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MIDDLE OLIGOCENE MICROFOSSILS FROM THE POLISH LOWLANDS: THEIR STRATIGRAPHICAL AND PALEOGEOGRAPHICAL SIGNIFICANCE

Abstract. — Middle Oligocene foraminifer assemblage was found in core material from several drillings made in the north-western Poland. This assemblage, consisting of 74 species of both benthic and planktonic foraminifers, resembles that from the stratotype of septarian clays from FRG and GDR. Its Middle Oligocene age is confirmed by calcareous nannoplankton dating (NP 24). The foraminifer assemblage was related to that of the Middle Oligocene sea of the North-European furrow which transgressed Poland as far as the Mid-Polish Anticlinorium which became its eastern margin. Deposits of this age are represented by septarian clays in the Szczecin area and quartz-glauconitic sands in the south-western (Fore-Sudetic Monocline) and central Poland (Kujawy). The temperature of water this basin was relatively low.

INTRODUCTION

This is the first report on foraminifers and calcareous nannoplankton from the Middle Oligocene of Poland. E. Odrzywolska-Bieńkowa and K. Pożaryska are responsible for identifications of foraminifers and E. Martini (Frankfurt on Main, FRG) - for identification of nannoplankton. The material studied comprises foraminifers from typical Rupelian deposits represented by septarian clays penetrated by the Szczecin IG 1 boreholes. The paper also presents the discussion of the distribution of the foraminifer species in Middle Oligocene deposits developed in the sandy-glauconite facies in the following areas (fig. 1): Puck Embayment and Leba Elevation (boreholes Opalino IG 1, Żelistrzewo IG 1, Kłanino IG 1, Starzyno IG 1, Zdrada IG 1, 2, Sulicice IG 1, Mieroszyno IG 1, 2, 3, Chłapowo 1, 2, 3, Czarny Młyn IG 2, Jastrzębia Góra IG 1, Werblinia IG 1, Białogarda IG 1, Koszalin IG 1), Słupsk (Machowinko borehole, see: Odrzywolska-Bieńkowa 1977), Możdżanowo (Odrzywolska-Bieńkowa and Błaszak, in press), Fore-Sudetic Monocline (Głobice, Miechów, Gorzów Wielkopolski, Wschowa Geo 1, Choszczno boreholes) and Kujawy (Augustynowo).

The studied core material was derived from boreholes made by the Geological Institute from Warsaw. The geological profile of the deep borehole Szczecin IG 1 (Tanowo) is discussed in a collective work edited by M. Jaskowiak-Schoeneichowa (1973) in the series "Profiles of deep bore-



Fig. 1. Distribution of some borings performing Middle Oligocene deposits on the Polish Lowlands.

holes of the Geological Institute". Tertiary deposits were penetrated at the depth from 93 to 281 m in this borehole. They are represented by the Miocene (occurring at depths from 93 to 126 m), Oligocene (126—190 m)⁻ and Eocene (190—281 m). The Oligocene deposits, containing the fossil material described here, are represented by grey-brown, usually calciumless clays with occasional concentrations of pyrite, and commonly relatively rich in carbonized plant debris. Preliminary identifications of microfossils from single samples were previously published by Odrzywolska-Bieńkowa (1967, 1973). The list of the identified species is here extended



Fig. 2. Sites with the Middle Oligocene foraminifers in the Puck Embayment area:
1 Jastrzębia Góra IG 1, 2 Czarny Młyn IG 1, 3 Chłapowo IG 1, 2, 4 Mieroszyno IG 1, 2,
5 Sulicice IG 1, 6 Płanino IG 2, 7 Starzyno IG 1, 8 Głuszewo IG 1, 9 Zdrada IG 2,
10 Zdrada IG 1, 11 Werblinia IG 1, 12 Opalino IG 1, 13 Żelistrzewo IG 1.

thanks to supplementary material from the Szczecin IG 1 borehole, made available through the courtesy of Dr. H. Wolańska. A part of the material was given to Professor E. Martini of Frankfurt on Main (FRG), who found there nannofossils typical of the *Sphenolithus distentus* Zone (NP 24) of the Middle Oligocene. This nannoplankton assemblage (p. 281 and Table 2) appears closely related to those known from the Middle Oligocene septarian clays of GDR and FRG.

Table 1 presents the list of Oligocene for aminifer species discussed here as well as other species from the Middle Oligocene deposits from the Szczecin IG 1 borehole. These species give further support to connections between Middle Oligocene deposits of Poland, GDR, FRG, Belgium and, to a some degree, European parts of the USSR. The analysis presented here was made taking into account preliminary results of studies on Paleogene microfauna from the Puck Embayment and Słupsk area (Odrzywolska-Bieńkowa 1977), preliminary data on the development of Paleogene sedimentary basin in the northern Poland (Pożaryska 1976, 1977) and biostratigraphic correlation of the Polish Tertiary, made within the framework of the IGCP Project no. 124 (Pożaryska and OdrzywolskaBieńkowa 1977). It should be emphasized that Odrzywolska-Bieńkowa (1967, 1973) correlated Middle Oligocene deposits from the Szczecin IG 1 borehole with coeval deposits from the Gorzów Wielkopolski and Wschowa Geo 1 boreholes and Zgoda claypit from the vicinities of Szczecin (Wolańska 1962), Mainz area in FRG (Thursch 1956) and the Kapellen and Rosenray boreholes (Ellermann 1958, and Indans 1958, respectively). She also made correlation of Middle Oligocene of Poland and Brandenburg and Mecklenburg areas in the GDR (Spiegler 1960; Kiesel 1962). Microfaunal assemblages evidencing the presence of Rupelian deposits in the Puck Embayment area, identified by Odrzywolska-Bieńkowa, were listed by Marzec and Woźny (1972) in discussing litho- and biostratigraphy of that region.

In analysis of foraminifers discussed in this paper, the authors used comparative materials kindly supplied by Professor H. Bartenstein of Celle (FRG) and Dr. S. Ritzkowski of Göttingen (FRG). The number of species identified by the authors is four times larger than reported by Reuss (1865) from the Leopold Fort in the vicinities of Szczecin.

The foraminifer collection is housed in the Geological Institute, Warsaw, here abbreviated as IGeol Pal

FORAMINIFER SPECTRUM AND AGE OF DEPOSITS

The studied foraminifer assemblage was derived from the depth interval of 131.2—156.1 m in the Szczecin IG 1 borehole. Foraminifers were derived from grey-green marly or, locally, clay-sandy claystones with clay-pyritic lumps and pyritized plant remains, passing downward into dark-brown claystone, sandy-shaly clay rich in plant debris represented by stem sections and pyritized rootlets. Lithological profile of this borehole was given by Ciuk (1972, 1973) who assigned these strata to the Czempińskie Beds of the Middle Oligocene. The deposits, originally interpreted as calcium-less, actually yield some amounts of calcium. Low content of this element in the Middle Oligocene is reflected by poor development of foraminifer tests which are usually thin and small.

Rotaliatina bulimoides Reuss is the most important species of the foraminifer assemblage. The stratigraphic range of this species is considered to be limited to the Middle Oligocene (Staesche and Hiltermann 1940) which was not questioned in the last 37 years. This species may be, therefore, regarded as important for the septarian clay facies of the upper parts of the Rupelian. It is lacking in the Lower Rupelian of both the Mainz Basin and Poland. Its record from the Upper Rupelian of the latter area is also of biogeographic importance as up to now it was considered as limited to the north-western Germany exclusively (Bartenstein *et al.* 1962).

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Haplophragmoides latidorsatus Spiropiectammina carinata intermedia Spiropiectammina carinata attenuata Gaudryina siphonella siphonella Gaudryina siphonella siphonella Gaudryina chilostoma Ouinqueloculina ludvigi Quinqueloculina impressa Nodosaria multilineata Lenticulina depauperata Lenticulina ubangulata Dentalina multilineata Lenticulina subangulata Dentalina spinescens Dentalina soluta Dentalina soluta Dentalina minuta Guttulina problema Fissurina lucida Bolivina begrichii Stilostomella evaldi Sphaeroidina yatabilis Uvigerina batjesi Hopkinsing gradils Trifarina gerampica Globigerina aff. ciperoensis Globigerina langustumbilicata Globigerina logina ficialis Cipute sina conculenta Casigerinella evaloti Schoterina aff. ciperoensis Globigerina aff. ciperoensis Globigerina aff. ciperoensis Globigerina aff. ciperoensis Globigerina aff. ciperoensis Globigerina aff. ciperoensis		• • • • • • •							•
Globigerina pseudoeocaena Globigerina senilis Globigerina turkmenica Globigerina turkmenica Cibicides ungerianus Rotalitina bulimoides Globocassidulina oblonga Pullenia bulloides Pullenia bulloides Pullenia guinqueloba Alabamina tangentialis Gyroidina girardana Melonis affine Svratkina perlata Oridorsalis umbonatus	•••••••••••••	•••••••	•	• • • • • • • • • • • • •	•	••••	•	•••••	•
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Distribution of Middle Oligocene Foraminifera in Poland and in some European countries

Foraminifer spectrum from Middle Oligocene deposits of north-western Poland comprises 74 species (12 planktonic and 62 benthic). From the species recorded here, 41 are also known from coeval deposits of GDR, 30 from FRG, 21 from Belgium and only 9 also from the USSR (mainly Ukraine).

No species typical of the Mediterranean province were found here which gives further support to low temperature of water in the North-European basin. Agglutinate foraminifers are markedly less numerous than the calcareous. Miliolids typical of warm-water basins and sheltered lagoons are scarce. The share of the representatives of the genera Hopkinsina and Trifarina, also indicative of low-temperature waters of shelf slope, is fairly large in the foraminifer spectrum.

Planktonic foraminifer species recorded in the Middle Oligocene of Poland include Globigerina officinalis and G.turritilina. These species are stratigraphically important, making possible to correlate the foraminifer assemblage with that typical of the Lower Rupelian whereas the presence of Globigerina angustiumbilicata — with the Upper Rupelian in the subdivision proposed by Menner and Krasheninnikov (1960).

Benthic foraminifers predominate in the Rupelian. A half of them belong to the species described by Reuss (1851) from coeval deposits in Germany. The assemblage also comprises representatives of several other species described by German authors (Andreae 1884; Bornemann 1885; Spandel 1901).

E. Martini (this paper) compares calcareous nannoplankton assemblage derived from the same samples as the above mentioned foraminifers, with the assemblages from so-called Rupelian C_2 and C_3 (Indans 1958). The Rupelian C_2 and C_3 studied by Indans (1958) is characterized by the foraminifer assemblages comprising the following species also known from the Middle Oligocene of Poland: Cibicides ungerianus, Dentalina obliquestriata, Gyroidina girardana, Pullenia quinqueloba, Sphaeroidina variabilis, Melonis affine and various miliolids. The IV horizon of the Rupelian, differentiated in the GDR and correlated with the C_2 and C_3

Table 2 Distribution of Middle Oligocene calcareous nannoplankton in the Szczecin IG

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143.2—149.7 m	×	×	×	×	×		×	×			×	×	×	×	×	x	×	NP 24
149.7—156.1 m	×	×		×	×	×	×						×	×	×	x	×	

horizons of Indans (1958) by Kiesel (1962) contains the following species known from the Rupelian of Poland: Haplophragmoides latidorsatus, Quinqueloculina impressa, Svratkina perlata, Cibicides ungerianus, and Alabamina tangentialis.

Taking into account the similarity of the nannoplankton assemblages from the Rupelian of FRG, GDR and Poland, the deposits penetrated by the Szczecin IG 1 borehole and other boreholes listed in this paper may be interpreted as coeval.

