A biostratigraphic revision of the Eocene and Oligocene foraminiferal type localities of Trinidad described by Cushman & Stainforth (1945) and Cushman & Renz (1948)

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ABSTRACT

This study constitutes a revision and reappraisal of the samples used in the two classic studies of the calcareous benthic foraminifera of the Navet, San Fernando and Cipero Formations of Trinidad: Cushman & Renz's 1948 study of the Eocene, and Cushman & Stainforth's 1945 study of the Oligocene. Biostratigraphical calibration is achieved by reference to the lithological schemes of Bolli (1957) and other studies, and by directly assigning the samples to the standard planktonic foraminiferal and nannofossils zonal schemes. This direct calibration enables a more precise biostratigraphic framework for the type localities of 55 benthic foraminiferal taxa described by Cushman & Renz and Cushman & Stainforth. J. Micropalaeontol. **12** (2): 195-200, December 1993.

INTRODUCTION

The island of Trinidad is of great importance to micropalaeontological research because the stratigraphic formations exposed on the island are extremely rich in microfauna. More importantly, Trinidad is the type locality for many of the Upper Cretaceous to Paleogene planktonic foraminiferal zones. The establishment of a detailed planktonic zonation scheme based on studies carried out in Trinidad (Bolli, 1966, reviewed in Bolli & Saunders, 1985) facilitated the correlation of planktonic foraminiferal assemblages from other low-latitude localities. At the same time it made the construction of a cosmopolitan planktonic zonation scheme a viable possibility.

This project deals with the samples that comprise the type localities of foraminifera described from the Navet and San Fernando Formations (Cushman & Renz, 1948) and the Cipero Formation (Cushman & Stainforth, 1945) of Trinidad. Cushman, who based his age assignments on various criteria, dated these formations as ?Palaeocene to late Eocene and Oligocene respectively, but planktonic foraminiferal research since the 1940's (Bolli, 1957, Bolli 1959; Bolli & Saunders 1985) has since provided much greater accuracy for determining the age of these sediments. Advances in both technology and biostratigraphy since Cushman's day makes re-examination of the faunas from these type localities worthwhile.

During a recent visit to the Smithsonian Institution, Washington D.C., one of us (MAK) traced the whereabouts of Cushman's original samples from the Eocene and Oligocene of Trinidad. In total, Cushman & Renz and Cushman & Stainforth described 55 new taxa of foraminifera from the Navet, San Fernando, and lower Cipero Formations, many of which to our knowledge have escaped the attention of subsequent workers (Appendix 1). The primary goal of this study is to revise the biostratigraphy of Cushman's type samples used in these classic studies with detailed observations, thereby providing more accurate age assignments for the type localities of foraminiferal taxa described by Cushman & Renz and Cushman & Stainforth. Because the lithostratigraphic units in Trinidad can be precisely dated by the use of nannofossils and planktonic foraminifera, this provides an excellent opportunity to calibrate bathyal benthic foraminifera to the standard low-latitude biostratigraphic framework. This study is part of a revision of the Paleogene benthic foraminifera described from Trinidad.

PREVIOUS STUDIES

The rich fossiliferous deposits of Trinidad have been studied since the middle of the nineteenth century. Knowledge of their micropalaeontology was already advanced by 1892, when Guppy published a general study of the "Microzoic Deposits of Trinidad" which spoke of a "series of grey marls" containing *"Globigerina* and other foraminifera". Detailed foraminiferal research of the Navet and Hospital Hill marls and the Cipero Formation was undertaken subsequently by Cushman & Renz (1948) and Cushman & Stainforth (1945).

Navet Formation

In 1948, Cushman & Renz described the extremely rich foraminiferal fauna that had been deposited in "typical marine, open sea and warm water" environmental conditions similar to those of the underlying Lizard Springs Formation (Cushman & Renz, 1946) and the overlying Cipero Formation. The Navet formation was characterised by "light gray and greenish-gray, khaki-weathering marls and marly clays". It displayed no "continuous or undisturbed outcrop sections" but in southern Trinidad was seen to grade conformably down into the Lizard Springs Formation and up into the overlying Hospital Hill marl. A stratigraphic sequence based upon faunal evidence was identified from top to bottom (see Cushman and Renz, 1948 for exact localities):

> Penitence Hill marl Fitt Trace - Navet River - Nariva River marl Friendship Quarry - Dunmore Hill marl Ramdat marl

Cushman & Renz dated the Navet Formation as occurring between the "Upper Cretaceous" Lizard Springs Formation and below the upper Eocene Hospital Hill marl. They believed it thus to be "?Palaeocene to lower-middle Eocene". The age was based upon the occurrence of the genus *Hantkenina*, present throughout the Navet Formation, excluding the Ramdat marl. This indicated that the Ramdat marl at the base of the Formation had an age of "older than early Eocene" (Cushman & Renz, 1948). The Paleogene Formations of Trinidad are described below.

