

I. OUTLINE OF THE GH82-4 CRUISE

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Introduction

The Geological Survey of Japan (GSJ) has been carried out research on marine mineral resources in the Central Pacific Basin since 1974. The GH82-4 cruise is the fourth phase of the second five-year program "Geological Study of Deep-Sea Mineral Resources" (1979 to 1983) funded by the Agency of Industrial Science and Technology, MITI. The aim of this research program is to clarify geological background which affect the regional and local variations of various properties of manganese nodule deposits along the Wake-Tahiti Transect (from the Mid-Pacific Mountains, the Central Pacific Basin, the Manihiki Plateau, to the Penrhyn Basin, South Pacific; Fig. 1-1). Seven GSJ scientists, three visiting scientists from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan, the Metal Mining Agency of Japan, and Korea Institute of Energy and Resources, and nine students from five Japanese universities participated in the cruise together with two professional photographers (Table 1-1). The results of the previous cruises, GH80-1 (Mizuno and Nakao, 1982), GH80-5 (Nakao and Moritani, 1984), and GH81-4 (Nakao, 1986) have been published as GSJ Cruise Reports and in other scientific journals (e.g., Usui, 1983; Usui *et al.*, 1987). The report of GH83-3 is to be published next year.

Program and Schedule

The R/V Hakurei-maru commanded by Captain H. Okumura set sail from Funabashi Port, Tokyo Bay on August 14, 1982 for the survey area in the south of the Nova-Canton Trough, Equatorial Pacific. She called at Apia, Western Samoa on September 10 between two legs and returned to Funabashi on October 12 of the same year. The sixty-day program of the cruise is shown in Table 1-2.

Area of study

The survey area is located between the Nova-Canton Trough and Manihiki Plateau in the equatorial central Pacific, which was selected based on previous manganese nodule data on the Wake-Tahiti Transect of the GH80-1 cruise (Mizuno and Nakao, 1982) and the preliminary geophysical data of GH81-4 cruise (Nakao, 1986). The first leg was spent for a reconnaissance survey and the second leg for a small-scale sampling in a detailed survey area. Figure 1-2 shows topography of the GH82-4 area, and sample locations are plotted on topographic maps of the whole area (Fig. 1-3) and of the detailed survey area (Fig. 1-4).

Keywords: manganese nodule, geophysics, geochemistry, deep-sea sediment, seismic profile, Wake-Tahiti Transect, Manihiki Plateau, Central Pacific Basin, Hakurei-Marun, Nova-Canton Trough

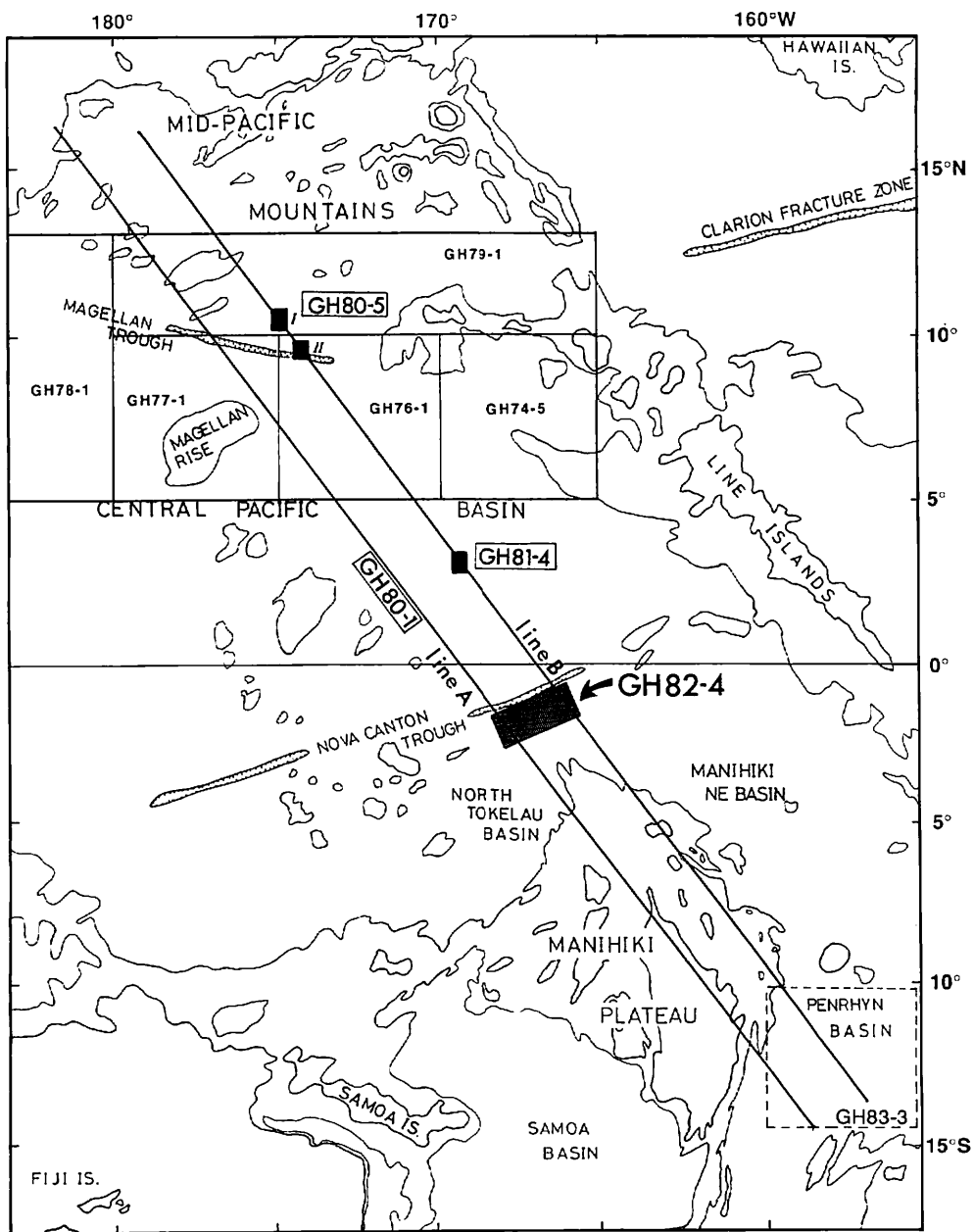


Fig. I-1 Survey areas of GH82-4 Cruise and previous cruises of the first and second 5-year programs. Contours 2000 and 2600 fathoms in water depth.