WATER TEMPERATURE

According to Thursch (1956), temperature of water in the Rupelian sea of the North-European furrow was below 20°C. The studies on temperature of Tertiary seas transgressing the area of Denmark recently carried out within the framework of the IGCP Project 124 (Buchardt 1977), gave the value as low as 5°C for Early Oligocene sea and only somewhat higher, 10°C, for the Middle Oligocene (Rupelian) one. This temperature crisis from the turn of the Eocene and Oligocene may be compared with the Messinian (Miocene-Pliocene) and coincides with the cool wave reflected by cold Oligocene flora recorded by Krutsch and Lotsch (1962—1969). The analysis presented here showed the presence of cold-water foraminifer assemblage without any warm-water elements as nummulitids, asterigerins, pararotalids or tropical varieties of miliolids typical of warmer-water basins. Planktonic foraminifers found here display trend to marked reduction in size which, to a certain degree, is also the case of the benthonic ones.

The foraminifer genera represented in the assemblage include Gaudryina, Bolivina, Lenticulina, Uvigerina, Cibicides, Cassidulina, Pullenia, and others which indicate normal salinity and low temperature of sea water according to Murray (1973). The majority of foraminifer tests are at present impregnated with pyrite. The genus Dentalina is represented by a fairly high number of species which was usually recorded in upper parts of the Rupelian. The microfaunal assemblage mainly lived in the outer shelf zone.

PALEOGEOGRAPHIC CONCLUSIONS

The Rupelian transgression was considered as the maximum Paleogene transgression in northern Europe. The further studies showed that several localities regarded as Oligocene are, actually, of the Late Eocene age and the Late Eocene transgression is nowadays considered as the greatest (see Pożaryska and Odrzywolska-Bieńkowa 1977; Pożaryska 1977).

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The marine Lower Oligocene is still insufficiently known. It was formerly termed as Lattorfian but this concept is highly disputable and the Lattorfian is considered as facies of the Upper Eocene by some authors (Cavelier and Pomerol 1976, Pożaryska and Odrzywolska-Bieńkowa 1977). Moreover, it was stated as early as 1962 by Korobkov (Colloque 1962) that the bulk of the species of the "Lattorfian" microfauna are of the Eocene age. Only 70 out of 300 species are not know from the Eocene. The remaining species are in some sense endemic as they seemed limited to northern GDR and FRG. It follows that the German[´] "Lattorfian" contains mostly species known from the Eocene but not the Rupelien or Chattian (Korobkov 1962: 750—752) so the "Lattorfian" cannot be understood as Lower Oligocene (Korobkov, *l.c.*).

Lower Oligocene deposits were nowhere found in borehole columns



Fig. 3. Distribution of Middle Oligocene deposits in the Polish Lowlands (data/ concerning eastern Poland are taken from the Paleogeographic Atlas of the USRR); I Oligocene septarian clays, 2 Oligocene glauconitic sands, 3 land-swampy areas, forming so-called Mazury—Mazowsze barrier, 4 sandy deposits with plant debris but without coals, 5 clay sands with plant remains and coal intercalations, 6 margin of the Carpathians.

from NW Poland studied by the authors. In several columns are present calcium-less and faunistically barren deposits. The deposits with microfossils always appeared to be the Middle Oligocene resting directly on the Upper Eocene.

The authors found that the extent of the Middle Oligocene deposits comprises north-western Poland. The Middle Oligocene is developed in two facies here: (1) calcareous quartz-glauconite sands and (2) Rupelian clays with septarian nodules. The latter facies is limited to the areas of Szczecin, Koszalin, Darłowo and Słupsk, extending to Machowinko. The extent of the former facies is much greater, comprising the Wielkopolska basin as far as Głogów and Zielona Góra on the south and Włocławek, Grudziądz and Tczew on the east. The deposits from the Gołdap IG 1 borehole in the Mazury region, formerly assumed to be of the Oligocene age (Bojarski and Marek 1974), actually belong to the *Globanomalina micra* Zone of the Upper Eocene (Odrzywolska-Bieńkowa 1976).

Besides the Gołdap locality, Upper Eocene foraminifers were found in deposits penetrated by the Mikaszówka borehole in the Suwałki area (Odrzywolska-Bieńkowa 1974), at Hipolitów (Nowak and T. Uberna 1976), Miały near Grodno and Siemień near Parczew (Pożaryska 1977), Branica Suchowolska, Antonin and Michów near Radzyń Podlaski (J. Uberna and Odrzywolska-Bieńkowa 1977). All these finds speak against the occurrence of Oligocene deposits on eastern side of the Mid-Polish Anticlinorium.

In drawing stratigraphic-facies map of the Polish Paleogene, Areń (1957) assumed that the transgression of Oligocene sea comprised the whole northern Poland. According to that author, the Oligocene sea entered the area of Poland from the south-east and transgressed Roztocze, the whole Lublin region and later Mazowsze basin, Pomerania and northern Wielkopolska. The mixing with waters of a transgression coming from the German Lowlands and submerging the north-western Poland took place in the area situated behind the Odra river line. As it was shown above, we know nowadays that the bulk of deposits assigned to the Oligocene on Areń's (1957) map actually represent the Upper Eocene (see also Pożaryska 1977). It should be noted here that this map comprises the whole Oligocene, i.e. also the Lattorfian which is recently interpreted as Lattorfian facies of the Upper Eocene (Cavelier and Pomerol 1976). The Late Eocene age of Lattorfian deposits in Poland was suggested by Odrzywolska-Bieńkowa as early as 1964 on the basis of guide foraminifer species found in core material from north-western Poland (see Pożaryska and Odrzywolska-Bieńkowa 1977).

In the Oligocene, the Mid-Polish Anticlinorium no longer represented so distinct eastern boundary of the North-European furrow as in the Late Eocene. The eastern Poland still acted as a boundary area between this North-European and Kiev basins. The basins were characterized by different microfaunal assemblages, as well as palynological ones (Grabowska 1974) evidencing the lack of connections between them. Only a few species are know from both basin but they are common and without any greater stratigraphic value. Oligocene successor of the Eocene Kiev basin, called as Maikop basin, also comprised the areas of the Dnepr—Donetz aulacogen and its neighbourhood. Older Oligocene is here represented by brackish sandy facies or the facies of marine sands with fine gravel of milk quartz or, sometimes, lidite. Such deposits are fairly common in Poland, suggesting more or less continuous connections between this basin and north-western Polish Oligocene basin. The deposits were found in both boreholes and outcrops such as those from Góra Puławska on Middle Vistula river. The deposits are faunistically barren may represent equivalent of the Charkov Beds of the Lower Oligocene in the Soviet Union. The deepest parts of the basin include Black Sea and Caspian Sea and neighbouring areas, already be longing to the Tethys proper and existing through the whole Oligocene.

Contacts between Middle Oligocene North-European furrow and Ukrainian Sea where so-called Maikop series of the Oligocene-Miocene age were originating, were weak. According to Drooger (1962), this cannot be explained just by the lack of seaways but rather by complete isolation and some differences in ecological conditions in the two marine basins. The Ukrainian Maikop basin was characterized by somewhat lower water salinity, evidenced by predominance of anomalinids in foraminifer spectrum. Similar concept was put forwards by Drooger (1962) in order to solve difficulties encountered in correlating Tertiary deposits from Belgium and the Netherlands. The Belgium basin from the Oligocene times is interpreted as more saline (Batjes 1958) and the Dutch one as somewhat brackish, which is evidenced by predominance of agglutinated foraminifers and anomalinids (Drooger, l.c.). According to Drooger (l.c.), it is very difficult to draw reliable chronostratigraphic conclusions on the basis of foraminifer assemblage mainly consisting of the representatives of the genera Cibicides and Anomalina.

The existence of barrier responsible for separation of the North-European and South-Ukrainian marine basins in the Oligocene times seems undoubtful. In that situation, the presence of complete profiles of marine Paleogene in the Olsztyn area in the northern Poland, assumed by some authors (Ciuk 1974), seems unsubstantiated. The micropaleontological studies on material from the vicinities of Mińsk Mazowiecki (Odrzywolska-Bieńkowa, unpublished report from 1972) failed to show any microfauna in deposits assigned to the Oligocene. This gives further support to the existence of land area separating above mentioned marine basins (fig. 3). No marine deposits with Oligocene foraminifers but only some fish teeth and coprolites were found in this land area of the Mazury—Mazowsze barrier. The lack of microfauna (Dągi & Sztotowo IG borings) makes it difficult to precise the age of these fresh- or brackish-water deposits. It is

assumed that palynological studies may be of some help here. Palynological studies (Grabowska 1972) showed the presence of Middle Oligocene microfloral assemblages indicative of the brackish environment. Further evidence for the presence of brackish deposits of the Middle Oligocene age at Rypin, i.e. in the area of the Mazury—Mazowsze barrier was given by Stuchlik (1964). Ziembińska-Tworzydło (1974) presented palynological data for the presence of the Oligocene brackish series in the Rawicz Trough (western Polish Lowlands), which is situated southward of the extent of Middle Oligocene marine sandy-glauconitic deposits. The presence of marine Oligocene in this area, inferred on the basis of lithological premises (Ciuk 1974), is not confirmed by biostratigraphic data as no marine fauna of this age was found despite of analyses of several hundred core samples.

DESCRIPTIONS

Order Foraminiferida Eichwald, 1830 Suborder Textulariinae Delage et Hérouard, 1869 Superfamily Lituolacea de Blainville, 1825 Subfamily Haplophragmoidininae Maync, 1952 Genus Haplophragmoides Cushman, 1910 Haplophragmoides latidorsatus (Bornemann, 1855) (pl. 7: 1a, b)

1855. Nonionina latidorsata Bornemann: 339, pl. 16: 4. 1958. Haplophragmoides latidorsatus (Bornemann); Batjes: 98, pl. 1:1.

Material. — One well-preserved specimen, pyritized. Dimensions (in mm): diameter IGeol Pal 1 0.275.

Remarks.— The specimen is very close to the drawing of the holotype (*fide* Ellis and Messina 1940), differing in less globular test with a trend to sharpening of peripheral margin. Bornemann, Kiesel and Batjes recorded incrustation of tests of this species with pyrite. The species is very rare.

Occurrence. — Poland: Middle Oligocene (Szczecin IG 1 borehole). GDR and FRG: Middle Oligocene septarian clays. Belgium: Middle Oligocene clays from Boom.

> Subfamily **Spiroplectammininae** Cushman, 1927 Genus Spiroplectammina Cushman, 1927 Spiroplectammina carinata intermedia Spandel, 1901 (pl. 7: 2, 3)

1901. Spiroplecta carinata (d'Orbigny) Spandel: 112, pl. 2: 4.

1970. Spiroplectammina carinata intermedia (Spandel); Kiesel: 193, pl. 3: 20.

1966. Spiroplectammina carinata oligocenica Nikitina: 333, pl. 1: 23-25; pl. 2: 10a, b.

Material. — Several well-preserved specimens.

Dimensions (in mm):

IGeol Pal 2 length 0.500 maximum width 0.325 *Remarks.*— The specimens are similar in morphology to those figured from the Middle Oligocene of northern Germany by Staesche and Hiltermann (1940). In Poland are present both triangular tests and more elongated ones with variable outline of spiny margin.

Occurrence. — Poland: Middle Oligocene (Szczecin IG 1, Choszczno and Gorzów Wielkopolski boreholes). In Europe it is known from the Eocene to Middle Oligocene.

Spiroplectammina carinata attenuata (Reuss, 1851) (pl. 7: 4a, b; 5a, b; 6, 7)

1851. Textularia attenuata Reuss: 84, pl. 6: 54.

1970. Spiroplectammina carinata attenuata (Reuss); Kiesel: 192, pl. 3: 18, 19.

Material. — Several well-preserved specimens. Dimensions (in mm):

> IGeol Pal 3 length 0.650 maximum width 0.275

Remarks. — The specimens are very similar to the holotype figured by Reuss. The variability concerns height of chambers and mode of development of peripheral margin which is either denticulate (spiny) or strongly sharpened. The last two pairs of chambers are usually swollen.