San Fernando Formation.

The San Fernando Formation contained a rich foraminiferal fauna between the Navet and Cipero Formations but there were a number of species restricted to it. These were typified by Hantkenina alabamensis Cushman var. primitiva Cushman & Jarvis and, more rarely, Bulimina jacksonensis Cushman, which led Cushman & Renz to regard this fauna as "typically upper Eocene" in age. Bolli (1957b) believed Cushman & Renz's stratigraphic sequence to be "tentative", as it was based on "isolated, small outcrops and subsurface occurrences". In attempting to provide a planktonic zonation scheme, he strove to counterbalance these unfavourable conditions by studying a large number of samples. Age assignments for the Navet and San Fernando Formations can be compiled by reference to Bolli (1957b) who calibrated his samples by means of planktonic foraminifera (Figure 1).

Planktonic Foraminiferal Zone	Type Locality
Globigerapsis semiinvoluta Zone Truncorotaloides rohri Zone	Hospital Hill formation
Porticulasphaera mexicana Zone Globorotalia lehneri Zone Globigerapsis kugleri Zone Hantkenina aragonensis Zone Globorotalia palmerae Zone	Penitence Hill marl Fitt Trace marl-Navet River marl Dunmore Hill marl-Nariva River marl Friendship Quarry marl

Fig 1. Planktonic foraminiferal zones in the Eocene of Trinidad, from Bolli (1957).

In 1959, Bolli revised his planktonic zonation scheme of S.E. Trinidad. He reassessed the chronostratigraphy of the

Navet and San Fernando Formations and regarded them as upper lower Eocene to lower upper Eocene, and uppermost Eocene respectively. Bolli's chronostratigraphy can be updated by comparing his original scheme to the tabulated planktonic foraminiferal zonal schemes of Toumarkine & Luterbacher and Bolli & Saunders in Plankton Stratigraphy (1985), and also to the revised P-zones of Berggren & Miller (1988).

Revision of the chronostratigraphy by these authoritative studies reveals that the samples can be dated accordingly: the Navet Formation samples extend from Zone P10 (Friendship Quarry marl) through P11 (Dunmore Hill marl), Zone P12 (including both the Navet River and Near Fitt Trace marls) and Zone P13 (Penitence Hill marl). The age of the Hospital Hill marl proved more difficult to establish - Bolli (1957) tentatively assigned it to the *T. rohri* and *G. semiinvoluta* Zones, which correlate to Zones P14 and P15.

Cipero Formation.

Research on the Cipero Formation suggested a variety of ages. Cushman & Stainforth (1945) stated that Nuttall's (1928) dating of this formation as Oligocene to Miocene had been revised by Cushman, with other collaborators, as Eocene. Cushman & Stainforth again revised the age correlating the Cipero Formation with the Oligocene. These authors subdivided the Cipero Formation into three zones:

Zone I (the lower *Globigerina concinna* Zone) rests conformably on top of the Hospital Hill marl but does not contain its characteristic fauna of *Bulimina jacksonensis* and *Hantkenina alabamensis*. This zone was dated as lower Oligocene to "middle" Oligocene.

The "Bamboo Clay" unit divides Zone I from Zone II yielding an age of "middle" Oligocene by the occurrence of larger foraminifera of the genus *Lepidocyclina* (Vaughan & Cole, 1941).

Zones II and III [middle (*Globigerinatella insueta*) and upper (*Globorotalia fohsi*) Zones] are positioned above the "Bamboo Clay" and were regarded as " not older than middle Oligocene."

In 1957, Bolli added another zone to that of Cushman & Stainforth's scheme, and in his 1959 study of planktonic foraminifera from the Cipero Formation, Bolli regarded it as lower Oligocene to lower Miocene. The Cipero Formation is now regarded as extending from the lower Oligocene to the lower middle Miocene (Bolli & Saunders 1985) (figure 2).