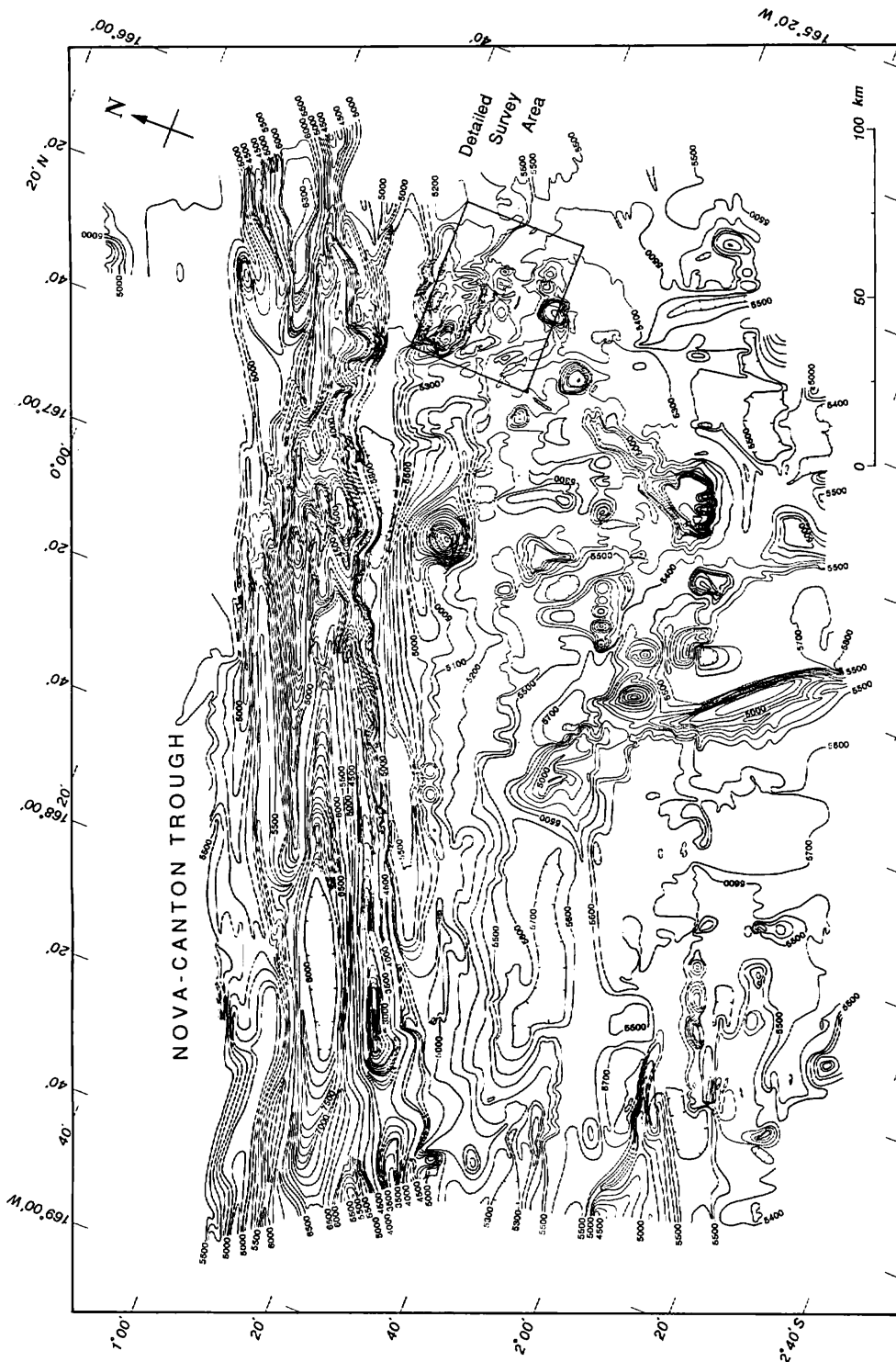


Fig. 1-2 Topography of the GH82-4 Area. Compiled by Kazuaki Watanabe of GSI.

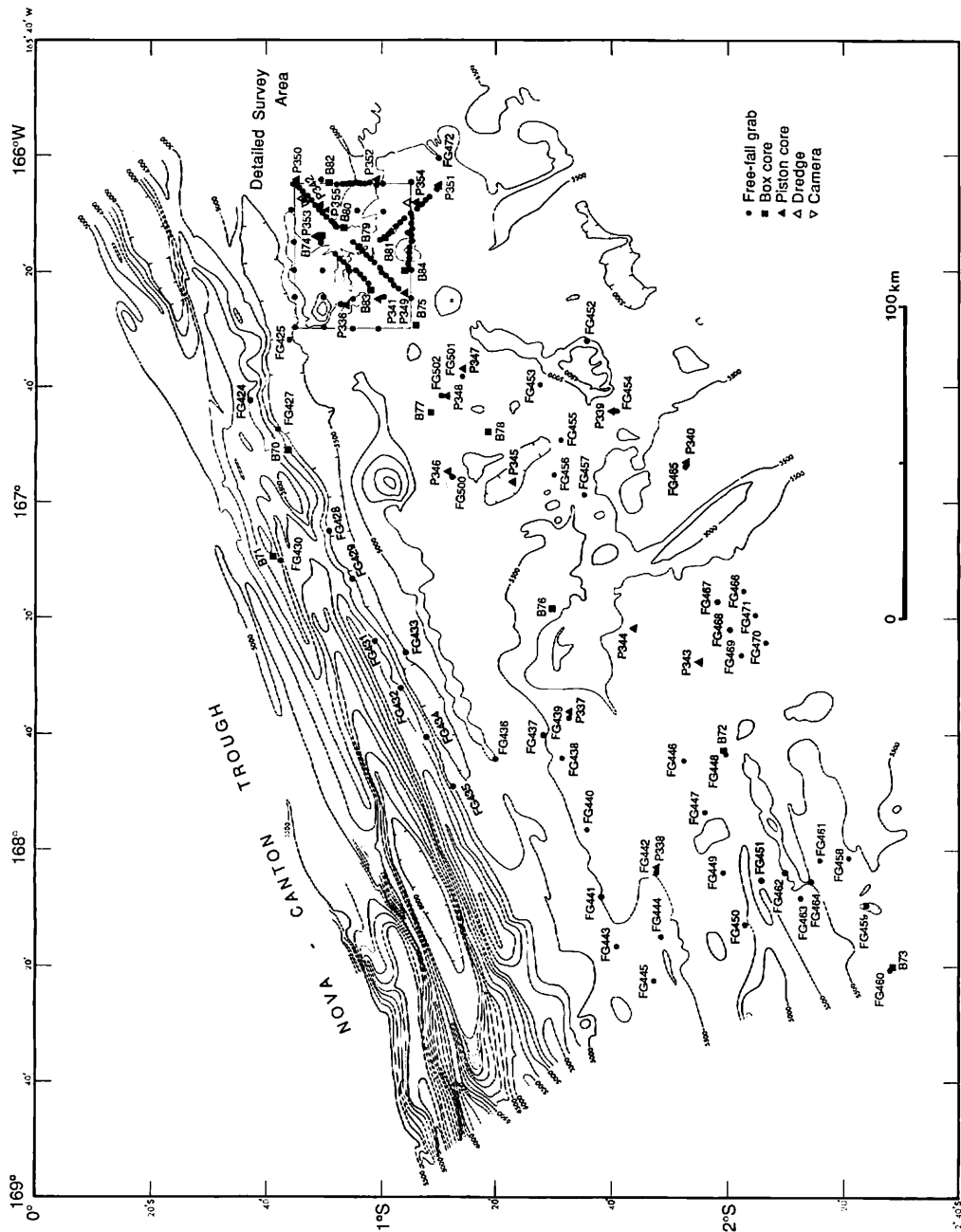


Fig. 1-3 Sampling locations and a camera station in the GH82-4 Area.

