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Analytical methods

Planktonic foraminifera

The ooze samples of Site U1348-Core 2R (10 cm-spacing; 15 levels) were weighed for 1.0 g, soaked in 3% H₂O₂ solution for a few hours, gently spray-washed on a 63 μ m-opening screen, and oven-dried at <50 °C. To preclude any possibility of carbonate dissolution or mechanical fragmentation through sample processing, water for dilution of H₂O₂ and washing was adjusted to pH = ~10 with a small amount of NH₄OH solution, and an ultrasonic bath not used for cleaning. Each washed sample was dried, sieved on a 125 μ m-opening screen, and split accurately using an Otto-splitter if necessary. It was then picked and counted for total foraminifera with *c*. 200–400 individuals of planktonic foraminifera. Identification of planktonic foraminifera was at species-level based on multiple literature sources, in particular Smith & Pessagno (1973), Robaszynski *et al.* (1984), Nederbragt (1991), and Petrizzo *et al.* (2011). Scanning electron microscopic study was performed using a Philips XL-30 ESEM at the National Museum of Natural History, Smithsonian Institution.

Unabbreviated names and IODP sample IDs of specimens in Figure 1 are as follows:

- —Interval (i), top-left to clockwise: Sigalia deflaensis rugocostata (U1348-2R-CC, 23–24 cm); Ventilabrella eggeri (U1348-2R-CC, 10–11 cm); Hendersonites carinatus (U1348-2R-CC, 3–4 cm); Marginotruncana undulata (U1348-2R-CC, 23–24 cm); Marginotruncana sinuosa (U1348-2R-CC, 23–24 cm); Dicarinella concavata (U1348-2R-CC, 27–30 cm); Dicarinella asymetrica (U1348-2R-CC, 23–24 cm).
- —Interval (ii), left to right: *Globotruncanita elevata* (U1348-2R-1, 90–91 cm); *Contusotruncana plummerae* (U1348-2R-1, 91–92 cm).
- —Interval (iii), top-left to clockwise: *Globotruncanita stuarti* (U1348-2R-1, 20–21cm); *Globotruncanita subspinosa* (U1348-2R-1, 11–12 cm); *Pseudoguembelina costulata* (U1348-2R-1, 11–12 cm).
- —Interval (ii)–(iii), top to bottom: Globotruncana stephensoni (U1348-2R-1, 90–91 cm); Globotruncanita atlantica (U1348-2R-1, 51–52 cm); Globotruncana arca (U1348-2R-1, 90–91 cm); Globotruncana bulloides U1348-2R-1, 91–92 cm).

Nannofossils

Calcareous nannofossils were examined in smear slides prepared from raw sediment samples. The slides were observed using standard light microscope techniques, under crossed polarizers, transmitted light, and phase contrast at 1000× magnification. The nannofossil taxonomy and zonation scheme followed Bown

(1998). Taxa were identified down to the species level, and those in poorly preserved assemblages to the genus level.

$CaCO_3$ and total organic carbon (TOC) contents

Relatively small quantities of ooze (c. 0.2 g; for economic use of the limited material) were powdered in an agate mortal. Total inorganic carbon (TIC) content was measured using UIC CO₂ coulometer (Model CM5014) at Pusan National University. TIC content was used to calculate CaCO₃ content as weight percentage by the multiplication of factor 8.333. The analytical precision of CaCO₃ content as relative standard deviation (s.d.) is \pm 1%. Total carbon (TC) contents were also measured by Flash 2000 Series Elemental Analyzer at Pusan National University. The analytical precision of both parameters are less than \pm 0.1%. TOC content was calculated by the difference between TC and TIC.

