Systematics of Lutetian larger foraminifera and magneto-biostratigraphy from the South Pyrenean Basin (Sierras Exteriores, Spain)

A systematic description of the Eocene larger foraminifera recorded in the South Pyrenean Basin (Sierras Exteriores) is presented herein. The large dataset provided in this work includes Nummulites and Alveolina species, along with a variety of other porcellaneous and hyaline taxa with lesser biostratigraphic relevance. Most of the larger foraminifera described in this work correspond to the Lutetian (SBZ13 to SBZ16 biozones) interval, but late Ypresian (SBZ11, Cuisian) and early Bartonian (SBZ17) shallow benthic zones have also been identified. A new species, Idalina osquetaensis, is described. The systematic revision of middle to late Lutetian alveolinids led to a reassessment of Alveolina fusiformis and the finding of two new precursor forms, described as Alveolina aff. fragilis and Alveolina aff. elongata. The new taxa fill in the gap existing so far in the middle to late Lutetian alveolinid biostratigraphy. Despite not being exclusive to SBZ16, these forms provide reliable biostratigraphic information in facies where Nummulites are not present. This reliability lies on the correlation of Nummulites and Alveolina biostratigraphic markers in the same sections and their calibration to the global time scale through magnetostratigraphy.

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INTRODUCTION

Larger foraminifera are a widely distributed polyphyletic group of marine benthic organisms. These taxa are the result of a stepwise evolutionary trend towards highly adapted k-strategist organisms in stable ecological conditions (Hallock, 1985). Indeed, the morphological adaptations in the shallow marine symbiont-bearing larger foraminifera is related to the specific energy levels, water depths and substrate types of the carbonate shelves where they thrive (Hottinger, 1983). The facies specificity of larger foraminifera determines their usefulness in facies analysis and palaeoenvironmental reconstructions. However, this may be disadvantageous for biostratigraphic purposes.

The facies dependence of single taxa is avoided in larger foraminifera biostratigraphy (Shallow Benthic Zones (SBZ), Serra-Kiel et al., 1998) through the usage of Oppelzones, characterized by an assemblage of selected taxa. The lower parts of these zones are largely marked by the first appearances of certain taxa, whereas their upper parts are marked by last appearances (Pignatti and Papazzoni, 2017). The quality of SBZs, thus, relies on the accuracy of correlations from stratigraphic sections where different sedimentary environments are represented. As pointed out by Serra-Kiel in Mochales et al. (2012), Costa et al. (2013) and Rodríguez-Pintó et al. (2012a, b), magnetostratigraphy has extensively been used for this purpose, also providing chronostratigraphic calibration to the SBZs. At a regional scale, the lithostratigraphic correlation of distinct sections, located in different positions of the carbonate shelf, can also improve the reliability of the biostratigraphic dataset.

The study of larger foraminifera biostratigraphy in the Pyrenean area has been of great importance for the definition of SBZ biozones (Canudo et al., 1988; Hottinger, 1960; Samsó et al., 1994; Schaub, 1981; Serra-Kiel, 1984; Tosquella, 1995). The Lutetian biozones (SBZ13 to SBZ16) of Serra-Kiel et al. (1998) are mostly based on data from this area. The magnetostratigraphic recalibration of this Lutetian biozones by Rodríguez-Pintó et al. (2012a) was also performed in the South-Pyrenean area (Guara Formation), focusing on Isuela and Gabardiella sections. However, the available data obtained by previous authors from the Guara Formation (Fm.) (Canudo et al., 1988; Rodríguez-Pintó et al., 2012a; Samsó et al., 1994) shows the need for further studies of its larger foraminiferal content. Recently, Silva-Casal (2017) and Silva-Casal et al. (2019) studied the lithostratigraphy, biostratigraphy and magnetostratigraphy of the Eocene shallow marine limestone units (Boltaña, Guara and Arguis formations) of the westernmost sector of the Sierras Exteriores in the Southern Pyrenees (west of Isuela section), and a correlation with the outcrops of the Sierra de Guara further to the east was proposed. Based on these earlier studies, the work presented herein comprises an extensive biostratigraphic dataset obtained from 11 sections of the Sierras Exteriores (Fig. 1), which were correlated by lithostratigraphic and magnetostratigraphic means. Thus, we provide a magnetostratigraphically correlated and calibrated regional study of the Lutetian biozones (SBZ13-SBZ16) of the Guara Formation, including some data for the Bartonian Arguis Fm. (SBZ 17) and the upper Ypresian Boltaña Fm. (SBZ 11).

GEOLOGICAL AND STRATIGRAPHIC SETTING

The Pyrenean chain is a double vergence orogen formed by the antiformal stacking of basement thrust sheets during the Santonian to Miocene N-S convergence of the Iberian and European plates (Muñoz, 1992). In middle Eocene times, this orogen developed foreland basins on both North-Pyrenean and South-Pyrenean sides, with a turbidic succession deposited in the proximal foredeep, flanked by a shallow marine carbonate ramp in the more distal margin of the South Pyrenean Basin (Garcés et al., 2020; Plaziat, 1981).

The Sierras Exteriores are located in the South Pyrenean western zone (Jaca-Pamplona basin) and include syntectonic materials involved in the Pyrenean orogeny (Barnolas and Pujalte, 2004). They represent the emergence of the South Pyrenean sole thrust in the southwestern part of the chain. Variable along-strike shortening estimates of this basal thrust range between 35 to 10km (Millán et al., 1996) allowing for the exposure of Lutetian platform rocks in the hangingwall block that rides over the 4000m thick Oligocene molasse of the Ebro foreland basin (Oliva-Urcia et al., 2019). The middle Eocene limestones exposed in the Sierras Exteriores were deposited in the distal, shallow marine margin of the South Pyrenean foreland basin (Fig. 1).

The stratigraphic record of the Sierras Exteriores is represented by Triassic to Neogene materials...
Overlying a very condensed and incomplete Mesozoic succession, the Upper Cretaceous-Paleogene transition is represented by continental deposits, which are part of the Tremp Fm. (Mey et al., 1968). The Eocene limestone succession has been divided into the following lithostratigraphic formations:

The Boltaña Formation (Barnolas et al., 1991), lying unconformably on top of the Tremp Formation, represents the beginning of the shallow marine carbonate sedimentation associated with the evolution of the foreland basin. In the study area this unit only occurs in the Gabardiella section (eastern part of the study area). There, the Boltaña Formation is characterized by a 30m thick alternation of limestones and marls. The limestones contain abundant porcellaneous foraminifera (Alveolina, Idalina) and conical agglutinated forms (Coskinolina). In the study area, this unit has been attributed to the late Ypresian (Cuisian) SBZ11 (Rodríguez-Pintó et al., 2012a) and correlated to magnetic polarity Chron C22r (Rodríguez-Pintó et al., 2017). The thicker Ara River section in the east, at the core of the Boltaña anticline spans from the upper part of chron C24n to chron C22r (Mochales et al., 2012).

The Guara Fm. (Puigdefàbregas, 1975) characterizes the Lutetian succession of the Sierras Exteriores. It consists of shallow marine carbonates lying unconformably on the top of the Boltaña Fm. in the Gabardiella section and on the top of the Tremp Fm. further to the west. The lowermost deposits of the Guara Fm. are also highly diachronous, becoming younger westwards. The Guara Fm. spans from chron C22n to C18r, from SBZ 11 (middle Cuisian) to SBZ 16 (late Lutetian) (Rodríguez-Pintó et al., 2012a, 2013a; Silva-Casal, 2017; Silva-Casal et al., 2019).

The Guara Fm. was divided into three non-formal lithostratigraphic units, Lower, Middle and Upper Guara units (Rodríguez-Pintó et al., 2012a; Samsó et al., 1992, 1994). In this work we regard these units as members of the Guara Fm. (see also Silva-Casal et al., 2019). The Isuela
section is considered the reference section of the Guara Fm. and of all its members:

- **Lower Guara Mb.** This unit has been recognized in the Santa Marina (Fig. 2), Gabardiella (Fig. 3), Isuela (Fig. 4) and Sierra Caballera sections (Fig. 5). The thickness of this unit ranges from 200m in the eastern part of the study area (Gabardiella section) to 100m in the Sierra Caballera section, its westernmost outcrop. In the Isuela reference section, the Lower Guara Mb. consists of an alternation of bioclastic limestones (mainly composed of porcellaneous larger foraminifera) and marls, with some characteristic levels of conglomerates. This unit was deposited in transitional to shallow marine subtidal environments (Rodríguez-Pintó et al., 2012a; Samsó et al., 1992; Silva-Casal, 2017).

- **Middle Guara Mb.** This unit crops out in the Santa Marina, Gabardiella, Isuela, Sierra Caballera, la Foz de Escalete, La Peña, Murillo de Gállego and Villalangua sections (Figs. 2-9). According to Samsó et al. (1992) and Rodríguez-Pintó et al. (2012a), the basal contact of this unit is transgressive. This member is mainly composed of porcellaneous foraminiferal facies, with abundant Alveolina and Orbitolites, and trematophore miliolids (Idalina, Pseudolacazina, among others), deposited in shallow subtidal environments (Silva-Casal, 2017, Silva-Casal et al., 2019). Cross stratification, including large-scale cross-bedding, is common. Despite the overall facies homogeneity of this unit, it changes to the west to more restricted environments, with the occurrence of lagoonal marls and some siliciclastic levels, whereas to the east Nummulites-rich beds can be observed. This lateral change of facies from distal-to-proximal, i.e. east to west, could explain the reduction in thickness from 550m in the Gabardiella section to only 20m in the Villalangua section.

- **Upper Guara Mb.** This unit is present throughout the study area, with the only exception of the Campo Fenero section. The lower boundary of this unit is an erosive surface (Santa Marina section, Fig. 2), which grades to a correlative conformity. This unit is characterized by a facies association of acervulinid and porcellaneous foraminiferal facies and Nummulites-bank facies, which were deposited in inner ramp vegetated environments and middle ramp environments respectively (Silva-Casal, 2017, Silva-Casal et al., 2019). In general, this unit shows a greater abundance of Nummulites-bank facies in the eastern outcrops, and more restricted facies to the west where acervulinid and alveolinid-rich facies predominate. In the study area, the maximum thickness (90m) is found between La Foz de Escalete section (Fig. 6) and the Isuela section (Fig. 4), and the minimum thickness (30m) in La Osqueta section (Silva-Casal et al., 2019). The top of the Guara Fm. has been interpreted as a drowning unconformity (Millán et al., 1994; Silva-Casal, 2017; Silva-Casal et al., 2019). Above this boundary, the Upper Guara Mb. is overlain by the Arguis Fm. (Puigdefàbregas, 1975).

The Arguis Fm. records a major change in the sedimentation in the Jaca-Pamplona basin. The dominant carbonate ramp sedimentation was replaced by a marly sedimentation, in a deeper, outer ramp environment with higher siliciclastic input. The Arguis Fm. is mainly composed of blue marls interbedded with limestones and marly limestones (Millán et al., 1994; Morsilli et al., 2012). The classic Arguis section spans from chron C18r to C16r, just below the diachronic deltaic Belsué-Atarés Fm., as deduced by paleomagnetic studies (Hogan and Burbank, 1996; Kodama et al., 2010; Pueyo et al., 2002; Rodríguez-Pintó et al., 2019). However, in the westernmost sector of the Sierras Exteriores, the marls of the lowermost part of the
FIGURE 3. Stratigraphic succession and distribution of larger foraminifera in the Gabardiella section (modified from Rodríguez-Pintó et al., 2012a). Magnetostratigraphic data after Rodríguez-Pintó et al. (2017).
Arguis Fm. grade laterally to a limestone dominated succession, included in the Santo Domingo Limestone Mb. (Silva-Casal, 2017).

- The Santo Domingo Mb. (Silva-Casal, 2017; Silva-Casal et al., 2019) was formally defined by its lithological differences with the underlying Guara Fm. and its lateral transition to the marls of the lower part of the Arguis Fm. The base of the Santo Domingo Mb. is defined by an erosive surface, related to the drowning unconformity that defines the top of the Upper Guara Mb.

In this study the Santo Domingo Mb. has been logged in the Murillo de Gállego, San Felices, La Osqueta, and Campo Fenero sections (Figs. 8; 10; 11; 12). This unit is characterized by a conspicuous glauconitic level at its base, which is considered a regional datum and allows lithostratigraphic correlation between sections (Silva-Casal, 2017, Silva-Casal et al., 2019). The Santo Domingo Mb. is also characterized by a shallow carbonate ramp facies association of outer and middle ramp facies with predominance of bryozoans, orthophragminids (Discocyclina, Asterocyclina) and red algae, and

![FIGURE 4. Stratigraphic succession and distribution of larger foraminifera in the Isuela section (modified from Rodríguez-Pintó et al., 2012a). Magnetostratigraphic data after Rodríguez-Pintó et al. (2012a) and Rodríguez-Pintó et al. (2019).]
acervulinids and echinoids-rich inner ramp facies. *Nummulites* and *Alveolina*-rich facies are absent in this unit, but dispersed specimens of these species do occur.

**MATERIALS AND METHODS**

This work is based on 11 stratigraphic sections (Fig. 1) systematically and evenly sampled from the base to the top for biostratigraphic purposes. This sampling resulted in the description of 359 samples. The samples were studied in thin sections and polished slabs, except those collected to extract loose, separate specimens of nummulitids and alveolinids. These samples were disaggregated in a water, oxygen peroxide and Na$_2$CO$_3$ solution and then sieved through mesh apertures of 1.0, 0.5 and 0.2mm. The material studied is housed in three different repositories (Appendix I). The samples from the Isuela and Gabardiella sections (also named Arguis and Lúsera) are housed in the repository of the Instituto Geológico Minero de España (IGME). Some samples are included in the Serra-Kiel collection, provisionally housed in the Department of Earth and Ocean Dynamics, University of Barcelona (UB), and will be definitively deposited in the Museu de Ciències Naturals de Barcelona. Finally, the rest of the samples, including the new species (MPZ 2019/1681-1683 and MPZ 2020/483-554, Appendix I), are housed in the Natural Science Museum of the University of Zaragoza (Canudo, 2018).