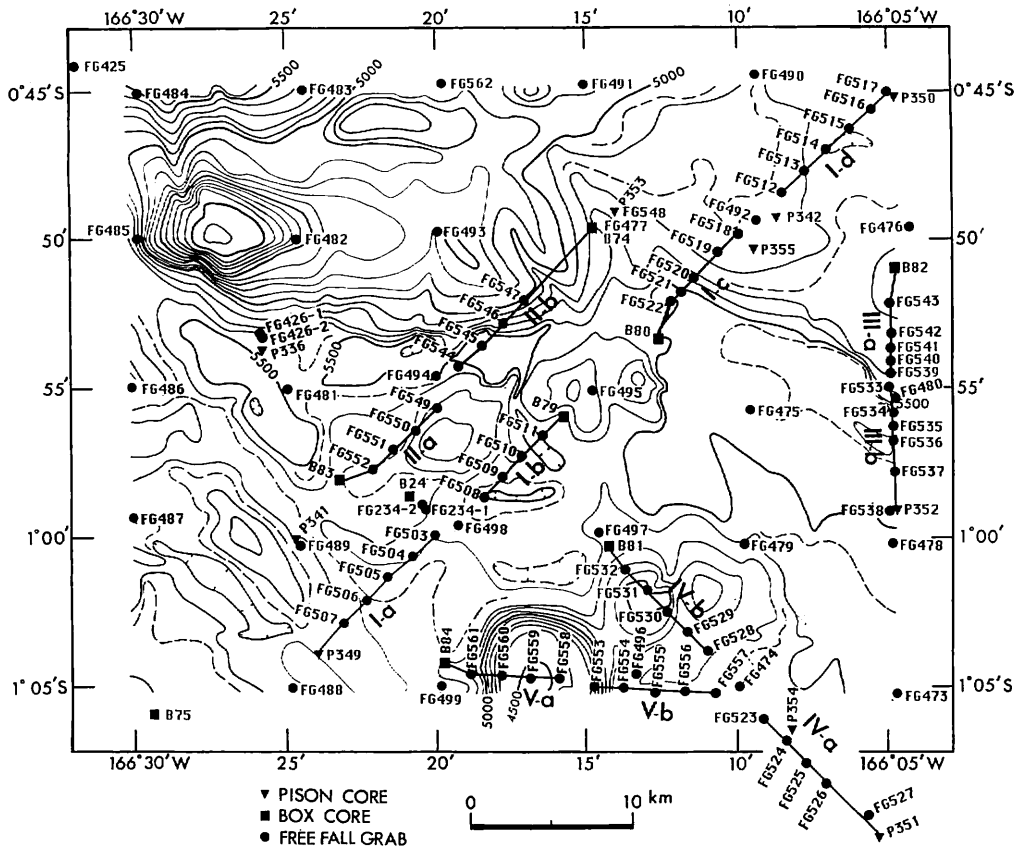


Fig. 1-4 Sampling locations of free-fall grabs and cores in the detailed survey area.

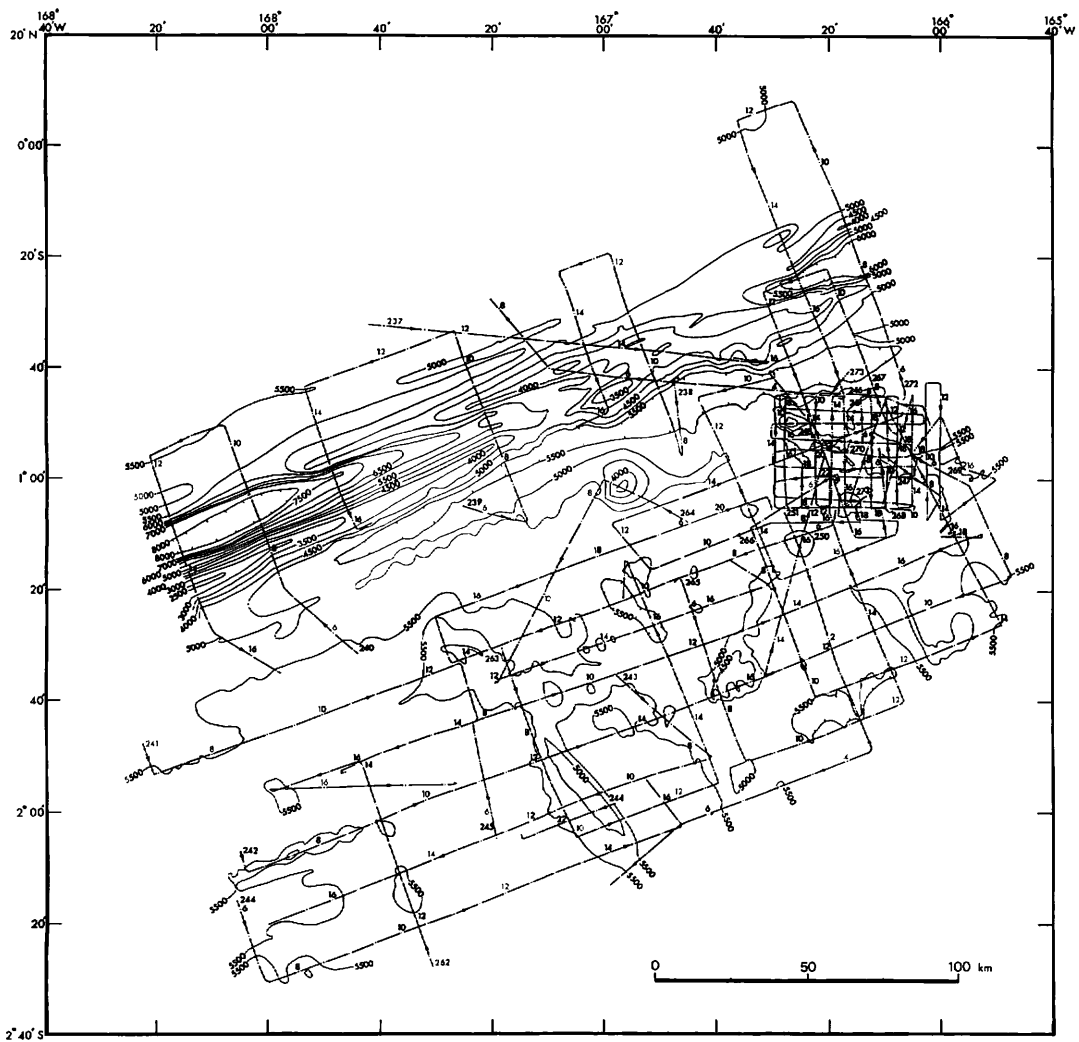


Fig. I-5 Ship track of seismic survey by 3.5 kHz SBP and air guns. See in Chapters III and IV by Tanahashi.

Table I-1 Scientific staff of GH82-4 Cruise.

Name	Organization	Speciality and responsibility
Masato Nohara	Geological Survey of Japan	chief scientist: geochemistry
Akira Nishimura	Geological Survey of Japan	co-chief scientist: sedimentology
Akira Usui	Geological Survey of Japan	scientist; geochemistry and mineralogy
Manabu Tanahashi	Geological Survey of Japan	scientist; geology and geophysics
Toshitsugu Yamazaki	Geological Survey of Japan	scientist; geology and geophysics
Ken Ikehara	Geological Survey of Japan	scientist; sedimentology
Kazuaki Watanabe	Geological Survey of Japan	scientist; topography
Kazuchika Hamuro*	Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan	visiting scientist
Kenji Otani**	Metal Mining Agency of Japan	visiting scientist
Chang Jeong Hae**	Korea Institute of Energy and Resources	visiting scientist
Tokio Matsushita*	Educational Film Corporation	photographer
Kenji Ino*	Educational Film Corporation	photographer
Mitsuru Sakamoto	Tsukuba Univ.	student; technical assistant
Eiji Nakayama	Tsukuba Univ.	do.
Yasuo Nishizawa	Chiba Univ.	do.
Masayuki Hasui	Univ. Tokyo	do.
Akira Iwakoshi	Kobe Univ.	do.
Masatake Matsutani	Ryukyu Univ.	do.
Wataru Sasaki	Ryukyu Univ.	do.
Tetsuo Tsutsui	Ryukyu Univ.	do.
Masayuki Uchimura	Ryukyu Univ.	do.