Occurrence. — Poland: Middle Oligocene (Szczecin IG 1, Choszczno and Gorzów Wielkopolski boreholes). GDR: Middle Oligocene.

Family Ataxophragmiidae Schwager, 1877 Subfamily Verneuillininae Cushman, 1927 Genus Gaudryina d'Orbigny, 1839 Gaudryina siphonella siphonella Reuss, 1851 (pl. 7: 8a, b)

1851. Gaudryina siphonella Reuss: 78, pl. 5: 42 (non 40, 41).
1962. Karreriella siphonella (Reuss); Kiesel: 15, pl. 1: 8—11.

Material. — Two well-preserved specimens. Dimensions (in mm):

> IGeol Pal 4 length 0.375 maximum width 0.275

Remarks. — The specimens are most close to those shown on Reuss' (1851) figures 42a, b, markedly differing from those figured elsewhere (Reuss 1851, figs 40a, b; 41). Our specimens are characterized by well-marked triserial structure. The specimen shown on fig. 8a in pl. 7 displays circular aperture with lip, similarly as the Reuss' ones.

Occurrence. – Poland: Middle Oligocene (Szczecin IG 1 and Gorzów Wielkopolski boreholes). GDR, FRG, Belgium and Holland: Middle Oligocene.

Gaudryina siphonella asiphonia Andreae, 1884 (pl. 7: 9)

1884. Gaudryina siphonella Reuss var. asiphonia Andreae: 200, pl. 7: 7a, b.

1962. Karreriella siphonella (Reuss); Kiesel: 15, pl. 1: 8, 11.

1969. Gaudryina asiphonia (Andreae, 1884); Kraeva and Zerneckij: 30, pl. 10: 1a, b.

Material. — Several well-preserved specimens. Dimensions (in mm):

IGeol Pal 5 length 0.850 maximum width 0.237

Remarks. — The specimens are very close to those figured by Andreae (1884) and Kiesel (1962). The biserial part of test is well developed in our specimens so we assigned them to the subspecies *Gaudryina siphonella asiphonia*. But for Kiesel (1962) the species under discussion is conspecific with *Karreriella siphonella* Reuss. Our specimens are more slender than the Ukrainian ones figured by Kapterenko-Tschernousova (1957, pl. 1: 14a, b).

Occurrence. — Poland: Middle Oligocene (Szczecin IG 1 and Gorzów Wielkopolski boreholes). GDR, FRG and Belgium: Middle Oligocene. Holland: Middle and Upper Oligocene. USSR: Upper Eocene, Kiev stage. Mexico: Oligocene.

Gaudryina chilostoma (Reuss, 1852) (pl. 7: 10)

1852. Textularia chilostoma Reuss: 18, a, b.

1866. Gaudryina chilostoma (Reuss): Reuss, 120, pl. 1: 5.

1937. Karreriella chilostoma (Reuss); Cushman: 126, pl. 15: 1-8.

1958. Karreriella siphonella (Reuss); Batjes: 100, pl. 1: 8a, b; non 6, 7.

1962. Karreriella chilostoma (Reuss); Kiesel: 14, pl. 1: 10.

Material. — Several well-preserved specimens.

Dimensions (in mm):

IGeol Pal 6 length 0.587 maximum width 0.350

Remarks. — Our specimens resemble the representatives of the G.chilostoma figured by Reuss (1852), differing in smaller number of chambers. They differ from those figured by Batjes (1958, figs 8a, b) in more depressed sutures, and those figured by Kiesel (1962, pl. 1, fig. 10) in somewhat higher chambers only. The comparisons suggest that the species is sufficiently figured and its interpretation coherent.

Occurrence. — Poland: Middle Oligocene (Szczecin IG 1, Choszczno and Gorzów Wielkopolski boreholes). GDR, FRG, Belgium and Holland: Middle Oligocene. This species was reported from the Oligocene of Trinidad by Cushman (1937).

Suborder Miliolina Delage and Hérouard, 1896 Superfamily Miliolacea Ehrenberg, 1839 Family Miliolidae Ehrenberg, 1839 Subfamily Quinqueloculinae Cushman, 1911 Genus Quinqueloculina d'Orbigny, 1826 Quinqueloculina ludwigi Reuss, 1865 (pl. 8: 1a-c; 2a, b)

1865. Quinqueloculina ludwigi Reuss: 126, pl. 1: 12.1970. Quinqueloculina ludwigi Reuss; Kiesel: 212, pl. 6: 5, 6.

Material. — Over a dozen usually well-preserved specimens.

Dimensions (in mm):

IGeol Pal 7 length 0.450 maximum width 0.225

Remarks. — Our specimens are very close to that figured by Reuss (1865) (*fide* Ellis and Messina 1940), differing in somewhat less flattened terminal part of the last chamber, and less distinct medial chamber from triserial test side. As it was shown by Reuss, this species is characterized by a high individual variability. Batjes (1958) reported differences in depression of sutures. The specimens from Szczecin resemble the Belgian representatives of this species illustrated by Batjes (1958).

Occurrence. — Poland: Middle Oligocene (Szczecin IG 1 and Gorzów Wielkopolski boreholes). GDR, FRG: Middle Oligocene. Belgium: Middle Oligocene (clays from Boom).

Quinqueloculina impressa Reuss, 1851 (pl. 8: 3a-c)

1851. Quinqueloculina impressa Reuss: 87, pl. 7: 59.1970. Quinqueloculina impressa Reuss; Kiesel: 210, pl. 6: 9.

Material. — Over a dozen well-preserved specimens. Dimensions (in mm):

IGeol Pal 8 length 0.375 maximum width 0.275

Remarks. — Our specimens are very similar to those figured by Reuss (1851) and Kiesel (1970), but no Batjes (1958). The Batjes' specimens are clearly angular, which is not consistent with the description of the holotype.

Occurrence. — Poland: Middle Oligocene (Szczecin IG 1, Gorzów Wielkopolski, Choszczno and Wschowa Geo 6 boreholes). GDR, FRG: Middle Oligocene. Belgium: Middle Oligocene (clays from Boom).

> Suborder Rotaliina Delage and Hérouard, 1896 Superfamily Nodosariacea Ehrenberg, 1838 Family Nodosariidae Ehrenberg, 1838 Subfamily Nodosariinae Ehrenberg, 1838 Genus Nodosaria Lamarck, 1812 Nodosaria multilineata Reuss, 1875 (pl. 8: 5)

1875. Nodosaria (Dentalina) multilineata Reuss: 83, pl. II/20: 13.

Material. — One fragmentary specimen (without aperture).

Dimensions (in mm): length of IGeol Pal 10 test fragment 0.680

Remarks. — Our specimen is almost identical as that figured by Reuss (1875) in shape of chambers and ornamentation. The specimen assigned to *N.multilineata* Reuss by Batjes (1958) differs from the formed in ribs markedly thicker and obscuring sutures. A specimen figured as *Dentalina multilineata* Bornemann (non Reuss, 1875) by Kraeva and Zerneckij (1969) resembles that figured by Batjes (1958), entirely differing from ours in appearance.

Occurrence. — Poland: Middle Oligocene (Szczecin IG 1 borehole). GDR: Paleogene. Genus Lenticulina Lamarck, 1804 Lenticulina depauperata Reuss, 1851 (pl. 8: 6a, b, 7a, b, 8a, b, 9a, b)

1851. Robulina depauperata Reuss: 70, pl. 4: 29.1962. Lenticulina (Robulus) depauperata (Reuss); Kiesel: 31, pl. 5: 1.

Material.—Some scores of well-preserved specimens. Dimensions (in mm):

IGeol Pal 14 maximum diameter 0.525 minimum diameter 0.312

Remarks.— Our specimens easily fall within the limits of intraspecific variability concerning differences in sharpening of peripheral margin.

Occurrence. — Poland: Middle Oligocene (Szczecin IG 1 and Gorzów Wielkopolski boreholes). GDR, FRG: Middle Oligocene.

Lenticulina inornata (d'Orbigny, 1846) (pl. 9: 1a, b)

1846. Robulina inornata d'Orbigny: 102, pl. 4: 25/26.

1846. Robulina intermedia d'Orbigny: 104, pl. 5: 3, 4.

non 1956. Robulus inornatus (d'Orbigny); Kaptarenko-Tschernousova: 133, pl. 9: 1.

1969. Robulus inornatus (d'Orbigny); Kraeva and Zerneckij: 59, pl. 21: 1.

1970. Lenticulina (Robulus) inornata (d'Orbigny); Kiesel: 230, pl. 9: 3-5.

Material. — Several well-preserved specimens. Dimensions (in mm):

IGeol Pal 18 maximum diameter 0.312 minimum diameter 0.275

Remarks. — Our specimens fall within the limits of variability of this species. The Ukrainian specimen figured by Kaptarenko-Tschernousova (1956) was exluded from this species because of a more protruding umbilical node and markedly higher number of chambers but this species is undoubtedly present in this area (Kraeva and Zerneckij, 1969). Undoubtful representatives of this species were also recently described by Kiesel (1970, fig. 5).

Occurrence. — Poland: Middle Oligocene (Szczecin IG 1 borehole). GDR, FRG: Paleogene. Austria (Vienna Basin): Neogene. USSR (Ukraine): Oligocene.

Lenticulina umbonata (Reuss, 1851) (pl. 9: 2)

1851. Robulina umbonata Reuss: 68, pl. 4: 24. 1970. Lenticulina (Robulus) umbonata (Reuss); Kiesel: 230, pl. 8: 19.

Material. — Several well-preserved specimens. Dimensions (in mm):

IGeol Pal 19 maximum diameter 0.395 minimum diameter 0.312 *Remarks.* — Our specimens correspond to the holotype illustrated by Reuss (1851); they display well-developed central node and a narrow and somewhat serrate keel not shown on the Reuss' drawing.

Occurrence. — Poland: Middle Oligocene (Szczecin IG 1 and Gorzów Wielkopolski boreholes). GDR, FRG: Middle Oligocene.

Lenticulina subangulata (Reuss, 1863) (pl. 9: 3a, b; 4)

1863. Cristellaria subangulata Reuss: 53, pl. 6: 64.

1940. Cristellaria aff. subangulata Reuss; Staesche and Hiltermann: 201, pl. 42: 5. 1962. Lenticulina (Robulus) subangulata (Reuss); Kiesel: 32, pl. 4: 5.

Material. — Several well-preserved specimens. Dimensions (in mm):

> IGeol Pal 25 maximum diameter 0.450 minimum diameter 0.375

Remarks. — Our specimens are more rounded than the holotype figured by Reuss (1863) which makes them more similar to the specimen figured by Kiesel (1962). They also resemble that figured by Staesche and Hiltermann (1940).

Occurrence. — Poland: Middle Oligocene (Szczecin IG 1 borehole). GDR, FRG: Lower and Middle Oligocene.

Genus Dentalina Risso, 1826 Dentalina grandis (Reuss, 1865) (pl. 9: 5)

1865. Nodosaria grandis Reuss: 131, pl. 1: 26, 28.

1956. Nodosaria grandis Reuss; Kaptarenko-Tschernousova: 112, pl. 7: 2.

1962. Dentalina grandis Reuss; Kiesel: 25, pl. 3: 15.

1969. Nodosaria grandis Reuss; Kraeva and Zerneckij: 44, pl. 15: 8.

Material.—Several well-preserved specimens and numerous fragments. Dimensions (in mm):

IGeol Pal 20 length 0.70 maximum width 0.30

Remarks. — Our specimens are very close to that figured by Reuss (1865). The species is well defined.

Occurrence. — Poland: Middle Oligocene (Szczecin IG 1 borehole). GDR, FRG: Middle Oligocene. USSR (Ukraine): Upper Cretaceous — Oligocene.

Dentalina spinescens Reuss, 1851 (pl. 9: 6)

1851. Dentalina spinescens Reuss: 62, pl. 3: 10.

1958. Nodosaria spinescens (Reuss); Batjes: 116, pl. 3: 13.

1969. Nodosaria spinescens (Reuss): Kraeva and Zerneckij: 46, pl. 15: 15.

Material. - One damaged specimen.