**STRATIGRAPHY**

The biostratigraphic information obtained in this work is partly based on the revision of published material, *i.e.* the Isuela and Gabardiella sections (Rodríguez-Pintó et al., 2012a) and Santa Marina section (Rodríguez-Pintó et al., 2012b). The rest of the information comes from 8 new sections located at the western area of the Sierras Exteriores (Fig. 1):

**Santa Marina section**

The Santa Marina section (Rodríguez-Pintó et al., 2012b) (Fig. 2) was measured in the Cañada Zerrada...
gorge to the west of Santa Marina hermitage. Coordinates UTM (ETRS89): Base 30T 744240 4689823, Top 743638 4689986. The section was tentatively dated by magnetostratigraphy (Rodríguez-Pintó et al., 2012b). Unfortunately, the occurrence of a widespread reverse remagnetization component in the most part of the profile (Rodríguez-Pintó et al., 2013b) precluded achieving a reliable dating and the magnetostratigraphic data is not been considered here.

The base of the section consist of marine sandy limestones of the Boltaña Fm., Cuisian in age. The overlying rocks are represented by the following stratigraphic units:

- **Lower Guara Mb.**, represented by a 230m thick alternation of marls and limestones, locally with cross stratification and bioturbation.

- **Middle Guara Mb.**, represented by 370m of limestones. The occurrence of Nummulites boussaci and Nummulites beneharnensis in the middle part of this unit characterizes SBZ 14 (middle Lutetian 1). The occurrence of Nummulites crassus and Nummulites tavertetensis in the upper part characterizes SBZ 15 (middle Lutetian 2).

- **Upper Guara Mb.**, bounded at the base by and unconformity and represented by 15-20m of limestones. The occurrence of Nummulites deshayesi characterizes SBZ 16 (late Lutetian).

- **Arguis marls Fm.**, represented by marlstones with Nummulites perforatus which characterizes SBZ 17 (Bartonian).

**Gabardiella section**

The Gabardiella section (Rodríguez-Pintó et al., 2012a, 2017; Samsó et al. 1994) (Fig. 3) was measured in the eastern flank of the Gabardiella anticline, along the road between the localities of Lusera and Nocito. Coordinates UTM (ETRS89): Base 30T 722132 4688600, Top 30T 721281 4688255).

The lowermost part of the section is composed of 75m of red marls and lacustrine limestones of continental facies of the Tremp Fm. The overlying rocks consist of the following stratigraphic units:

- **Boltaña Fm.**, consists of 30m of limestones and marls. The presence of Coskinolina cf. perpera, Alveolina decastroi and Alveolina cremae characterizes SBZ 11 (middle Cuisian). The Chron C22 was identified in this unit (Fig. 3) (Rodríguez-Pintó et al., 2017).

- **Lower Guara Mb.**, consists of a 170m thick succession of sandstones at the base, followed by an alternation of limestones, siltstones and marls. The presence of Alveolina obtusa, Alveolina stipes, Alveolina callosa, Alveolina ospiensis, Assilina spira abrardi and Nummulites lehneri characterizes SBZ 13 (early Lutetian). This unit includes Chron C21 and the lower part of Chron C20r (Rodríguez-Pintó et al., 2017).

- **Middle Guara Mb.**, is represented by 435m of limestones with frequent cross-bedding and bioturbation. The occurrence of Alveolina munieri characterizes SBZ 14 (middle Lutetian 1). The presence of A. aff. fragilis in the upper part of this unit, together with the correlation with Isuela section, suggests SBZ 15 (middle Lutetian 2). The lower part of this unit correlates to Chron C20r (Rodríguez-Pintó et al., 2017).

- **Upper Guara Mb.**, a 60m thick succession of limestones with some levels of siltstones. Despite the absence of larger foraminifera biomarkers, the correlation with the nearby Isuela section (Fig. 4) suggests SBZ 16 (late Lutetian).
Isuela section

The Isuela section (Fig. 4) is exposed along the old road between the localities of Nueno and Arguis, in the Isuela river gorge, on the western flank of the Pico del Águila anticline. Coordinates UTM (ETRS89): Base: 30T 712081 4685921, Top: 30T 712125 4686840.

The base of the section consists of a 50m thick succession of sandstones, conglomerates and lacustrine limestones of the Tremp Fm.

The overlying rocks are represented by the following stratigraphic units:

- **Lower Guara Mb.**, composed of 95m of sandstones, conglomerates and limestones. The presence of Alveolina obtusa, *A. stipes* and Assilina spira abradi characterizes SBZ 13 (early Lutetian). Chron C21 is identified in the lower part of the unit, whereas its upper part correlates to chron C20r (Rodríguez-Pintó et al., 2012a).
- **Middle Guara Mb.** 285m thick unit mainly composed of limestones and thin intervals of marls, siltstones, marly limestones, dolomites and dolosiltites. The presence of Alveolina munieri, Nummulites aspermontis, *N. beneharnensis* and *N. praediscorbinus* characterized SBZ 14 (middle Lutetian 1). The presence of *N. beaumonti* in the uppermost part of this unit indicates SBZ 15 (middle Lutetian 2). This unit spans the time interval from the latter part of Chron C20r to the early C19r (Rodríguez-Pintó et al., 2012a).
- **Upper Guara Mb.** is represented by an 88m thick alternation of limestones and marly limestones. The presence of *N. aff. deshayesi* and *N. aff. bullatus* in the lower part of this unit indicates SBZ 15 (middle Lutetian 2), and *N. deshayesi* in the middle part indicates SBZ 16 (late Lutetian). Chron C19n and the base of C18r were identified in the upper part of this unit (Rodríguez-Pintó et al., 2012a, 2019).

**Sierra Caballera section**

Located in the Sierra Caballera, close to Bentué de Rasal village, the Sierra Caballera composite section is made of two subsections. The lower part was measured along an unpaved road to the south of the Foz de Portiella gorge, and the upper subsection in the gorge. Coordinates UTM (ETRS89): lower subsection Base: 30T 702363 4688711, Top: 30T 702504 4688780; upper subsection Base: 30T 702482 4689969, Top: 30T 702658 4690168.

In this section the following stratigraphic units are observed (Fig. 5):

- **Lower Guara Mb.**, composed of 108m of marls, sandstones and limestones. The presence of *Alveolina callosa*, *Assilina spira* abrardi and *Nummulites lehneri* characterizes SBZ 13 (early Lutetian).

- **Middle Guara Mb.** is a 127m thick unit mainly composed of limestones, but thick intervals are covered. The presence of *N. beaumonti* in the upper part of this unit indicates SBZ 15 (middle Lutetian 2). SBZ 14 (middle Lutetian 1) biostratigraphic markers were not found.

- **Upper Guara Mb.** is a unit is mainly composed of limestones, with a minimum thickness of 55m, as its upper part could not be measured because the boundary with the Arguis Fm. is covered. The presence of *N. crassus* and *N. aff. deshayesi* in the lower part of this unit indicates SBZ 15 (middle Lutetian 2) and the presence of *N. aturicus* and *N. deshayesi* in the middle and upper part indicates SBZ 16 (late Lutetian).

**La Foz de Escalete section**

Located along the Foz de Escalete gorge (Silva-Casal, 2017), near La Peña Estación village. Coordinates UTM (30T): Base 30T 689436 4693642, Top 30T 689543 4693952).

The following stratigraphic units have been recognized (Fig. 6):

- **Middle Guara Mb.**, 84m thick succession composed of sandstones at the base, followed by limestones with thin intervals of marls, sandstones, marly limestones and limestones. The presence of *N. crassus* and *N. aff. deshayesi* indicates SBZ 15 (middle Lutetian 2). Chron C20 and the lower part of C19r were identified in this unit (Silva-Casal, 2017).

- **Upper Guara Mb.** is composed here of 178m thick limestones. The presence of *N. crassus* and *N. aff. deshayesi* in the lower part of this unit indicates SBZ 15 (middle Lutetian 2), and *N. deshayesi* in upper part indicates SBZ 16 (late Lutetian). Chron C19r was identified in the lower part and C19n in the upper part (Silva-Casal, 2017).

- **Arguis Fm.** is represented in this section by a 1000m thick marly succession including intervals of marly limestones and sandstones (Millán et al., 1994). The lowermost Arguis Fm. consists of an alternation of marls and siltstones. The upper part of Chron C19n and its boundary with Chron C18r were identified in this unit (Silva-Casal, 2017; Silva-Casal et al., 2019).

**La Peña section**

Located along the road A-132 next to La Peña dam, in the proximity of Santa María de la Peña village (Silva-Casal, 2017). Coordinates UTM (ETRS89): Base 30T 685952 4694793, Top 30T 686323 4694917.

This section is composed of the following stratigraphic units (Fig. 7):

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**FIGURE 9.** Stratigraphic succession and distribution of larger foraminifera in the Villalangua section.
- **Middle Guara Mb.**, 87m thick, composed of marls and limestones with cross stratification. The presence of *N. crassus* and *N. aff. deshayesi* indicates SBZ 15 (middle Lutetian).

- **Upper Guara Mb.**, composed of 73m of massive limestones. The presence of *N. deshayesi* indicates SBZ 16 (late Lutetian).

**Murillo de Gállego section**

Located in the north-west of the Murillo de Gállego village (Silva-Casal, 2017). Coordinates UTM (ETRS89): Base 30T 685553 4692400, Top 30T 685490 4692302).

In this section the following stratigraphic units have been observed (Fig. 8):

- **Middle Guara Mb.** a 43m thick unit composed of limestones with thin marly intervals. The presence of *N. aff. deshayesi* at the base of this unit indicates SBZ 15 (middle Lutetian). Chron C19r extends throughout this unit (Silva-Casal, 2017; Silva-Casal et al., 2019).

- **Upper Guara Mb.** formed of a 59m thick alternation of massive limestones with some intervals of laminated limestones. The presence of *N. praepuschi* in the upper part of this unit indicates SBZ 16 (late Lutetian). This unit belongs to the upper part of Chron C19r (Silva-Casal, 2017; Silva-Casal et al., 2019). The contact surface with the overlying Santo Domingo Mb. is an unconformity.

- **Arguis Fm.**, constituted by 1.5m of glauconitic limestones of the Santo Domingo Mb. at the base, passing upwards into the typical blue marls of the Arguis Fm. Chron C19n was identified at the base of the Santo Domingo Mb. (Silva-Casal, 2017; Silva-Casal et al., 2019).

**Villalangua section**

This section is exposed along an unpaved road between the locality of Villalangua and the abandoned village of Salinas Viejo. The top of the section is complemented with data from the nearby Salinas gorge (Silva-Casal, 2017) Coordinates UTM (ETRS89) are: Base 30T 679218 4697917, Top 30T 679236 4697975. Salinas gorge: 30T 680115 4697682.

In this section the following stratigraphic units (Fig. 9):

- **Middle Guara Mb.**, 20m thick succession of marls and limestones. Despite the absence of larger foraminifera biostratigraphic markers, lithological correlation with nearby sections allows the attribution of this unit to SBZ 15 (middle Lutetian).

- **Upper Guara Mb.**, composed of 57m of cross stratified limestones, laminated limestones and massive limestones. The presence of *N. deshayesi* at the top of this unit indicates SBZ 16 (late Lutetian).

**San Felices section**

Located at the Barranco del Villano gorge, to the north-east of San Felices (Agüero) village (Silva-Casal, 2017). The section is divided into two subsections. The upper subsection is located on an unpaved road, whereas the lower part of the section is located at the bottom of the Barranco del Villano gorge with coordinates UTM (ETRS89): Lower subsection Base 30T 679479 4694017, Top 30T 679540 4693925; Upper subsection Base 30T 679450 4693974, Top 30T 679434 4693927).

In this section the following stratigraphic units can be observed (Fig. 10):

- **Upper Guara Mb.**, 35m thick, consists of cross stratified limestones. Despite the absence of larger...
foraminifera biostratigraphic markers, stratigraphic correlation with other sections allowed the attribution of this unit to SBZ 16 (late Lutetian).

- Santo Domingo Mb. 57m thick, is composed of marly limestones with some marly intervals. Despite the absence of larger foraminifera biostratigraphic markers, the correlation to other nearby sections shows that this unit is early Bartonian in age (SBZ 17).

La Osqueta section

Located on an unpaved road in proximity to La Osqueta pass and complemented (from meters 50 to 60) with data from the La Osqueta pass itself (Silva-Casal, 2017) Coordinates UTM (ETRS89) are: Base 30T 680560 4696568, Top 30T 680310 4696553. La Osqueta pass: 30T 679589 4696809.

The base of the section is composed of 20m of lacustrine limestones and red lutites of the Tremp Fm.

The overlying Eocene rocks are represented by the following stratigraphic units (Fig. 11):

- Upper Guara Mb., 25m thick, is composed of limestones. Despite the absence of larger foraminifera biostratigraphic markers, the stratigraphic correlation with other sections allowed to assign this unit to SBZ 16 (late Lutetian). Chron C19r was found in this unit (Silva-Casal, 2017).

- Santo Domingo Mb. is represented by 45m of marly limestones and marls. Despite the absence of biostratigraphic markers of larger foraminifera the stratigraphic correlation with other sections indicates that the upper part of this unit belongs to the SBZ 17 (early Bartonian). In this unit the chron C19n and C18r have been identified (Silva-Casal, 2017; Silva-Casal et al., 2019).

Campo Fenero section

This section is located in the Sierra de Santo Domingo range, west to the source of the Arba de Biel river (Silva-Casal, 2017). This section is located along a path from a mountain hut leading to the Campo Fenero with coordinates UTM (ETRS89): Base: 30T 672841 4699265, Top: 30T 672689 4699288. The base of the section is composed of 5m of sandstones and red lutites of the Tremp Fm.

The overlying succession (Fig. 12) is represented by the Santo Domingo Mb., mainly constituted of cross stratified limestones interspersed with marls and sandstones. The presence of Nummulites biarritzensis and N. beaumonti in the middle part of this unit indicates SBZ 17 (Bartonian).

SYSTEMATIC PALEONTOLOGY (FORAMINIFERA)

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Note: The biostratigraphic study is based on the zonation of Drobné (1977), Hottinger (1960, 1974), Hottinger and Drobné (1988), Schaub (1981) and Serra-Kiel et al. (1998).

Phylum: Foraminifera EICHWALD, 1830
Class: Tubothalamia Pawiowski, OHOLZMANN, JAROSLAW AND TYSZKA, 2013
Order: Miliolida DELAGE AND HEROUARD, 1896
Superfamily: Milioloidea EHRENBerg, 1839
Family: Hauerinidae SCHWAGER, 1876
Subfamily: Miliolinellinae VELA, 1957
GENUS Idalina SCHLUMBERGER AND MUNIER-CHALMAS, 1884
Type species: Idalina antiqua SCHLUMBERGER AND MUNIER-CHALMAS, 1884
Idalina sp.
Figs. 13A-E; 14A-C
**Material.** This species has been identified in the Gabardiella section (Fig. 3).