MATERIAL AND METHODS

Material

This study is based upon samples taken both from the original studies of Cushman & Renz/Cushman & Stainforth preserved at the Smithsonian Institution (USNM), and from the micropalaeontology collections of University College London. A full list of the samples is given in Table 1. Six samples were used from among those collected by Cushman & Renz for their 1948 study of the Navet and Hospital Hill localities. The ages of these samples are reassessed based on their planktonic foraminifera and

	Lithootrotiorophio	Chronostratigraphy		
Formation	Lithostratigraphic Unit (informal)	Cushman & Stainforth 1945 Cushman & Renz 1948	Bolli 1957; Bolli & Saunders 1985	
Lengua		Early Miocene		
	Zone III		Miocene	
Cipero	Zone li			
	"Bamboo Clay"	Oligocene	Oligocene	
	Zone			
San Fernando	Hospital Hill marl	Late Eocene	Late Eccene	
	Penitence Hill marl			
Navet	Fitt Trace marl		Middle Eocene	
	Navet River marl	Early-Middle Eocene		
	Dunmore Hill marl			
	Friendship Quarry	? Palaeocene		
			Early Eocene	
Lizard Springs			Palaeocene	

Fig 2. Lithostratigraphy and chronostratigraphy of the studied formations, based on published sources.

nannofossil content. An additional sample was examined from Cushman & Stainforth's 1945 study of the Cipero Formation. This sample was labelled "lower Globigerina concinna Zone". A second original sample (labelled "Globigerinatella insueta Zone") and a third ("Globorotalia fohsi Zone") have been dated as Miocene and so were beyond the scope of this study. For the purposes of comparison, four samples were also studied from the U.C.L. Collection of type localities from the San Fernando and Cipero Formations. One of these samples coincided with the Cushman & Renz samples, in that it was collected from the Hospital Hill type locality. The remaining three samples were relevant to the Cushman & Stainforth study. The first of these was a sample from the type locality of the Globigerina ciperoensis ciperoensis Zone. The remaining two samples were from the Globorotalia opima opima and Globorotalia kugleri Zone type localities.

Methods

All the samples used in this study had previously been washed, and no further preparation was needed. The samples were picked, divided into benthic and planktonic foraminifera and mounted onto faunal reference slides. Preservation of the specimens was good, except in the Friendship Quarry and Dunmore Hill marl samples in which the planktonic foraminifera displayed calcitic overgrowths.

Planktonic foraminifera were collected in order to facilitate a direct calibration to the standard planktonic foraminiferal zonations. For the Eocene Navet and San Fernando Formations, the zonation scheme of Berggren & Miller (1988) was used throughout this study. The same procedure was adopted for updating the biostratigraphy of the Cipero Formation samples; using zonal schemes of Bolli (1957), Bolli & Premoli Silva (1973), Bolli & Saunders (1985), against which the P-zones of Berggren & Miller (1988) were compared.

Nannofossil slides were made from each sample either by picking small fragments of loose matrix or by selecting several planktonic foraminifera and crushing them to free the matrix enclosed within. The smear preparation technique was used whereby a drop of distilled water was added to the crushed sediment on the slide, smeared and then dried on a hot plate. Ultraviolet light curing mounting medium was used to fix the coverslip. All slides are housed in the Micropalaeontological Collections of University College London. The recorded nannofossil assemblages have been interpreted in terms of Martini's (1971) worldwide zonal scheme. In some instances the nominate taxa for the Martini zones have not been recognised during this study. However, the assemblages are diverse and contain many of the species that are characteristic of the particular Martini zone

cited in this text. The stratigraphic range of some taxa have been derived from Perch-Nielsen (1985).

RESULTS

Biostratigraphical Calibration

Calibrating the biostratigraphical ranges of the benthic foraminifera to the standard planktonic framework necessitated examining characteristic planktonic foraminiferal species in each sample and comparing the zonal assignments yielded by the planktonic specimens with the benthic foraminiferal data. Using the zonal scheme of Berggren & Miller (1988), planktonic zonal markers were identified in all of the samples and the results are listed in Table 1.

386 Friendship Quarry marl

This sample correlates with the upper part of Zone P10, based upon the occurrence of Hantkenina nuttalli and H. dumblei. The sample also contained Acarinina, Truncorotaloides, and Hantkenina mexicana but did not contain Morozovella aragonensis, Globigerinatheka mexicana, kugleri or Hantkenina alabamensis, which would indicate a younger age. The nannofossil assemblage in this sample is poor. Specimens are poorly preserved and display much syntaxial overgrowth. Taxa recorded include Discoaster deflandrei, D. binodosus, D. nodifer, D. septemradiatus, Sphenolithus furcatolithoides, S. radians, Chiasmolithus grandis, and Reticulofenestra dictyoda. This assemblage indicates Zone NP15, corresponding to Zones P10-P11.