Dimensions (in mm):

IGeol Pal 26 length of test fragment 0.650 width 0.180

Remarks.—Our specimen fully corresponds to those figured by Reuss (1851) and Kraeva and Zerneckij (1969) in shape of chambers and their ornamentation. The specimen figured by Batjes (1958) is characterized by more cylindrical chambers and thicker and more blunt spines.

Occurrence. — Poland: Middle Oligocene (Szczecin IG 1 borehole). GDR, FRG and Belgium: Oligocene, USSR (Ukraine, Emba region and Mangyshlak): Upper Eocene — Oligocene.

Dentalina obliquestriata Reuss, 1851 (pl. 9: 7)

1851. Dentalina obliquestriata Reuss: 63, pl. 3: 11, 12.

1962. Dentalina obliquestriata Reuss; Kiesel: 26, pl. 4: 2.

non 1969. Nodosaria obliquestriata (Reuss); Kraeva and Zerneckij: 45, pl. 15: 14.

Material. — Several fragmentary specimens.

Dimensions (in mm):

IGeol Pal 27 length of test fragments 0.650 maximum width 0.190

Remarks. — Our specimens are identical as those figured by Reuss (1851) and Kiesel (1962). This species was invalidly put into the synonymy of the species Nodosaria emaciata (Reuss), common till the present, by Batjes (1958). The specimen figured as D.obliquestriata Reuss by Kraeva and Zerneckij (1969) actually belongs to Bifarina liebusi Schubert. We consider Dentalina obliquestriata Reuss as guide species for the middle parts of the Rupelian (Rotaliatina bulimoides Zone)

Occurrence. — Poland: Middle Oligocene (Rotaliatina bulimoides Zone) (Szczecin IG 1 and Gorzów Wielkopolski boreholes). GDR, FRG: Middle Oligocene. Belgium: Middle Oligocene (clays from Boom). Holland: Middle and Upper Oligocene.

Dentalina soluta Reuss, 1851 (pl. 9: 8, 10)

1851. Dentalina soluta Reuss: 60, pl. 3: 4. 1962. Dentalina soluta Reuss; Kiesel: 27, pl. 3: 14; pl. 4: 1.

Material. — About a dozen of more of less incomplete specimens. Dimensions (in mm):

IGeol Pal 28 length 0.500-0.260 width 0.312-0.320

Remarks. — Our specimens somewhat differ from that figured by Reuss (1851) in the lack of distinct constriction at the boundary between the last two chambers, but the shape of chambers in the same. The Polish specimens are similar to those figured by Batjes (1958), and Kiesel (1962).

Occurrence. — Poland: Middle Oligocene (Szczecin IG 1 and Gorzów Wielkopolski boreholes). GDR, FRG and Belgium: Middle Oligocene. Holland: Middle Oligocene — Lower Miocene. Dentalina inornata d'Orbigny, 1846 (pl. 9: 9)

1846. Dentalina inornata d'Orbigny: 44, pl. 1: 50, 51 (fide Catalogue of Foram., Ellis and Messina).

1970. Dentalina inornata d'Orbigny; Kiesel: 225, pl. 8: 1.

Material. — One specimen. Dimensions (in mm):

IGeol Pal 29 length 0.870 maximum width 0.184

Remarks.— Our specimen somewhat differs from that figured by d'Orbigny (1846) in less convex lower part of chambers, being identical as that figured by Kiesel (1970).

Occurrence. — Poland: Middle Oligocene (Szczecin IG 1 borehole). GDR: Paleocene, Eocene. Austria (Vienna Basin): Miocene.

> Family **Polymorphinidae** d'Orbigny, 1839 Subfamily **Polymorphininae** d'Orbigny, 1839 Genus Raphanulina Zborzewski, 1834 Raphanulina gibba globosa (Münster, 1838) (pl. 10: 6a, b)

1838. Polymorphina globosa Münster; Roemer: 386, pl. 3: 33.

1930. Globulina gibba var. globosa (Münster); Cushman and Ozawa: 64, pl. 17: 8, 9. 1962. Globulina gibba d'Orbigny var. globosa (Roemer); Kiesel: 49, pl. 7: 11.

Material. — Some scores of well-preserved specimens. Dimensions (in mm):

IGeol Pal 30 length 0.600 maximum width 0.525

Remarks.—Our specimens are incomparable with hardly legible drawing of Münster (1838), being identical as those figured by Cushman and Ozawa (1930) and very similar to that figured by Kiesel (1962).

Occurrence. – Poland: Middle Oligocene (Szczecin IG 1 borehole). GDR: Middle Oligocene. FRG: Middle-Upper Oligocene. Austria (Vienna Basin): Miocene.

Raphanulina minuta (Roemer, 1838) (pl. 10: 3a, b)

1838. Polymorphina minuta Roemer: 386, pl. 3: 35. 1962. Globulina minuta (Roemer); Kiesel: 49, pl. 7: 17.

Material. — About a dozen well-preserved specimens. Dimensions (in mm):

IGeol Pal 31 length 0.520 maximum width 0.325

Remarks.— Our specimens are very close to those figured from GDR by Kiesel (1962). In Poland this species seems confined to the *Rotaliatina bulimoides* Zone.

Occurrence. — Poland: Middle Oligocene (Szczecin IG 1 borehole). GDR: Middle Oligocene, FRG: Middle — Upper Oligocene.

Genus Guttulina d'Orbigny, 1839 Guttulina problema d'Orbigny, 1826 (pl. 10: 4a-b)

1826. Guttulina problema d'Orbigny: 266: 14.

1962. Guttulina problema d'Orbigny; Kiesel: 45, pl. 7: 4.

1970. Guttulina problema d'Orbigny; Didkovski and Satanovskaja: 76, pl. 49: 9a, b.

Material. — About a dozen well-preserved specimens. Dimensions (in mm):

IGeol Pal 42 length 0.375 maximum width 0.325

Remarks.— This species is highly variable. Early Tertiary (Danian and Montian) forms are characterized by more strongly depressed sutures and individualized overhanging chambers (Pożaryska 1965) and the younger, Late Paleogene and Neogene forms— by more coherent tests (Didkovskij and Satanowskaja 1970).

Occurrence. — This species is pandemic in the whole Tertiary and Quaternary.

Family **Glandulinidae** Reuss, 1860 Subfamily **Oolininae** Leoblich and Tappan, 1961 Genus Fissurina Reuss, 1850 Fissurina lucida (Williamson, 1848) (pl. 10: 5)

1848. Entosolenia marginata var. lucida Williamson: 17, pl. 2: 17. 1962. Fissurina lucida (Williamson); Kiesel: 155, pl. 8: 5.

Material. — About a dozen well-preserved specimens. Dimensions (in mm):

IGeol Pal 44 length 0.350 maximum width 0.284

Remarks.—Our specimens are characterized by central parts of tests somewhat wider than that figured by Williamson (1848) but falling within the limits of intraspecific variability. The species is very close to *Fissurina marginata* and was initially treated even as subspecies of the latter.

Occurrence. — Poland: Middle Oligocene (Szczecin IG 1 borehole). GDR, FRG: Middle Oligocene. Austria (Vienna Basin): Miocene.

Family Bolivinitidae Cushman, 1927 Genus Bolivina d'Orbigny, 1939 Bolivina beyrichi Reuss, 1851 (pl. 10: 8, 9, 10)

1851. Bolivina beyrichi Reuss: 83, pl. 6: 51.1962. Bolivina beyrichi Reuss; Kiesel: 60, pl. 9: 6.

Material. — About a dozen mostly fragmentary specimens. Dimensions (in mm):

IGeol Pal 48 length 0.587 maximum width 0.157

Remarks. — Our specimens are almost identical as that figured by Reuss (1851). The species is characterized by a high intraspecific variability, concerning curvature of sutures and development of spines on peripheral margin.

Occurrence. — Poland: Middle Oligocene (Szczecin IG 1, Choszczno, Drawno, Gorzów Wielkopolski boreholes). GDR, FRG, Belgium and Holland: Middle Oligocene.

> Family Eouvigerinidae Cushman, 1927 Genus Stilostomella Guppy, 1894 Stilostomella ewaldi (Reuss, 1851) (pl. 8: 4)

1851. Nodosaria ewaldi Reuss: 58, pl. 3: 2.

1956. Nodosaria ewaldi Reuss; Kaptarenko-Tschernousova: 105, pl. 6: 8-10.

1962. Nodosaria ewaldi Reuss; Kiesel: 23, pl. 4: 7.

1969. Nodosaria ewaldi Reuss; Kraeva and Zerneckij: 43, pl. 15: 5.

Material. — About a dozen broken specimens usually without aperture. Dimensions (in mm):

IGeol Pal 50 length 0.775 width 0.108

Remarks. — As it was reported by other authors (Kiesel 1962; Batjes 1958; Kaptarenko-Tschernousova 1956 and others), the preservation of the representatives of this species is usually fragmentary and only a single specimen with aperture is known (Wolańska, MS). The aperture is formed by a thin, fine and very long tube ending with a slightly widened circular opening with lip.

This species evolved from Early Paleocene Dentalina vistulae Pożaryska (1957), somewhat smaller but also with very strongly elongate chambers, weakly incised sutures, smooth surface of the test and extended aperture. Oligocene Stilostomella ewaldi Reuss represents evolutionary link leading to Miocene species Nodosaria longiscata d'Orbigny. The names Nodosaria ewaldi and N.longiscata were sometimes invalidly used for Early Paleocene forms such as those from Midway Fm. in Texas (Plummer 1926). A species surprisingly close to the above described was reported under the name Nodosaria farcimen from the Pliocene of Italy (Catania) by Silvestri (1872).

Occurrence. — Poland: Middle Oligocene (Szczecin IG 1 and Gorzów Wielkopolski boreholes). GDR, FRG, Belgium and Holland: Middle Oligocene. USSR (Ukraine): Paleogene.

> Superfamily **Buliminacea** Jones, 1875 Family **Sphaeroidinae** Cushman, 1927 Genus Sphaeroidina d'Orbigny, 1826 Sphaeroidina variabilis Reuss, 1851 (pl. 10: 1a, b; 2 a, b)

1851. Sphaeroidina variabilis Reuss: 88, pl. 7: 61, 64. 1969. Sphaeroidina variabilis Reuss; Kraeva and Zerneckij: 168, pl. 76: 9a, b; 10a, b. *Material.*—Over a dozen well-preserved specimens. Dimensions (in mm):

IGeol Pal 56 diameter 0.250

Remarks. — Our specimens are identical as those figured by Reuss (1851) and Kiesel (1962). Vasiček (1954) initially regarded Sphaeroidina variabilis as synonym of S.bulloides which is known to occur from the Miocene till the present. In a subsequent paper, Vasiček (1956) interpreted S.variabilis as a subspecies of S.bulloides confined to the Lower Tertiary. According to the present authors, sutures deeper incised than in S.bulloides and a small, spherical chamber from the base of the aperture, not present in the latter species, make it possible to regard S.variabilis as a separate species of the genus Sphaeroidina.

Occurrence. — Poland: Middle Oligocene (Szczecin IG 1, Gorzów Wielkopolski, Choszczno and Wschowa Geo 6 boreholes) and Upper Oligocene (Fore-Sudetic Monocline, Matl and Śmigielska 1977). GDR, FRG, Belgium and Holland: Middle Oligocene. USSR (Ukraine, Caucasus Northern, Sakhalin): Oligocene — Miocene. USA: Oligocene.

Family **Uvigerinidae** Haeckel, 1894 Genus Uvigerina d'Orbigny, 1826 Uvigerina batjesi Kaasschieter, 1961 (pl. 10: 7)

1961. Uvigerina batjesi Kaasschieter: 197, pl. 8: 27, 28; pl. 9: 23. 1973. Uvigerina batjesi Kaasschieter; Gawor-Biedowa: 130, pl. 1: 4.