**Description.** Test porcellaneous with miliolid growth. Dimorphism marked. The microspheric forms display a spherical morphology; the major length for 5 whorls is 1.85 mm. The nepionic stage is formed by a small proloculus 0.60 µm in diameter followed by one quinqueloculine whorl. The ephelic stage shows a bilocular growth. The basal layer is thin and locally slightly undulate. The megalospheric forms show an elliptical outline in sections perpendicular to the coiling axis. The nepionic stage is formed with a proloculus 120 µm in diameter followed by one quinqueloculine stage. The ephelic stage shows a bilocular arrangement of the chambers. The maximum length in axial section is 1.4 mm. The basal layer is thin.

**Remarks.** No formal species have been described within genus *Idalina* in the Cuisian yet. However, Drobne (1988) documented two forms assigned to *Idalina* sp. in the Cuisian of Dalmatia (p. 653, figs. 6.5 and 6.6, *op. cit.*). They differ from the specimens studied in the thickness of the basal layer and the size of the test. The scarcity of available material did not allow us to describe this species as a new species.

**Age.** This species is associated with *Alveolina cremea* and *A. decastroi* (samples G 1 and G 2; Fig. 3), indicating middle Cuisian (A. dainelli Zone) (Hottinger, 1960) or SBZ 11 (Serra-Kiel et al., 1998).

*Idalina berthelini* SCHLUMBERGER, 1905  
Figs. 13F-V, 14D-Q  
1905 *Idalina berthelini* n. sp. Schlumberger, p. 120-122; text-figs. 7-9; pl. 2 figs. 33, 33a  
1962 *Idalina cf. berthelini*. Escandell and Colom, p. 119; fig. 18  
1975 *Idalina berthelini*. Colom, p. 226; fig. 81, without scale  
2012a *Idalina berthelini* Schlumberger, 1905. Rodriguez-Pintó et al., on-line Supplementary Material, pl. 9, figs. 1-8  
2013a *Idalina berthelini* Schlumberger, 1905. Rodriguez-Pintó et al., figs. 8-10.

**Material.** This species has been identified in the following sections: Gabardiella, Isuela, Sierra Caballera, La Foz de Escalete, La Peña, Murillo de Gállego, Villalangua and La Osqueta (Figs. 2; 3; 5-9; 11).

**Description.** The megalospheric forms show an ovoid-subpherical morphology. The proloculus is spherical with a diameter between 150-220 µm followed by a flexostyle (Fig. 13F; H, I, U). The nepionic stage is formed of two chambers in triloculine arrangement (Fig. 13L) or of one first biloculine growth stage followed by one triloculine growth stage (Fig. 13F). The neanic stage displays a bilocular arrangement of the chambers in the remaining whorls (Fig. 13E; H, I, K, L, S). The dimensions of the test vary between 1.7-2 mm in axial section and 1.6-2 mm in the longitudinal section. The microspheric forms show a subspherical morphology. Dimorphism is little marked. The initial growth is formed of 2-3 cycles pluriloculine in arrangement, showing then 1-2
cycles with quinqueloculine arrangement, followed by one triloculine cycle. The remaining whorls follow the biloculine mode (Fig. 13N-P). The diameter of axial section varies between 1.8-2.3mm for 4-5 biloculine chambers. In both generations the basal layer is slightly undulate and does not exceed half of the height of the chamber. The trematophore is supported by strong pillars (Fig. 13Q, R).

Remarks. The megalospheric forms of the studied material display the nepionic stage either in biloculine, triloculine or quinqueloculine arrangement in its first chambers. This polymorphism was pointed out by Schlumberger (1905), who described the nepionic stage of the megalospheric forms with the two first chambers either in biloculine (Fig. 7 left, op. cit.) or quinqueloculine mode (Fig. 7 centre and right, op. cit.).

Age. The biostratigraphic range of Idalina berthelini extends from early Lutetian (SBZ 13) to late Lutetian (SBZ 16). The inclusion of Idalina berthelini in SBZ 13...
FIGURE 14. Differences between the size of the shell and the thickness of the basal layer between *Idalina* sp. (middle Cuisian), and the Lutetian forms *Idalina berthelini* and *Idalina osquetaensis*. A-C) *Idalina* sp. A: drawing from Figure 13A. B: drawing from Figure 13B. C: drawing from Figure 13C. D-Q) *Idalina berthelini*. D: drawing from Figure 13G. E: drawing from Figure 13U. F: drawing from Figure 13S. G: drawing from Figure 13J. Specimen H: sample I 38. I: sample I 9. J: drawing from Figure 13I. K: drawing from Figure 13N. L: drawing from Figure 13M. M: drawing from Figure 13H. N: drawing from Figure 13F. O: specimen from sample O 12. P-A') *Idalina osquetaensis* n. sp. P: drawing from Figure 15A. Q: drawing from Figure 15D. R: drawing from Figure 15E. S: drawing from Figure 15F. T: drawing from Figure 15I. U: drawing from Figure 15G. V: drawing from Figure 15B. W: specimen from sample O 5. X: specimen from sample O 9. Y: drawing from Figure 15J. Z: drawing from Figure 15H. A': drawing from Figure 15C.
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FIGURE 15. A-S) *Idalina osquetaensis* n. sp. A (Holotype, MPZ 2019/1681): centered axial section, megaspheric form; note the quinqueloculine nepionic stage, the size of the shell and the thickness of the basal layer. B: slightly oblique axial sections. C, D: uncentered axial sections, megaspheric forms. E (Paratype, MPZ 2019/1683): uncentered axial section, megaspheric form; note the thickness of the basal layer. F (Paratype, MPZ 2019/1682): slightly oblique axial section. G: slightly oblique longitudinal section, microspheric form. H: axial section, microspheric form. I: centered axial section, megaspheric form. J: subaxial section; note the trematophore. K: axial sections, microspheric form. L: uncentered axial sections, microspheric form. M, N: uncentered axial sections, possible microspheric forms. O: axial sections, microspheric forms. P, Q: uncentered axial sections, possible microspheric forms. R: centered axial section, megaspheric form. S: uncentered axial section, possible microspheric form. Specimens A, E, F: sample O 3; B: sample P 21; C: sample V 9; D: sample O 2; G: sample E 33; H, K: sample M 16; J: sample V 15; L: sample O 17; I, O: sample SC 52; M: sample E 40; N: sample P 33; P: sample M 8; Q: sample V 14; R: sample V 7 and S: sample M 15. Abbreviations: bl: basal layer; th: trematophore.

*Idalina berthelini* SBZ13-SBZ16 (early Lutetian-late Lutetian)

*Idalina osquetaensis* SBZ15-SBZ16 (middle Lutetian 2-late Lutetian)
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**Idalina osquetaensis** new species SERRA-KIEL ET SILVA-CASAL

Figs. 15A-S; 14P-A′

**Derivation of name.** The specific name refers to La Osqueta Pass, within the municipality of Las Peñas de Riglos (Huesca, Spain).

**Holotype.** Specimen MPZ 2019/1681 (Fig. 15A).

**Paratypes.** Specimens MPZ 2019/1683 (Fig. 15E) and MPZ 2019/1682 (Fig. 15F).

Type Locality. Located in La Osqueta section. Sample O 3 (coordinates UTM (ETRS89), 30T 680489 4696570).

Type leve. Guara Fm., middle Lutetian 2-late Lutetian (SBZ 15-SBZ16).

**Material.** Sample O 3 from La Osqueta section (Fig. 11).

**Material.** This species occurs in the following sections: Sierra Caballera, La Foz de Escalete, La Peña, Murillo de Gállego, Villalangua, San Felices and La Osqueta (Figs. 5-11).

**Description.** The microspheric and megalospheric forms show an ovoid morphology and a subcircular outline in axial section. The proloculus is spherical with a diameter between 195-260µm, followed by a flexostyle (Fig. 16F; N). The neanic stage is formed of chambers in biloculine arrangement (Fig. 16G-H, L-O). The axial length measured for 4-5 biloculine chambers varies between 1.5mm and 1.9mm. The basal layer is thick and can reach the same height as the chamberlets (Fig. 16F, G, L-O). The basal layer exhibits the anastomosed passages in irregular distribution (Fig. 16d). The septula reach the ceiling of the chamber (Fig. 16I, K). The septal四个 supporting by short pillars (Fig. 15I). The basal layer is very thick, smooth and slightly undulate, exceeding half of the height of the chamber.

**Remarks.** The size of the test and the thickness of the basal layer of this species are greater than those of the species *I. berthelini* described above. The size of the test and the thickness of the basal layer increase following an evolutionary trend from *Idalina* sp. (Cuisian) to *I. berthelini* and *I. osquetaensis* (Lutetian) (Fig. 14).

**Age.** The biostratigraphic range of *Idalina osquetaensis* extends from middle Lutetian 2 (SBZ15) to late Lutetian (SBZ16). The SBZ15 is characterized by the association of this species with *Nummulites* aff. *deshayesi* (sample M 2; Fig. 8). Its occurrence in beds underlying beds that contain *N. crassus* (see Fig. 5) indicates the *N. sordensis-N. crassus* Zone (middle Lutetian 2). Finally, the SBZ16 is characterized by the presence of *I. berthelini* intercalated with samples of *N. aturicus* (sample SC 39, SC 40 and SC 45; Fig. 5), indicating the *N. aturicus* Zone (late Lutetian).

**Superfamily: Alveolinioidea**

**Family: Fabulariidae**

**Type species:** *Fabularia discolites* DEFRAANCE, 1825

**Type species:** *Fabularia* **osquetaensis** new species SERRA-KIEL ET SILVA-CASAL

Figs. 15A-S; 14P-A′

**Derivation of name.** The specific name refers to La Osqueta Pass, within the municipality of Las Peñas de Riglos (Huesca, Spain).

**Holotype.** Specimen MPZ 2019/1681 (Fig. 15A).

**Paratypes.** Specimens MPZ 2019/1683 (Fig. 15E) and MPZ 2019/1682 (Fig. 15F).

Type Locality. Located in La Osqueta section. Sample O 3 (coordinates UTM (ETRS89), 30T 680489 4696570).

Type leve. Guara Fm., middle Lutetian 2-late Lutetian (SBZ 15-SBZ16).

**Material.** Sample O 3 from La Osqueta section (Fig. 11).

**Material.** This species occurs in the Gabardiella, Isuela, La Foz de Escalete, La Peña and Villalangua sections (see Figs. 3; 4; 6; 7; 9).

**Description.** The megalospheric forms show an ovoid morphology and a subcircular outline in axial section. The proloculus is spherical with a diameter between 195-260µm, followed by a flexostyle (Fig. 16F; N). The neanic stage is formed of chambers in biloculine arrangement (Fig. 16G-H, L-O). The axial length measured for 4-5 biloculine chambers varies between 1.5mm and 1.9mm. The basal layer is thick and can reach the same height as the chamberlets (Fig. 16F, G, L-O). The basal layer exhibits the anastomosed passages in irregular distribution (Fig. 16d). The septula reach the ceiling of the chamber (Fig. 16I, K). The septal four supporting by short pillars (Fig. 15I). The basal layer is very thick, smooth and slightly undulate, exceeding half of the height of the chamber.

**Remarks.** The size of the test and the thickness of the basal layer of this species are greater than those of the species *I. berthelini* described above. The size of the test and the thickness of the basal layer increase following an evolutionary trend from *Idalina* sp. (Cuisian) to *I. berthelini* and *I. osquetaensis* (Lutetian) (Fig. 14).

**Age.** The biostratigraphic range of *Idalina osquetaensis* extends from middle Lutetian 2 (SBZ15) to late Lutetian (SBZ16). The SBZ15 is characterized by the association of this species with *Nummulites* aff. *deshayesi* (sample M 2; Fig. 8). Its occurrence in beds underlying beds that contain *N. crassus* (see Fig. 5) indicates the *N. sordensis-N. crassus* Zone (middle Lutetian 2). Finally, the SBZ16 is characterized by the presence of *I. berthelini* intercalated with samples of *N. aturicus* (sample SC 39, SC 40 and SC 45; Fig. 5), indicating the *N. aturicus* Zone (late Lutetian).
morphology. The axial section shows a subcircular outline slightly depressed at the junction of the chambers (Fig. 16A, B). The nepionic stage is formed of 2-3 quinqueloculine chambers with quinqueloculine arrangement, followed by the neanic stage composed of chambers in biloculine arrangement (Fig. 16B, O). The maximum diameter in axial section is around 2.75mm. The basal layer increases in thickness from the first to second biloculine chamber and can reach 3 or 4 times the height of the chamberlets and shows sporadically passages as in the megalospheric forms (Fig. 16B, D).

**Age.** The biostratigraphic range of *Fabularia roselli* extends from early Lutetian (SBZ13) to middle Lutetian 2 (SBZ15). The SBZ13 is characterized by the association with *Alveolina obtusa* (sample G 16; Fig. 3), *A. stipes* (samples G 19, G 21 and I 2; Figs. 3; 4), *A. tenuis* (sample I 7; Fig. 4) and *Assilina spira abrardi* (sample I 7; Fig. 4), indicating early Lutetian (*Alveolina stipes* and *Assilina spira abrardi* zones). The SBZ14 is characterized by the association of this species with *Nummulites aspermontis*, *N. beneharnensis* (sample I 8; Fig. 4), indicating middle Lutetian 1 (*N. gratus-N. beneharnensis* Zone). Finally, the
SBZ15 is characterized by the association of this species with *N. aff. deshayesi* (sample P 17; Fig. 7), indicating middle Lutetian 2 (N. sordensis-N. crassus Zone).

*Fabularia ovata* de roissy, 1805

Fig. 16P-Y

1964 *Fabularia discollithes* (Defrance). Hottinger *et al.*, p. 642, 644; pl. 6, figs. 2a, 2b

1988 *Fabularia ovata* (de Roissy). Drobne, figs. 9.10-9.11

**Material.** This species occurs in the Gabardiella, La Peña and Villalangua sections (Figs. 3; 6; 7; 9).

**Description.** The megalospheric forms show an ovoid-subspherical morphology. The embryonic apparatus is formed of a spherical proloculus with a diameter between 180-300µm, followed by a flexostyle and chambers in biloculine arrangement (Fig. 16R). For 8 biloculine chambers, in axial section, the maximum elliptical diameter varies between 0.90mm and 1.30mm and the minimum between 675µm and 950µm. The trematophore is supported by a short pillar (Fig. 16R). The basal layer is thin and the septula form chamberlets with a regular distribution (Fig. 16R, S). The chamberlets show a rectangular outline in axial section in the internal chambers, while it changes to a subrectangular shape with rounded base and a flat ceiling in the external chambers.

