defined Zone AP1 as the S. pseudobulloides Partial Range Zone from the LO of G. daubjergensis to the LO of "P." imitatus. Again, the total range of the morphologically very distinctive G. daubjergensis was used here to avoid ambiguities in both the stratigraphic delineation of an initial "common" occurrence and in the ambiguous recognition of G. imitata.

Planktonic foraminiferal assemblages observed in Zone AP1, as defined here, are similar to those described from Zone P1 in low-latitude sequences (Berggren and Norris, 1997; Olsson and others, 1999). Zone AP1 is marked by the initial occurrence and/or diversification of several new trochospiral genera, including Subbotina, Parasubbotina, Globanomalina,, and Praemurica. Based on the sequential appearances of Subbotina triloculinoides, Globanomalina compressa and/or Praemurica inconstans, Zone AP1 has been further subdivided into three subzones

AP1a. Eoglobigerina eobulloides Partial-range Subzone (herein defined).

Definition: Biostratigraphic interval containing the nominate taxon from the LO of Globoconusa daubjergensis to the LO of Subbotina triloculinoides (Fig. 4).

Magnetochronologic calibration: At ODP Holes 690C and 738C,

^b Berggren and others, 1995.

^c Estimated this study (see Table 1).

C26r

C27n

C27r

C28n

C29n

C29r

C30n

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PALEOCENE TIME SCALE CALCAREOUS NANNO. PLANKTONIC FORAMINIFERA POLARITY EPOCH CHRON TIME Circum-Antarctic Tropical Martini Bukry (Ma) (1971)(1973, 1975) Berggren and Pearson Stott and Kennett This study (2005)(1990)EARLY E4 M. formosa LOZ S, maequis SPAR, YPRES AP6 a 54 pira PRSZ **NP10** E3 M. marginodentata PRZ G. australiformis/ CP9 a C24r PI. AE1 C. wilcoxensis P. wilcoxensis / M. velascoensis CRZ E1 E2 australi-CRZ formis IZ NP9 b CP8 P5 M. velascoensis PRZ THANETIAN A praoponta A. mokannai a AP4 AP4 C25n A soldadoensis/G/ pseudo-menardii CRSZ camerata IZ C NP8 CP7 C25r NP7-A. subsphaerica CP6-P4 PRSZ A. subsphaerica/ b LATE C26n NP6 AP3 CP5 S triloculinoides SELANDIAN CRZ AP3 mckannai GI. paeudomenardiV P. vanospira CRSZ a 59 IZ NP5 CP4

FIGURE 5. Correlation of Antarctic Paleocene biozonation defined in this study with the original Antarctic Paleogene biozonation of Stott and Kennett (1990), the Paleocene tropical planktonic foraminiferal zonation of Berggren and others (1995), and the standard calcareous nannoplankton biostratigraphies of Martini (1971) and Bukry (1973, 1975) using the Berggren and others (1995) time scale with the inclusion of the Sparnacian Stage as defined by Aubry and others (2003).

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the LO of G. daubjergensis was recorded in the late part of Chron C29r (Hamilton, 1990; Huber, 1991b; Quillévéré, 2000). At ODP Hole 690C, the LO of S. triloculinoides was recorded in the early part of Chron C29n (Hamilton, 1990; Quillévéré, 2000).

NP4

NP3

NP2

NP₁

DANIAN

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EARLY

CRET.

CP3-

CP2

CP1

b

a

Estimated age: Base 64.76, top 64.69 Ma; early Paleocene (Danian; Fig. 5. Table 2).

Remarks: We estimate the LO of G. daubjergensis at 64.76 Ma (see above). Based on the location at 247.55 mbsf of the C29n/r Magnetozone boundary at ODP Hole 690C (Hamilton, 1990), and the temporal interpretation by Quillévéré and others (2002), we calculate the LO of S. triloculinoides at 64.69 Ma.

Subzone AP1a is defined differently than in Stott and Kennett's (1990) zonal scheme. This was done first, to avoid ambiguities in the stratigraphic delineation of the initial "common" occurrence of Parasubbotina pseudobulloides (see above), and second, because we selected the LO of S. triloculinoides as a zonal marker for the AP1a/ AP1b zonal boundary.

Subzone AP1a is marked by the common co-occurrence of G. daubjergensis and E. eobulloides, the latter taxon being very abundant throughout this subzone. Other characteristic elements include Subbotina trivialis, Parasubbotina pseudobulloides, Praemurica taurica, P. pseudoinconstans, Globanomalina planocompressa, Chiloguembelina midwayensis and Guembelitria cretacea. At ODP Holes 690C and 738C, G. daubjergensis has its LO just below that of S. triloculinoides (Quillévéré, 2000; Huber, 1991a). Previous stratigraphic interpretations where the LO of G. daubjergensis has not been observed to precede that of S. triloculinoides may result from: (1) low sample

density, (2) an artifact of perturbation, or (3) misidentification of S. trivialis for S. triloculinoides. The very short duration of Subzone AP1a (70 kyrs) makes it difficult to identify in deep-sea sequences because of the low early Danian sedimentation rates.

P varianta

PRZ

inconstans

Gb daubjer-

CRSZ

S. follocu-

linoides ISZ

E ectulor-des PRSZ

G. cretacea PRZ

AP2

AP1

AP0,

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b

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daubjergensis

AP1b. Subbotina triloculinoides Lowest-occurrence Subzone (same denotation as the Subbotina triloculinoides-Globanomalina compressa/Praemurica inconstans Interval Subzone [P1b] of Berggren and others, 1995; see Fig. 5).

Definition: Biostratigraphic interval from the LO of the nominate taxon to the LOs of G. compressa and/or P. inconstans (Fig. 4).

Magnetochronologic calibration: The LO of S. triloculinoides is in the early part of Chron C29n at ODP Hole 690C. No magnetostratigraphic data were available to calibrate the LO of P. inconstans. At Hole 690C, this taxon first occurs about 10 m above the C29n/r Magnetozone boundary.