Material. — About a dozen well-preserved specimens. Dimensions (in mm):

> IGeol Pal 58 diameter 0.275 maximum width 0.190

Remarks.—Our specimens fully correspond to those figured by Kaasschieter (1961).

Occurrence. — Poland: Middle Oligocene (Szczecin IG 1 borehole) and Upper Eocene (Iława borehole). GDR, FRG, Belgium and Holland: Eocene and Middle Oligocene.

Genus Hopkinsina Howe and Wallace, 1932 Hopkinsina gracilis (Reuss, 1851) (pl. 11: 1, 2, 3)

1851. Uvigerina gracilis Reuss: 77, pl. 5: 39.

1962. Angulogerina gracilis (Reuss); Kiesel: 56, pl. 8: 10, 11, 12 (with synonymy).

Material. — Several dozens of well-preserved specimens. Dimensions (in mm):

IGeol Pal 62 length 0.587 maximum width 0 156

Remarks.— Our specimens are identical as those figured by Batjes (1958), being somewhat variable in elongation of test and interrelations between bi- and triserial parts (see pl. 11: 1, 2, 3).

Occurrence. — Poland: Middle Oligocene (Szczecin IG 1, Choszczno, Gorzów Wielkopolski and Wschowa Geo 6 boreholes, Łeba elevation and Puck Bay). GDR, FRG, Belgium: Middle Oligocene.

Genus Trifarina Cushman, 1923 Trifarina germanica (Cushman and Edwards, 1938) (pl. 11: 4)

1938. Angulogerina germanica Cushman and Edwards: 85, pl. 15: 14-16.

1958. Angulogerina gracilis (Reuss) var. germanica Cushman and Edwards; Batjes: 136, pl. 6: 4.

Material. — About a dozen well-preserved specimens. Dimensions (in mm):

IGeol Pal 83 length 0.375 maximum width 0.162

Remarks. — Our specimens are similar to that figured by Batjes (1958). The species seems limited to middle parts of the Rupelian, i.e. to the *Rotaliatina bulimoides* zone.

Occurrence. — Poland: Middle Oligocene (Szczecin IG 1 borehole). GDR, Belgium: Middle Oligocene.

Superfamily **Discorbacea** Ehrenberg, 1938 Family **Discorbidae** Ehrenberg, 1938 Subfamily **Baggininae** Cushman, 1927 Genus Valvulineria Cushman, 1927 Valvulineria petrolei (Andreae, 1884) (pl. 11: 5a, b)

1884. Pulvinulina petrolei Andreae: 217, pl. 8: 15. 1962. Valvulineria petrolei (Andreae); Kiesel: 68, pl. 10: 3.

Material. — Three well-preserved specimens. Dimensions (in mm):

IGeol Pal 64 maximum diameter 0.234 minimum diameter 0.221

Remarks.—Our specimens are identical as the holotype figured by Andreae (1884) and those figured by Batjes (1958). Photos of our specimens show that the pores are coarser than it would follow from figures given by the above mentioned authors. The species is confined to middle part of the Rupelian, the *Rotaliatina bulimoides* zone.

Occurrence. — Poland: Middle Oligocene (Szczecin IG 1, Gorzów Wielkopolski and Choszczno boreholes). GDR, FRG and Belgium: Middle Oligocene.

Superfamily Globigerinacea Carpenter, Parker and Jones, 1862 Family Hantkeninidae Cushman, 1927 Subfamily Cassigerinellinae Bolli, Loeblich and Tappan, 1957 Genus Cassigerinella Pokorny, 1959 Cassigerinella cf. chipolensis (Cushman and Ponton), 1932 (pl. 11: 6a, b)

^{1964.} Cassigerinella chipolensis (Cushman and Ponton); Postuma: p. 254, text — fig. p. 255.

Material. — Two well-preserved specimens. Dimensions (in mm): maximum diameter 0.242

Remarks. — Our specimens are very small and with glittering test surface which agrees with description given by Postuma (1964). They differ from the illustrated holotype of *C.chipolensis* (see Cushman and Ponton 1932: 98, pl. 15: 2a, c) in less incised sutures whereas the shape of aperture and arrangement of chambers are typical of this species. It should be noted that according to Postuma (1964), this species does not belong to planktonic foraminifers as its walls are not porous.

Occurrence. — Poland: Middle Oligocene (Szczecin IG 1 borehole). Cassigerinella chipolensis is known from the Oligocene of Belgium and Trinidad and Lower Miocene of Florida.

Family Globigerinidae Carpenter, Parker and Jones, 1862 Subfamily Globigerininae Carpenter, Parker and Jones, 1862 Genus Globigerina d'Orbigny, 1862 Globigerina angustiumbilicata Bolli, 1957 (pl. 12: 1a, b)

1957. Globigerina angustiumbilicata Bolli: 109, pl. 22: 12a, 13c; p. 164, pl. 36: 6a, b.
1962. Globigerina angustiumbilicata Bolli; Eames et al.: 85, pl. 9: 9, 16.
1975. Globigerina angustiumbilicata Bolli; Stainforth et. al.: 253: 105 (1-5c).
1975. Globigerina angustiumbilicata Bolli; Bertels: 44, pl. 3: 4, 5.

Material. — A few well-preserved specimens. Dimensions (in mm):

IGeol Pal 65 maximum diameter 0.312 minimum diameter 0.280

Remarks. — Our specimens do not differ from the holotype figured by Bolli (1957). The species differs from *Globigerina ouichitaensis ciperoensis* Blow in narrower umbilicus and smaller and arcuate aperture asymmetrically located and with lip. Eames and others (1962) considered that this species is related to *G.officinalis* Subbotina (1953) as they found several transitional forms in the material from the western Africa.

Occurrence. — Poland: Middle Oligocene (Szczecin IG 1 borehole). USA: uppermost Bartonian — top of Rupelian (Cipero Formation). Venezuela: Miocene (Pozon Formation). SW France: common in Oligocene — Miocene junction beds. Argentina: Oligocene, Globigerina ciperoensis zone. According to Stainforth (1975), this species occurs from the Upper Eocene to Pleistocene.

Globigerina aff. ciperoensis Bolli, 1954 (pl. 12: 3a, b)

Material.—A few well-preserved specimens. Dimensions (in mm):

> IGeol Pal 66 maximum diameter 0.275 minimum diameter 0.254

Remarks. — Our specimens slightly differ from the holotype of Globigerina ciperoensis Bolli, mainly in poorly marked fifth chamber almost indiscernible in

the last whorl. Dorsal side of our specimens is very similar to that of the specimen figured as *G.ciperoensis* by Cushman and Stainforth (1945).

Occurrence. — Poland: Middle Oligocene (Szczecin IG 1 borehole). Trinidad, Tanzania, Argentina: Oligocene.

Globigerina corpulenta Subbotina, 1953 (pl. 11: 7a, b; 8a, b)

- 1953. Globigerina corpulenta Subbotina: 76, pl. 9: 5a, b, w 7a, b, w; pl. 10: 1a, b, w 3a, b, w; 4a, b.
- 1969. Globigerina corpulenta Subbotina; Kraeva and Zerneckij: 106, pl. 43: 5a, b, w.
- 1975. Globigerina corpulenta Subbotina; Caus: 303, pl. 1: 16a, b.

Material. — About a dozen well-preserved specimens. Dimensions (in mm):

IGeol Pal 67 maximum diameter 0.325 minimum diameter 0.316

Remarks. — Our specimens do not differ from the holotype figured by Subbotina (1953). The species appears most similar to *Globigerina eocena* Gümbel (1868), differing in chambers less closely adjoining one another and more depressed sutures only.

Occurrence. — Poland: Middle Oligocene (basal Rupelian in the Szczecin IG 1 borehole). USSR (Mangyshlak, Central Asia and Ukraine): uppermost Upper Eocene. Spain: Paleogene.

> Globigerina inaequispira Subbotina, 1953 (pl. 12: 2a, b)

1953. Globigerina inaequispira Subbotina: 69, pl. 6: 1-3.

1976. Globigerina (Eoglobigerina) inaequispira Subbotina; Hillebrandt: 331, pl. 1: 1, 6, 8, 11, 13; pl. 2: 7a, b.

Material. — A few well-preserved specimens. Dimensions (in mm):

> IGeol Pal 68 maximum diameter 0.184 minimum diameter 0.182

Remarks. — Our specimens well correspond to the holotype figured by Subbotina (1953). Chambers of representatives of this species are very close to those of *Globigerina linaperta* Finlay (1939) in shape, essentially differing, however, in the shape of aperture.

Occurrence. — Poland: Middle Oligocene (Szczecin IG 1 borehole). USSR (Caucasus): Eocene and Oligocene. Spain: Eocene and Oligocene junction beds (Globigerina caucasica zone).

Globigerina officinalis Subbotina, 1953 (pl. 11: 10a, b)

1953. Globigerina officinalis Subbotina: 78, pl. 11: 1-7.

1975. Globigerina officinalis Subbotina; Stainforth et al.: 211, 71, 1-7.

Material.— A few well-preserved specimens. Dimensions (in mm):

> IGeol Pal 69 maximum diameter 0.156 minimum diameter 0.152

Remarks. — Our specimen fully corresponds to the holotype figured by Subbotina (1953) in a very low aperture with lip and finaly-perforated test wall. This species resembles *Globigerina ouichitaensis* Howe and Wallace in shape, differing in the lack of wide umbilicus and more tightly packed chambers. It differs from *G.senilis* Bandy (1949) in markedly smaller size and narrower aperture.

Occurrence. — Poland: Middle Oligocene (Szczecin IG 1 borehole). USSR: Upper Eocene — Lower Oligocene (Caucasus), Lower Oligocene (Ukrainian Carpathians, Crimea and Aral Sea Depression and Georgian SSR), Oligocene (Ustjurt). Spain: Paleogene.

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Globigerina pseudoeocaena Subbotina, 1953 (pl. 12: 4a, b)

1953. Globigerina pseudoeocaena Subbotina: 67, pl. 5: 1a, b, w; 2a, b, w.

Material.—A few well-preserved specimens. Dimensions (in mm):

> IGeol Pal 70 maximum diameter 0.350 minimum diameter 0.324

Remarks. — Our specimens do not differ from the holotype figured by Subbotina (1953). This species is most close to *G.eocaena* Gümbel (1868), differing in less elongate test, differentiated size of chambers of the last whorl and more tight packing chambers.

Occurrence. — Poland: Middle Oligocene (Szczecin IG 1 borehole). USSR (Ukraine, Crimea, Caucasus and Mangyshlak): Upper Eocene.

Globigerina senilis Bandy, 1949 (pl. 11: 9a, b)

1949. Globigerina ouichitaensis Howe and Wallace var. senilis Bandy: 121, pl. 22: 5a, c. 1975. Globigerina senilis Bandy; Bertels: 445, pl. 4: 1a, b.

Material. — A few well-preserved specimens. Dimensions (in mm):

> IGeol Pal 71 maximum diameter 0.372 minimum diameter 0.350

Remarks.— Our specimens do not differ from the holotype figured by Bandy (1949). This species differs from *Globigerina ouichitaensis* Howe and Wallace in coarser perforated test wall, less depressed sutures between chambers and somewhat asymmetric location of apertural chamber.

Occurrence. — Poland: Middle Oligocene (Szczecin IG 1 borehole). USA (Alabama): Upper Eocene (Jackson Formation). East Africa: Eocene — top of Oligocene. Argentina: Oligocene.

Globigerina turkmenica Khalilov, 1956 (pl. 11: 11a, b)

1969. Globigerina turkmenica Khalilov; Kraeva and Zerneckij: 109, pl. 44: 7a, b, w.

Material. — A few well-preserved specimens.