**Remarks.** This species differs from *Fabularia roselli* in the smaller size of the test, in displaying axial sections with an elliptical instead of a subcircular outline and in the tighter growth pattern of the chambers.

**Age.** The biostratigraphic range of *Fabularia ovata* extends from early Lutetian (SBZ13) to middle Lutetian 2 (SBZ15). The SBZ13 is characterized by the alternation of samples with this species with samples of *A. stipes* (Fig. 3), indicating early Lutetian (A. stipes Zone). In the material studied, no characteristic species of the SBZ14 (middle Lutetian 2) were found associated with *Fabularia ovata*. Finally, the SBZ15 is characterized by the alternation of samples with this species with samples containing *N. crassus* (Fig. 6) which indicate middle Lutetian 2 (N. sordensis-N. crassus Zone).

**GENUS** Pseudolacazina CAUS, 1979

Type species: *Pseudolacazina hottingeri* CAUS, 1979

**Pseudolacazina hottingeri** CAUS, 1979

Fig. 17A-R

1979 *Pseudolacazina hottingeri* n. gen. n. sp. CAUS, p. 33 and 36; text-figs. 3-4; pl. 2 figs. 1-9; pl. 3 figs. 1-8

2012a *Pseudolacazina hottingeri* CAUS, 1979. Rodríguez-Pintó *et al.*, on-line Supplementary Material, pl. 4, figs. 1-3; pl. 5, figs. 1-8; pl. 6, figs. 1-9

2013a *Pseudolacazina hottingeri* CAUS, 1979. Rodríguez-Pintó *et al.*, figs. 1-3

**Material.** This species occurs in the Gabardiella, Isuela, Sierra Caballera, La Peña, La Peña, Murillo and Villalangua sections (Figs. 2-9).

**Description.** The megalospheric forms show an ovoid-subspherical morphology. The embryonic apparatus is formed of a subspherical proloculus with a diameter between 175-340µm, followed by a flexostyle (Fig. 17M, P). The neanic stage is composed of chambers in biloculine arrangement. However, some specimens show a nepionic stage formed of chambers in triloculine arrangement following the flexostyle (Fig. 17I). The basal layer is thin without passages inside it. Four biloculine chambers measured in equatorial section were around 2.3mm across, whereas in axial section they measured 1.8mm. In axial section, the septula subdivided the chamber in chamberlets, some septa do not reach the ceiling of the chamber (Fig. 17D, I, M). The apertural system is a trematophore supported by pillars and apertures in cribrate distribution (Fig. 17H). The microspheric forms show a subspherical morphology and maximum diameter of 4.2mm (Fig. 17A).

**Age.** The biostratigraphic range of *Pseudolacazina hottingeri* extends from early Lutetian (SBZ13) to late Lutetian (SBZ16). The SBZ13 is characterized by the association of this species with *Alveolina obtusa* (samples G 16, I 1; Figs. 3; 4), *A. callosa* (samples SC 11 and SC 14; Fig. 5), and *A. stipes* (sample I 2; Fig. 4), indicating early Lutetian (A. stipes Zone). Samples belonging to the SBZ14 are characterized by the presence of *P. hottingeri* in beds underlying samples with *A. munieri*, *Nummulites aspermontis* and *N. beneharnensis* (Fig. 4), indicating middle Lutetian 1 (A. munieri and N. beneharnensis Zones). The SBZ15 is characterized by the association of *P. hottingeri* with *N. crassus* (sample E 16; Fig. 6), indicating middle Lutetian 2 (N. sordensis-N. crassus Zone). Finally, the SBZ16 is characterized by the occurrence of *P. hottingeri* above samples with *N. aturicus* and *N. deshayesi* (Figs. 5; 8), indicating late Lutetian (N. aturicus Zone).

**GENUS** Periloculina MUNIER-CHALMAS AND SCHLUMBERGER, 1885

Type species: *Periloculina zitteli* MUNIER-CHALMAS AND SCHLUMBERGER, 1885

**Periloculina** cf. raincourtii SCHLUMBERGER, 1905

Fig. 17S-X
FIGURE 17. A-R) *Pseudolacazina hottingeri*. A, B: axial sections, microspheric forms. C: oblique section, microspheric form. D-R: megalospheric forms. D: centered axial section. E: oblique section. F, G: slightly oblique axial sections. H: subaxial section; note the foramen and pillars. I: slightly oblique and slightly uncentered axial section. J: oblique section. K: centered longitudinal section. L: slightly oblique axial section. M: centered axial section; note the flexostyle. N: centered longitudinal section. O: slightly oblique axial sections. P: centered longitudinal sections; note the flexostyle. Q-R: centered axial sections. Specimens A, D, E, F, K, P: sample G 18; B, M: sample G 14; C, Q: sample G 16; G: sample I 34; H: sample M 2; I, L: sample I 28; J: sample I 31; N: sample G 13; O: sample G 10 and R: sample I 30. S-X) *Periloculina cf. raincourtii*. S: oblique longitudinal section; note the foramens and pillar in the trematophore. T: uncentered axial section. U: oblique longitudinal section. V-X: uncentered axial sections; note the ribs in the basal layer. Specimens S, V: sample I 28, T: sample G 24; U: sample I 30; W: sample SC 22 and X: sample SC 23. Abbreviations: ch: chamberlet; bl: basal layer; fl: flexostyle; sl: septulum; f: foramen; pi: pillar; pr: proloculus; r: rib.
Material. This species occurs in the Gabardiella, Isuela and La Foz de Escalete sections (Figs. 3; 4; 6).

Remarks. Only oblique sections were obtained in the material studied. Nonetheless, the basal layer with coarse ribs in irregular distribution and the biloculine growth pattern of the neanic stage justify its attribution to genus *Periloculina* (Fig. 17T-X). The lack of an axial centered section is the reason why this species is left in open nomenclature.

Age. The biostratigraphic range of *Periloculina* cf. *raincourti* extends from middle Lutetian 1 (SBZ14) to middle Lutetian 2 (SBZ15). The SBZ14 is characterized by the association of this species with *Alveolina munieri* (sample G 24; Fig. 3), indicating middle Lutetian 1 (*A. munieri* Zone). The SBZ15 is characterized by the stratigraphic location of *P. cf. raincourti* above beds with *Nummulites crassus* and *N. aff. deshayesi* (Fig. 6), indicating middle Lutetian 2 (*N. sordensis-N. crassus* Zone).

Family: Alveolinidae Ehrenberg, 1839

GENUS *Alveolina* d’ Orbigny, 1826

Type species: *Oryzaria boscii* Defrance in Bronn, 1825

*Alveolina ospiensis* Drobne, 1977

Fig. 18A-D

1977 *Alveolina ospiensis* n. sp. Drobne, p. 68-69; pl. 20, figs 8 and 9

Material. This species is present in the Gabardiella section (Fig. 3).

Description. Microspheric forms not found. The megalospheric forms show an oval morphology with rounded poles. The axial length ranges from 2.0mm to 2.3mm and the equatorial diameter from 1.2mm to 1.3mm for 6 whorls. The index of elongation varies between 1.5-1.8. The proloculus is circular in axial section, with supplementary passages in the basal layer. In axial section the chamberlets are very small, tight, and frequent intercalary chamberlets occur in the outer whorls.

Remarks. As pointed out by Drobne (1977) this species is close to *A. callosa* and differs from it in its larger overall size, the larger diameter of the proloculus and the spiral more loosely coiled.

Age. According to Drobne in Serra-Kiel et al. (1998) the biostratigraphic range of this species is SBZ13-middle SBZ14. Here this species is associated with *A. callosa* (sample G 3; Fig. 3), indicating early Lutetian (*A. stipes* Zone) or SBZ13.

*Alveolina decastroi* Di Scotto, 1966

Fig. 19A-D

1966 *Alveolina (Alveolina) decastroi* n. sp. Di Scotto, p.69-70; tbl. 1, fig. 32; tbl. 2, fig. 1-6; tbl. 3, fig. 1-4; text-fig. 1 b

1977 *Alveolina (Alveolina) decastroi* Di Scotto. Drobne, p. 52; Pl. 11, fig. 5-8; text-figs. 29b, 45b

2013a *Alveolina decastroi* Di Scotto. 1966.

Rodríguez-Pintó et al., figs. 18-19

Material. This species is present in the Gabardiella section (Fig. 3).

Description. Microspheric forms not found. The megalospheric forms show an oval morphology with rounded poles. The axial length ranges from 2.0mm to 2.3mm and the equatorial diameter from 1.2mm to 1.3mm for 6 whorls. The index of elongation varies between 1.5-1.8. The proloculus is circular in axial section, with

![Figure 18. A-D) Alveolina ospiensis. Axial sections, megalospheric forms. All specimens from sample G 3.](image-url)
FIGURE 19. A-D) Alveolina decastroi axial sections, megalospheric forms. E-F) Alveolina cremae axial sections, megalospheric forms. G) Alveolina obtusa subaxial section, megalospheric form. H-I) Alveolina levantina axial sections, megalospheric forms. J) Alveolina obtusa axial section, megalospheric form. K) Alveolina tenuis axial section, megalospheric form. L-M) Alveolina boscii oblique axial sections; megalospheric forms. N-P) Alveolina tenuis. N-O: axial sections, megalospheric forms. P: axial section, microspheric form. Q-U) Alveolina boscii. Q: centered axial section. R: oblique axial sections. S: centered axial section. T: strongly oblique axial section. U: oblique axial section. All specimens megalospheric forms. V) Alveolina callosa axial section, megalospheric form. W) Alveolina stipes axial sections, megalospheric forms. X) Alveolina tenuis axial section, megalospheric form. Y-Z) Alveolina callosa axial section, megalospheric form. A'-D') Alveolina munieri axial sections, megalospheric forms. A-F: sample G 1; G: sample G 16; H-I: sample I 7; J: sample G 16; K: sample I 7; L: G 15; M: Q; sample G 18; N: sample I 7; O: sample G 21; P: sample G 17; R: sample G 16; S: sample G 14; T: sample G 34; X: sample I 13; W: sample G 4; V: Y: sample G 3 and Z: sample SC 12; A': sample I 17; B', D': sample I 20 and C': sample I 16.
a diameter ranging between 190µm and 275µm. The nepionic stage is formed of 2-3 tightly coiled whorls followed by chambers with a moderate elongation in axial section. The chamberlets have a circular outline in the inner whorls and a subrectangular outline in the outer whorls. The equatorial spiral is tightly coiled and the basal layer is thin, except in the outer whorls where it reaches the height of the chamberlets.

**Age.** The biostratigraphic range of *A. decastroi* is middle Cuisian (SBZ11). This species occurs in the Boltaña Fm. (sample G 1; Fig. 3) associated with *A. cremae*, indicating middle Cuisian (A. dainelli Zone) or SBZ11.

*Alveolina cremae* CHECCHIA-RISPOLI, 1905

Fig. 19E-F

1960 *Alveolina cremae* Checchia-Rispoli, 1905. Hottinger, p. 152-1 54; pl. 10, fig. 8- 10; pl. 11, fig. 4- 8; pl. 14, fig. 8; text- fig 21g

1966 *Alveolina* (*Alveolina*) cremae Checchia-Rispoli. Di Scotto, p.71-72; tbl. 7, fig. 2-6; tbl. 8, fig. 14; tbl.9, fig. 1-6; tbl. 10, fig. 4-5; tbl. 11, fig. 5- 6; tbl. 12, fig. 4- 6, text-fig. 1d

1977 *Alveolina cremae* Checchia-Rispoli. Drobne, p. 55-56; pl. 12, fig. 15-17, 18-20; pl. 13, fig. 1-5; text -fig. 30 a-c

2013* *Alveolina cremae* CHECCHIA-RISPOLI, 1905. Rodríguez-Pintó et al., figs. 23-14

**Material.** This species is present in the Gabardiella section (Fig. 3).

**Description.** Microspheric forms not found. The megalospheric forms show an oval to fusiform morphology with rounded poles in axial section. The axial length is 3mm and the equatorial diameter is 1.9mm for 8 whors. The index of elongation is 1.6. The proloculus is subcircular in polar area, the basal layer shows abundant supplementary passages. The chamberlets have a circular outline in the inner whorls and a subrectangular outline in the in external whorls. The basal layer is thin, except in the external whorl where it can reach the height of the chamberlets.

**Age.** According to the data available the biostratigraphic range of *A. cremae* is middle Cuisian (SBZ11). This species occurs in the Boltaña Fm. (sample G 1; Fig. 3) associated with *A. decastroi*, indicating middle Cuisian (A. dainelli Zone) or SBZ11.

*Alveolina obtusa* MONTANARI, 1964

Fig. 19G, J

1964 *Alveolina obtusa* n. sp. Montanari, p. 547-551; pl. 42, figs. 1-5, 8

1977 *Alveolina* (*Alveolina*) obtusa Montanari. Drobne, p. 67, pl. 19, figs. 5-8; text fig. 37

2012a *Alveolina obtusa* Montanari, 1964. Rodríguez-Pintó et al., on-line Supplementary Material, pl. 10, figs. 1-6

**Material.** This species is present in the Gabardiella and Isuela sections (Figs. 3; 4).

**Description.** Microspheric forms not found. The megalospheric forms show a cylindrical morphology with truncated poles. The axial length ranges from 5.5mm to 5.7mm and the equatorial diameter from 1.9mm to 2.1mm for 9-10 whors. The index of elongation varies between 2.7-2.9. The proloculus shows an elongated outline in axial section, and a diameter ranging between 240-370µm. The nepionic stage is formed of two tightly coiled whors followed, in axial section, by two elongated whors with pointed poles and 7-8 whors with truncated poles. At the polar area, the basal layer shows abundant supplementary passages. The chamberlets have a circular outline in the inner whorls and a subrectangular outline in the in external whors. The basal layer is thin, except in the external whorl where it can reach the height of the chamberlets.

**Age.** The biostratigraphic range of *A. obtusa* is early Lutetian (SBZ13). The stratigraphic record of SBZ13 is characterized by the alternation of samples containing this species with samples containing *A. stipes* (Fig. 3), indicating early Lutetian (A. stipes Zone).