Sample Designation	Formation	ation Age Foram/Nanno		Repository
AMNH 386. Friendship Quarry. Near 5 mile post of San Fernando - Princess Town Road.	Navet	P10	NP16	USNM
AMNH 387 Dunmore Hill mart. Hinduston-Monkey Town Road Junction, Dunmore Hill Area	Navet	P12	NP15	USNM
AMNH 388 Navet River marl. East Central Range	Navet	P11	indet.	USNM
AMNH 389 Near Fitt Trace. Conapo Southern Road, 17.25 mile post	Navet	P12	indet	USNM
AMNH 390 Penitence Hil marl. Penitence Hill	Navet	P13	indet	USNM
AMNH 391 Hospital Hill marl. San Fernando, West slope of Hospital Hill	San Fernando	P15	NP18	USNM
Stop 9 Hospital Hill marl. Pointe-a-Pierre, Type locality of the Globigerapsis seniinvoluta Zone	San Fernando	P15	NP18	UCL
Stop 15 Type locality of the Globorotalia opima opima Zone	Cipero	P20- P21	NP24	UCL
Stop 16 Type Locality of the Globigerina ciperoensis ciperoensis Zone	Cipero	P22	indet.	UCL
AMNH 380 "lower <i>Globigerina concinna</i> Zone, South of San Fernando" (= Sample Rz.90)	Cipero	P20- P21	NP24	USNM
Stop 8 Mosquito Creek, Co-Type Locality of the Globorotalia kugleri Zone	Cipero	P22-N4	NP25 - NN1	UCL

Table 1. Samples examined; see text.

388 Navet River marl

This sample was originally thought to be from Zone P12 (Morozovella lehneri), but is here reassigned to the uppermost part of Zone P11 based upon the occurrence of Morozovella aragonensis, Hantkenina dumblei and Globigerinatheka mexicana barri. Specimens of Globigerinatheka mexicana mexicana, Morozovella lehneri, Subbotina frontosa and a transitional form between Turborotalia cerroazulensis pomeroli and T. cerroazulensis posagnoensis were also present. This sample did not yield nannofossils.

389 Near Fitt Trace marl

This sample correlates with the middle part of Zone P12. *Globigerinatheka subconglobata curryi* was present, as well as two specimens that are transitional to *Globigerinatheka subconglobata euganea*. *Turborotalia cerroazulensis pomeroli, Morozovella lehneri* and *Hantkenina dumblei* were also present. However *Morozovella aragonensis* and *Orbulinoides beckmanni* were not found. The nannofossils in this sample were indeterminate because of their low abundance and poor preservation.

387 Dunmore Hill marl

Bolli (1957b) described his sample as occurring in the *Globigerapsis kugleri* Zone (= Zone P11 of Berggren & Miller 1988). Cushman & Renz's sample from the Dunmore Hill marl correlates with the upper part of Zone P12 based on

the presence of Hantkenina alabamensis and Globigerinatheka subconglobata euganea. Orbulinoides beckmanni was not found in this sample. A diverse, but only moderately abundant assemblage of nannofossils was recorded from this sample. Principal taxa are Sphenolithus furcatolithoides, S. predistentus, Chiasmolithus grandis, Reticulofenestra umbilica, Discoaster barbadiensis, and D. saipanensis. This assemblage is characteristic of Zone NP16, which corresponds to Zones P12-P13. The presence of a few specimens of D. saipanensis indicates this sample is from the upper part of Zone NP16.

390 Penitence Hill marl

The presence of Orbulinoides beckmanni indicates that this sample is from Zone P13. *Truncorotaloides rohri, Hantkenina alabamensis, Clavigerinella eocanica eocanica* and *Morozovella spinulosa* were also present. The nannofossils in this sample were indeterminate because of their low abundance and poor preservation.