Dimensions (in mm):

IGeol Pal 72 maximum diameter 0.312 minimum diameter 0.275

Remarks. — Our specimens do not differ from the holotype in number of chambers nor the type of aperture. The species is close to stratigraphically younger species *Globigerina apertura* (Cushman, 1918), differing in markedly smaller and less obtuse aperture and somewhat higher apertural chamber.

Occurrence. — Poland: Middle Oligocene (Szczecin IG 1 borehole). USSR (Ukraine, Northern Caucasus, Azerbaijan and Turkmenia): Upper Eocene.

Globigerina turritilina praeturritilina Blow and Banner, 1962 (pl. 11: 12a, b)

1962. Globigerina turritilina praeturritilina Blow and Banner: 99, pl. 13: A-C.

Material. — A few well-preserved specimens.

Dimensions (in mm):

IGeol Pal 73 maximum diameter 0.275 minimum diameter 0.250

Remarks. — Our specimens do not differ from the holotype of this subspecies figured by Blow and Banner (1962). Our specimens differ from the representatives of *Globigerina turritilina turritilina* Blow and Banner (1962) in less swollen chambers, wider umbilicus, somewhat higher apertural chamber and finer perforated test wall.

Occurrence. — Poland: Middle Oligocene (Szczecin IG 1 borehole). Africa (Tanzania): Upper Eocene, from the Globigerapsis semiinvoluta to Globigerina turritilina turritilina zone.

> Globigerina sp. (pl. 11: 13a, b; 14a, b)

Material. — A few well-preserved specimens.

Dimensions (in mm):

IGeol Pal 74 maximum diameter 0.282 minimum diameter 0.250

Remarks. — Our specimens are similar to both these of the species Globigerina pseudodubia Bandy (1949) and Globigerina conglomerata Schwager (1866) from the Neogene of India. The identification is, unfortunately, precluded as dorsal side of the Indian species was not figured.

Occurrence. - Poland: Middle Oligocene (Szczecin IG 1 borehole).

Superfamily Orbitoidacea Schwager, 1876 Family Cibicididae Cushman, 1927 Subfamily Cibicidinae Cushman, 1927 Genus Cibicides de Montfort, 1808 Cibicides reussi Ten Dam and Reinhold, 1942 (pl. 12: 5a-c; 6a-c)

1942. Cibicides reussi Ten Dam and Reinhold: 100, pl. 8: 4a, c. 1962. Cibicides reussi Ten Dam and Reinhold; Kiesel: 74, pl. 11: 4.

Material. — Several fairly well preserved specimens; the last chamber often damaged.

Dimensions (in mm):

IGeol Pal 76 maximum diameter 0.437 minimum diameter 0.286

Remarks. — Our specimens are identical as the holotype figured by Ten Dam and Reinhold (1942). This species was described from upper part of the Middle Oligocene of the Netherlands. The analysis of our material also suggests that it is limited to the *Rotaliatina bulimoides* zone of upper parts of the Rupelian in the Central Europe.

Occurrence. — Poland: Middle Oligocene (Szczecin IG 1 borehole). GDR, FRG, Holland: Middle Oligocene.

Cibicides ungerianus (d'Orbigny, 1846) (pl. 12: 7a-c)

1846. Rotalina ungeriana d'Orbigny: 157, pl. 8: 16, 18.

1962. Cibicides ungerianus (d'Orbigny, 1848); Kiesel: 75, pl. 11: 7 (with synonymy).

Material. — Some dozens of well-preserved specimens. Dimensions (in mm):

IGeol Pal 82 maximum diameter 0.450 minimum diameter 0.325

Remarks. — Our specimens are identical as those figured by d'Orbigny (1846). They are also similar to those from the Oligocene of GDR, figured by Kiesel (1962).

Occurrence. — Poland: Middle Oligocene (Szczecin IG 1 and Gorzów Wielkopolski boreholes), Miocene (margins of the Holy Cross Mts and Carpathian Foredeep). GDR, FRG, Belgium and Holland: Middle Oligocene. Hungary: Middle Oligocene (clays from Kiscel). USSR: Eocene — Oligocene (Turkmenia, Tadzhik Depression and Mangyshlak), America: Oligocene. Austria: Miocene (Vienna Basin). Czechoslovakia, Bulgaria: Miocene. At present, *Cibicides ungerianus* occurs in the Mediterranean Sea, Atlantic and Pacific.

> Superfamily Cassidulinacea d'Orbigny, 1839 Family Cassidulinidae d'Orbigny, 1839 Genus Globocassidulina Voloshinova, 1960 Globocassidulina oblonga (Reuss, 1850) (pl. 13: 1a-c)

1850. Cassidulina oblonga Reuss: 376, pl. 48: 5, 6.

1958. Cassidulina subglobosa var. Brady; Batjes: 127, pl. 6: 10.

1970. Cassidulina oblonga Reuss; Didkovskij and Satanowskaja: 141, pl. 81: 6a, b; 8.

Material. — About a dozen specimens with terminal chambers damaged. Dimensions (in mm):

IGeol Pal 89 length 0.340 maximum width 0.180

Remarks. — Our specimens somewhat differ from the holotype (Reuss, 1850) in more rounded peripheral margin. The specimen assigned to *Cassidulina subglobosa* Brady by Batjes (1958) resembles them in test outline and arrangement of chambers. The same is the case of specimens figured by Didkovskij and Satanowskaja (1970).

Occurrence. — Poland: Middle Oligocene (Szczecin IG 1 borehole), Miocene (Carpathian Foredeep). FRG and Belgium: Middle and Upper Oligocene. USSR: Oligocene (Caucasus), Miocene (Ukraine). Bulgaria, Romania and Austria: Miocene.

> Family Nonionidae Schultze, 1854 Subfamily Nonioninae Schultze, 1854 Genus Pullenia Parker and Jones, 1862 Pullenia bulloides (d'Orbigny, 1846) (pl. 13: 2a, b; 3a, b)

1846. Nonionina bulloides d'Orbigny: 107, pl. 5: 9, 10. 1969. Pullenia bulloides (d'Orbigny); Kraeva and Zerneckij: 100, pl. 42: 2a, b.

Material. — About a dozen well-preserved specimens Dimensions (in mm):

IGeol Pal 90 minimum diameter 0.214 maximum diameter 0.237

Remarks. — Our specimens are very close to the specimen figured by d'Orbigny, differing in somewhat less incurved sutures. A high variability in the degree of flattening of tests of this species was stressed by Batjes (1958).

Occurrence. — Poland: Middle Oligocene (Szczecin IG 1 and Gorzów Wielkopolski boreholes), Miocene (Carpathian Foredeep). GDR, FRG and Belgium: Midddle Oligocene. USSR (Ukraine): Upper Oligocene (Sphaeroidina variabilis zone). Austria (Vienna Basin): Miocene. Japan (Okinawa): Miocene.

> Pullenia quinqueloba (Reuss, 1851) (pl. 13: 4a, b)

1851. Nonionina quinqueloba Reuss: 71, pl. 5: 31.

1969. Pullenia quinqueloba Reuss; Kraeva and Zerneckij: 101, pl. 42: 3.

1977. Pullenia quinqueloba (Reuss); Pożaryska: pl. 5: 7a, b.

Material. — Several well preserved specimens.

Remarks. — Our specimens are similar to the holotype (Reuss, 1851) in test outline and shape of sutures, differing in four (instead 5) chambers in the last whorl. Fourchambered specimens were also figured by Kraeva and Zerneckij (1969).

Occurrence. — Poland: Upper Eocene (Siemień), Middle Oligocene (Szczecin IG 1 and Gorzów Wielkopolski boreholes). CDR: Middle Oligocene. FRG: Middle Oligocene — Miocene. Holland and Belgium: Oligocene — Miocene.

Family Alabaminidae Hofker, 1951 Genus Rotaliatina Cushman, 1925 Rotaliatina bulimoides (Reuss, 1851) (pl. 12: 8, 9)

1851. Rotaliatina bulimoides Reuss: 77, pl. 5: 38. 1962. Rotaliatina bulimoides (Reuss); Kiesel: 70, pl. 10: 8 (with synonymy).

Material. — A few well-preserved specimens. Dimensions (in mm):

> IGeol Pal 86 length 0.375 maximum width 0.225

Remarks. — Our specimens are identical as the holotype figured by Reuss (1851). The variability concerns elongation of spiral part of test only.

Occurrence. — Poland: Middle Oligocene (Szczecin IG 1, Gorzów Wielkopolski and Wschowa Geo 6 boreholes). GDR, FRG: Middle Oligocene. Holland: Middle Oligocene. Belgium: Middle Oligocene (clays from Boom).

Genus Alabamina Toulmin, 1941 Alabamina tangentialis (Clodius, 1922) (pl. 13: 5a, b)

1922. Pulvinulina tangentialis Clodius: 138, pl. 1: 14. 1970. Alabamina tangentialis (Clodius); Kiesel: 295, pl. 17: 8.

Material. — About a dozen well-preserved specimens. Dimensions (in mm):

IGeol Pal 101 maximum diameter 0.312 minimum diameter 0.276

Remarks. — Our specimens are identical with the holotype.

Occurrence. — Poland: Middle Oligocene (Szczecin IG 1 and Gorzów Wielkopolski boreholes). GDR and FRG: Middle Oligocene. Belgium: Middle Oligocene (clays from Boom). Holland and SW France: Middle Oligocene. Middle Miocene of North Sea coasts.

Genus Gyroidina d'Orbigny, 1826 Gyroidina soldanii d'Orbigny, 1826 (pl. 13: 6a-c)

1826. Gyroidina soldanii d'Orbigny: 278, pl. 46: 10-12. 1977. Gyroidina soldanii d'Orbigny; Pożaryska: 43, pl. 4: 4a-c.

Material. — Numerous well-preserved specimens. Dimensions (in mm):

> IGeol Pal 107 maximum diameter 0.320 minimum diameter 0.289

Remarks. — Our specimens differ from the holotype figured by d'Orbigny (1826) by widened sutures, being more close to those described from the Upper Eocene of eastern Poland and Oligocene of Belgium (Batjes, 1958).

Occurrence. — Poland: Upper Eocene (Siemień) and Middle Oligocene (Szczecin IG 1, Gorzów Wielkopolski and Choszczno boreholes). Europe and America: Middle Oligocene, Miocene.

Gyroidina girardana Reuss, 1851 (pl. 13: 7a-c)

1851. Gyroidina girardana Reuss: 73, pl. 5: 24.

1970. Gyroidinoides girardanus Reuss; Kiesel: 288, pl. 16: 2.

1974. Gyroidina soldanii forma girardana (Reuss); Ulleberg: 282, pl. 5: 1, 5; pl. 7: 8, 9.

Material. — Numerous well-preserved specimens. Dimensions (in mm):

IGeol Pal 108

maximum diameter 0.524

minimum diameter 0.482

Remarks. — Our specimens are identical as the holotype figured by Reuss (1851). The variability concerns differences in degree of flattening of test and width of umbilicus.

Occurrence. — Poland: Middle Oligocene (Szczecin IG 1 and Gorzów Wielkopolski boreholes). GDR, FRG and Denmark: Middle Oligocene. America an Egypt: Paleogene.

Family Anomalinidae Cushman, 1927

Genus Melonis de Monfort, 1808 Melonis affine (Reuss, 1851) (pl. 14: 1a, b; 2a, b)

1851. Nonionina affinis Reuss: 72, pl. 5: 22.

1977. Melonis affine (Reuss); Pożaryska and Odrzywolska-Bieńkowa: 62, pl. 4: 8a, b (with synonymy).

Material. — Over a hundred of mainly well-preserved specimens. Dimensions (in mm):

IGeol Pal 110 maximum diameter 0.320 minimum diameter 0.250

Remarks.— Our specimens are insignificantly more swollen than the holotype figured by Reuss (1851) but easily fall within the limits of intraspecific variability which is connected with the degree of flattening of test.