* : from Funabashi (Tokyo) to Apia

** : from Apia to Funabashi (Tokyo)

Methods

The general survey methods are similar to those in the previous Hakurei-Maru cruises (Table I-3). More details are described in the following chapters in this volume. In the first leg, bottom sampling was done every 5-7 mile grids by a set of two free-fall grabs and one wire-lined sampler (a piston corer installed with a heat-flow meter or a box corer with one-shot camera), along parallel lines to the Trough axis at 10-mile intervals (Fig. I-5). The second leg includes small-scale (less than 1-km intervals) sampling in the detailed survey area. The results of on-site observation and description are shown in Table I-4.

Summary of results

Acoustic profiles by 3.5 kHz subbottom profiler and air guns revealed general geologic structure of the area in comparison with previous DSDP core stratigraphy. Tanahashi (Chapters III and IV) discusses the origin of the Nova-Canton Trough, the possibility of volcanic intrusion, and relationship of acoustic character of sediments to nodule deposits. Yamazaki and Tanahashi (Chapter II) and Nakanishi *et al.* (Chapter XIV) provide new magnetic and gravity anomaly data which can suggest the age of the sea floor and the formation process of the Trough. Yamazaki suggests a postdated tectonic activity based on higher heat flow than theoretical prediction after evaluation with E.Q.F (Chapter V). The bottom water temperature measured by heat-flow meter assumes eastward flow of the Antarctic Bottom Water controlled by local topography of this area (Chapter XIII).

Table I-2 Results of survey and observation of GH82-4 cruise.

Date	Weather	Cruising time	Cruising mileage	Works
Aug.	14 fine	9.5 hr	123.3 n.m.	leave Funabashi port (2:30 pm)
	15 fine	23.5	322.3	geophysical survey in transit*
	16 cloudy	23.5	326.8	geophysical survey in transit*
	17 rainy	23.5	338.6	geophysical survey in transit*
	18 fine/cloudy	23.5	311.1	geophysical survey in transit*
	19 fine/cloudy	24.0	316.4	geophysical survey in transit*
	20 fine	23.5	323.3	geophysical survey in transit*
	21 fine/cloudy	23.5	323.2	geophysical survey in transit*
	22 fine/cloudy	23.5	324.9	geophysical survey in transit*
	23 fine/cloudy	23.5	335.5	geophysical survey in transit*
	23 rainy	24.0	359	geophysical survey in transit*
	24 fine/cloudy	24.0	343.9	geophysical survey in transit*
	25 fine	24.0	189.9	geophysical survey ** and sampling (Sts.3246-3250)
	26 fine	24.0	206.1	geophysical survey ** and sampling (Sts.3251-3256)
	27 fine	24.0	202.6	geophysical survey ** and sampling (Sts.3257-3262)
	28 fine	24.0	206	geophysical survey ** and sampling (Sts.3263-3268)
	29 fine	24.0	201.4	geophysical survey ** and sampling (Sts.3269-3274)
	30 fine	24.0	204.5	geophysical survey ** and sampling (Sts.3275-3280)
	31 fine	24.0	192.8	geophysical survey ** and sampling (Sts.3281-3287)
Sept.	1 cloudy	24.0	194.3	geophysical survey ** and sampling (Sts.3288-3294)
	2 cloudy	24.0	196.7	geophysical survey ** and sampling (Sts.3295-3300)
	3 rainy	24.0	225	geophysical survey ** and sampling (Sts.3301-3303)
	4 fine	24.0	185.8	geophysical survey ** and sampling (Sts.3304-3312)
	5 cloudy	24.0	193	geophysical survey ** and sampling (Sts.3313-3318)
	6 fine/cloudy	4.0	167.2	geophysical survey ** and sampling (Sts.3319-3323)
	7 fine	24.0	249.5	geophysical survey ** and sampling (St.3324)
	8 fine	24.0	331.8	geophysical survey in transit*
	10 fine	0.9	30.9	arrive at Apia (9:00 am)
	11 fine			in port
	12 fine			in port
	13 fine			in port
	14 fine			in port
	15 fine			in port
	16 cloudy	8.0	102.2	leave Apia (2:00 pm), geophysical survey in transit*
	17 fine	24.0	334.4	geophysical survey in transit*
	18 cloudy	24.0	334.9	geophysical survey in transit*
	19 cloudy	24.0	171.6	geophysical survey ** and sampling (Sts.3325-3327)
	20 fine	24.0	145.2	geophysical survey ** and sampling (Sts.3328-3330)
	21 fine	24.0	144.4	geophysical survey ** and sampling (Sts.3331-3334)
	22 cloudy	24.0	143.3	geophysical survey ** and sampling (Sts.3334-3343)
	23 rainy	24.0	137.2	geophysical survey ** and sampling (Sts.3344-3355)
	24 fine	24.0	149.5	geophysical survey ** and sampling (Sts.3356-3366)
	25 fine	24.0	149.7	geophysical survey ** and sampling (Sts.3367-3378)
	26 fine	24.0	129.8	geophysical survey ** and sampling (Sts.3379-3388)
	27 cloudy	24.0	148	geophysical survey ** and sampling (Sts.3389-3399)
	28 fine	24.0	151	geophysical survey ** and sampling (Sts.3400-3401)
	29 fine	24.0	211	geophysical survey ** and sampling (Sts.3402-3403)
	30 fine	24.5	359.5	geophysical survey in transit*
Oct.	1 cloudy	24.5	330.3	geophysical survey in transit*
	2 cloudy	24.5	353.4	geophysical survey in transit*
	4 fine	24.5	364.2	geophysical survey in transit*
	5 cloudy	24.5	352	geophysical survey in transit*
	6 cloudy	24.5	363.3	geophysical survey in transit*
	7 fine	24.5	363.7	geophysical survey in transit*
	8 cloudy	24.5	346.8	geophysical survey in transit*
	9 cloudy	24.5	328.6	geophysical survey in transit*
	10 fine	24.0	340	geophysical survey in transit*
	11 rainy/cloudy	19.3	244.2	geophysical survey in transit*
	12 fine	1.5	6.5	arrive at Funabashi Port (9:00 am)

Note: * = magnetic measurement and gravity measurement.

** = continuous reflection profiling, magnetic and gravity measurements.

Sampling includes sea-bed photography and heat flow measurement.

Table I-3 Survey methods during GH82-4 cruise.

Positioning by NNS	
Bathymetric survey by 12kHz PDR	13508.4 n.m.
Subbottom profiling by 3.5kHz SBP	13508.4 n.m.
Continuous seismic reflection profiling by air-gun	2580.9 n.m.
Magnetic survey by proton magnetometer	11578.9 n.m.
Gravimetric survey by on-board gravimeter	13508.4 n.m.
Heat flow measurement	
	20 stations
Sediment sampling by box corer	14 stations (B70-84)
Sediment sampling by piston corer	20 stations (P336-354)
Nodule sampling by free-fall grab with camera	140 stations (FG424-562)
Nodule sampling by dredge	2 stations (D513-514)

Note: Right column shows total mileage of survey and number of stations.