*Alveolina levantina* HOTTINGER, 1960

Fig. 19H-I

1960 *Alveolina levantina* n. sp. Hottinger, p. 154; pl. 10, figs. 11, 13; pl. 13, figs. 10, 11; pl. 14, figs. 5, 7, text fig. 84

1974 *Alveolina levantina* Hottinger. Hottinger, p. 47; pls. 49-51

1977 *Alveolina* (*Alveolina*) levantina Hottinger. Drobne, p. 57; text figs. 31a, 32a, 46 a-d; pl. 14, figs. 1-6; pl. 15, figs. 1, 2

1977 *Alveolina* (*Alveolina*) levantina Hottinger. Drobne et al., p. 74; pl. 4, fig. 5

2007 *Alveolina levantina* Hottinger. Vecchio et al., p. 34-35; pl. 2, figs. 18, 19

2012a *Alveolina levantina* Hottinger. Rodríguez-Pintó et al., on-line Supplementary Material, pl. 12, figs. 1-3

**Material.** This species is present in the Isuela section (Fig. 4).

**Description.** Microspheric forms not found. Megalospheric forms are fusiform, with pointed or slightly rounded poles. The axial length ranges from 5.6mm to
8.2mm and the equatorial diameter from 1.7mm to 2.0mm for 12 whorls. The index of elongation varies from 3.2 to 4. The proloculus is circular or oval in axial section and the diameter varies from 310µm to 580µm. The nepionic stage around the proloculus is formed of 1 or 2 tightly coiled whorls, followed by 9-11 whorls with axial elongation and rounded or slightly pointed poles. The chamberlets have a circular outline in the inner whorls, and are oval or subrectangular in the outer whorls. The equatorial spiral is tightly coiled and the basal layer is thin. Some specimens exhibit intercalary chamberlets and secondary passages in the basal layer at the polar zone (Fig. 19H-I).

**Age.** This species has different biostratigraphic attributions. According to Hottinger (1960) its age is probably early Lutetian. However, Hottinger (1974) and Hottinger and Drobne (1988) attributed this species to middle Cuisian-late Cuisian (see fig. 2, *op. cit.*, Hottinger and Drobne (1988)) but in the figures this species appears as a typical species of the early Lutetian (see pl. IV, *op. cit.*, Hottinger and Drobne (1988)). Finally, Serra-Kiel *et al.* (1998) constrained the age of this species from the middle part of middle Cuisian (middle part SBZ11) to late Cuisian (SBZ12). Summarizing, the biostratigraphic range of this species is from the middle part of middle Cuisian (middle part SBZ11-SBZ13). In the samples studied this species is associated with *Alveolina stipes* and *Assilina spira abrardi* (sample I 7; Fig. 4), indicating early Lutetian (A. stipes Zone) or SBZ13.

*Alveolina boscii* (Defrance in Bronn, 1825)

**Material.** This species is present in the Gabardiella section (Fig. 3).

**Description.** Microspheric forms are not found. Megalospheric forms are of small size, and show an oval to fusiform morphology with rounded or slightly pointed poles in axial section. The axial length ranges from 1.6mm to 2.0mm and the equatorial diameter from 0.6mm to 0.8mm for 8 whorls, with an index of elongation of 2.4-3.3. For 9 whorls the axial length varies between 2.6-3.4mm and the equatorial diameter between 0.7-1.2mm, with an index of elongation of 2.6-3.7. The diameter of the proloculus is small, 75-80µm. The nepionic stage is formed of 4-5 tightly coiled whorls followed by chambers with a moderate elongation in axial section. The chamberlets have a circular outline in the inner whorls and are subrectangular in the outer whorls. The equatorial spiral is tightly coiled and the basal layer is thin.

**Age.** The biostratigraphic range of *A. boscii* extends from early Lutetian (SBZ13) to middle Lutetian 1 (SBZ14). The SBZ13 is characterized by the association of this species with *A. obtusa* and *A. stipes* (samples G 16, G 21; Fig. 3) (early Lutetian, A. stipes Zone). The SBZ14 is characterized by the stratigraphic location of *A. boscii* overlying beds with *A. munieri* (Fig. 3), indicating middle Lutetian 1 (A. munieri Zone).

*Alveolina tenuis* Hottinger, 1960

**Material.** This species is present in the Gabardiella, Isuela and Sierra Caballera sections (Figs. 3; 4; 5).

**Description.** Microspheric forms show a cylindrical morphology with rounded poles. At the polar zones there are abundant and large supplementary passages in axial section. The axial length is 10.8mm and the equatorial diameter is 3.3mm for 14-15 whors. The megalospheric forms show a subcylindrical morphology and rounded poles. The axial length ranges from 9.2mm to 10.3mm and the equatorial diameter from 1.7mm to 1.9mm for 10-11 whors. The index of elongation varies from 4.7 to 5.4. The proloculus is circular or slightly elongated in axial section and the diameter varies from 320µm to 340µm. The nepionic stage is formed of one tightly coiled whorl, followed by 2-3 whors with moderate axial elongation and pointed poles. The neanic stage is formed of 7-10 whors with strong axial elongation and rounded poles. At the polar zone there are abundant supplementary passages in the basal layer. The chamberlets are small, very numerous and, in axial section, show a circular outline in the inner whors, and an oval to subrectangular outline in the outer whors. The equatorial spiral is tightly coiled and the basal layer is thin.
Age. This species was found associated with *Alveolina stipes* and *Assilina spira abrardi* (sample I 7; Fig. 4), indicating early Lutetian (*A. stipes* and *A. spira abrardi* zones) or SBZ13. *A. tenuis* occurs interbedded with samples containing *Nummulites aspermontis* and *N. beneharnensis* (Fig. 4), which indicate middle Lutetian 1 (*N. gratus*-N. *obesus* zone) or SBZ14. Thus, according to the stratigraphic location of *Alveolina tenuis* (Figs. 3-5) we confirm the biostratigraphic range proposed for this species by Drobne in Serra-Kiel et al. (1998), from the middle of SBZ13 to the middle of SBZ14.

*Alveolina callosa* HOTTINGER, 1960

Fig. 19V, YZ
1960  *Alveolina callosa* n. sp. Hottinger, p. 160; pl. 14, figs. 18, 19; pl. 15, figs. 7-10; text fig. 84
1964  *Alveolina callosa* Hottinger. Montanari, p. 547; pl. 62, figs. 1-5, 8
1974  *Alveolina callosa* Hottinger. Hottinger, p. 43; pl. 39
1977  *Alveolina (Alveolina) callosa* Hottinger. Drobne, p. 68; pl. 20, figs. 1-5
2008  *Alveolina callosa* Hottinger. Sirel and Acar, p. 82; pl. 75, figs. 7-8
2012a  *Alveolina callosa* Hottinger. Rodriguez-Pintó et al., on-line Supplementary Material, pl. 10, fig. 16; pl. 11, figs. 1-4

Material. This species is present in the Gabardiella and Sierra Caballera sections (Figs. 3; 5).

Description. Microspheric forms not found. The megalospheric forms show a fusiform to subcylindrical morphology, slightly inflated around the first whorls in axial section, and rounded or slightly truncated poles. For 10 whorls the axial length ranges from 12mm to 14.6mm and the equatorial diameter from 1.6mm to 2mm. The index of elongation varies from 6.0 to 8.6. The proloculus shows a circular or slightly elongated outline in axial section, and a circular or slightly truncated outline at the polar zones. The equatorial spiral is tightly coiled and the basal layer is thin. The chamberlets exhibit a circular axial section in the inner whorls whereas they are oval to subrectangular in the external whorls.

Age. In the material studied *A. callosa* occurs along with *A. tenuis* in beds below samples with *Nummulites lehneri* and *Assilina spira abrardi* (Fig. 5), indicating early Lutetian (*N. laevigatus*-N. *obesus* and *A. spira abrardi* zones) or SBZ13.

*Alveolina stipes* HOTTINGER, 1960

Fig. 19W
1960  *Alveolina stipes* n. sp. Hottinger, p. 163; pl. 16, figs. 8, 9; pl. 17, figs. 5-10; pl. 18, fig. 16; text figs. 86-88
1964  *Alveolina stipes* Hottinger. Hottinger et al., p. 638; pl. 3
1974  *Alveolina stipes* Hottinger. Hottinger, p. 44-45; pl. 43. Figs. 1-6
1977  *Alveolina (Alveolina) stipes* Hottinger. Drobne, p. 69; pl. 21, figs. 2-4
1977  *Alveolina (Alveolina) stipes* Hottinger. Drobne et al., p. 77; pl. 6, figs. 1-2
2007  *Alveolina stipes* Hottinger. Vecchio et al., p. 35; pl. 3, figs. 1-10
2008  *Alveolina stipes* Hottinger. Sirel and Acar, p. 81; pl. 75, figs. 9-11
2012a  *Alveolina stipes* Hottinger. Rodriguez-Pintó et al., on-line Supplementary Material, pl. 10, figs. 17-21

Material. This species is present in the Gabardiella and Isuela sections (Figs. 7; 4).

Description. Microspheric forms not found. The megalospheric forms show fusiform to subcylindrical morphology, slightly inflated around the first whorls in axial section, and rounded or slightly truncated poles. For 10 whorls the axial length ranges from 12mm to 14.6mm and the equatorial diameter from 1.6mm to 2mm. The index of elongation varies from 6.0 to 8.6. The proloculus shows a circular or slightly elongated outline in axial section, and a circular or slightly truncated outline at the polar zones. The equatorial spiral is tightly coiled and the basal layer is thin. The chamberlets exhibit a circular axial section in the inner whorls whereas they are oval to subrectangular in the external whorls.

Age. This species was considered a biomarker of the early Lutetian (*A. stipes* Zone) by Hottinger (1960, 1974) and Hottinger and Drobne (1988). In the material studied, *A. stipes* occurs along with *Assilina spira abrardi* (sample I 7; Fig. 4), indicating early Lutetian (*A. spira abrardi* Zone) or SBZ13.

*Alveolina munieri* HOTTINGER, 1960

Fig. 19A-D
1960  *Alveolina munieri* n. sp. Hottinger, p. 165; pl. 16, figs. 16-21; pl. 17, figs. 1-4; pl. 18, figs. 1-4, 18; text figs. 86-88, 91
1974  *Alveolina munieri* Hottinger. Hottinger, p. 45; pl. 44, figs. 1-7
1977  *Alveolina (Alveolina) munieri* Hottinger. Drobne, p. 69; pl. 21, fig. 5
2012a  *Alveolina munieri* Hottinger, 1960. Rodriguez-Pintó et al., on-line Supplementary Material, pl. 10, figs. 16-20
Material. This species is present in the Gabardiella and Isuela sections (Figs. 3-4).

Description. Megalospheric forms show a cylindrical morphology and rounded poles. For 12 whorls the axial length is 8mm and the equatorial diameter is 2.36mm. The index of elongation is 6.7. The proloculus shows a circular outline in axial section and a diameter of 300-570μm. The nepionic stage is formed of one tightly coiled whorl followed by chambers with axial elongation. The basal layer is thin in equatorial section, and in axial section its thickness increases gradually from the 2nd whorl to the external whors. There are rare chamberlets intercalated in the external whors and frequent supplementary passages at the polar area.

Age. This species was considered a biomarker for the middle Lutetian 1 (A. munieri Zone) by Hottinger (1960, 1974) and Hottinger and Drohne (1988). In the sections studied, beds with A. munieri alternate with beds containing Nummulites aspermontis and N. beneharnensis (Fig. 4), which indicates middle Lutetian 1 (N. gratus-N. beneharnensis Zone) or SBZ14.

Alveolina fusiformis Sowerby in Dixon, 1850

Fig. 20A-L

1960 Alveolina fusiformis Sowerby in Dixon. Hottinger, p. 169-170; pl. 12 figs.5-7, pl. 14 figs. 1-4; pl. 17 fig. 17; pl. 18, fig. 11; text-figures 92, 94
1962 Alveolina fusiformis Sowerby. Adams, p. 48; pl. 1 figs. 1-5; pl. 2, figs. 1-12; pl. 3, figs. 1-8
1965 Alveolina fusiformis Sowerby. Dizer, p. 278; pl. 4, figs. 1-8, text fig. 5
1974 Alveolina fusiformis Sowerby in Dixon. Hottinger, p. 47, 50; pl. 52
2008 Alveolina fusiformis Sowerby. Sirel and Acar, p. 84; pl. 76, figs. 2-5
2012 Alveolina fusiformis Sowerby. Rodríguez-Pintó et al., on-line Supplementary Material, pl. 12, figs. 9-12

Material. This species is present in the Gabardiella, Isuela, Sierra Caballera, La Foz de Escalete, La Peña, Murillo, Villalangua, San Felices and La Osqueta sections (Figs. 3-11).

Description. Microspheric forms not found. Megalospheric forms show a fusiform to subcylindrical morphology with irregularities in the surface and rounded poles. The axial length at the 8th, 10th and 12th whors measures 3.9-7.2mm, 5.0-7.4mm and 6.8-8.8mm respectively, and the equatorial diameter 0.77-1.22mm, 1.0-1.36mm and 1.3-1.7mm respectively. The index of elongation varies from 4.5 to 6.8. The proloculus displays circular or elongated axial outline and a length of 220-470μm. The nepionic stage is formed of one tightly coiled whorl followed by chambers with axial elongation. The basal layer is thin in equatorial section, and in axial section its thickness increases gradually from the 2nd whorl to the external whors. There are rare chamberlets intercalated in the external whors and frequent supplementary passages at the polar area.

Remarks. Alveolina fusiformis from the “Biarritzian” of Grotte de Brassempouy and Lasserre in Aquitaine, France (Hottinger 1974; pl. 52, figs 2, 6; Fig. 20H-L) displays a much larger morphological variability than the material studied here (Fig. 20A-G).

Age. Dizer (1965) found this species associated with Nummulites aturicus SOLY and LEVYMERIE, 1848 (Karasiçvi, Haymana Basin, Turkey, p. 278 op. cit.), indicating a late Lutetian age. On the other hand, Hottinger (1960, 1974) considered A. fusiformis to be “Biarritzian” in age, and Sirel and Acar (2008) Bartonian, unfortunately these data was not supported by other larger foraminifera, such as Nummulites. In the material studied the association of A. fusiformis with A. munieri (samples I 20; see Fig. 4) indicates middle Lutetian 1 (A. munieri Zone) or SBZ14. The alternation of beds with A. fusiformis with beds containing N. crassus and N. aff. deshayesi (Fig. 5) indicates middle Lutetian 2 (N. sordensis-N. crassus Zone) or SBZ15. Finally, the alternation of beds with A. fusiformis with samples with N. aturicus and N. deshayesi (Fig. 5) indicate late Lutetian (N. herbi-N. aturicus Zone) or SBZ16. The entire dataset determines that the biostratigraphic range of Alveolina fusiformis spans from middle Lutetian 1 or SBZ14 to late Lutetian or SBZ16 and probably up to early Bartonian or SBZ17.