Estimated age: Base 64.69, top 63.23 Ma; early Paleocene (Danian; Fig. 5, Table 2).

Remarks: We estimate the LO of S. triloculinoides at 64.69 Ma (see above). At low-latitude locations, P. inconstans and G. compressa appeared simultaneously at 63.0 Ma, and the LO of the latter taxon can be used to delineate the P1b/P1c zonal boundary (Berggren and others, 1995, 2000). At ODP Holes 690C and 750A, both taxa also appeared simultaneously (Quillévéré, 2000), whereas the LO of P. inconstans is located just above that of G. compressa at Site 738 (Huber, 1991b). The LO of P. inconstans coincides with the HO of its ancestor Praemurica pseudoinconstans. Note, however, that consistent differentiation between the latter species and early morphotypes of *P. inconstans* is difficult because of their morphologic similarity. As is done at low latitudes, the LO of *G. compressa*, which is easier to differentiate from its ancestor *Globanomalina planocompressa* (Berggren and Norris, 1997), may be used to approximate the AP1b/AP1c zonal boundary in the Austral Realm.

Based on the location at 247.55 mbsf of the Chron C29n/r Magnetozone boundary at ODP Hole 690C (Hamilton, 1990) and the sedimentation rate of 6.7 m/m.y. determined in the lower Danian by Quil-lévéré and others (2002), the LO of *P. inconstans* is estimated at 63.23 Ma in the Austral Realm. This datum is about 0.2 Ma older than that determined at low latitudes, suggesting that *P. inconstans* originated in the Austral Realm during the Danian.

Stott and Kennett (1990) defined Subzone AP1b as the Subbotina inconstans Interval Subzone between the LO of S. inconstans (i.e., Praemurica inconstans, following Olsson and others, 1999) and the initial occurrence of "Planorotalites imitatus" (i.e., Globanomalina imitata, following Olsson and others, 1999). Subzone AP1b, as defined herein, is not an equivalent of that of Stott and Kennett (1990) since we used the LO of S. triloculinoides as a zonal marker to delineate the base of the subzone and since we chose to avoid ambiguities in the recognition of G. imitata (see above).

Following Blow (1979), Stott and Kennett (1990), and Berggren and Norris (1997), Praemurica trinidadensis is considered as a synonym of P. inconstans. Parasubbotina varianta and Eoglobigerina spiralis first occur in the upper part of this biostratigraphic interval. Other characteristic taxa include E. edita, E. eobulloides, Subbotina trivialis, Parasubbotina pseudobulloides, Praemurica taurica and Globoconusa daubjergensis.

AP1c. Praemurica inconstans/Globoconusa daubjergensis Concurrent-range Subzone (base same, top different from Globanomalina compressa/Praemurica inconstans-Praemurica uncinata Interval Subzone [P1c] of Berggren and others, 1995; see Figure 5).

Definition: Biostratigraphic interval characterized by the concurrent range of the nominate taxa from the LO of *G. compressa* and/or *P. inconstans* to the HO of *Globoconusa daubjergensis* (Fig. 4).

Magnetochronologic calibration: None.

Estimated age: Base 63.23, top 61.20 Ma; early Paleocene (Danian). Remarks: There was no APIc Subzone defined in Stott and Kennett's austral zonal scheme. The LO of Globanomalina compressa can be used to approximate the APIb/APIc zonal boundary (see above). We estimate the LO of P. inconstans (and/or the LO of G. compressa) at 63.23 Ma (see above). The HO of Globaconusa daubjergensis is correlated with an unconformity at ~227.9 mbsf in ODP Hole 690C (Quillévéré and others, 2002). A greater than 2 m.y hiatus (61.7–59.7 Ma) is associated with this unconformity and, as a result, the age of the top of Subzone APIc cannot be directly calibrated. However, Quillévéré (2000) has shown that the HO of G. daubjergensis can be used to delineate or approximate the low-latitude P1/P2 biochronal boundary (61.20 Ma; Berggren and others, 1995, 2000). This is in good agreement with the age estimate of 61.10 Ma for the HO of G. daubjergensis at Site 738 (Table 1).

Subbotina triloculinoides, Parasubbotina pseudobulloides and Praemurica inconstans dominate the planktonic foraminiferal assemblages in this subzone. The LOs of Chiloguembelina wilcoxensis, Eoglobigerina spiralis, and Parasubbotina varianta, and the HO of Praemurica taurica occur in the lower part of the subzone. Other characteristic species of this biostratigraphic interval include E. edita and Chiloguembelina midwayensis.

AP2. Parasubbotina varianta Partial-range Zone (herein defined).

Definition: Biostratigraphic interval containing the partial range of the nominate taxon from the HO of Globoconusa daubjergensis to the LO of Acarinina subsphaerica (Fig. 4).

Magnetochronologic calibration: None.

Estimated age: Base 61.20, top 59.20 Ma; early Paleocene (Danian; Fig. 5, Table 2).

Remarks: The age of the base of Zone AP2 is estimated at \sim 61.20 Ma (see above). We acknowledge that high-latitude records are poor around the Danian/Selandian boundary.