Occurrence. - Poland: Upper Eocene (northern Poland), Middle Oligocene (Szczecin IG 1, Gorzów Wielkopolski, Choszczno, Wschowa Geo 6 boreholes). GDR, FRG, Belgium and Holland: Middle Oligocene.

> Genus Svratkina Pokorny, 1956 Svratkina perlata (Andreae, 1884) (pl. 14: 4a, b; 5a-c)

1884. Pulvinulina perlata Andreae: 216, pl. 8: 12. 1977. Svratkina perlata (Andreae); Pożaryska: 42, pl. 5: 1a-c. Material. — Fifteen well-preserved specimens. Dimensions (in mm):

> IGeol Pal 43 maximum diameter 0.242 minimum diameter 0.220

Remarks. — Our specimens are identical as the holotype figured by Andreae (1884). Variability high (see Pożaryska 1977).

Occurrence. — Poland: Upper Eocene (Siemień), Middle Oligocene (Szczecin IG 1 and Gorzów Wielkopolski boreholes). GDR, FRG: Middle Oligocene, Rupelian. Belgium: Middle Oligocene (clays from Boom).

> Genus Oridorsalis Andersen, 1961 Oridorsalis umbonatus (Reuss, 1851) (pl. 14: 3a-c)

1851. Rotalina umbonata Reuss: 75, pl. 5: 35.

1970. Eponides umbonatus (Reuss); Kiesel: 292, pl. 17: 2.

non 1969. Eponides umbonatus (Reuss); Kraeva and Zerneckij: 78, pl. 28: 2a, b, w.

Material. — Some dozens of well-preserved specimens.

Dimensions (in mm):

IGeol Pal 52 maximum diameter 0.375 minimum diameter 0.330

Remarks. — Our specimens are identical as the holotype figured by Reuss (1851). They are characterized by well-developed additional skeletal elements on ventral side, represented by six-arm star in central part of the test. This element is missing in the specimen figured by Kraeva and Zerneckij (1969) so it was excluded from this species.

Occurrence. — Poland: Middle Oligocene (Szczecin IG 1 and Gorzów Wielkopolski boreholes). GDR, FRG, Belgium and Holland: Middle Oligocene.

> Superfamily **Robertinacea** Reuss, 1850 Family **Ceratobuliminidae** Cushman, 1927 Subfamily **Epistomininae** Wedekind, 1937 Genus Epistomina Terquem, 1883 Epistomina elegans (d'Orbigny, 1826) (pl. 14: 6a-c; 7a-c)

- 1826. Rotalia elegans d'Orbigny: 276: 54.
- 1846. Rotalina partschiana d'Orbigny: 153, pl. 7: 28-30.
- 1970. Epistomina partschiana (d'Orbigny); Didkovskij and Satanovskaja: 88, pl. 56: 5a, b, w.

Material. — Some dozens of usually well-preserved specimens. Dimensions (in mm):

IGeol Pal 56 maximum diameter 0.312 minimum diameter 0.293

Remarks. — Our specimens are very similar to those figured as Rotalia elegans d'Orbigny, 1826, and Rotalina partschiana d'Orbigny, 1846. We agree with Kiesel that

Rotalina partschiana is the junior synonym of Rotalia elegans. According to Pazdro (1969), there is no reason for separating a new genus Höglundina (Brotzen, 1948) for post-Mesozoic representatives of the genus Epistomina.

Occurrence. — Poland: Middle Oligocene (Szczecin IG 1 and Gorzów Wielkopolski boreholes), Miocene (Carpathian Foredeep, margins of the Holy Cross Mts). GDR, FRG: Rupelian. Belgium: Middle Oligocene (clays from Boom) — Miocene. Holland: Middle Oligocene — Miocene. Austria: Miocene (Vienna Basin). USSR (Ukraine): Miocene.

CALCAREOUS NANNOPLANKTON

During investigation of 113 samples between 50.0 and 239.3 meters of the Szczecin (= Stettin) IG 1 borehole, 2 horizons containing calcareous nannoplankton were found. The upper horizon, approximately between 131.2 and 156.1 meters, belongs to the Oligocene calcareous nannoplankton zone NP 24 (Sphenolithus distentus Zone) as discussed below. The lower horizon, approximately between 192.0 and 223.0 meters, can be placed in the Eocene calcareous nannoplankton zones NP 15 (Chiphragmalithus alatus Zone) and NP 16 (Discoaster tani nodifer Zone). The intervals between 50.0 and 131.2 meters, 156.1 and 192.0 meters as well as between 226.6 and 239.3 meters are barren in calcareous nannoplankton.

In the Oligocene succession the first occurrences of calcareous nannoplankton are within the interval between 149.7 and 156.1 meters, probably around 152 meters as three of 10 samples from this interval contain calcareous nannoplankton. The highest occurrences were noted approximately at 134 meters as four out of 8 samples from the interval between 131.2 and 137.2 meters were barren in calcareous nannoplankton. The assemblages found are poorly preserved and most specimens are effected by solution.

A total of 18 samples are grouped together in their respective interval because their unknown position within these intervals, and distribution of autochtonous calcareous nannoplankton species is listed in table 2. Reworked nannoplankton species from the Upper Cretaceous and Paleogene are present in most samples and include the following taxa:

Microrhabdulus stradneri Bramlette and							
Martini, 1964							
Micula staurophora (Gardet) Stradner, 1963							
Nephrolithus frequens Górka, 1957							
Predicosphaera cretacea (Archangelsky)							
Gartner, 1968							
Tetralithus aculeus (Stradner) Gartner,							
1968							
Tetralithus trifidus (Stradner) Bukry,							
1973							

Watznaueria barnesae (Black) Perch-	Discoaster cf. tani Bramlette and Riedel,
Nielsen, 1968	1954
Chiasmolithus solitus (Bramlette and	Ericsonia subdisticha (Roth and Hay)
Sullivan) Locker, 1968	Roth, 1969
Cyclococcolithus formosus Kamptner,	Isthmolithus recurvus Deflandre, 1954
1963	Reticulofenestra umbilica (Levin) Mar-
Discoaster barbadiensis Tan Sin Hok,	tini and Ritzkowski, 1968
1927	Zygodiscus sigmoides Bramlette and
	Sullivan, 1961

The high percentage of reworked calcareous nannoplankton was also noted for equivalent beds in Northern Germany by Locker (1968) and Müller (1970).

The autochtonous calcareous nannoplankton assemblages include the following species:

Braarudosphaera bigelowi (Gran and Braarud) Deflandre, 1947	Discolithina multipora (Kamptner) Mar- tini, 1965
Coccolithus abisectus Müller, 1970	Discolithina pygmaea Locker, 1967
Coccolithus eopelagicus (Bramlette and	Helicosphaera bramlettei (Müller) Jafar
Riedel) Bramlette and Sullivan, 1961	and Martini, 1975
Coccolithus pelagicus (Wallich) Schiller,	Helicosphaera recta (Haq) Jafar and
1930	Martini, 1975
Cyclococcolithus floridanus (Roth and	Reticulofenestra clatrata Müller, 1970
Hay) Müller, 1970	Reticulofenestra lockeri Müller, 1970
Cyclococcolithus hoerstgensis Müller,	Reticulofenestra retisimilis Müller, 1970
1970	Sphenolithus sp.
Dictyococcites dictyodus (Deflandre and	Zygrhablithus bijugatus (Deflandre) De-
Fert) Martini, 1969	flandre, 1959
Discolithina desueta Müller, 1970	

The autochtonus calcareous nannoplankton is dominated by Reticulofenestra lockeri in almost all samples. Fairly common are Coccolithus abisectus, Cyclococolithus floridanus, Dictyococcites dictyodus and Reticulofenestra clatrata. Other species listed above in table 2 are rare and not present in all samples. Species like Braarudosphaera bigelowi, Discolithina desueta, Discolithina multipora, Discolithina pygmaea and Zygrhablithus bijugatus, which are known from "near shore" environments and shallow water (e.g. Müller 1971) are rare, indicating somewhat deeper water during part of the Sphenolithus distentus Zone (NP 24) in the area investigated.

Concerning the stratigraphic position of the interval between 134 and 152 meters containing calcareous nannoplankton the placement in zone NP 24 (Sphenolithus distentus Zone) of the standard calcareous nannoplankton zonation (Martini 1971) is based on substitute species as sphenoliths commonly used as index-species in the Middle Oligocene are missing in most of the North Sea basin (Müller 1970). Coccolithus abisectus and Helicosphaera recta have their first occurrence at or near the base of zone NP 24, which is originally defined by the first occurrence of Sphenolithus ciperoensis. The boundary between zone NP 24 (Sphenolithus distentus Zone) and NP 25 (Sphenolithus ciperoensis Zone), originally defined by the last occurrence of Sphenolithus distentus, in the North Sea basin is better defined by the first occurrence of Discolithina enormis and Helicosphaera perch-nielseniae (Benedek and Müller 1974; Martini and Müller 1975), which seem to occur first near the last occurrence of Sphenolithus distentus elsewhere. In samples investigated Coccolithus abisectus as well as Helicosphaera recta have been found, but Discolithina enormis and Helicosphaera perch-nielseniae were not encountered, consequently the interval between 134 and 152 meters can be placed in zone NP 24 (Sphenolithus distentus Zone) of the standard calcareous nannoplankton zonation.

The Oligocene calcareous nannoplankton assemblages from the Szczecin IG 1 borehole show close similarities to assemblages of other north-German "Septarien-Ton"-occurrences, e.g. Freienwalde/Oder and Berlin-Hermsdorf (Müller 1970; Martini and Müller 1971; Locker 1972), Nennhausen and Waßmannsdorf (Locker 1972), and to the upper Lintfort beds (Obere Lintforter Schichten) to the lower Rhine valley (Benedek and Müller 1974), which can be correlated to for aminiferal horizons C_2 and C_3 of Indans (1958) and which also can be placed in nannoplankton zone NP 24. They are younger than the assemblages found in the type Rupelian, in which Coccolithus abisectus and Helicosphaera recta are not yet present, and which belong to zone NP 23 (Sphenolithus predistentus Zone) of the standard calcareous nannoplankton zontation (Müller 1970; Martini and Müller 1971). For correlations to the Mainz basin and the upper Rhine valley see Müller 1971. Zone NP 24 is present in some famous foraminiferal localities in Trinidad and can be correlated to the Globorotalia opima opima zone of the planktonic foraminifera zonation (Bramlette and Wilcoxon 1967).

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ŚRODKOWOOLIGOCEŃSKIE MIKROSKAMIENIAŁOŚCI Z NIŻU POLSKIEGO I ICH ZNACZENIE STRATYGRAFICZNE I PALEOGEOGRAFICZNE

Streszczenie

W okolicach Szczecina (wiercenie Szczecin IG 1) stwierdzono występowanie osadów środkowego oligocenu zawierających liczne gatunki otwornic. Badany zespół otwornic zawiera zarówno gatunki planktoniczne jak i bentoniczne wykazujące analogie do zespołów z osadów stratotypowych iłów septariowych Niemiec. Zespół ten był związany z morzem środkowego oligocenu bruzdy północno europejskiej, które objęło Polskę zachodnią aż do antyklinorium środkowo polskiego stanowiącego jej wschodnie obrzeżenie. Zamieszczona tu lista otwornic jest uzupełniona gatunkami pochodzącymi z równowiekowych osadów licznych otworów wiertniczych Instytutu Geologicznego z innych rejonów Polski. Badany zespół otwornic składa się z osobników drobnych o cienkich skorupkach. Cienkoskorupowość była spowodowana zarówno chemizmem środowiska (słaba wapnistość osadów) jak i niską temperaturą zbiornika. Zespół otwornic bentonicznych, zawierający ważny stratygraficznie gatunek *Rotaliatina bulimoides* (Reuss), przemawia za powstaniem osadu w strefie szelfowej basenu. Gatunki planktoniczne umożliwiły korelację osadów badanego obszaru z osadami wyższego rupelu NRD, RFN, Belgii i Holandii a także krajów pozaeuropejskich. Badany zespół otwornic planktonicznych jest w większym stopniu podobny do zespołów z Europy Zachodniej niż do zespołu z basenu majkopskiego, ZSRR. Wynikło to zapewne ze słabych kontaktów między morzem środkowo oligoceńskim bruzdy północno europejskiej a basenem majkopskim, oddzielonym lądowym obszarem hipotetycznym rygla mazursko-mazowieckiego. O istnieniu tej zapory utrudniającej połączenie wyżej wymienionych zbiorników wydają się świadczyć negatywne wyniki poszukiwań fauny morskiej w osadach środkowego oligocenu w Polsce północno wschodniej i wschodniej. Wiek osadów środkowo oligoceńskich określony na podstawie otwornic został poparty badaniami nannoplanktonu wapiennego (Zona *Sphenolithus distentus* NP 24). Omówiony w niniejszym opracowaniu zespół nannoplanktonu wykazuje ścisłe podobieństwa do zespołów występujących w iłach septariowych NRD i RFN.