Deep-sea sediments of box cores, piston cores, and free-fall grabs are lithologically, paleontologically, and chemically described. Nishimura specified the ages and intervals of sedimentary hiatus and relates them to sedimentary environment and nodule formation (Chapter VI). Yamazaki estimates from paleomagnetism of sediments the sedimentation rates and suggests dominant hiatuses in the early Pleistocene (Chapter VII). He also attempts to specify the depth of acquisition of depositional remanent magnetization from vertical changes of water contents in box cores (Chapter VIII). Mita and Kato discuss the ultimate source of surface sediments and behaviors of metallic elements in the sediment cores (Chapter IX).

Shipboard description of manganese nodules reveals regional and small-scale variation of manganese nodule facies in relation to topography (Chapter X) and acoustic stratigraphy (Chapter XI). The idea that high sedimentation rate prevents nodule growth and diagenetic process controls nodule type, is again applied in this area, which results in a significant relationship of nodule facies to acoustic stratigraphy (Usui and Tanahashi). Usui and Mita (Chapter XII) chemically and mineralogically describe nodules of type s and type r, and reveal great microscopic variations of mineral components within nodules. Morphology, chemistry, and mineralogy of buried nodules in deep cores are within the range of those on the sea bed.

Table I-4 Results of on-site observation during GH82-4 Cruise.

Sta. no.	Sample no.	Date (Julian)	Time (GMT)	Location (hit bottom) latitude (°S)	Location (hit bottom) longitude (°W)	Depth (m)	Sediment	Unit I thick. (m)	Unit I type	Manganese nodules morphology	abund. (kg/m ²)	cov. (%)	Topography	[buried nodules]
3246	FG424	237d	17:23	0°37.32'	166°42.40'	4000	-	-	-	-	0.0	0	nearly flat floor	
3247	FG425	18:43	0°44.01'	166°31.97'	5434	sC	15 A	A	SPs, ISPs, Ts	-	16.0	-	gently slope of a small seamount	
3248	FG426-1	19:43	0°53.13'	166°25.81'	5408	sC	0 A	A	IDs, Fs, Is	-	4.0	1	nearly flat floor	
	FG426-2	19:46	0°53.23'	166°25.74'	5424	sC	0 A	A	IDs, Is	-	3.4	1	nearly flat floor	
	P336	21:16	0°53.63'	166°25.77'	5434	sC	0 A	A	IDs	-	-	-	nearly flat floor	
3249	FG427	02:15	0°42.15'	166°47.42'	5135	sC	0 A	A	DPs	-	tr	0	rough floor	
3250	B70*	238d	04:28	0°43.74'	166°50.91'	4878	-	0 A	-	-	-	-	rugged top of hill	
3251	FG428	17:03	0°50.84'	167°04.89'	5558	sC	0 A	A	IDs, IDPs, Ts, Fs	-	5.7	-	flat floor	
3252	FG429	18:04	0°54.89'	167°13.45'	5305	-	0 A	-	-	-	0.0	R/C	top of hill	
3253	FG430	19:20	0°42.72'	167°10.07'	4152	cO	-	-	Vs	-	tr	0	top of seamount	
	B71	20:49	0°41.03'	167°09.31'	3595	cO	-	-	Vs	-	tr	0	top of seamount	
3254	FG431	239d	01:10	0°58.78'	167°24.05'	4448	cO	0 A	A	IDs, DPs	0.4	1	rugged top of seamount	
3255	FG432	02:08	1°03.38'	167°32.12'	4509	cO	0 A	A	-	-	0.0	0	rugged	
3256	FG433	02:51	1°04.20'	167°26.17'	5455	-	0 A	-	-	-	0.0	-	rugged top of seamount	
3257	FG434	16:57	1°07.63'	167°40.57'	4576	cO	0 A	A	-	-	0.0	0	rugged top of seamount	
3258	FG435	17:58	1°12.26'	167°49.20'	4760	-	0 A	-	IDs, Fs	-	1.5	R/C	rugged	
3259	FG436	18:56	1°19.91'	167°44.29'	5042	-	0 A	-	-	-	0.0	R/C	rough slope of hill	
3260	FG437	23:07	1°28.12'	167°40.27'	5424	sC	101 A	A	Sr?	-	tr	0	flat floor near hill	
3261	FG438	23:45	1°31.39'	167°44.20'	5630	sC	105 A	A	-	-	0.0	0	nearly flat floor	
3262	FG439	240d	00:36	1°32.63'	167°37.22'	5662	sC	45 A	A	-	0.0	-	flat floor	
	P337	02:12	1°32.97'	167°36.36'	5667	sC	45 A	A	IDs,r	-	-	-	flat floor	
3263	FG440	16:49	1°35.69'	167°56.51'	5579	sC	-	-	-	-	0.0	0	flat floor	
3264	FG441	18:13	1°38.33'	168°08.20'	5620	sC	45 A	A	-	-	0.0	0	flat floor	
3265	FG442	19:12	1°47.65'	168°03.78'	5537	sC	56 A	A	Sr?	-	tr	0	nearly flat foot of a hill	
	P338	20:41	1°47.70'	168°03.61'	5537	sC	60 A	A	-	-	-	-	flat floor	
3266	FG443	241d	01:58	1°40.97'	168°16.67'	5367	cO	90 A	A	-	0.0	0	rough floor	
3267	FG444	02:45	1°48.30'	168°15.00'	5217	cO	0 A	A	IDs, IDPs, Ts, Fs	-	15.8	15	rough floor of hill	
3268	FG445	03:39	1°47.19'	168°22.52'	5279	sC	0 A	A	Ds, IDPs, Fs	-	0.4	0	shoulder of hill	
3269	FG446	16:52	1°52.25'	167°44.55'	5641	sC	52 B	B	-	-	0.0	0	slope of hill	

Table 1-4 (continued)