Zone AP2 is marked by the initial occurrence of acarininids and morozovellids. At ODP Hole 750A, Quillévéré and others (2001) found the LO of A. strabocella at about 61.0 Ma. This age determi-

nation was based on the presence of numerous specimens that were collected in the same horizons as Morozovella praeangulata, which is commonly identified at low latitudes in biozones P2 and lower P3a (Berggren and Norris, 1997; Olsson and others, 1999). The overlapping ranges of M. praeangulata and A. strabocella and the occurrence of the latter species below the LO of M. angulata (marker for the base of Biozone P3a at low latitudes) suggest that ODP Hole 750A contains the oldest record of acarininids presently known from the deep sea, and that these acarininids are at least as old as 61.0 Ma. At ODP Hole 738C, Huber (1991b) described contemporaneous Acarinina mckannai and M. praeangulata, but we believe that the specimens figured as A. mckannai by Huber (1991b) are more confidently attributable to A. strabocella. Zone AP2 is not recorded at ODP Hole 690C because of a recovery gap between Cores 12X and 13X. Recent studies (Quillévéré, 2000) do not support Stott and Kennett's (1990) recognition of the LO of Muricoglobigerina mckannai (i.e., A. mckannai, following Olsson and others, 1999; Fig. 5) at the base of Core 12X. This species appears higher (~3 m) in the core and we believe that Stott and Kennett's interpretation may also result from their misidentification of A. strabocella as A. mckannai.

The initial appearance of the cosmopolitan species *A. subsphaerica* and *A. nitida* (*A. esnaensis* of Stott and Kennett, 1990) occurred simultaneously by 59.20 Ma throughout the oceans, at low as well as high latitudes (Quillévéré and others, 2001; Quillévéré and Norris, 2003). Therefore, we assign an age of 59.20 Ma to the top of Zone AP2. This is in good agreement with the age estimate of 59.10 Ma for the LO of *A. subsphaerica* at Site 738 (Table 1).

Parasubbotina varianta is very abundant throughout Zone AP2. Subbotina triloculinoides and Parasubbotina pseudobulloides also dominate the planktonic foraminiferal assemblages in this zone. At both ODP Holes 690C and 750A, the LO of Subbotina triangularis occurs close to that of A. strabocella and the HOs of Praemurica inconstans, Eoglobigerina spiralis and E. edita occur close to the top of Zone AP2. At ODP Hole 750A, the HO of Morozovella praeangulata occurs in the lower part of Zone AP2 slightly above the horizon where M. angulata and M. conicotruncana first appear (Quillévéré, 2000; Quillévéré and others, 2001). At ODP Hole 738C, M. conicotruncana (i.e., Acarinina apanthesma of Huber, 1991b) was identified within Zone AP3. No morozovellids were found in the Paleocene sediments of ODP Sites 689 and 690 (Kennett and Stott, 1990; Quillévéré and others, 2002), except within levels where the CIE is recovered (see below). Other characteristic species of this biostratigraphic interval include Globanomalina compressa and Globanomalina imitata.

AP3. Acarinina subsphaerica/Subbotina triloculinoides Concurrent-range Zone (herein defined).

Definition: Biostratigraphic interval characterized by the concurrent range of the nominate taxa from the LO of Acarinina subsphaerica to the HO of Subbotina triloculinoides (Fig. 4).

Magnetochronologic calibration: See above for calibration of the LO of A. subsphaerica. The HO of S. triloculinoides has not been reliably correlated with the magnetic polarity stratigraphy at ODP Hole 690B (see Ali and others, 2000, for comments on the reliability of magnetozones C25n and C25r of Spiess, 1990).

Estimated age: Base 59.20, top 56.50 Ma; late Paleocene (Selandian and Thanetian; Fig. 5, Table 2).

Remarks: The age of the base of Zone AP3 is estimated at 59.2 Ma (see above). The HO of S. triloculinoides is correlated with an unconformity at ~185.7 mbsf in ODP Hole 690B (Quillévéré and others, 2002). A ~600 kyr hiatus (56.5–55.9 Ma) is associated with this unconformity and the age of the top of Zone AP3 cannot be directly calibrated. Because S. triloculinoides is a deep-dwelling planktonic foraminifer at low latitudes (e.g., Olsson and others, 1999), we believe it is more parsimonious to arbitrarily assign the same extinction age in high latitudes as is recognized in tropical to subtropical records (i.e., 56.5 Ma at DSDP Site 384; Berggren and others, 2000). The ~1 m.y. discrepancy between this age and the HO of S. triloculinoides recorded at ODP Site 738 is attributed to poor core recovery at the latter site.

At ODP Hole 690B, the LOs of A. subsphaerica and A. mckannai occur in the same sample (Quillévéré, 2000). Because of its long duration (~2.7 m.y.), Zone AP3 is characterized by numerous LOs (Subbotina velascoensis, Parasubbotina aff. varianta, Globanomalina pseudomenardii, G. chapmani) and HOs (P. pseudobulloides, P. var-

ianta, G. imitata, A. strabocella). Other characteristic elements of this biostratigraphic interval include S. triangularis and A. nitida.

AP4. Acarinina mckannai Partial-range Zone (herein defined).

Definition: Biostratigraphic interval characterized by the partial range of the nominate taxon from the HO of *Subbotina triloculinoides* to the LO of *Globanomalina australiformis* (Fig. 4).

Magnetochronologic calibration: The LO of G. australiformis is correlated with the early part of Chron C24r (Ali and others, 2000).

Estimated age: Base 56.50, top 55.55 Ma; late Paleocene (Thanetian; Fig. 5, Table 2).

Remarks: The age of the base of Zone AP4 is estimated at 56.50 Ma (see above). At ODP Hole 690B, the LO of *G. australiformis* occurs about 0.5 m below the base of the CIE (Quillévéré, 2000). Based on the location of the base of the CIE at ~170.76 mbsf (Bains and others, 1999) and the sedimentation rate of 38.7 m/m.y. determined in the late Thanetian by Quillévéré and others (2002), the LO of *G. australiformis* is estimated at 55.55 Ma.

Stott and Kennett (1990) defined Zone AP4 as the Acarinina prae-pentacamerata Interval Zone between the initial occurrence of A. prae-pentacamerata and the first occurrence of Planorotalites australiformis (i.e., Globanomalina australiformis, following Olsson and others, 1999). The base of Zone AP4 has been redefined herein because of the ambiguous taxonomic significance of A. praepentacamerata (see Olsson and others, 1999). We believe that Stott's and Kennett's (1990) interpretation may result from their misidentification of A. strabocella and/or A. mckannai as A. praepentacamerata.