Alveolina aff. fragilis HOTTINGER, 1960

Fig. 20M-P

Material. This species is present in the La Foz de Escalete, La Peña, Murillo, Villalangua, San Felices and La Osqueta sections (Figs. 6-11).

Description. Microspheric forms not found. Megalospheric forms show a cylindrical morphology with rounded poles. The axial length ranges from 8mm to 10.4mm and the equatorial diameter from 1mm to 1.5mm for 9-10 whors. The index of elongation varies between 5.3 and 7.2. The proloculus shows an elongated outline in axial section with a diameter between 400-420μm. The equatorial section is very tightly coiled. The basal layer is thin in equatorial section and its thickness increases in axial section.
Remarks. *A. aff. fragilis* is considered here to be ancestor of *A. fragilis* because of the smaller dimensions of the test and proloculus.

Age. The biostratigraphic range of *A. aff. fragilis* extends from middle Lutetian 2 (SBZ15) to late Lutetian (SBZ16). The SBZ15 is characterized by the association of this species with *N. crassus* (sample E 16; Fig. 6), indicating middle Lutetian 2 (*N. sordensis-N. crassus* Zone). The SBZ16 shows *A. aff. fragilis* interbeded with beds containing *N. deshayesi* (Fig. 7).

*Alveolina aff. elongata* d’ Orbigny in Deshayes, 1828
Fig. 20Q-T

Material. This species is present in the Sierra Caballera, La Foz de Escalete, La Peña, Murillo, Villalangua, San Felices and La Osqueta sections (Figs. 5-11).
Description. Microspheric forms not found. The megalospheric forms show an elongated fusiform morphology, rough in the external whorls, and pointed poles. The axial length ranges from 6.2mm to 10.8mm and the equatorial diameter from 0.9mm to 1.6mm for 8-10 whorls. The index of elongation varies between 5.6 and 6.9. The proloculus shows a circular or slightly oval outline in axial section with a diameter of 350-410µm. The nepionic stage is formed of one tightly coiled whorl followed by chambers with axial elongation and truncated poles. At the polar area, the basal layer shows abundant supplementary passages. The test is tightly coiled in equatorial section. The thickness of the basal layer is irregular, except in the equatorial section, where it reaches the height of chamberlets.

Remarks. This species is considered here to be the ancestral chronoespecies of A. elongata because of its smaller size. A. aff. elongata differs from A. aff. fragilis in the outline of the proloculus, which is circular to slightly elongate in the former and elongated in the latter. Moreover, A. aff. elongata shows a rougher surface and more supplementary passages at the polar zone.

Age. The biostratigraphic range of A. aff. elongata extends from middle Lutetian 2 (SBZ15) to late Lutetian (SBZ16). The stratigraphic record of SBZ15 is characterized by the alternation of A. aff. elongata beds with beds containing N. crassus (Figs. 6; 7), which indicates middle Lutetian 2 (N. sordensis-N. crassus Zone). The stratigraphic record of SBZ16 is characterized by the occurrence of A. aff. elongata beds overlying beds with N. aturicus and N. deshayesi (Fig. 5), indicating late Lutetian (N. herbi-N. aturicus Zone).

Family: Peneropilidae SCHULTZE, 1854
GENUS Spirolina LAMARCK, 1804
Type species: Spirolina cylindracea LAMARCK, 1804

Spirolina austriaca D’ORBIGNY, 1846
Fig. 21A-B
1963 Spirolina austriaca D’Orbigny. Hottinger, p. 966; pl. 3, figs. 1-2; text-figs. 2 m, r

Material. This species is present in the Gabardiella and Isuela sections (Figs. 3; 4).

Remarks. Small shell, with a maximum length of 0.9mm. The first 17-18 chambers display a planispiral arrangement, followed by an uniserial pattern. The uniserial length for 5 chambers is 0.4-0.6mm. Proloculus small, 20µm in diameter.

Age. This species has not biostratigraphical significance. It is found in the Guara Formation, where it is abundant in facies attributed to seagrass environments rich in porcellaneous foraminifera (Silva-Casal, 2017).

GENUS Sivasina SIREL AND ÖZGEN-ERDEM, 2013
Type species: Sivasina egribucakensis SIREL AND ÖZGEN-ERDEM, 2013

Sivasina egribucakensis SIREL AND ÖZGEN-ERDEM, 2013

Fig. 21C
1963 Peneroplis cf. elegans D’Orbigny. Hottinger, p. 969; pl. 5, figs. 3-5
1963 Peneroplis cf. farenensis Henson. Hottinger, p. 969; pl. 5, figs. 6, 7; Fig. 2a, b
1963 Peneroplis aff. honestus Toed and Post. Hottinger, p. 969; pl. 5, fig. 9
2013 Sivasina egribucakensis n. gen. n. sp. Sirel et al., p. 96, 99; pl.46, figs. 1-14; pl. 5, figs. 1-10; pl. 6, figs. 1-6; Figs. 6G, H
2016 Sivasina egribucakensis. Sirel and Özgen-Erdem, Serra-Kiel et al., p. 24; figs. 19.22-19.30

Material. This species is present in the Gabardiella section (sample G 27, Fig. 3). One specimen.

Description. The specimen shows a nepionic stage formed of chambers in planispiral-involute arrangement with the apertures located at the base of the chambers. The neanic stage displays uncoiled growth and dendritine aperture. The septa are inclined and slightly arcuate.

Age. Sirel et al. (2013) and Serra-Kiel et al. (2016) located this species in Rupelian (Oligocene) rocks from Slovenia and Socotra Island (Yemen) respectively. Here, S. egribucakensis occurs between samples with Alveolina munieri, indicating middle Lutetian 1 (A. munieri Zone) or SBZ14. Thus, its biostratigraphical range extends from middle Lutetian 1 or SBZ14 to Rupelian.

GENUS Penarchaias HOTTINGER, 2007
Type species: Peneroplis glynnjonesi HENSON, 1950

Penarchaias sp.
Fig. 21D-G

Material. This species is present in the Gabardiella section (Fig. 3).

Description. The test of the megalospheric forms is planispiral-involute, with an equatorial diameter of about 0.9-1.0mm for 5 whorls with 50 chambers. The nepionic stage is formed of a spherical proloculus with a diameter of ca. 130µm and a flexostyle. The chambers with inclined septula present low ridges at the base (Fig. 21D, F).
**Remarks.** The specimens studied are smaller than the specimens identified as \( P. \) glynnjonesi (type species) by Hottinger (2007) and Serra-Kiel et al. (2016).

**Age.** According to Hottinger (2007) and Serra-Kiel et al. (2016) this genus extends from Bartonian to Rupelian (Oligocene). Here, this genus was found between samples containing \( \text{Alveolina munieri} \), indicating middle Lutetian 1 (A. munieri Zone) or SBZ14. Thus, the biostratigraphical range of this genus extends from middle Lutetian 1 or SBZ14 to Rupelian.

**Family:** Soritidae Ehrenberg, 1839  
**Subfamily:** Soritinae Ehrenberg, 1839  
**GENUS** Orbitolites Lamarck, 1801  
**Type species:** Orbitolites complanatus Lamarck, 1801

**Orbitolites minimus** Henson, 1950  
**Fig. 213-K**

1950 **Orbitolites complanata** Lamarck var. minima var. nov. Henson, p. 58; pl. 3, fig.1  
2007 **Orbitolites minimus** Henson 1950. Hottinger, p. 10; pl. 15, figs. 6 and 9

**Material.** This species is present in the following sections: La Foz de Escalete, La Peña and La Osqueta (Figs. 6; 7; 11).

**Description.** Small test of discoidal, flattened morphology and annular-cyclic growth. The diameter of the shell for 17-19 annuli is around 3mm. Embryonic apparatus large, with a maximum diameter of 475µm, measured in axial section, and 200µm in height. Juvenarium (neponic stage) formed of 2-3 annuli. In axial section, this species shows an endoskeleton simpler than the endoskeleton of other species of this genus.

**Age.** This species is from a sample located between samples containing \( \text{Nummulites crassus} \) and \( \text{N. aff. deshayesi} \) (Fig. 6), which indicates middle Lutetian 2 (N. sordensis-N. crassus Zone) or SBZ15. Thus, the biostratigraphic range of this species is SBZ15, extending into SBZ16, if its less precise occurrence in late Lutetian (sample O 4; Fig. 11) is considered.

**Orbitolites complanatus** Lamarck, 1801  
**Fig. 21H-I, L-M**

1961 **Orbitolites complanatus** n. sp. Lehmann, p. 618-622; Pl. 1, figs. 1-4; pl. 2, figs. 1-3; Text-figs. 18-20  
1972 **Orbitolites complanatus** Lamarck. Le Calvez and Blondeau, pl. 3, fig. 1  
1978 **Orbitolites complanatus** Lamarck. Le Calvez and Blondeau, pl. 3, fig. 1  
2012a **Orbitolites complanatus** Lamarck, 1801. Rodríguez-Pintó et al., on-line Supplementary Material, pl. 13, figs. 13

**Material.** This species is present in the Gabardiella, Isuela and Sierra Cabrallera sections (Figs. 3-5).

**Description.** Test of discoidal, flattened morphology and annular-cyclic growth. Endoskeleton composed of septulum subdividing the annular chambers and stolons in crosswise-oblique disposition. The axial section of the embryonic apparatus is 190µm in diameter and...
150µm in height. Juvenarium (nepionic stage) formed of 3-5 annuli.

**Age.** This species occurs between beds that contain *Alveolina stipes* and *A. obtusa* (Fig. 3), indicating early Lutetian (A. stipes Zone) or SBZ13. The association of *O. complanatus* with *A. munieri* (samples G 24 and G 51; Fig. 3) indicates middle Lutetian 1 (A. munieri Zone) or SBZ14, whereas its association with *Nummulites beaumonti* (sample I 50; Fig. 4) indicates middle Lutetian 2 or SBZ15. Summarizing, according to the material studied the biostratigraphic range of this species extends from early Lutetian (SBZ13) to middle Lutetian 2 (SBZ15).

*Orbitolites cotentinensis* LEHMANN, 1961

1961 *Orbitolites cotentinensis* n. sp. Lehmann, p. 627-630; pl, 8, figs. 1-6; fig. 24, 25 and 26

**Material.** This species is present in the Boltaña Fm.

**Description.** Test of discoidal, flattened morphology with a cyclic growth of annuli. Endoskeleton composed of septulum subdividing the annular chambers and stolons in crosswise-oblique disposition. The embryonic apparatus in axial section is 600µm in diameter and 350µm in height. Juvenarium (nepionic stage) formed of 4-5 annuli.

**Remarks.** This species differs from *Orbitolites reicheli* LEHMANN, 1961 and *Orbitolites armoricensis* LEHMANN, 1961 in the larger diameter of the protoculus.

**Age.** Hottinger in Lehmann (1961) associated this species with *Alveolina elongata* which indicate early Bartonian or SBZ17 (Serra-Kiel et al., 1998). Here this species occurs in SBZ15 (sample SC 30; Fig. 5) which extends its biostratigraphic range from middle Lutetian 2 (SBZ15) to early Bartonian (SBZ17).

**Class:** Globothalamea Pawlowski et al., 2013

**Order:** “Textulariida” (Delage and Herouard, 1896) partim

**Superfamily:** Coscinophragmatacea Thalmann, 1951

**Family:** Haddoniidae Chapman, 1898

**GENUS Haddonia** Chapman, 1898

**Type species:** Haddonia torresiensis Chapman, 1898

**Haddonia heissigi** Hagn, 1968

1968 *Haddonia heissigi* n. sp. Hagn, p. 11-16; pl. 1, figs. 1, 3, 4; pl. 2, figs- 1-3; pl. 3, figs. 1-2, text figs. 3-7

1978 *Haddonia heissigi*. Matteucci, fig. 9.c; p. 397-398; fig. 11 a-f

1980 *Haddonia heissigi*. Benjamini, pl. 4, fig. 10

1993 *Haddonia heissigi*. Schmidt and Jäger, pl. 1-4-4

**Material.** This species is present in the Gabardiella and Isuela sections (Figs. 3; 4).

**Description.** The test shows an irregular morphology and protuberances on its external surface. The wall is composed of two layers. The inner layer has large pores aligned perpendicular to the surface. The external layer is composed of coarse agglutinated particles. Nepionic stage formed of a spherical protoculus about 95µm across, followed by chambers in planispiral arrangement. Apertures are located at the base of the chambers, with a small ridge in the base.

**Remarks.** This species has been interpreted to be living attached to the substrate, and was probably abundant in seagrass and reef environments of the inner shelf (Hagn, 1968).

**Age.** According to Hagn (1968) and Matteucci (1978) the biostratigraphic range of this species extends from Lutetian to Priabonian. Here, beds containing this species are interbeded with beds containing *Alveolina stipes* which indicates early Lutetian or SBZ13 (sample G 6; Fig 3). In the Isuela section (sample I 37; Fig. 4) this species occurs in an imprecise interval between SBZ14 and SBZ15. Thus, its biostratigraphic range is Lutetian-Priabonian.

**Superfamily:** Ataxophragmioidea SCHWAGER, 1877

**Family:** Coskinolinidae Moullade, 1965

**GENUS Coskinolina** STACHE, 1875

**Type species:** Coskinolina liburnica STACHE, 1875

**Coskinolina cf. perpera** Hottinger and Drobne, 1980

**Material.** This species is present in the Boltaña Fm.

**Description.** Test with high-conical morphology. The wall is thick; the poor state of preservation of the specimens did not allow to observe the pseudo-keriothecal texture.

**Remarks.** The scarce material available and the absence of centered longitudinal sections did not allow its specific determination.

**Age.** In the material studied this species is associated with *Alveolina decastroi* and *A. cremae* (sample G1, see Fig. 3), indicating middle Cuisian (A. dainelli Zone) or SBZ11.

