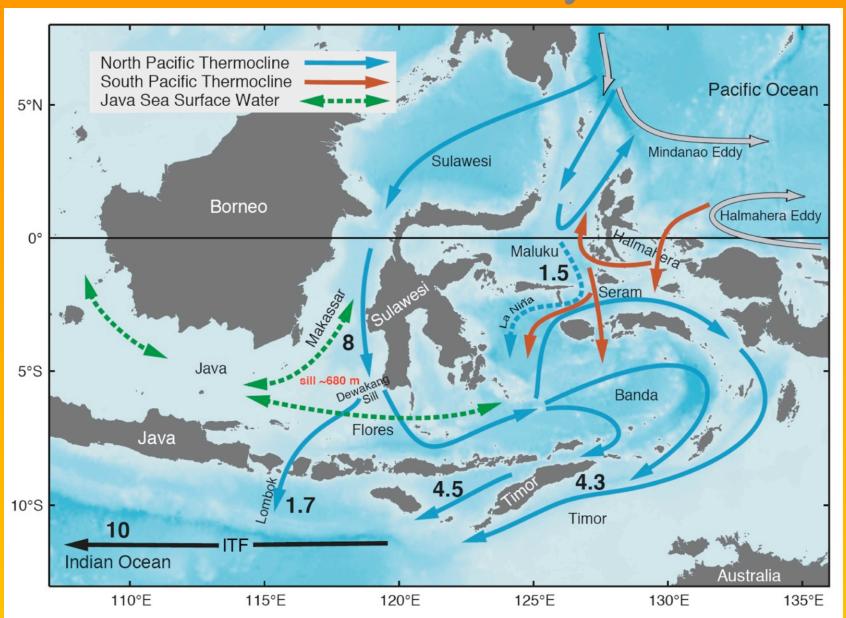
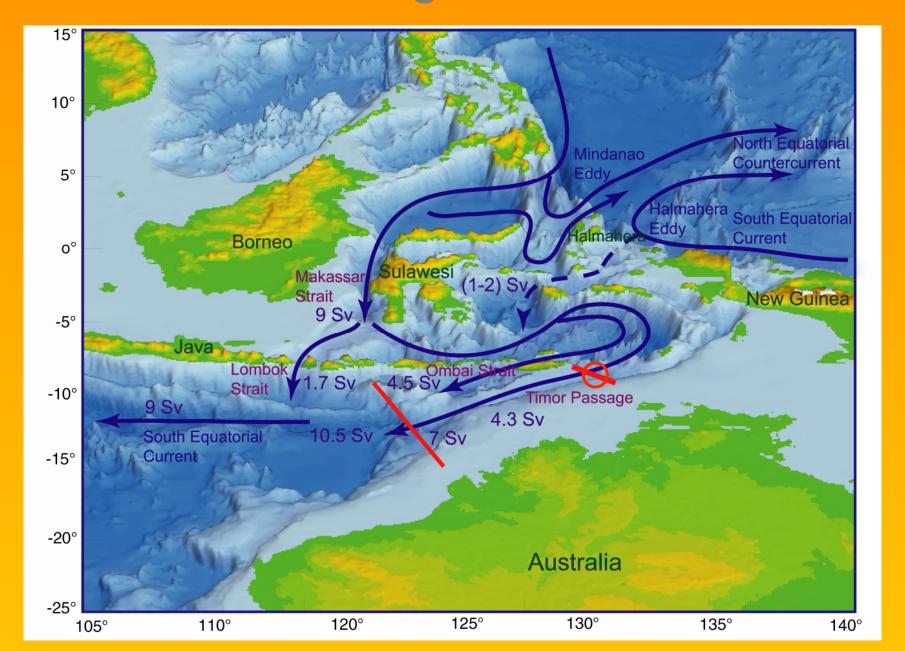


# Area of study



### Timor Passage: core location



### "VITAL" Sonne 185 Cruise

# (14 September - 7 October 2005)

### On board activities:

- Piston and Gravity-Coring
  - Core handling

#### Lab activities:

 Sediment samples processing



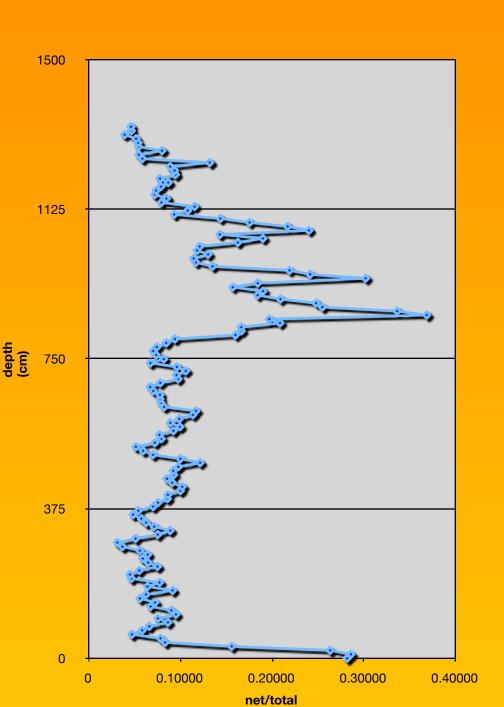
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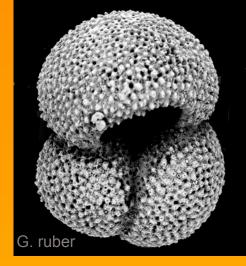
AMS <sup>14</sup>C dating,

• Surface and thermocline dwelling planktonic foraminiferal  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  and Mg/Ca temperatures: SST and SSS (already available),

• Benthic foraminiferal  $\delta^{18}O$  and Mg/Ca temperatures: thermocline flow,

 XRF-core scanning to monitor terrigenous fluxes from Australia.





Distribution of sediment samples and proportion of fraction over 63  $\mu m$  along core.

### Fieldwork goals

• information about the early/middle Miocene climate using planktonic and benthic foraminifera  $\delta^{18}O$  and Mg/Ca temperature as proxies,

• stratigraphy using the distribution of different species of planktonic foraminifera in time (early/middle Miocene),

• distribution of smaller deep water benthic foraminifera to reconstruct Miocene paleobathymetric evolution.