At ODP Hole 690B the HO of *S. triloculinoides* and the LO of *Subbotina patagonica* occur in the same level, but this may be an artifact related to the unconformity at ~185.9 mbsf (see Quillévéré and others, 2002). *Acarinina mckannai* ranges throughout Zone AP4, where it is very abundant. This zone is also characterized by the LOs of *Acarinina soldadoensis* and *A. coalingensis* (i.e., *A. triplex* of Huber, 1991b). At low latitudes, the LO of *A. soldadoensis* is ~56.4 Ma and corresponds to the base of Subzone P4c (Berggren and others, 1995; 2000; Olsson and others, 1999). As was pointed out by Quillévéré and others (2001), this species appears considerably later in the circum-Antarctic region than at low latitudes. The fossil assemblages of Zone AP4 also include *Acarinina subsphaerica*, *A. nitida*, *Chiloguembelina wilcoxensis*, *Subbotina velascoensis*, *S. triangularis*, *Parasubbotina* aff. *varianta*, and *Globanomalina chapmani*.

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AE1. Globanomalina australiformis/Chiloguembelina wilcoxensis Concurrent-range Zone (herein defined).

Definition: Biostratigraphic interval characterized by the overlapping ranges of the nominate taxa between the LO of Globanomalina australiformis and the HO of Chiloguembelina wilcoxensis (Fig. 6).

Magnetochronologic calibration: See above for the LO of G. australiformis. The HO of C. wilcoxensis has not been calibrated.

Estimated age: Base 55.55 Ma, top \sim 53.10 Ma; latest Paleocene (Thanetian) to early Eocene (Sparnacian and early Ypresian; Fig. 7, Table 2)

Remarks: The age of the base of Zone AE1 is estimated at 55.55 Ma (see above). At ODP Holes 690B, 738C, 747A, 747B and 748C, M. subbotinae and M. gracilis appear simultaneously (Kelly, 2002; Huber, 1991b; Berggren, 1992) and slightly above the LO of G. australiformis. Both morozovellid species are rare, but consistently present within most of their stratigraphic range, which is very brief at all austral locations. Kelly (2002) showed that the LOs of these taxa occur immediately below the CIE level at ODP Hole 690B (i.e., 170.76 mbsf; Bains and others, 1999). At site 738, the LOs of these taxa were recorded immediately above the CIE together with the LO of Pseudohastigerina wilcoxensis. In low latitudes, the LO of M. subbotinae is at the top of Chron C25n and the LO of M. gracilis occurs a short time later (Berggren and others, 1995). Thus, the occurrence of such morozovellid species in high southern latitudes is part of the extratropical excursion of low-latitude forms associated with the Paleocene-Eocene Thermal Maximum (PETM). Indeed, the high diversity of acarininids and presence of keeled morozovellids within Zone AE1 reflects the expansion of warm surface waters into the circum-Antarctic region during the warming event. Based on the location of the CIE at Hole 690B with a sedimentation rate of 38.7 m/m.y. determined for the late

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FIGURE 6. Planktonic foraminifer species used to define the new Antarctic Eocene (AE) zones. Stratigraphic ranges are shown with horizontal lines representing zonal datum levels. Time scale based on Berggren and others (1995) with the inclusion of the Sparnacian Stage as defined by Aubry and others (2003).

Thanetian to early Ypresian interval (Quillévéré and others, 2002), the LOs of *M. subbotinae* and *M. gracilis* are estimated at 55.52 Ma. This is in good agreement with the age estimate of 55.39 Ma at Site 738.

Chiloguembelina wilcoxensis is a distinctive element of late Paleocene and earliest Eocene assemblages at austral latitudes, although it has typically been placed in the imprecise category of "larger chiloguembelinids" (e.g., Stott and Kennett, 1990; Nocchi and others, 1991). Following its LO within Zone AP4, this taxon becomes moderately abundant until its extinction at the top of Zone AE1. Other species found within this biostratigraphic interval include Subbotina triangularis, S. velascoensis, S. patagonica, Parasubbotina aff. varianta, and numerous acarininids (A. nitida, A. subsphaerica, A. mckannai, A. soldadoensis, and A. coalingensis).

AE2. Acarinina wilcoxensis Partial-range Zone (herein defined).

Definition: Biostratigraphic interval containing the partial range of the nominate taxon from the HO of Chiloguembelina wilcoxensis to the LO of Acarinina primitiva (Fig. 6).

Magnetochronologic calibration: The HO of C. wilcoxensis has not been calibrated. The LO of A. primitiva was correlated with the Chron C22n/C22r boundary at Site 690 (Stott and Kennett, 1990).

Estimated age: Base \sim 53.10, top \sim 51.49 Ma; early Eocene (Ypresian; Fig. 7, Table 2).

Remarks: Acarinina wilcoxensis (sensu Berggren and others, in press) ranges below Zone AE2, with its LO correlating with the upper third of the range of C. wilcoxensis and near the base of the range of G. australiformis (Huber, 1991b). The top of Zone AE2 may be difficult to identify with certainty because of the gradual morphologic transition from Acarinina coalingensis to A. primitiva. Acarinina primitiva is distinguished by its triangular (broadly wedge-shaped) final-whorl chambers that increase gradually in size, in contrast to the more rounded, more equidimensional and inflated chambers of A. coalingensis (Berggren and others, in press).

Characteristic species within this zone include Globanomalina australiformis, G. chapmani, Subbotina triangularis, S. velascoensis, S. patagonica, Parasubbotina aff. varianta, Acarinina coalingensis, A. interposita, A. soldadoensis, A. subsphaerica and A. wilcoxensis. Globanomalina planoconica has its HO in the upper part of this zone.