Sla. no.	Sample no.	Date (Julian)	Time (GMT)	Location (hit bottom) latitude (°S)	longitude (°W)	Depth (m)	Sediment	Unit I thick. (m)	Unit I type	Manganese nodules morphology	abund. (kg/m ²)	cov. (%)	Topography	[buried nodules]
3270	FG447	17:56		1°55.83'	167°53.51'	5641	-	0 B	-	-	0.0	-	rugged floor	
3271	FG448	19:00		1°59.43'	167°43.34'	5703	sC	97 B	-	-	0.0	0	flat floor	
	FG72	20:45		1°59.34'	167°42.89'	5693	sC	90 B	-	-	0.0	0	flat floor	
3272	FG449	242d		1°59.13'	168°03.97'	5770	sC	0 A	-	-	0.0	0	boundary of rugged and flat floors	
3273	FG450	02:30		2°02.85'	168°13.02'	5848	sC	90 A	-	-	0.0	0	nearly flat floor	
3274	FG451	03:21		2°05.62'	168°05.25'	5693	sC	232 A	(Ir)	-	Ir	0	flat floor near hill	
3275	FG452	16:55		1°35.82'	166°31.98'	4919	sC	0 A	IDs, Ts, Is	-	2.3	1	upper slope of hill	
3276	FG453	18:05		1°27.68'	166°39.65'	5331	sC	120 A	Ir, Sr	-	0.1	0	flat floor	
3277	FG454	19:25		1°40.73'	166°44.22'	5382	sC	67 A	Sr	-	3.5	-	bottom of trough	
	P339	20:50		1°40.52'	166°44.32'	5403	sC	67 A	-	-	-	-	bottom of trough	
3278	FG455	243d	02:06	1°31.30'	166°49.25'	5310	sC	56 A	Sr	-	0.1	-	flat floor	
3279	FG456	02:44		1°30.14'	166°55.09'	5305	sC	26 A	Sr, Ir	-	Ir	-	upper slope of seamount	
3280	FG457	03:26		1°35.22'	166°59.65'	5444	sC	33 A	Vr, Sr	-	Ir	0	gentle slope of a hill	
3281	FG458	17:39		2°20.84'	168°01.46'	5434	sC	82 A	-	-	0.0	0	gentle slope of hill	
3282	FG459	18:31		2°23.97'	168°09.60'	5558	sC	7 A	IDs, IDPs	-	18.6	50	flat floor near hill	
3283	FG460	19:41		2°28.12'	168°20.48'	5393	sC	60 A	Sr, Vr	-	Ir	0	top of hill	
	B73	21:21		2°28.22'	168°01.81'	5387	sC	60 A	Vr	-	Ir	0	top of hill	
3284	FG461	244d	01:19	2°15.82'	168°01.81'	5279	sC	0 A	Is,r, Ds,r	-	9.3	3	rugged top of seamount	
3285	FG462	01:59		2°09.93'	168°04.03'	5460	-	0 A	-	-	0.0	R/C	rugged top of seamount	
3286	FG463	02:34		2°12.60'	168°08.43'	5703	sC	22 A	-	-	0.0	0	flat floor, foot of hill	
3287	FG464	03:01		2°14.24'	168°05.48'	5408	sC	0 A	IDPs, DPs	-	19.8	30	upper slope of seamount	
3288	FG465	16:57		1°52.54'	166°53.54'	5687	sC	0 B	-	-	0.0	0	flat floor with stratification	
	P340	18:25		1°52.67'	166°53.31'	5687	sC	0 B	-	-	-	-	flat floor with stratification	
3289	FG466	23:01		2°02.58'	167°15.27'	5713	sC	0 B	-	-	0.0	0	nearly flat floor	
3290	FG467	23:34		1°58.08'	167°17.22'	5696	sC	18 B	-	-	0.0	0	gentle slope of a hill	
3291	FG468	245d	00:11	2°00.21'	167°22.06'	5755	sC	0 B	-	-	0.0	0	flat floor	
3292	FG469	00:44		2°02.18'	167°26.52'	5765	sC	0 B	-	-	0.0	0	flat floor	
3293	FG470	01:17		2°06.35'	167°24.36'	5744	sC	0 B	-	-	0.0	0	flat floor	
3294	FG471	01:53		2°04.63'	167°19.58'	5744	sC	0 B	-	-	0.0	0	flat floor	

Table I-4 (continued)

Sia. no.	Sample no.	Date (Julian)	Time (GMT)	Location latitude (°S)	Location (hit bottom) longitude (°W)	Depth (m)	Sediment	Unit I thick. (m)	Unit I type	Manganese nodules morphology	abund. (kg/m ²)	cov. (%)	Topography	[buried nodules]
3295	FG472	18:38		1°09.96'	166°00.53'	5517	sC	45 A	Sr	-	0.4	0	rolled floor	
3296	FG473	19:20		1°05.23'	166°04.73'	5444	sC	90 A	-	-	0.0	0	nearly flat floor	
3297	FG474	19:57		1°05.04'	166°09.93'	5346	sC	22 A	Sr	-	2.9	0	flat floor	
3298	FG475	23:29		0°54.81'	166°09.59'	5517	sC	112 A	-	-	0.0	0	gentle slope	
3299	FG476	246d	16:16	0°49.67'	166°04.33'	5258	sC	52 A	Ss,r	-	7.1	0	top of rugged seamount	
3300	FG477		01:25	0°49.67'	166°14.90'	5248	sC	18 A	SPs	-	8.7	10	slope of a hill	
3301	FG478		02:59	0°49.62'	166°14.73'	5300	sC	18 A	SPs	-	11.2	8	slope of a hill	
3302	FG479	247d	00:05	1°00.20'	166°04.86'	5497	sC	108 A	(Vr)	-	tr	0	flat floor	
3303	FG480		00:40	1°00.25'	166°09.78'	5377	-	18 A	-	-	0.0	R/C	rugged top of hill	
3304	FG481		01:26	0°55.32'	166°04.76'	5475	-	0 A	ISs	-	30.3	40	rugged top of hill	
3305	FG482		18:26	0°55.03'	166°24.88'	5479	sC	0 A	IDs	-	1.2	0	gentle slope of hill	
3306	FG483		19:00	0°49.98'	166°24.57'	4491	cO	0 A	-	-	0.0	0	rugged top of hill	
3307	FG484		19:34	0°44.93'	166°24.37'	5155	pC	0 A	ISs, IDPs, Fs	-	11.0	1	middle slope of seamount	
3308	FG485		20:15	0°44.98'	166°29.85'	5522	-	0 A	IDPs, IDs, ISs	-	1.3	1	gentle slope of hill	
3309	FG486		20:49	0°49.96'	166°29.83'	5197	scO	15 A	IDs, Fs	-	20.1	15	slope of small seamount	
3310	FG487		21:22	0°54.93'	166°30.01'	5356	sC	7 A	-	-	0.0	R/C	rugged top of hill	
3311	FG488	248d	01:35	0°59.35'	166°30.01'	5288	scO	11 A	IDs, IDPs	-	6.0	5	nearly flat top of hill	
3312	FG489		02:21	1°05.03'	166°24.77'	5276	scO	0 A	ISs, IDs	-	20.8	30	flat floor near hill	
P341	FG490		02:55	1°00.18'	166°24.56'	5290	-	3 A	IDs, Ds, IDPs	-	14.7	5	shoulder of a seamount	
3313	FG491		04:44	1°00.05'	166°24.68'	5377	sC	-	Ss, SPs	-	-	-	foot of a seamount	
3314	FG492		18:51	0°44.45'	166°09.42'	5147	scO	0 A	SPs, DPs	-	9.5	15	top of terrace	
P342	FG493		19:29	0°44.77'	166°14.99'	4880	cO	0 A	Ss	-	0.2	0	top of hill	
3316	FG494		20:17	0°49.46'	166°09.34'	5166	scO	45 A	Sr	-	5.1	0	nearly flat floor	
3317	FG495		21:39	0°49.18'	166°08.68'	5174	csC	30 A	-	-	-	-	nearly flat floor	[3 horizons]
3318	D513		01:57	0°49.75'	166°19.95'	4747	-	0 A	ISs	-	0.2	0	slope of seamount	
			02:33	0°54.57'	166°20.00'	5527	csC	7 A	Ds,r, DPs,r	-	4.3	0	lower slope of seamount	
			03:04	0°55.10'	166°14.84'	5222	cO	0 A	IDPs, Ts	-	8.2	2	rugged slope of seamount	
			20:28	1°05.22'	166°10.05'	5341	-	-	Sr	-	-	-	rough floor	
			22:30	1°04.82'	166°08.44'	5385	-	-	-	-	-	-	rough floor	

Table 1-4 (continued)