Stable isotopes of bulk carbonates

Bulk stable isotope analysis was carried out at the Bloomsbury Environmental Isotope Facility at University College London. Powdered samples (same set of samples used for CaCO₃ and TOC analyses) were first treated with hydrogen peroxide and acetone to oxidize any organic matter, and then analyzed on a ThermoScientific Gas Bench II device connected to a ThermoFinnegan Delta V continuous flow IRMS. Precision of all internal (BDH, IAEA & IFC) and external standards (NBS 19) was $\pm 0.03\%$ for δ^{13} C and $\pm 0.08\%$ for δ^{18} O. All values were reported in the Vienna Pee Dee Bee notation (VPDB) after calibration with respect to NBS 19.

Stable Isotopes of Benthic Foraminifera

Several taxon-specific benthic foraminiferal specimens were picked from a narrow size fraction (usually at 212–300 or 180–300 µm but sometimes at 150–180 µm, depending on availability) of washed samples prepared by the same method as planktonic foraminifera. Identification was mainly at genus-level by following Widmark (1997) and also Kaiho (1998), but care was taken so that each separate comprises a single morphotype. The specimens were ultrasonically cleaned in ethanol prior to analysis.

Isotope ratio measurements of the benthic foraminiferal isolates were measured on a ThermoFinniganTM DeltaPlus mass spectrometer with an on-line automated carbonate reaction Kiel III device at the Biogeochemistry Isotope Laboratory, University of Missouri. Data are reported as per mil (‰) deviation relative on the VPDB scale, and have been normalized among run based on the difference between the within-run average of NBS 19 and its nominal isotopic composition ($\delta^{13}C = -1.95\%$; $\delta^{18}O = 2.20\%$). For standards run with samples that generated >1.5 V of signal for mass 44, replicate measurements of similar-sized NBS 19 (*n* = 19) yielded external precision (1 s.d.) better than ±0.03‰ for

 δ^{13} C and ±0.05‰ for δ^{18} O. In addition, 3 small samples (0.8 to 1.2 V, mass 44) were run with similar-sized standards; those standards (*n* = 6) ran between 0.7 and 1 V at the precision of ±0.06‰ for δ^{13} C and ±0.09‰ for δ^{18} O.

Sr isotopes of foraminifera

For aminiferal tests were hand-picked from the >200 µm washed fraction for Sr isotope analysis. The for aminiferal separates weighing ~150 µg each were briefly sonicated in ethanol followed by purified water, then dissolved using buffered 1M acetic acid (DePaolo *et al.* 1983). Separation of Sr was carried out using Sr Spec cation exchange resin in 100 µL Teflon columns. Sr was loaded in ~2 µL 0.0035M H₃PO₄ on single rhenium filaments between 0.5 µL aliquots of TaF. Isotope ratio measurements were performed on thermal ionization mass spectrometer in the R. Ken Williams Radiogenic Isotope Geosciences Lab at Texas A&M University. The within-run normalization factor for ⁸⁶Sr/⁸⁸Sr was 0.1194. Replicate measurements of the NIST SRM 987 standard yielded the average of 0.710238 (*n* = 12), and its difference with respect to the recommended value (⁸⁷Sr/⁸⁶Sr = 0.710250 for this study) was used for calibration of all sample ⁸⁷Sr/⁸⁶Sr data. External reproducibility based on the NIST SRM 987 standard was 9.4 ppm (to 2 s.d.).

Palaeomagnetism

A total of seven discrete sample cubes $(2 \times 2 \times 2 \text{ cm})$ were collected from the undisturbed internal portions of the sediment core, and subjected to stepwise alternating field demagnetization. Measurements were performed at the multiple steps (10, 15, 20, 22, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45 and 50 mT) on a 2G Enterprises cryogenic magnetometer installed in a shielded room at the Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory.

All samples exhibited a clear characteristic component that moves towards the origin of a vector endpoint projection (Fig. S3). Three of them showed shallow inclination (two reverse (84.53 and 84.97 mbsf); one normal (85.43 mbsf)), with directions close to that expected for the palaeolatitude of Site U1348 at the time of deposition (~10°N at 80 Ma; Fig. S1). Four other samples (84.43, 84.73, 84.86 and 85.18 mbsf) with reverse polarity showed much steeper inclinations than expected, most likely due to a drilling-induced overprint arising from the rotary core barrel drilling. Note this does not affect the polarity interpretation.