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FIGURE 7. Correlation of Antarctic Eocene biozonation defined in this study with the original Antarctic Paleogene biozonation of Stott and Kennett (1990), the new Eocene tropical planktonic foraminiferal zonation of Berggren and Pearson (2005), and the standard calcareous nannoplankton biostratigraphies of Martini (1971) and Bukry (1973, 1975) using the Berggren and others (1995) time scale with the inclusion of the Sparnacian Stage as defined by Aubry and others (2003).

AE3. Globanomalina chapmani Partial Range Zone (herein defined).

Definition: Biostratigraphic interval containing the partial range of nominate taxon from the LO of Acarinina primitiva to the LO of Cassigerinelloita amekiensis (Fig. 6).

Magnetochronologic calibration: See above for calibration of the LO of A. primitiva. The LO of C. amekiensis has not been calibrated. Estimated age: Base ~51.49, top ~50.23 Ma; late early Eocene (Ypresian; Fig. 7, Table 2).

Remarks: See remarks above for criteria used to identify the LO of A. primitiva. Recognition of the LO of C. amekiensis requires a search in the finer sieved residue fractions because of the small size of this species. Characteristic species of this zone include G. chapmani, which ranges throughout the zone in low to moderate abundance, and Subbotina patagonica, A. pentacamerata, A. wilcoxensis, and G. australiformis.

AEA. Cassigerinelloita amekiensis Taxon-range Zone (herein defined).

Definition: Total range of the nominate taxon (Fig. 6). Magnetochronologic calibration: None.

Estimated age: Base ~50.23 Ma, top ~46.70 Ma. Early middle Eocene (late Ypresian-early Lutetian; Fig. 7, Table 2).

Remarks: Although Stolk (1965) considered C. amekiensis as a useful biomarker in upper lower to lower middle Eocene sediments in Nigeria, this species has been overlooked in most low latitude studies,

probably because of its small size and relatively low abundance. It is a distinctive and consistently occurring component of lower middle Eocene assemblages from southern high latitudes (Li and Radford, 1992). The extinction of *C. amekiensis* (="Globigerina" sp. B of Stott and Kennett, 1990) has been recorded within several meters below the HO of *G. australiformis* at all southern high-latitude sites (Nocchi and others, 1991; Huber, 1991b; Li and others, 1992; H. Coxall, communication, 2004).

Characteristic elements of this zone include Globanomalina chapmani, Acarinina bullbrooki, A. primitiva, Subbotina linaperta (middle to upper part), and S. patagonica. The LO of Jenkinsina triseriata occurs at or near the base and the HO of G. australiformis occurs at or near the top of Zone AE4.

AE5. Pseudohastigerina micra Partial-range Zone (herein defined).

Definition: Biostratigraphic interval containing the partial range of nominate taxon from the HO of Cassigerinelloita amekiensis to the LO of Globigerinatheka index (Fig. 6).

Magnetochronologic calibration: The HO of C. amekiensis has not been paleomagnetically calibrated, but is estimated at 46.70 Ma based on the Site 738 age model (Fig. 3). The LO of G. index was correlated with the Chron C20n/C20r boundary at ODP Site 689 by Stott and Kennett (1990), which corresponds with 43.70 Ma according to the time scale of Berggren and others (1995). The 42.9 Ma calibrated age reported for the FAD of G. index in Berggren and others (1995, Table 9) was erroneous (Berggren, written communication, 2004). In the Um-

brian Marche Basin (Napoleone and others, 1983) and at ODP Sites 1209 and 1211 on Shatsky Rise (Petrizzo, 2004) the LO of *G. index* was recorded just below the extinction of *Morozovella aragonensis* (i.e., within upper Zone E9 and below the Chron C20n/C20r boundary). These reports are consistent with the 44.08 Ma age estimate obtained for the LO of *G. index* using the age-depth profile for Site 738. *Estimated age:* Base ~46.70, top 43.70 Ma; middle Eocene (middle

Lutetian; Fig. 7, Table 2).

Remarks: The base of Stott and Kennett's (1990) P. micra Zone (AP9) was defined by the LO of P. micra, which was reported to immediately follow the Acarinina bullbrooki Zone (AP8) whose base was defined on the LO of A. bullbrooki. Because the LO of P. micra was identified below the LO of A. bullbrooki at Site 738, Huber (1991b) redefined the base of AP9 using the LO of A. matthewsae and designated this interval as the Acarinina matthewsae Zone. However, consistent identification of the A. matthewsae Zone is difficult given the close morphologic similarity between the nominate taxon and A. bullbrooki, which are considered by some authors (e.g., Pearson and others, in press) as synonymous. Thus, the A. matthewsae datum of Huber (1991b) has been abandoned.

Pseudohastigerina micra is consistently present in low to moderate abundance throughout this zone. It co-occurs with Acarinina bull-brooki (sensu Berggren and others, in press), A. primitiva, Subbotina linaperta and S. patagonica.

AE6. Acarinina collactea Partial-range Zone (herein defined; base the same but top different from Acarinina collactea Partial Range Zone [AP10] of Stott and Kennett, 1990).

Definition: Biostratigraphic interval containing the nominate taxon from the LO of Globigerinatheka index to the LO of Subbotina angiporoides (Fig. 6).

Magnetochronologic calibration: See discussion above for the LO of G. index. The LO of S. angiporoides has not been paleomagnetically calibrated.

Estimated age: Base 43.70 Ma, top ~42.33 Ma; middle Eocene (late Lutetian; Fig. 7, Table 2).

Remarks: Zone AE6 differs from Stott and Kennett's (1990) A. collactea Zone (AP10) by using the LO of S. angiporoides rather than the HO of A. primitiva to define its top. Although the lowest occurrence of G. index was recorded above that of S. angiporoides at Maud Rise and Site 748 (Stott and Kennett, 1990; Berggren, 1992), the reverse was observed at Sites 703, 738 and 1135 (Nocchi and others, 1991; Huber, 1991b; Coffin and others, 2000). After careful study of species distributions at Sites 738 and 690 and strict application of species concepts discussed in Pearson and others (in press), we conclude that the lowest occurrence of G. index is below that of S. angiporoides by at least 20 m of section at both sites.