**Coskinolina roberti** Schlumberger, 1905

**Material.** This species is present in the Gabardiella and Isuela sections (Figs. 3; 4).
FIGURE 22. A-C) Haddonia heissigi. A: spherical proloculus. B-C: perpendicular to coiling axis sections. Specimens A, B: sample I 37 and C: sample G 6. D-E) Coskinolina cf. perpera. D: uncentered longitudinal section. E: oblique section. Specimens D: sample G 2 and E: sample G 1. F-T) Coskinolina roberti. F: longitudinal section, G-M: oblique longitudinal sections, note the foramen distribution in I. N-P: longitudinal sections. Q: basal section. Note the foramen distribution in Q. R-S: oblique longitudinal sections, note the pillar in S. T: longitudinal sections. Specimen F: sample I 28; G, H: sample I 31; I: sample I 24; J: sample I 33; K, R: sample I 40; L: sample I 41; M: sample I 38; N: sample I 48; O, T: sample I 42; P, S: sample I 45 and Q: sample P 10. Abbreviations: f: foramen; pi: pillar.
1980 **Coskinolina** (Coskinolina) *roberti* (Schlumberger, 1905). Hottinger and Drobné, p. 228-229; pl. 9, figs. 1-16
2012a **Coskinolina roberti** (Schlumberger, 1905). Rodríguez-Pintó *et al.*, on-line Supplementary Material, pl. 3, figs. 1-14

**Material.** This species is frequent in the following sections: Gabardiella, Isuela, Sierra Caballera, La Foz de Escalete, La Peña and Murillo de Gállego (Figs. 3-8).

**Description.** The megalospheric forms show a high-conical morphology. The wall is thick and the texture pseudo-keriotohecal. The nepionic stage is formed of protoconch and deuteroconch in eccentric location, followed by 7-10 chambers with high-trochospiral arrangement (Fig. 22F). The neanic stage is formed of 5-7 chambers in uniserial arrangement (Fig. 22N-O). The endoskeleton is formed of pillars beginning in the 3rd-4th nepionic chamber. At the apex of the cone the diameter ranges 330-375µm, with a maximum diameter of 1.5-2.0mm. The axial length is 2.0-2.3mm and the axial plane cuts 4-5 pillars. The pillars are discontinuous from one chamber to the next (Fig. 22J). The chamber sutures are slightly depressed. The apertural face is slightly convex, and the apertures show a cibrae distribution (Fig. 22I, Q).

**Age.** The biostratigraphic range of *Coskinolina roberti* extends from early Lutetian (SBZ13) to late Lutetian (SBZ16). The SBZ13 is characterized by its association with *Alveolina stipes* (sample G 21; Fig. 3), indicating early Lutetian (*A. stipes* Zone). The SBZ14 is characterized by the association of *C. roberti* with *A. munieri* (samples G 24, I 16, I 17, I 20 and I 21; Figs. 3; 4), indicating middle Lutetian 1 (*A. munieri* Zone). In the sections studied, the SBZ15 is characterized by the alternation of samples with *Coskinolina roberti* with samples with *Nummulites crassus* (Fig. 5; 7). The SBZ16 is characterized by the stratigraphic location of *C. roberti* in samples overlying samples with *N. aturicus* and *N. deshayesi* (Fig. 5).

**Order:** Rotaliida *(Delage and Hérouard, 1896)*
**Superfamily:** Chilostomellacea *(Brady, 1881)*
**Family:** Gavelinellidae *(Hopker, 1956)*

**Gavelinellidae** indet.

**Fig.** 23A-F

1972 **Gyroidina subangulosa** (Plummer, 1926), Samuel *et al.*, pl. 37, fig. 1-6

**Material.** This species is present in the Gabardiella section (Fig. 3).

**Description.** The test is bilamellar with coarse pores and low-trochospiral growth. The dorsal side is convex and smooth; the ventral side is slightly convex and displays an umbo with beads (Fig. 23C). The lamination is composed of a thicker and perforate outer layer and a thin inner layer. Between both layers there is a marked dark median layer. The proloculus is spherical with a diameter of 80-100µm (Fig. 23A, E). The equatorial diameter is 0.77mm with 21 chambers and the longitudinal diameter is 0.52mm.

**Age.** This species is located in samples interbedded with *Alveolina munier* (samples G 38, G 39 and G 40 (Fig. 3), indicating middle Lutetian 2 or SBZ14.

**Superfamily:** Planorbulinoidea *(Schwager, 1877)*
**Family:** Cymbaloporidae *(Cushman, 1927)*
**Subfamily:** Fabianinae *(Deloffre and Hamauoi, 1973)*

**GENUS Fabiania Silvestri, 1924**
**Type species:** Patella *(Cymbolia) cassis Oppenheim, 1896

**Fabiania cassis** *(Oppenheim, 1896)*
**Fig.** 23G-J

1973 **Fabiania cassis** (Oppenheim). Deloffre and Hamauoi, pl. 6, figs. 1-7; pl. 7, fig. 1-3 and 5; pl. 8, fig. 1-6pl. 9, fig. 1-3, 5-7; pl. 10, fig. 1-9

**Material.** This species is frequent in the following sections: Gabardiella, Isuela, Sierra Caballera, La Foz de Escalete, La Peña, Murillo, Villalangua and La Osqueta (Figs. 3-9; 11).

**Description.** Test of high-conical morphology. Neonic stage composed of proloculus and two chambers in low-trochospiral arrangement. Neanic stage formed of chambers in high-trochospiral arrangement. The diameter of the proloculus varies between 145µm and 160µm. The lateral wall shows coarse pores and an exoskeleton formed of folds of the inner layer (Fig. 23I). The peripheral sections show a pseudo-polygonal network formed of folds of the inner layer over the outer lamella of the chamber lateral wall (Fig. 23I). Apertures in interiomarginal location (Fig. 23G). The septum backwards to umbilicus overlaps the previous septum forming a massive accumulation of folia.

**Age.** The biostratigraphic range of *Fabiania cassis* extends from early Lutetian (SBZ13) to late Lutetian (SBZ16). The stratigraphic record of SBZ13 is characterized by its association with *Alveolina stipes* (sample I 7; Fig. 4), indicating early Lutetian (*A. stipes* Zone). SBZ14 is characterized by the association of *F. cassis* with *A. munieri* (samples G 24, G 34, G 35 and G 36; Fig. 3), and SBZ15 is characterized by its association with *Nummulites crassus* (samples SC 38 and P 21; Figs. 5; 7), indicating middle Lutetian 2 (*N. sordensis-N. crassus* Zone). Finally, SBZ16 is characterized by the occurrence of *F. cassis* overlying samples with *N. aturicus*.
and *N. deshayesi* (Fig. 5), indicating late Lutetian (*N. herbi-N. aturicus Zone*).

**Subfamily**: Halkyardiinae *Kudo*, 1931

**GENUS** *Halkyardia* *Heron-Alen and Earland in Halkyard*, 1918

Type species: *Cymbalopora radiata* *Von Hagenow var. minima* *Liebus*, 1911

*Halkyardia minima* (*Liebus*, 1911)

Fig. 23K-N

1969  
*Halkyardia minima* (*Liebus*). *Cimerman*, p. 298-300; pl. 58, figs. 1-6.

1973  
*Halkyardia minima* (*Liebus*). *Deloffre* and *Hamaoui*, pl. 2, figs. 1-7.

1975  
*Halkyardia minima* (*Liebus*). *Colom*, p. 239; pl. 27, fig. 1; figs. 85.1-4.

1994  
*Halkyardia minima* (*Liebus*, 1911). *Pignatti*, pl. 8, figs. 4-5.

2000  
*Halkyardia cf. minima* (*Liebus*). *Sirel*, pl. 3; figs. 15-16.

2001  
*Halkyardia minima* (*Liebus*) 1911. *Romero*, p. 180-181; pl. 7, figs. 1-11.

2003  
*Halkyardia minima* (*Liebus*). *Sirel*, pl. 8, figs. 16 and 20.

**Age**: *Cimerman* (1969) and *Romero* (2001) found this species in Bartonian and Priabonian rocks of Slovenia and Spain (Igualada Basin). Here this species is present in samples intercalated with *Alveolina munieri*, indicating middle Lutetian 1 or SBZ14. It also occurs in samples intercalated with *Nummulites aff. deshayesi* and *N. crassus* (Fig. 6), indicating middle Lutetian 2 or SBZ15. The stratigraphic location and biostratigraphic context suggest that this species belongs to SBZ16 (Figs. 3; 9), with a
biostratigraphic range extending from middle Lutetian 1 (SBZ14) to late Eocene (Priabonian).

**Family**: Victoriellinae CHAPMAN and CRESPIN, 1930

**GENUS Gyroidinella LE CALVEZ, 1949**

Type species: *Gyroidinella magna* LE CALVEZ, 1949

*Gyroidinella levis* (GRIMSDALE, 1952)

Fig. 24A-C

1952 *Eourpertia incrassata* (Uhlig). Grimsdale, p. 239; pl. 20, figs. 15-21

1971 *Eourpertia cristata laevis* (Grimsdale). Boulanger and Poignant, pl. 3, figs. 5-6

2014 *Gyroidinella levis* (Grimsdale, 1952). Hottinger, p. 187, pl. 9.10, figs. 1–13.

**Material.** This species is present in the Gabardiella, Isuela and Sierra Caballera sections (Figs. 3-5).

**Description.** Trochospiral test with flattened umbilical side and concave dorsal side. Smooth dorsal side with marked pores. Length in axial section is around 1.5mm, and length in section perpendicular to the coiling axis is 1.4mm for 12-14 chambers. Small proloculus with a diameter of ca. 120µm (Fig. 24C).

**Age.** According to Hottinger (2014) the biostratigraphic range of this species is from SBZ10 (Cuisian) to SBZ13 (early Lutetian). In the Gabardiella and Isuela sections this species was found intercalated with samples containing *Alveolina stipes* (Figs. 3; 4) which indicates early Lutetian (A. stipes Zone) or SBZ13.

*Gyroidinella eocaenica* (SACAL and DEBOURLE, 1957)

Fig. 24D-F

2000 *Gyroidinella eocaenica* (Sacl and Debourle, 1957). Sztrákos, p. 40; pl. 2, fig. 11.

2014 *Gyroidinella eocaenica* (Sacl and Debourle, 1957). Hottinger, p. 190, pl. 9.11, figs. 1–16.

**Material.** This species is present in the Gabardiella and Isuela sections (Figs. 3; 4).

**Description.** Test with trochospiral growth. Thick lateral wall with coarse pores. Flat or slightly convex ventral side and concave dorsal side. In axial section, the diameter for three whorls is ca. 2mm and the length of the section perpendicular to the coiling axis is about 1.7mm for 10 chambers. Septum inclined backwards in dorsal side (Fig. 24D). The diameter of the proloculus is ca. 150µm (Fig. 24.E). Foramen located in interiomarginal position.

**Age.** According to Hottinger (2014) the biostratigraphic range of this species is SBZ13 (early Lutetian). Here, the biostratigraphic range of this species is SBZ13-SBZ14. Its stratigraphic location intercalated with samples with *Alveolina stipes* (Figs. 3; 4) indicates early Lutetian (A. stipes Zone) or SBZ13. The SBZ14 is characterized by the association of *G. eocaenica* with *A. munieri* (sample G 36; Fig. 3), indicating middle Lutetian 1 (A. munieri Zone). Thus, the biostratigraphic range of this species extends from SBZ13 (early Lutetian) to SBZ14 (middle Lutetian 1).

*Gyroidinella magna* LE CALVEZ, 1949

Fig. 24G-M

2014 *Gyroidinella magna* (Sacal and Le Calvez, 1949). Hottinger, pl. 9.10, fig. 17.

**Material.** This species is present in the Gabardiella, Isuela, Sierra Caballera, La Peña, La Foz de Escatele, Murillo de Gállego, Villalongua, San Felices, La Osqueta sections (Figs. 3-11).

**Description.** Shell with trochospiral growth. Flat umbilical side and conical dorsal side. Slightly depressed sutures in subequatorial section (Fig. 24H, L). In axial section, the diameter for three whorls is around 2.3mm and the length of the section perpendicular to the coiling axis is around 2.4mm for 18-20 chambers. Proloculus about 190µm in diameter.

**Age.** According to Hottinger (2014) the biostratigraphic range of this species is SBZ13 (early Lutetian). Here, this species was found in Lutetian rocks. In the SBZ13 it is associated with *Alveolina callosa* (sample SC 14; Fig. 5), and in SBZ14 it is associated with *A. munieri* (samples G 23 and G 24; Fig. 3), indicating middle Lutetian 1 (A. munieri Zone). Samples with this species are intercalated with *Nummulites crassus* and *N. aff. deshayesi* (Fig. 5), indicating middle Lutetian 2 (N. sordensis-N. crassus Zone) or SBZ15. Finally, samples with this species are intercalated with *N. aturicus* and *N. deshayesi* (Figs. 5; 7), indicating late Lutetian (N. herbi-N. aturicus Zone) or SBZ16. Thus, the biostratigraphic range of this species extends from SBZ13 (early Lutetian) to SBZ16 (late Lutetian).

**GENUS Korobkovella HAGN AND OHMERT, 1971**

Type species: *Truncatulina grosserugosa* GÜMBEL, 1870

*Korobkovella grosserugosa* (GÜMBEL, 1870)

**Material.** This species is present in the Gabardiella and Sierra Caballera sections (Figs. 3; 5).
FIGURE 24. A-C) *Gyroidinella levis*. A-C: centered axial sections. Specimen A: sample SC 1; B: sample G 7 and C: sample I 4. D-F) *Gyroidinella eocaenica*. D: uncentered perpendicular to coiling to axis section. E: subaxial section. F: oblique section. Specimens D, E: sample G 36 and F: sample G 33. G-M) *Gyroidinella magna*. G-H: subaxial sections. I-J: centered perpendicular to coiling to axis sections. K-L: uncentered perpendicular to coiling to axis sections. M: subaxial sections. Specimen G: sample G 45; H: sample G 23; I: sample G 88; J: sample V 8; L: sample G 26 and M: sample G 24. N-P) *Korobkovella grosserugosa*. N-O: oblique subaxial sections. P: subaxial section, note the keel. Specimen N: sample SC 53; O: sample G 71; P: sample SC 53. Q) *Victoriella conoides* longitudinal section, specimen from sample I 54. R-S) *Korobkovella grosserugosa*. R: oblique subaxial sections. S: oblique section, note the proloculus. R: sample G 39 and S: sample SC 53. Abbreviations: pr: proloculus; f: foramen; bd: bead; spc: spiral canal; sf: septal flat; sut: suture; ilsp: intraseptal interlocular space; uf: umbilical flat; ump: umbilical pile; kl: keel.
Description. Test low-trochospiral with a flat or convex dorsal side and a slightly convex umbilical side. Thick lateral wall with coarse pores and marked beads (Fig. 24S). Septum inclined backwards in dorsal side. The dorsal side shows a keel without pores (Fig. 24F).