391 & Stop 9: Hospital Hill marl

Previous studies were unable to establish a precise age for this sample. However we determined that Sample 391 correlates with the lower part of Zone P15. This age is based upon the presence of *Globigerinatheka*

semiinvoluta, and the co-occurrence of Clavigerinella eocaenica eocaenica and C. eocaenica jarvisi, which become extinct in the middle of Zone P15. Because muricate forms should have been extinct by the late Eocene, the discovery of a couple of specimens of Acarinina leads us to believe that this sample experienced slight reworking or contamination. However, the sample contains high relative abundances of Turborotalia cerroazulensis, T. cocoaensis, and Catapsydrax dissimilis, which are typical for the late Eocene in the Atlantic. This sample contains a poorly-preserved, lowabundance nannofossil assemblage consisting of late Eocene and reworked early to middle Eocene taxa. The in-situ late Eocene taxa include Cyclicargolithus floridanus, Ericsonia formosa, Discoaster barbadiensis, D. saipanensis, Reticulofenestra umbilicus, Sphenolithus predistentus, S. radians, and Helicosphaera euphratis. This total assemblage is characteristic of Zone NP18. Early to middle Eocene taxa present in the assemblage include Discoaster lodoensis (common) and D. keupperi.

The "Stop 9 "sample was dated as Zone P15 because it also contains *Globigerinatheka semiinvoluta* in addition to the above species, but without *Clavigerinella* and the muricate forms. However, this sample yielded a mixed assemblage of early late Eocene and early to middle Eocene nannofossils. The in-situ late Eocene taxa include *Discoaster saipanensis*, *D. barbadiensis*, *Dictyococcites bisecta*, *Sphenolithus predistentus*, *Cribrocentrum reticulatum*, *Reticulofenestra* umbilica, Ericsonia formosa, and Helicosphaera euphratis. This assemblage is considered to be typical of Zone NP18, which corresponds to Zone P15. Early to middle Eocene taxa also present in this assemblage include Discoaster lodoensis, D. keupperi, and Sphenolithus spiniger.

380 Globigerina concinna and Stop 15: Globorotalia opima opima Zone

Sample 380 is known also as sample "Rz. 90", and in 1957 Bolli designated it as the type sample of the *Globorotalia* opima opima Zone (P20/P21 late Oligocene). The presence of *Globorotalia opima opima* in both of these samples confirms this assignment. Sample 380 contains a reasonably diverse but sparse nannofossil assemblage with *Sphenolithus* distentus, Helicosphaera recta, Dictyococcites bisecta, *Cyclicargolithus floridanus*, H. euphratis, and S. moriformis. Although this is a poor assemblage in terms of numbers of individuals, the co-occurrence of S. distentus and H. recta is typical of Zone NP24, corresponding to foraminiferal Zone P21.

Stop 16: Globigerina ciperoensis ciperoensis Zone

Globigerina ciperoensis ciperoensis is observed in this sample, indicating Zone P22. It had not been found in the sample from the *Globorotalia opima opima* Zone. The sample yielded an assemblage of long-ranging nannofossil taxa, including *Coccolithus pelagicus, Helicosphera euphratis, Cyclicargolithus floridanus*, and *Discoaster deflandrei*.

Stop 8: Globorotalia kugleri Zone

This sample was characterised by the presence of *Globorotalia kugleri*, thus giving it an age of latest Oligocene. However, the nannofossil assemblage from this sample was poor and lacked age-diagnostic taxa. The assemblage included *Triquetrorhabdulus carinatus*, *Cyclicargolithus floridanus*, *C. abisectus*, *Discoaster(?) druggii*, *D. deflandrei*, and *Helicosphaera euphratis*. This poor assemblage is probably indicative of the early Miocene Zone NN1 based upon the presence of a poorly preserved single specimen of *D. druggii*; otherwise the assemblage ranges from late Oligocene to early Miocene (NP25 to NN1).

CONCLUSIONS

The results of our planktonic foraminiferal and nannofossil analyses provide a chronostratigraphic framework for revising the classic taxonomic studies of Cushman and Renz (1948) and Cushman and Stainforth (1945). Our age calibrations of Cushman's samples and those of previous studies although substantially similar, show clear points of differentiation. Sample 388 (Navet River marl), thought previously be Zone P12 in age, is now reassigned to the upper part of Zone P11. A distinct change in the stratigraphic sequence can be seen in Sample 387 (Dunmore Hill marl). The Dunmore Hill marl was previously thought to be in Zone P11, but Cushman's sample is here reassigned to the upper part of Zone P12. It is possible that this sample was not taken exactly from the type locality of the Dunmore Hill marl, or that more than one "P zone" was exposed at the Dunmore Hill locality. This is possible, because the Navet Formation's stratigraphic sequence is tentative, with samples taken from "isolated, small outcrops" (Bolli 1957). Finally, the Hospital Hill Marl locality of the San Fernando Formation was determined to be strongly affected by reworking from lower/middle Eocene strata.