Characteristic taxa found within Zone AE6 include Acarinina collactea (including subangular variants designated as A. cf. collactea in Huber, 1991b; Berggren and others, in press), which consistently occurs in low to moderate abundance throughout the zone, A. bullbrooki, A. primitiva, Globorotaloides eovariabilis (= Globorotaloides aff. testarugosa of Huber, 1991b), G. quadrocamerata (= Globorotaloides suteri of Huber, 1991b) and Chiloguembelina ototara. In the lower part of this zone at Kerguelen Plateau sites 738 and 748, Morozovella spinulosa comprises a distinctive component of the assemblages. However, M. spinulosa has not been reported in the South Atlantic sector of the Southern Ocean.

AE7. Subbotina angiporoides/Acarinina primitiva Concurrentrange Zone (herein defined).

Definition: Biostratigraphic interval characterized by the concurrent range of the nominate taxa from the LO of Subbotina angiporoides to the HO of Acarinina primitiva (Fig. 6).

Magnetochronologic calibration: The LO of S. angiporoides has not been calibrated. The HO of A. primitiva was correlated with middle Chron C18n at ODP Sites 689 and 690 (Stott and Kennett, 1990) and calibrated as 39.00 Ma (Berggren and others, 1995).

Estimated age: Base \sim 42.33, top 39.00 Ma; late middle Eocene (late Lutetian-early Bartonian (Fig. 7, Table 2).

Remarks: The LO of S. angiporoides (sensu Olsson and others, in press) has been recorded above the LO of G. index at southern Indian Ocean sites 738 and 1137 (Huber, 1991b; Coffin and others, 2000),

and southern South Atlantic sites 690 and 703 (Stott and Kennett, 1990; Nocchi and others, 1991). Using the age model for Site 738 we estimate that these two datum events are separated by at least 1.5 m.y. The extinction of *A. primitiva* is an easily recognizable datum that precedes the extinctions of *A. collactea* and *Subbotina linaperta*. The age estimate for the LAD of *A. primitiva* is 39.06 Ma, which is in very good agreement with the calibrated age of 39.00 Ma reported by Berggren and others (1995).

Characteristic species within the zone include *S. angiporoides*, which is relatively rare, *P. micra*, *S. linaperta*, *G. index*, *G. eovariabilis*, *G. quadrocamerata*, *C. ototara* and *A. collactea*. The mid-Eocene Thermal Maximum event (MECO), which was identified at 92.85 mbsf at Site 738 by Bohaty and Zachos (2003), occurs within the lower part of this zone (Table 1).

AE8. Subbotina eocaena Partial-range Zone (herein defined).

Definition: Biostratigraphic interval containing the partial range of the nominate taxon from the HO of Acarinina primitiva to the LO of Tenuitella insolita (Fig. 6).

Magnetochronologic calibration: See above for calibration of A. primitiva. The LO of T. insolita has not been paleomagnetically calibrated.

Estimated age: Base 39.00-, top ~35.50 Ma; late middle to early late Eocene (late Bartonian-early Priabonian; Fig. 7, Table 2).

Remarks: Zone AE8 comprises Zone AP11 and lower Zone AP12 of the Stott and Kennett (1990) zonal scheme. The extinction of S. linaperta, which was used to define the Zone AP11/AP12 boundary in Stott and Kennett's biozonation, may be difficult to identify because of stratigraphic overlap of "sensu stricto" forms (bearing a large final chamber that is compressed in the direction of coiling) and "sensu lato" forms (morphologically intermediate between S. linaperta s.s. and S. utilisindex; see Huber, 1991b, Berggren, 1992). At Site 738 S. linaperta s.s. last occurs at the level of a hiatus spanning from ~36.8 to 39.2 Ma (Fig. 2). Because of uncertainty regarding accurate determination of the HO of S. linaperta, we have abandoned recognition of this bioevent. The LO of T. insolita is a useful biomarker for delineating the top of Zone AE8 because of its distinctive morphologic features (e.g., areal aperture and microperforate wall texture).

Subbotina eocaena, which first occurs in the lower middle Eocene and ranges into the lowermost Oligocene, occurs in rare abundance but consistently throughout Zone AE8. The last remaining quadrate acarininid, A. medizzai, becomes extinct in the middle of this zone. Characteristic species include S. angiporoides, G. index, G. eovariabilis, G. quadrocamerata, P. micra and C. ototara. Paragloborotalia nana, P. pseudocontinuosa, S. linaperta and A. echinata have their lowest occurrences in the middle to upper part of this zone.

AE9. *Tenuitella insolita* Taxon-range Zone (=Globorotalia insolita Zone of Jenkins and Orr 1972 and *Praetenuitella insolita* Zone of Li and others [1992]).

Definition: Biostratigraphic interval characterized by the total range of the nominate taxon (Fig. 6).

Magnetochronologic calibration: None.

Estimated age: Base \sim 35.50 Ma, top \sim 34.40 Ma; late Eocene (late Priabonian) (Fig. 7, Table 2).

Remarks: Tenuitella insolita is easily distinguished from other microperforate species by the presence of a highly arched, narrow aperture (Huber and others, in press). At all of the austral sites the LO of insolita occurs just above the HOs of Subbotina linaperta and Acarinina medizzai and the HO occurs just below the HO of Globigerinatheka index.

Characteristic species of this zone include S. angiporoides, G. index, G. quadrocamerata, G. eovariabilis, Chiloguembelina ototara, Catapsydrax echinatus, and C. unicavus. Subbotina utilisindex has its lowest occurrence in the lower part of this zone, Paragloborotalia nana and P. pseudocontinuosa have their lowest occurrences in the middle of the zone, and Pseudohastigerina micra last occurs in the upper part of the zone.

