

APPENDIX (4)

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PALYNOLOGICAL REPORT

PALYNOLOGICAL EXAMINATION ALBATROSS #1 WELL

Samples were treated by the hydrofluoric acid - Schulze's solution method, and the residues examined under the microscope for acid insoluble microfossils.

Depth	<u>Microfossils</u>
3110-3120 ft.	Cyathidites sp., Leptolepidites verrucatus, Ceratosporites equalis, Cicatricosisporites australiensis etc.
3740-3750 ft.	Ceratosporites equalis, Cyathidites etc.
4080-4090 ft.	Dictyotosporites speciosus, Cuathidites cf. Rouseisporites

recticulatus etc.

The microspores present in the 3 samples are typical of the Speciosus Assemblage Zone of Dettmann (1963). Cf. *Rouseisporites reticulatus* found in the deepest (4080-4090 ft.) sample suggests that the *R.reticulatus* Unit of Dettmann and Playford (1969) may be present. This is of Aptian age. In any case the range of the specimens is Aptian-Albian, and corresponds to Zone C of Douglas (1969).

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