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Appendix 1

CMM and MAK are currently revising the new species described by Cushman & Renz (1948) and Cushman & Stainforth (1945). Below is a list of these taxa with their revised type levels.

New Species	Holotype No.	Sample No	Age
Cushman & Renz (1948)			
Pelosina dubia	57504	AMNH390	P13
Lituotuba eocenica	57197	AMNH388	P11
Spirosplectammina trinitatensis	57395	AMNH391	P15
Pseudoclavulina trinitatensis	57064	AMNH387	P12
Plectina trinitatensis	57217	AMNH388	P11
Rectogümbelina trinitatensis	57244	AMNH388	P11
Ellipsoglandulina glabra	57020	AMNH386	P10
Cushman & Stainforth (1945)			
Ammovertella retrorsa	43317	AMNH380	P20/P21
Valvulina guppyi	43327	Zone II	
Gaudryina pseudocollinsi	43331	AMNH380	P20/P21
Dorothia brevis	43338	AMNH380	P20/P21
Karrieiella alticamera	43359	Zone III	
Schenkiella suteri	43365	Zone II	
Chrysalogonium ciperense	43474	AMNH380	P20/P21
Chrysalogonium asperum	44033	Zone II	
Lagena ciperensis	43530	AMNH380	P20/P21
Lagena waringi	43532	Zone III	
Lagena rutschi	43536	AMNH380	P20/P21
Rectogümbelina inopinata	43587	AMNH380	P20/P21
Plectofrondicularia ruthvenmurr	ayi 43598	Zone III	
Plectofrondicularia nuttalli	43612	Zone II	
Nodogeneria rohri	43618	Zone III	
Bulimina (Desinobulimina) illing	gi 43638	Zone III	
Entosolenia spinolaminata	43668	Zone III	
Entosolenia pannosa	43663	Zone III	
Entosolenia kugleri	43691	Zone III	
Virgulina ciperana	43700	Zone II	
Uvigerina ciperana•	43722	AMNH380	P20/P21
Pleurostomella praegerontica	43767	Zone II	
Nodosarella reflecta	43791	AMNH380	P20/P21
Ellipsoglandulina robustior	43847	Zone III	
Ellipsolagena barri	43858	Zone II	
Annulopatellina advena	43863	Zone III	

Discorbis ciperensis Gyroidina complanata Gyroidina altispira Gyroidina jarvisi Pullenia trinitatensis Planulina renzi	43865 43879 43881 43886 43937 44002	AMNH380 Zone III Zone III Zone III AMNH380 Zone III	P20/P21 P20/P21
New Varieties			
Gaudryina pseudocollonsi Cushman & St var primitiva Cushman & Renz	ainforth 57405	AMNH391	P15
Ellipsonodosaria nuttalli Cushman & Jar var aculeata Cushman & Renz	vis 57461	AMNH391	P15
Pulvinulinella atlantisae Cushman var dissonata Cushman & Renz	57353	Nariva River ma	rl
Marginulina sublituus (Nuttall) var multicamerata Cushman and Stat	inforth	43409	Zone III
Lagena pulcherrima Cushman & Jarvis var enitens Cushman & Stainforth	43512	AMNH380	P20/P21
Lagena striata (d'Orbigny) var basisenta Cushman & Stainforth	43517	Zone III	
Lagena crenata Parker & Jones var capistrata Cushman & Stainforth	43522	Zone III	
Pyrulina cylinoides (Roemer) var curvatura Cushman & Stainforth	43567	AMNH380	P20/P21
Plectofrondicularia morreyae Cushman var exigua Cushman & Stainforth	43605	Zone III	
Plectofrondicularia nuttalli Cushman & 5 var acuta Cushman & Stainforth	stainforth 43614	Zone III	
Entosolenia flinitiana (Cushman) var plicatura Cushman & Stainforth	43657	AMNH380	P20/P21
Entosolenia flinitiana (Cushman) var indomita Cushman & Stainforth	43662	Zone III	
Entosolenia crenulata (Coryell & Rivero) var multispinata Cushman & Stainfo		Zone III	
Pleurostomella bierigi Palmer & Bermud var hebata Cushman & Stainforth	ez 43752	Zone II	
Gyroidina girardana (Reuss) var perampla Cushman & Stainforth	43873	Zone II	
Anomalina alazanensis Nuttall var spissiformis Cushman & Stainfo	rth43987	Zone III	
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