AE10. Globigerinatheka index Highest-occurrence Zone (herein defined; different from G. index Zone of Jenkins [1966], G. index Partial Range Zone of Stott and Kennett [1990]; top same but base different from the G. index Interval Zone [E15] of Berggren and Pearson, 2005; see Fig. 7).

Definition: Biostratigraphic interval from the HO of Tenuitella insolita to the HO of the nominate taxon (Fig. 6).

Magnetochronologic calibration: The HO of T. insolita has not been paleomagnetically calibrated. The HO of G. index was recorded in Chron C13r in the Umbrian Appenines (Berggren and others, 1995) and the Agulhas Ridge in the Southern Ocean (Galeotti and others, 2002). On Kerguelen Plateau Roberts and others (2003) correlated this datum with Chron C13r at Site 748 and Chron C15r at Site 744 (see above). Although Stott and Kennett (1990) correlated the LAD of G. index with the top of Chron C16n at Maud Rise Site 689, Spiess (1990) presented an alternative interpretation of the magnetic stratigraphy that suggested assignment to Chron C15n, which significantly reduces this temporal discrepancy. We prefer to use the most consistently observed Chron C13r correlation for this datum with an assigned age of 34.30 Ma (Berggren and others, 1995). This is in good agreement with the 34.28 Ma age estimate obtained from the Site 738 age-depth model (Table 1).

Estimated age: Base \sim 34.49 Ma, top 34.30 Ma; late Eocene (late Priabonian; Fig. 7, Table 2).

Remarks: Zone AE10 is the youngest zone used to subdivide austral Eocene sequences. It is much younger than Stott and Kennett's (1990) middle G. index Zone (AP11), which was defined using the HO of Acarinina primitiva for the base and the LO of S. linaperta for the the top. Jenkins's (1966) G. index Zone was also used for the middle Eocene, with its base and top defined using the LO of G. index and the LO of Chiloguembelina cubensis, respectively.

The extinction of *G. index* is used to approximate the position of the Eocene/Oligocene boundary in austral latitudes, as the turborotaliids and hantkeninids, which are used to more precisely delineate the boundary at low latitudes, are absent from southern, high-latitude sites. Comparison of age estimates for the HO of *index* at Site 738 (Table 1; Roberts and others, 2003) with the age calibration of Berggren and others (1995) for low latitudes shows good agreement, suggesting that the extinction of this species was essentially synchronous.

Species typically found in Zone AE10 include *Chiloguembelina* cubensis, S. angiporoides, S. utilisindex, Catapsydrax dissimilis, Globorotaloides spp., and the microperforate species Tenuitella patefacta and T. praegemma. Tenuitella gemma and T. munda first occur at the top of or just above Zone AE10.

ANTARCTIC OLIGOCENE (AO) BIOZONATION

AO1. Subbotina angiporoides Highest-occurrence Zone (=S. angiporoides Interval Zone (AP13) of Stott and Kennett, 1990; base different top same as Globigerina angiporoides Zone of Jenkins, 1966].

Definition: Biostratigraphic interval from the HO of *G. index* to the HO of *S. angiporoides* (Fig. 8).

Magnetochronologic calibration: See above for the HO of G. index. The HO of S. angiporoides was recorded in Chron C11n at sites 689B and 690B and assigned an age of 30.00 Ma (Berggren and others, 1995).

Estimated age: Base 34.30, top 30.00 Ma; latest Eocene to early Oligocene (late Priabonian-Rupelian).

Remarks: Zone AO1 differs from the Globigerina angiporoides Zone of Jenkins (1966) in that Jenkins used the HO of Globigerina brevis to define the top of his zone. Austral assemblages in Zone AO1 are characteristically low in diversity and dominated by C. cubensis, S. angiporoides, Catapsydrax unicavus, and C. dissimilis. Also occurring in this zone are Paragloborotalia nana, Subbotina brevis, and several species of Tenuitella, including T. patefacta, T. praegemma, T. gemma and T. munda. The LOs of Globigerina labiacrassata and Globigerina euapertura occur in the lower to middle Zone AO1 and the HO of S. utilisindex occurs in upper Zone AO1.

AO2. Chiloguembelina cubensis Highest-occurrence Zone (=C. cubensis Interval Subzone [AP14a] of Stott and Kennett, 1990; Zone AP14 of Berggren, 1992).

Definition: Biostratigraphic interval from the HO of Subbotina angiporoides to the Highest Common Occurrence (HCO) of the nominate taxon (Fig. 8).

Magnetochronologic calibration: See above for HO of S. angiporoides. The HCO of C. cubensis was correlated with middle Chron C10n and assigned an age of 28.5 Ma (Berggren and others, 1995).

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FIGURE 8. Planktonic foraminifer species used to define the new Antarctic Oligocene (AO) zones. Stratigraphic ranges are shown with horizontal lines representing zonal datum levels. Time scale based on Berggren and others (1995) with the inclusion of the Sparnacian Stage as defined by Aubry and others (2003).

Estimated age: Base 30.00 Ma, top 28.50 Ma; late early Oligocene (late Rupelian; Fig. 9, Table 2).

Remarks: The HCO of C. cubensis is preferred as the defining datum over the HO of this species because of records of discontinuous, rare occurrences that range into the Miocene. Typical species found within this zone include C. dissimilis, G. euapertura, G. praebulloides, G. eovariabilis, and several species of Tenuitella (e.g., T. gemma, T. munda, T. angustiumbilicata).

AO3. Globigerina labiacrassata Highest-occurrence Zone (=G. labiacrassata Interval Subzone [AP14b] of Stott and Kennett, 1990, and G. labiacrassata Interval Zone of Berggren, 1992).

Definition: Biostratigraphic interval from the HCO of Chiloguembelina cubensis to the HO of the nominate taxon.

Magnetochronologic calibration: See above for the HCO of *C. cubensis*. The HO of *G. labiacrassata* was recorded in Chron C9n and assigned an age of 27.10 Ma (Berggren and others, 1995).