ЭВА ОДЖИВОЛЬСКА-БЕНЬКОВА, КРЫСТЫНА ПОЖАРЫСКА, ЭРЛЭНД МАРТИНИ

СРЕДНЕОЛИГОЦЕНОВЫЕ МИКРООКАМЕНЕЛОСТИ ИЗ ПОЛЬСКОЙ НИЗМЕННОСТИ И ИХ СТРАТИГРАФИЧЕСКОЕ И ПАЛЕОГЕОГРАФИЧЕСКОЕ ЗНАЧЕНИЕ

Резюме

В окрестностях Щецина (скважина — Щецин IG I) обнаружено выступление осадков среднего олигоцена, содержащих многочисленные виды фораминифер. Исследованный сбор фораминифер содержит как планктонные, так и бентонные виды, проявляющие аналогию со сбором стратотиповых осадков септариевых глин Германии. Этот сбор был связан с морем среднего олигоцена северо-европейской борозды, которое охватывало Западную Польшу, вплоть до среднего польского антиклинориума, являющегося его восточным окаймлением. Представленный комплекс фораминифер дополнен видами, происходящими из осадков равного возраста обильних скважин Геологического Института в разных районах Польши. Исследованный сбор фораминифер состоит из мелких особей с тонкой скорупкой. Тонкость скорупки была вызвана как химизмом среды (слабая известковость осадков), так и низкой температурой бассейна. Коллекция бентонных фораминифер, содержащая стратиграфически важный вид Rotaliatina bulimoides (Reuss), указывает на образование осадка в шельфовой зоне бассейна. Планктонные виды позволяли сделать корреляцию осадков, исследуемого района с осадками верхнего рупеля ГДР, ФРГ, Бельгии и Голландии, а также из позаевропейских стран. Исследованный сбор фораминифер в большей степени подобный сборам из Западной Европы, чем до сбора из майкопского бассейна, СССР. Это объясняется слабыми контактами моря среднего олигоцена северо-европейской борозды и майкопского бассейна, разделённым материком гипотетичного мазурско-мазовецкого ригеля. О существовании этого порога, осложняющего связь выше названных бассейнов, по всей вероятности, свидетельствуют отрицательные результаты поисков морской фауны в осадках среднего олигоцена в северо-восточной и восточной Польше. Возраст осадков среднего олигоцена был определён на основании фораминифер, и он подтвердился при исследованиях известнякового наннопланктона (зона Sphenolithus distentus NP 24). Рассмотренный в настоящей статье сбор наннопланктона проявляет близкое сходство со сборами, выступающими в септариевых глинах ГДР и ФРГ.

EXPLANATION OF THE PLATES 7-16

All specimens from Szczecin IG 1 borehole, Middle Oligocene, calcareous nannoplankton zone NP 24 (Sphenolithus distentus Zone) Foraminifera (pls 7 to 14) × 80; calcareous nannoplankton (pls 15 and 16) approximately × 2000

Plate 7

- 1. Haplophragmoides latidorsatus (Bornemann): a front view, b side view, IGeol Pal 1.
- 2. Spiroplectammina carinata intermedia Spandel: microspheric form, front view, IGeol Pal 2.
- 3. Spiroplectammina carinata intermedia Spandel: microspheric form, front view, IGeol Pal 9.
- 4. Spiroplectammina attenuata Reuss: microspheric form, a front view, b side view, IGeol Pal 3.
- 5. Spiroplectammina attenuata Reuss: macrospheric form, a front view, b side view, IGeol Pal 10.
- 6, 7. Spiroplectammina attenuata Reuss: intraspecific variability, IGeol Pal 11.
- 8. Gaudryina siphonella Reuss: a apertural view, b side view, IGeol Pal 4.
- 9. Gaudryina siphonella asiphonia Andreae: side view, IGeol Pal 5.
- 10. Gaudryina chilostoma (Reuss): side view, IGeol Pal 6.

Plate 8

- 1. Quinqueloculina ludwigi Reuss: a, b opposite sides, c apertural view, IGeol Pal 7.
- 2. Quinqueloculina ludwigi Reuss: intraspecific variability: a side view, b apertural view, IGeol Pal 126.
- 3. Quinqueloculina impressa Reuss: a, b opposite sides, c apertural view, IGeol Pal 8.

- 4. Stilostomella ewaldi (Reuss): IGeol Pal 50.
- 5. Nodosaria multilineata Reuss: IGeol Pal 10.
- 6, 7, 8, 9. Lenticulina depauperata (Reuss): intraspecific variability: a side view, b apertural view, IGeol Pal 14.

Plate 9

- 1. Lenticulina inornata (d'Orbigny): a side view, b apertural view, IGeol Pal 18.
- 2. Lenticulina umbonata (Reuss): IGeol Pal 19.
- 3. Lenticulina subangulata (Reuss): a side view, b apertural view, IGeol Pal 25.
- 4. Lenticulina subangulata (Reuss): intraspecific variability, IGeol Pal 24.
- 5. Dentalina grandis Reuss: IGeol Pal 120.
- 6. Dentalina spinescens Reuss: IGeol Pal 26.
- 7. Dentalina obliquestriata Reuss: IGeol Pal 27.
- 8, 10. Dentalina soluta Reuss: IGeol Pal 28.
- 9. Dentalina inornata d'Orbigny: IGeol Pal 29.

Plate 10

- 1, 2. Sphaeroidina variabilis Reuss: a side view, b apertural view, IGeol Pal 56.
- 3, 4. Raphanulina minuta (Roemer): a, b views from opposite sides, IGeol Pal 31, 42.
- 5. Fissurina lucida Williamson: IGeol Pal 44.
- 6. Raphanulina gibba globosa (Roemer): a, b views from opposite sides, IGeol Pal 30.
- 7. Uvigerina batjesi Kaasschieter: IGeol Pal 58.
- 8, 9, 10. Bolivina beyrichi Reuss: intraspecific variability, IGeol Pal 48.

Plate 11

- 1, 2, 3. Hopkinsina gracilis (Reuss): intraspecific variability, IGeol Pal 62.
- 4. Trifarina germanica (Cushman and Edwards): IGeol Pal 63.
- 5. Valvulineria petrolei Andreae: a dorsal view, b ventral view, IGeol Pal 64.
- 6. Cassigerinella cf. chipolensis Cushman and Ponton: a side view, b apertural view, IGeol Pal 71.
- 7, 8. Globigerina corpulenta Subbotina: intraspecific variability; a dorsal view, b ventral view, IGeol Pal 67.
- 9. Globigerina senilis Bandy: a ventral view, b dorsal view, IGeol Pal 71.
- 10. Globigerina officinalis Subbotina: a ventral view, b dorsal view, IGeol Pal 69.
- 11. Globigerina turkmenica Khalilov: a dorsal view, b ventral view, IGeol Pal 72.
- 12. Globigerina turrilina praeturrilina Blow and Banner: a dorsal view, b ventral view, IGeol Pal 73.
- 13, 14. *Globigerina* sp.: intraspecific variability; a dorsal view, b ventral view, IGeol Pal 74.

Plate 12

- 1. Globigerina angustiumbilicata Bolli: a dorsal view, b ventral view, IGeol Pal 65.
- 2. Globigerina inaequispira Subbotina: a dorsal view, b ventral view, IGeol Pal 68.
- 3. Globigerina aff. ciperoensis Bolli: a dorsal view, b ventral view, IGeol Pal 66.
- 4. Globigerina pseudoeocaena Subbotina: a dorsal view, b ventral view, IGeol Pal 70.
- 5, 6. Cibicides reussi Ten Dam: intraspecific variability; a dorsal view, b ventral view, c apertural view, IGeol Pal 76.
- 7. Cibicides ungerianus (d'Orbigny): a dorsal view, b ventral view, c apertural view, IGeol Pal 82.
- 8, 9. Rotaliatina bulimoides (Reuss): intraspecific variability, IGeol Pal 86.

Plate 13

- 1. Globocassidulina oblonga (Reuss): a, b views from opposite sides, c apertural view, IGeol Pal 89.
- 2, 3. Pullenia bulloides d'Orbigny: intraspecific variability; a side view, b apertural view, IGeol Pal 90.
- 4. Pullenia quinqueloba Reuss: a side view, b apertural view, IGeol Pal 96.
- 5. Alabamina tangentialis (Clodius): a ventral view, b dorsal view, IGeol Pal 101.
- 6. Gyroidina soldanii (d'Orbigny): a dorsal view, b ventral view, c apertural view, IGeol Pal 10:.
- 7. Gyroidina girardana (Reuss): a dorsal view, b ventral view, c apertural view, IGeol Pal 108.

Plate 14

- 1, 2. Melonis affine (Reuss): intraspecific variability; a side view, b apertural view, IGeol Pal 110.
- 3. Oridorsalis umbonatus (Reuss): a dorsal view, b ventral view, c apertural view, IGeol Pal 52.
- 4, 5. Svratkina perlata (Andreae): intraspecific variability; a dorsal view, b ventral view, c apertural view, IGeol Pal 43.
- 6, 7. Epistomina elegans (d'Orbigny): intraspecific variability; a dorsal view, b ventral view, c apertural view, IGeol Pal 56.

Plate 15

- 1. Braarudosphaera bigelowi (Gran and Braarud) Deflandre. Sample 137.2—143.2 m H. 1b Crossed nicols.
- 2. Coccolithus abisectus Müller. Sample 131.2-137.2 m A. 2b Crossed nicols.
- 3. Coccolithus eopelagicus (Bramlette and Riedel) Bramlette and Sullivan. Sample 137.2-143.2 m H. 3b Long axis 30° to crossed nicols.
- 4. Cyclococcolithus floridanus (Roth and Hay) Müller. Sample 131.2—137.2 m A. 4b Crossed nicols.
- Dictyococcites dictyodus (Deflandre and Fert) Martini. Sample 131.2—137.1 m B. 5b Long axis 0° to crossed nicols.
- 6. Discolithina multipora (Kampiner) Martini. Sample 137.2—143.2 m H. 6b Long axis 45° to crossed nicols.

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- 2. Discolithina pygmaea Locker. Two different specimens. Sample 137.2—143.2 m H.
 2 Long axis 90° to crossed nicols.
- 3. Helicosphaera bramlettei (Müller) Jafar and Martini. Sample 143.2—149.7 m A. 3b Long axis 45° to crossed nicols.
- 4. Helicosphaera recta (Haq) Jafar and Martini. Sample 143.2—149.7 m E. 4b Long axis 30° to crossed nicols.
- 5. Reticulofenestra lockeri Müller. Sample 131.2—137.2 m B. 5b Long axis 45° to crossed nicols.
- 6. Sphenolithus sp. Sample 137.2-143.2 m H. 6b Crossed nicols.
- 7. Zygrhablithus bijugatus (Deflandre) Deflandre. Sample 131.2—137.2 m A. 7b Long axis 0° to crossed nicols.



















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