Age. Romero (2001) found this species in Bartonian rocks from the Igualada Basin (Spain). In the material studied this species is present in samples intercalated with Alveolina munieri (A. munieri Zone), indicating middle Lutetian 1 or SBZ14 (Fig. 3). Samples with K. grosserugosa are intercalated with Nummulites aturicus (Figs. 5), indicating late Lutetian (N. herbi-N. aturicus Zone) or SBZ16. Thus, the biostratigraphic range of this species extends from SBZ14 (middle Lutetian) to SBZ17 (early Bartonian).

Genus Victoriella Chapman and Crespin, 1930
Type species: Victoriella conoidea Rutten, 1914

Victoriella conoidea (Rutten, 1914)
Fig. 24Q
1987 Victoriella conoidea. Loeblich and Tappan, p. 596; pl. 657, figs. 11-13
1993 Victoriella conoidea (Rutten). Robinson and Wright, p. 307, 309; figs. 16.5-6
2007 Victoriella conoidea (Rutten, 1914). Serra-Kiel et al., p. 369; pl. 2, figs. 8 and 9

Material. This species occurs in the Isuela section (Fig. 4).

Description. Test with low-trochospiral growth. The first whorls show a conical morphology and are followed by whorls with enlarged morphology. The sutures between chambers are depressed. Thick wall with marked pores and beads (Fig. 24Q). The length in longitudinal section is 1.85mm and in sections perpendicular to the coiling axis is 1.3mm.

Age. According to Robinson and Wright (1993) and Serra-Kiel et al. (2007) the biostratigraphic range of this species is late Eocene to Oligocene. Here, this species was found associated with Nummulites deshayesi (sample I 54; Fig. 4), indicating late Lutetian (N. herbi-N. aturicus Zone) or SBZ16. Consequently, its biostratigraphic range extends from late Lutetian to Oligocene.

Superfamily: Acervulinoidea Schultze, 1854
Family: Acervulinidae Schultze, 1854
Genus Solenomeris Douville, 1924
Type species: Solenomeris ogormani Douville, 1924

Solenomeris cf. ogormani Douville, 1924
Fig. 25A-C
2003 Solenomeris ogormani Douvillé, 1924. Bassi, p. 339-341; figs. 1 and 2

Material. This species is present in the Gabardiella, Isuela, Sierra Caballera, La Foz de Escalete, La Peña, Murillo, Villalangua and La Osqueta sections (Figs. 3-9; 11).

Remarks. This species was formerly considered to be a red algae. Later, Perrin (1987, 1994) and Bassi (2003) showed that its morphostructure was rather the morphostructure of an acervulined foraminifera. As pointed out by the later author "each layer of the test consists of an expanse chamber subdivided into small, chamberlets connected by tubular passages". Unfortunately, the embryonic apparatus could not be observed, leading to a less well-defined taxonomic attribution.

Age. This species has been interpreted to be living attached to the substrate, especially in seagrass and reef environments of the inner shelf (Silva-Casal, 2017; Tomás et al., 2016). It has not biostratigraphic significance since it ranges from early Paleogene (Plaziat and Perrin, 1992; Perrin, 1994) to late Lutetian.

Genus Gypsina Carter, 1877
Type species: Polytrema planum Carter, 1877

“Gypsina” moussaviani Brugnatti and Ungaro, 1987
Fig. 25D-G
1987 “Gypsina” moussaviani n. sp. Brugnatti and Ungaro, p. 9-12; pl. 5, figs. 1-4

Material. This species is frequent in the Gabardiella, Isuela, Sierra Caballera, La Foz de Escalete, La Peña, Murillo, Villalangua and La Osqueta sections (Figs. 3-9; 11).

Remarks. Brugnatti and Ungaro (1987) described this species following morphological and structural criteria. In axial section the chambers show an arcuate outline with stolons located at the base of the chambers (Fig. 24E-F). According to these authors the concave morphology of the shell indicates an epiphytic habitat and suggests attachment to the substrate. This species was probably abundant in seagrass and reef environments of the inner shelf (Silva-Casal, 2017; Tomassetti et al., 2016). Its biostratigraphic significance is moderate since it occurs throughout the Lutetian.

Genus Sphaerogypsina Gallonny, 1933
Type species: Ceriopora globulus Reuss, 1848

Sphaerogypsina globulus Reuss, 1848
Fig. 25H-I
1971 Sphaerogypsina globula (Reuss, 1848). Ferrer, p. 57; pl. 7, fig. 17
1975 Sphaerogypsina globula (Reuss). Colom, p. 241; pl. 28, fig. 1
1979  *Sphaerogypsina globula* (Reuss). Drobn et al., p. 185; pl. 4, figs. 3
1994  *Sphaerogypsina globulus* (Reuss, 1848).
Pignatti, pl. 3, fig. 6-7
2000  *Sphaerogypsina globula* (Reuss). Sirel, pl. 3, fig. 17
2001  *Sphaerogypsina globula* (Reuss, 1847).
Romero, p. 184; pl. 12, figs. 1-4
2012a  *Sphaerogypsina globula* (Reuss).
Rodríguez-Pintó et al., on-line Supplementary Material, pl. 13, figs. 13

**Material.** This species occurs in the Gabardiella, Sierra Caballera, La Foz de Escalete, La Peña and Villalangua and Campo Fenero sections (Figs. 3; 5-8; 12).

**Remarks.** Test spherical. Chambers distributed in the sphere and subdivided in chamberlets with chessboard pattern (*sensu* Hottinger, 2006). The ceilings of the chamberlets are flat or slightly concave (Fig. 25I) and its wall shows coarse pores. The apertures are located at the base of the lateral wall and connect the chamberlets of adjacent chambers.

**Age.** Romero (2001) identified this species in Bartonian rocks from the Igualada Basin (Spain) and Pignatti (1994) in Priabonian rocks from the Maiella (Italy), pointing its limited biostratigraphic significance. In the material studied this species is associated with *Alveolina munieri* (sample G 36; Fig. 3), indicating middle Lutetian 1 (A. munieri Zone) or SBZ14. Besides, it occurs between samples that contain *Nummulites crassus* and *N. aff. deshayesi* (Fig. 6), indicating middle Lutetian 2 (N. sordensis-N. crassus Zone) or SBZ15, and between samples with *N. aturicus* and *N. deshayesi* (Figs. 5; 7) which indicates late Lutetian or SBZ 16. Finally, this species is also found in beds overlying...
deposits containing *N. biarritzensis* and *N. beaumonti* (sample CF 6; Fig. 12), indicating early Bartonian or SBZ17. Summarizing, its biostratigraphic range is middle Lutetian 1 (SBZ14) to Oligocene.

**Superfamily**: Asterigerinacea d’Orbigny, 1839  
**Family**: Asterigerinidae d’Orbigny, 1839  
**GENUS Asterigerina** d’Orbigny, 1839  
Type species: *Asterigerina carinata* d’Orbigny, 1839  
*Asterigerina rotula* (Kaufman, 1867)  
Fig. 25J-O  
1979 *Asterigerina rotula* (Kaufman). Drobne et al., p. 185; pl. 4, figs. 5  
2001 *Asterigerina rotula* (Kaufman, 1867). Romero, p. 185; pl. 13, figs. 1-6

**Material**. This species is present in the Gabardiella and Sierra Caballera sections (Figs. 3; 5).

**Description**. Test hyaline, with asymmetrical biconvex outline in axial section. The umbilical side shows a marked umbo (Figs. 25J, K, N; 24O). The septula are falciform, inclined backwards in subequatorial section (Fig. 25M). The periphery is carinate.

**Age**. Drobne et al. (1979) found this species in the Oligocene of Slovenia and Romero (2001) identified it in the Bartonian in the Igualada Basin (Spain). Here, it is associated with *Assilina spira abrardi* and *Nummulites leheneri* (samples SC 16; Figs. 3; 5), indicating early Lutetian or SBZ13. Its occurrence in sample G 41 (Fig. 3) between samples with *Alveolina munieri* (A. munieri Zone) indicates middle Lutetian 1 or SBZ14. Thus, the biostratigraphic range of this species extends from early Lutetian to Oligocene.

**Superfamily**: Orbitoidioidea SCHWAGER, 1876  
**Family**: Linderinidae LOEBLICH AND TAPPAN, 1986  
**GENUS Linderina** SCHLUMBERGER, 1893  
Type species: *Linderina brugesi* SCHLUMBERGER, 1893  
*Linderina brugesi* SCHLUMBERGER, 1893  
Fig. 25Q-S  
1999 *Linderina brugesi* Schlumberger. Ferrández-Cañadell and Serra-Kiel, figs. 2.4 and 2.5

**Material**. This species is present in the Gabardiella, Sierra Caballera and La Peña sections (Figs. 3; 5; 7).

**Remarks**. Shell of lenticular morphology and involute arrangement of lamellae. Chambers with annular-cyclic growth of orbitoidal type. Lateral thickness of the test formed by the superposition of the successive involute outer lamellae of the different chambers. Stolon in crosswise oblique distribution, alternately in axial rows (Fig. 25S).

**Superfamily**: Planorbulinacea schwager, 1877  
**Family**: Planorbulinidae schwager, 1877  
**GENUS Planolinderina** FREUDENTHAL, 1969  
Type species: *Planolinderina escornebovensi* FREUDENTHAL, 1969  
*Planolinderina?* FREUDENTHAL, 1969  
Fig. 25P-U  
2001 *Planolinderina?* sp. Romero, p. 175-177, pl. 12, fig.7; pl. 14, figs. 1-6; pl. 15, figs. 1-6

**Material**. This species is present in the Gabardiella and Isuela sections (Figs. 3; 4).

**Remarks**. Three axial sections showing a discoidal, practically flat, morphology, convex at the polar zone because of the involute lamellae of early chambers. Later the chambers show an evolute growth pattern. The walls of the chambers show coarse pores. The embryonic apparatus seems formed of two chambers (Fig. 25P). The lack of centered equatorial sections in the material studied hinders a more precise taxonomic attribution.

**Age**. Romero (2001) identified this taxon in the Bartonian from Igualada Basin (Spain). In the sections studied this genus has an imprecise biostratigraphic range between SBZ14 and SBZ15 (sample I 38; Fig. 4). In the Gabardiella section this species occurs in samples G 62 and G 69 (Fig. 3) belonging to late Lutetian or SBZ 16. Thus, its complete biostratigraphic range extends from middle Lutetian 2 (SBZ15) to Bartonian.

**Superfamily**: Rotalioidea ehrenberg, 1839  
**Family**: Rotaliidae EHRENBERG, 1839  
**Subfamily**: Rotaliinae EHRENBERG, 1839  
**GENUS Rotorbinella** BANDY, 1944  
Type species: *Rotorbinella colliculus* BANDY, 1944  
*Rotorbinella hensoni* (SMOUT, 1954)  
Fig. 25V  
1954 *Rotalia hensoni* n. sp. Smout, p. 45; pl. 15, fig. 8
2001  *Rotorbinella* sp. Romero, p. 174-175; pl. 16, figs. 1-5, 7-9
2006  *Rotorbinella* sp. Hottinger, p. 86; pl. 2, figs. 11-16
2014  *Rotorbinella hensoni* (Smout, 1954). Hottinger, p. 24; Figs. 3.2, 3.3A-F; pl. 3.2, figs. 1-13

**Material.** This species is present in the Gabardiella section (Fig. 3).

**Description.** Test of small size with bilamellar-perforate wall, low-trichospiral growth and rounded periphery. Ventral and dorsal sides highly convex. The umbo is pronounced with a massive plug. The diameter of the proloculus is around 100µm. The diameter of the test with 2 whorls is around 120µm. The diameter of the test with 2 whorls is around 120µm (Fig. 26K).

**Age.** According to Hottinger (2014) the biostratigraphic range of this species is Lutetian (SBZ13-SBZ16). In the material studied the SBZ13 is characterized by the intercalation of beds with this species (Figs. 3; 4; 5) and samples with *Alveolina obtusa*, *A. callosa* and *A. stipes* (*A. stipes* Zone) and samples with *Assilina spira abrardi* and *Nummulites lehneri* (*A. spira abrardi* and *N. laevigatus*-N. obesus Zones) indicating early Lutetian. The record of the SBZ14 is characterized by the intercalation of *R. trochidiformis* with beds bearing *N. aspermontis* and *N. beneharnensis* (Fig. 4), which indicates middle Lutetian 1 (N. gratus-N. beneharnensis Zone). The SBZ 15 is characterized by the association of *R. trochidiformis* with *N. crassus* and *N. aff. deshayesi* (samples E 16, P 17, M 1 and M 2; Figs. 6; 7; 8), indicating middle Lutetian 2 (*N. sordensis-N. crassus* Zone). Finally, the SBZ16 is characterized by its association with *N. deshayesi* (samples I 4 and P 31; Figs. 4; 7), indicating late Lutetian (*N. herbi*-N. aturicus Zone).

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1978  *Medocia blayensis* Parvati. Le Calvez and Blondeau, p. 28; pl. 1, figs. 1-2
2007  *Medocia blayensis* Parvati. Hottinger, p. 15; Pl. 12, figs. 1-9; pl.13, figs. 1-10
2014  *Medocia blayensis* Parvati. Hottinger, p. 35-37; figs. 3.8A-I and 3.9A-F
2016  *Medocia blayensis* Parvati, 1971. Serra-Kiel et al., p. 60-62; fig. 44

**Material.** This species is present in the Gabardiella, Isuela and Sierra Caballera sections (Figs. 3-5).

**Description.** Test with trichospiral growth and lenticular-subconical morphology. The dorsal side is smooth. The ventral side is convex-flattened and shows an umbo composed of tight piles. The wall is perforated by fine and well-marked pores. The funnels in longitudinal section are continuous (Fig. 26I). The diameter of the proloculus is around 120µm (Fig. 26K).

**Age.** According to Hottinger (2007, 2014) and Serra-Kiel et al. (2016) the biostratigraphic range of this species is early?-middle Lutetian to Priabonian (SBZ13? -SBZ20). In the samples studied this species is associated with *Alveolina stipes* (sample I 2; Fig. 4), wich are between samples of *A. callosa* (Fig. 5), indicating early Lutetian (*A. stipes* Zone) or SBZ14. On the other hand, the association of *M. blayensis* with *A. muniieri* (samples G 24 and G 35; Fig. 3) indicates middle Lutetian 1 (*A. muniieri* Zone) or SBZ14. Finally, the presence of this species in SBZ15 is justified by