Estimated age: Base 28.50 Ma, top 27.10 Ma; early late Oligocene (early Chattian).

Remarks: The HO of G. labiacrassata was recorded near the top of Chron C9n in Holes 747A and 748B on Kerguelen Plateau (Berggren, 1992) and Holes 689B and 690B on Maud Rise (Stott and Kennett, 1990). Berggren and others (1995) calibrated this datum as 27.1 Ma, the same age assigned to the LAD of Paragloborotalia opima and the datum used to define the top of tropical Zone (O5). Paragloborotalia opima has not been observed at high austral latitudes.

Characteristic species in this zone include Globigerina euapertura, Globoturborotalita brazieri, C. dissimilis, Globorotaloides spp., Globigerinita juvenilis, and several species of Tenuitella (e.g., T. gemma, T. munda, T. angustiumbilicata).

AO4. Globigerina euapertura Highest-occurrence Zone (=AP16 of Berggren, 1992; base and top different from Globigerina euapertura Zone of Jenkins, 1966).

Definition: Biostratigraphic interval from the HO of Globigerina labiacrassata to the HO of the nominate taxon (Fig. 8).

Magnetochronologic calibration: See above for the HO of G. labiacrassata. The HO of G. euapertura was recorded in Chron C6Cn.2n and assigned an age of 23.8 Ma (Berggren and others, 1995).

Estimated age: Base 27.10 Ma, top 23.80 Ma; late Oligocene (Chattian; Fig. 9, Table 2).

Remarks: Zone AO4 differs from the Globigerina euapertura Zone

CALCAREOUS NANNOPLANKTON POLARITY PLANKTONIC FORAMINIFERA EPOCH TIME AGE Tropical Circum-Antarctic CHRONS Bukry (1973,1975) Martini (Ma) Berggren and others (1995) (1971)Berggren and Pearson (2005) This study EARLY AQUIT-NN₂ M₁b C6Bn-G. brazieri 23 not studied CN1 AN1 PRZ NN₁ C6Cn 2 M1a 24 C6Cr not studied C7n1去 A04 G. euapertura CHATTIAN 06 G. ciperoensis P22 NP25 b 17 K PR7 C8n 2n CP19 C8r 27 \overline{z} C9n G. labia-05 b AO3 P. opima HOZ b 28 P21 crassata IZ C10n 右 AP1 NP24 a 04 G. angulisuturalis / a 29 C. cubensis C10r C. cubensis CRZ a A₀₂ IZ C11n 1/2n P20 03 G. sellii PRZ 30 RUPELIAN C11r NP23 **CP18** EARLY C12n 31 T. ampliapertura (2)P19 02 HOZ S. angipo-CP17 A01 32 C12r AP13 C roides IZ (1)_ NP22 P. naguewichiensis 9 P18 01 33 Ь CP1 HOZ C13n NP21 a 34 E16 H. alabamensis HOZ C13r LP17 EOCENE PRIABONIAN AE10 G. index IZ LATE P16 T. insolita NP19-20 AE9 E15 G. Index HOZ C15r TRZ AP12 **CP15** C16n 2n S. linaperta P15 AE8 E14 G. semiinvoluta C16r **NP18** PRZ HO₂ C17n 1n

OLIGOCENE TIME SCALE

FIGURE 9. Correlation of Antarctic Oligocene biozonation defined in this study with the original Antarctic Paleogene biozonation of Stott and Kennett (1990), the revised tropical planktonic foraminiferal zonation of Berggren and Pearson (2005), and the standard calcareous nannoplankton biostratigraphies of Martini (1971) and Bukry (1973, 1975) using the Berggren and others (1995) time scale with the inclusion of the Sparnacian Stage as defined by Aubry and others (2003).

of Jenkins (1966), which used the HO of *S. angiporoides* to define the base and the LO of *Globoquadrina dehiscens* to define the top.

The LAD of *G. euapertura* was recorded near the top of Chron C6Cn at Hole 748B and near the base of this magnetochron at Holes 747A and 747B, and calibrated at 23.8 Ma (Berggren, 1992). The LOs of *Globoturborotalita woodi* and *G. connecta* occur near the base, and the LO of *Turborotalita quinqueloba* is in the middle of this zone. Other characteristic species of this zone include *C. dissimilis, Globorotaloides* spp., *Globigerinita juvenilis, Turborotalita angustiumbilicata*, and *T. clemenciae*.

CONCLUSIONS

The new Antarctic Paleogene biozonation presented in this study provides a more reliable means of correlating marine sequences throughout the circum-Antarctic region than previous zonal schemes, as it is based on recently updated taxonomic concepts and cumulative observations from over 14 ODP drilling sites in the region of the Southern Ocean. This new zonation recognizes five zones and three subzones in the Antarctic Paleocene (AP) scheme, ten zones in the

Antarctic Eocene (AE) scheme, and four zones in the Antarctic Oligocene (AO) scheme.

Because most of the planktonic foraminifer zonal datum markers used in the Antarctic zonation are different from those used to subdivide tropical and subtropical sequences, cross-latitude correlation is best achieved by the generation of age-depth curves constructed from the best bio-, chemoand magnetostratigraphic data available. Despite the absence of magnetic polarity data, the Paleocene-early Oligocene age model developed herein for ODP Site 738 is well constrained because of the inclusion of unambiguous tie points, such as the Cretaceous/Paleogene boundary and the Paleocene/Eocene boundary CIE, and a number of foraminifer and nannofossil events that have been reliably calibrated elsewhere. This provides the basis for estimating ages for a number of additional foraminifer and nannofossil first and last occurrences, which are probably accurate to within 0.5 m.y. Integrated magnetobiostratigraphic age-depth curves need to be developed for the other circum-Antarctic Paleogene sequences in order to test the reliability of the datum ages estimated from the Site 738 sequence.

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