Sia. no.	Sample no.	Date (Julian)	Time (GMT)	Location (hit bottom) latitude (°S)	Location (hit bottom) longitude (°W)	Depth (m)	Sediment	Unit I thick. (m)	type	Manganese nodules morphology	abund. (kg/m ²)	cov. (%)	Topography	[buried nodules]
3320	FG496	250d	00:52	1°04.56'	166°13.29'	5365	-	26	A	IDs,r, IDPr	13.2	0	foot of scamount	
3321	FG497	01:25	0°59.84'	166°14.57'	5363	cO		22	A	Sr, SPt	9.5	2	flat floor near scamount	
3322	FG498	02:03	0°59.65'	166°19.30'	5425	sC		45	A	Sr	4.4	1	gentle slope of hill	
3323	FG499	02:42	1°04.98'	166°19.79'	5318	-		0	A	ISPs, IDs	14.2	5	slope of a small scamount	
3324	B75	22:43	1°05.86'	166°29.37'	5167	sC		7	A	IDr, Dr, IDPr, Sr	6.3	0	flat floor	
	B75X							-	-	IDr, IDPr, Dr	-	-		[-15 cm depth]
3325	P343	262d	19:35	1°54.65'	167°27.55'	5791	sC	0	B	-	-	-	flat floor	
3326	P344	263d	00:08	1°43.48'	167°21.77'	5791	sC	0	B	-	-	-	flat floor	
3327	B76	04:45	1°29.60'	167°18.53'	5765	sC		0	B	-	0.0	0	flat floor	
3328	P345	18:13	1°22.65'	166°56.40'	5648	sC		60	A	-	-	-	flat floor	
3329	FG500	22:17	1°11.95'	166°55.61'	5650	sC		67	A	-	0.0	0	flat floor	
	P346	23:40	1°11.87'	166°55.25'	5323	csC		67	A	-	-	-	flat floor	
3330	B77	264d	04:10	1°08.26'	166°44.45'	5367	sC	60	B	-	0.0	0	flat floor	
3331	FG501	18:10	1°13.95'	166°38.22'	5197	-		0	A	IDs, IDPs	5.2	1	nearly flat floor	
	P347	19:40	1°14.37'	166°37.33'	5169	csC		30	A	Ss, DPs	-	-	nearly flat floor	
3332	FG502	22:06	1°10.67'	166°41.66'	5280	sC		7	A	-	0.0	0	flat floor	
	P348	23:34	1°10.83'	166°41.65'	5292	sC		7	A	-	-	-	flat floor	
3333	B78	265d	02:19	1°18.51'	166°47.80'	5225	sC	45	A	Sr	0.1	0	flat floor near a hill	
3334	FG503	17:35	0°59.95'	166°20.04'	5346	sC		0	A	IDs, IDPs	13.6	30	upper slope of a scamount	
3335	FG504	17:47	1°00.66'	166°20.79'	5426	sC		67	A	ISS,r, Sr	1.4	0	nearly flat floor	
3336	FG505	18:01	1°01.38'	166°21.57'	5386	sC		37	A	Ss,r, SPs,r	12.8	10	gentle slope of a hill	
3337	FG506	18:13	1°02.09'	166°22.28'	5353	sC		7	A	Ss,r, SPs,r	6.0	3	top of a hill	
3338	FG507	18:25	1°02.81'	166°23.03'	5345	sC		0	A	-	0.0	-	top of a hill	
	P349	19:55	1°03.94'	166°23.94'	5309	sC		0	A	SPs, ISPs	-	-	slope of a hill	[1 horizon]
3339	FG508	266d	00:30	0°58.65'	166°18.45'	5336	-	3	A	IDPs, IDs	18.2	5	top of scamount	
3340	FG509	00:44	0°57.98'	166°17.80'	5416	-		0	A	-	-	N/C	slope of scamount	
3341	FG510	00:57	0°57.28'	166°17.12'	5429	-		0	A	IDs	>0.3	N/C	top of scamount	
3342	FG511	01:09	0°56.62'	166°16.44'	5455	sC		0	A	IDs, IDPs	12.6	15	rough slope of scamount	

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Sta. no.	Sample no.	Date (Julian)	Time (GMT)	Location (hit bottom) latitude (°S)	Location (hit bottom) longitude (°W)	Depth (m)	Sediment	Unit I thick. (m)	Unit I type	Manganese nodules morphology	abund. (kg/m ²)	cov. (%)	Topography	[buried nodules]
3343	B79	03:01		0°55.96'	166°15.77'	5405	sC	3	A	IDs, IDPs	16.4	5	flat floor near seamount	
	B79X							-	A	IDr+s	12.2	-	flat floor	[-12 cm depth]
3344	FG512	19:14		1°48.45'	166°08.51'	5105	sC	33	A	Sr, SPt	7.9	-	flat floor	
3345	FG513	19:56		0°47.48'	166°07.75'	5209	sC	37	A	Ss,r	16.1	-	flat floor	
3346	FG514	20:10		0°47.02'	166°07.00'	5253	scC	30	A	Ss,r, SPs,r	9.6	2	nearly flat floor	
3347	FG515	20:22		0°47.31'	166°06.25'	5249	scC	18	A	Sr	5.1	0	nearly flat floor	
3348	FG516	18:25		1°02.81'	166°23.03'	5345	scC	15	A	Sr	7.2	0	nearly flat floor	
3349	FG517	20:43		0°45.02'	166°05.00'	5207	-	18	A	SPs,r, ISs,r	0.6	2	flat floor	
	P350	22:08		0°45.17'	166°04.76'	5219	sC	18	A	Ss,r	-	-	flat floor	[1 horizon]
3350	FG518	267d	15:54	0°49.89'	166°09.92'	5163	scO	37	A	SPs, Ss, ISPs	7.1	0	upper gentle slope of hill	
3351	FG519	02:06		0°50.44'	166°10.62'	5163	scO	41	A	Ss,r	2.8	0	flat floor	
3352	FG520	02:19		0°51.35'	166°11.39'	5300	sC	0	A	IDPs, IDs, ISPs	4.0	25	middle slope of hill	
3353	FG521	02:28		0°51.78'	166°11.81'	5475	sC	37	A	Sr, Dr, Vr	0.5	0	flat floor	
3354	FG522	02:34		0°52.10'	166°12.13'	5486	sC	3	A	Sr, Dr	3.1	0	flat floor	
3355	B80	04:24		0°53.25'	166°12.59'	5514	-	15	A	IDPs, ISPs, IDs	10.9	10	flat floor	
	B80X							-	-	ISs, IDs	10.9	-	flat floor	[-15 cm depth]
3356	FG523	17:48		1°06.12'	166°09.10'	5342	-	0	A	(Sr)	tr	0	flat floor	
3357	FG524	17:58		1°06.86'	166°08.40'	5333	sC	3	A	Ts, IDs, Ts+r	14.3	5	flat floor	
3358	FG525	18:08		1°07.55'	166°07.75'	5334	sO	-	-	Ts, IDs	4.0	5	flat floor	
3359	FG526	18:18		1°08.27'	166°07.07'	5342	sC	15	A	IDs, Ts, Ts+r	10.0	2	flat floor	
3360	FG527	18:35		1°09.71'	166°05.71'	5384	sC	15	A	Sr, Dr	4.9	0	flat floor	
	P351	19:55		1°10.01'	166°05.35'	5382	sC	15	A	-	-	-	flat floor	
3361	FG528	23:41		1°03.82'	166°11.00'	5288	sC	0	A	Sr, Dr	10.5	2	lower gentle slope of seamount	
3362	FG529	23:55		1°03.17'	166°11.65'	5238	sC	18	A	Ss,r, SPs,r	10.1	5	pper slope of seamount	
3363	FG530	00:08		1°02.46'	166°12.33'	4982	-	0	A	-	0.0	R/C	top of seamount	
3364	FG531	00:20	268d	1°01.75'	166°13.01'	5004	sC	7	A	ISs	11.6	2	rugged floor on seamount	
3365	FG532	00:42		1°00.31'	166°14.22'	5323	sC	0	A	IDs, TS, IDPs	10.8	5	top of seamount	
3366	B81	02:22		1°00.31'	166°14.22'	5359	sC	30	A	SPs, Ss	10.1	7	flat floor near foot of seamount	
3367	FG533	18:39		0°54.95'	166°04.93'	5335	sC	0	A	IDs, IDPs	14.4	40	slope of seamount	