Notes on planktonic foraminiferal biostratigraphy

The Campanian–Maastrichtian biochronology of planktonic foraminifera is complicated by interbasinal diachroneity of some datum events and should be approached with caution. Such diachroneity has been demonstrated with integrative magnetostratigraphic data even for commonly used zonal biomarkers with distinct keeled morphologies, such as *Abathomphalus mayaroensis* (e.g. Huber & Watkins, 1992) and *Gansserina gansseri* (compare Premoli Silva & Sliter (1994) and Li & Keller (1998)). Recently, the middle Campanian *Globotruncana ventricosa* Zone was shown to be unreliable due to significantly site-specific ranges of the nominal index species (Petrizzo *et al.* 2011).

Interval (ii) of Site U1348-Core 2R is assigned to the G'ta. elevata (C. plummerae) Zone of the early to middle Campanian (Figs. 1, S2). The middle Campanian C. plummerae Zone has recently been proposed by Petrizzo et al. (2011) in place of the traditional G ventricosa Zone. Its base is defined by the lowest occurrence (LO) of the nominated taxon, which was found to correlate with the lowermost part of Chron C33N in Bottaccione (Italy) and ODP Site 762 (Exmouth Plateau off NW Australia). These authors also presented the similar interpretations without magnetostratigraphy for ODP Hole 1210B (Shatsky Rise) and TDP Site 23 (Tanzania), but the LOs were represented near the bottom of the holes and hence were not highly reliable. In the case of Site U1348, however, C. plummerae occurs from interval (ii) having a reversed polarity that is undoubtedly correlated with Chron C33r based on the corresponding Sr isotope ratios (= 0.70756-0.70757). This discrepancy in the magnetochron assignments for the LO of C. plummerae is most likely a result of diachroneity in its first appearance datum (FAD), and we infer that the 'true' FAD is slightly older than that proposed by Petrizzo et al. (2011). In fact, these authors did not document the evolutionary first appearance of C. plummerae with observations of intergradational forms between the ancestral species. As long as the proposed FAD of C. plummerae within C33N is based only on the data from two sites without the early evolutionary observations of the nominate species, it is reasonable to assume that its actual FAD still extends back into Chron C33r.

Interval (iii) is somewhat problematic for age interpretation, but the late Campanian age is supported by the co-occurrence of *G'ta. stuarti* and *G'ta. subspinosa* (Robaszynski *et al.* 1984), together with the absence of representative Maastrichtian species. The reversed magnetic interval and Sr isotopic results indicate that this interval should fall within the lower *Globotruncana aegyptiaca* Zone in standard biostratigraphic scheme, but the nominal index species is not present in the Site U1348 assemblage. Interestingly, *G aegyptiaca* was also reported to be too sporadic to make a reliable zonal assignment in the subtropical western North Atlantic (Huber *et al.* 2008).

Sr isotope stratigraphic ages for central Pacific deep-sea sites

Strategy

The key requirement for this study is objective integration of the new benthic foraminiferal δ^{18} O data from Site U1348 with published results from DSDP Sites 305 and 463 on the standard numerical time scale. Reliable chronological assessment is particularly essential for the Santonian–Campanian transition interval. In this study Sr isotope stratigraphy provides the primary chronological basis and integration among sites. Sr isotopes are effective as a chronostratigraphic tool over the intervals where the ⁸⁷Sr/⁸⁶Sr gradient is relatively steep against time, and the effect of diagenesis is negligible and/or predictable. As discussed below, these conditions generally hold for the sites examined.