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3368	FG534	18:53		0°55.82'	166°04.85'	5547	-	0 A	-	-	0.0	R/C	rough floor of hill	
3369	FG535	19:00		0°56.32'	166°04.83'	5589	sC	0 A	IDPs, IDs	-	14.9	5	rough floor of hill	
3370	FG536	19:07		0°56.78'	166°04.82'	5555	-	63 A	-	-	0.0	0	rough floor of hill	
3371	FG537	19:18		0°57.82'	166°04.93'	5512	sC	101 A	-	-	0.0	0	rough slope	
3372	FG538	19:32		0°59.04'	166°04.70'	5517	sC	123 A	-	-	0.0	0	flat to rugged floor	
	P352	21:01		0°59.05'	166°04.70'	5517	sC	78 A	-	-	-	-	flat to rugged floor	
3373	FG539	269d	00:37	0°54.50'	166°04.92'	5243	sC	3 A	IDs, IDPs	-	10.5	5	near top of terrace	
3374	FG540		00:45	0°54.09'	166°04.91'	5217	sC	0 A	IDs, IDPs	-	6.5	8	near top of terrace	
3375	FG541	00:52		0°53.65'	166°04.91'	5229	-	3 A	ISs, IDs	-	23.1	10	nearly flat floor on terrace	
3376	FG542	00:59		0°53.17'	166°04.88'	5278	sC	15 A	IDs, ISs, IDPs	-	18.3	5	nearly flat floor on terrace	
3377	FG543	11:11		0°53.11'	166°04.96'	5323	sC	3 A	Is.r, Fs.r	-	2.3	0	nearly flat floor on terrace	
3378	B82	02:57		0°50.89'	166°04.81'	5302	sC	52 A	Ss.r, SPs.r, Ds.r	-	6.3	1	nearly flat floor on terrace	
3379	FG544	17:52		0°54.25'	166°19.25'	5490	sC	7 A	ISs, IDs, Fs	-	6.0	5	near top of seamount	
3380	FG545	18:03		0°53.53'	166°18.50'	5511	sC	0 A	Sr	-	0.1	0	slope of seamount	
3381	FG546	18:14		0°52.78'	166°17.77'	5094	-	0 A	IDs, Fs	-	1.9	2	slope of seamount	
3382	FG547	18:24		0°52.04'	166°17.04'	4975	-	3 A	-	-	0.0	R/C	slope of seamount	
3383	FG548	18:52		0°49.41'	166°14.36'	5314	cC	18 A	SPs, ISPs	-	13.2	5	flat floor on terrace	
	P353	20:14		0°49.07'	166°14.03'	5249	sC	11 A	IDs, IDPs, ISPs	-	13.8	2	nearly flat terrace	[1 horizon]
3384	FG549	00:56		0°55.66'	166°20.01'	5280	sC	0 A	IDPs, ISPs, IDs	-	-	-	near top of seamount	
3385	FG550	01:08		0°56.35'	166°20.71'	5353	sC	15 A	Is	-	tr	0	shoulder of seamount	
3386	FG551	01:21		0°57.04'	166°21.40'	5395	sC	52 A	Sr	-	tr	0	flat top of hill	
3387	FG552	01:33		0°57.72'	166°22.08'	5343	sC	45 A	Sr, Dr	-	1.1	0	flat top of hill	
3388	B83	03:27		0°58.10'	166°23.20'	5359	sC	45 A	Sr	-	1.0	-	flat floor of a hill	
3389	FG553	18:49		1°05.03'	166°14.76'	4696	-	45 A	(Tr, Vr)	-	1.1	4	upper slope of large seamount	
3390	FG554	19:01		1°05.13'	166°13.71'	5372	sC	11 A	Sr	-	0.7	0	foot of large seamount	
3391	FG555	19:11		1°05.15'	166°12.70'	5279	-	120 A	(Vr)	-	tr	0	flat to rough floor	
3392	FG556	19:21		1°05.19'	166°11.74'	5325	sC	82 A	Vr, Sr	-	0.2	0	flat to rough floor	
3393	FG557	19:32		1°06.33'	166°10.74'	5334	sC	15 A	Sr, Vr, Fr	-	0.1	0	flat to rough floor	
3394	P354	21:33		1°06.33'	166°08.23'	5353	sC	-	-	-	-	-	flat floor	

Table I-4 (continued)

Sta. no.	Sample no.	Date (Julian)	Time (GMT)	Location (hit bottom) latitude (°S)	Location (hit bottom) longitude (°W)	Depth (m)	Sediment	Unit I thick. (m)	Unit I type	Manganese nodules abund. (kg/m)	abund. cov. (%)	Topography	[buried nodules]
3395	FG558	271d	01:25	1°04.75'	166°15.88'	4494	cO	3	A	-	0.0	0	top of large seamount
3396	FG559		01:38	1°04.71'	166°16.83'	4453	cO	0	A	-	0.0	0	upper slope of large seamount
3397	FG560		01:51	1°04.66'	166°17.83'	5302	cO	0	A	Fs.r, Sr	0.3	0	foot of large seamount
3398	FG561		02:03	1°04.61'	166°18.18'	5302	sC	0	A	ISs, IDs, Fs	5.6	20	lower slope of large seamount
3399	B84		03:50	1°04.22'	166°19.78'	5305	sC	11	A	IDPs, IDs	11.8	10	top of hill
	B84X						-	-	-	IDPs, IDs	>3.8	-	[-15 cm depth]
3400	P355		19:51	0°50.34'	166°09.43'	5164	sC	0	A	IDs	-	-	flat floor of plateau [1 horizon]
3401	C19		02:12	0°46.94'	166°07.67'	5224	-	-	-	-	-	-	flat floor of plateau
3402	FG562	272d	18:15	0°44.73'	166°19.77'	4944	scO	0	A	ISs, IDs	1.2	2	rugged floor of seamounts
3403	D514		21:28	0°47.21'	166°07.98'	5200	-	-	-	SPs.r, Ss.r	-	-	flat floor of plateau
	off		23:29	0°45.89'	166°07.05'	5225	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Notes:

Sample no.: FG=free-fall grab, B=box core, P=piston core, D=dredge, C=towed camera. X means occurrence of buried nodules. *:unsuccessful.
 Unit I: Acoustic stratigraphy by SBP (see chapter III). thick.=estimated thickness of Unit I.

Sediment: c=carcareous, s=siliceous, p=pelagic, C=clay, O=ooze

Nodules: abund.=abundance, tr=less than 0.1 kg/m, cov.=sea-floor coverage, R/C/N=rock/crust/nodule.

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