Importantly, Sr isotope stratigraphy is advantageous in maintaining the objectivity for the Santonian– Campanian transition chronology of this study. If planktonic foraminiferal datums alone are used for Sites 305 and 463, both sites would necessitate the early–middle Campanian age scaling via extrapolation of age-depth relationship downward from the *Radotruncana calcarata* Zone several tens of meters above, and this treatment would be the source of much uncertainty. Sr isotope stratigraphy also merits in the case of poor core recovery (e.g. Cenomanian–Coniacian interval of Site 463), such that even single ⁸⁷Sr/⁸⁶Sr data point is convertible to a specific numerical age, with error of <1 m.y. for the Late Cretaceous, whereas microfossil zones inevitably have at least a few million years of resolution. In addition, inter-basinal diachroneity in datum events are present for late Campanian–Maastrichtian planktonic foraminifera (see above Notes on planktonic foraminiferal biostratigraphy).

The following are the basic steps of numerical age assignments for Sites 305 and 463. (1) For each site, the relationship of ⁸⁷Sr/⁸⁶Sr as a function of sub-bottom depth (i.e. ⁸⁷Sr/⁸⁶Sr = f(mbsf)) is generated using either a linear or polynomial fit to the ⁸⁷Sr/⁸⁶Sr profile; every level is thus provided a predicted ⁸⁷Sr/⁸⁶Sr ratio. (2) For the standard Sr isotope curve (modified) (Fig. S4; see next section), the relationship of ⁸⁷Sr/⁸⁶Sr as a function of age (i.e. $Ma = f({}^{87}Sr/{}^{86}Sr)$) is generated using higher-order polynomials. (3) Substituting the predicted ⁸⁷Sr/⁸⁶Sr ratio of (1) into $Ma = f({}^{87}Sr/{}^{86}Sr)$ of (2), an age-depth relationship is developed. These procedures are graphically summarized in Figure S5. This is an inverse approach of Ando *et al.* (2009) for Site 463, whose strategy was to plot the Sr isotope data in the standard chronostratigraphic framework using planktonic foraminiferal biochronology. In that study, a good match of the Site 463 Sr isotope data against the reference Sr isotope curves was shown, despite limited planktonic foraminiferal age-controls due to poor core recovery. The present reverse approach should therefore produce a reasonable result as well.

Standard Sr isotope stratigraphy (Fig. S4)

The standard Sr isotope stratigraphy used in this study is from published Late Cretaceous ⁸⁷Sr/⁸⁶Sr data sources cited in McArthur & Howarth (2004), plotted against the standard magnetobiochronology in GTS2004 of Ogg *et al.* (2004). For compilation of published ⁸⁷Sr/⁸⁶Sr data, datum levels presented in respective literature sources (upward-pointing arrows in Fig. S4) are updated using GTS2004, and used for rescaling of the ⁸⁷Sr/⁸⁶Sr data assuming a linear sedimentation rate between adjacent datums. In this study, the Campanian–Maastrichtian portion of McArthur *et al.*'s (1994) data are not adopted because some uncertainties may still exist regarding the correlation of Campanian U.S. Western Interior ammonite zones

to the standard geomagnetic polarity time scale (Leahy & Lerbekmo, 1994; Ward *et al.* 2012). Besides, Campanian–Maastrichtian within-biozone ⁸⁷Sr/⁸⁶Sr variation is somewhat larger, and the ⁸⁷Sr/⁸⁶Sr ratios are slightly offset when integrated with the European Sr isotope curve. One thing to note is that the range of the planktonic foraminiferal *Rd. calcarata* Zone, an important bioevent for mid-Campanian open-ocean correlation worldwide, is intuitively narrower than usual in GTS2004, although the reason is unclear. An alternative range of the *Rd. calcarata* Zone is shown, which is the relative position of the nominal zone within Chron C33n at Gubbio, Italy (Premoli Silva & Sliter, 1994).

DSDP Site 305 (Fig. S5a)

Campanian–Maastrichtian Sr isotope data for Site 305 are generated by Mearon *et al.* (2003) using barites and 'carbonates' (type of carbonate material not specified) and by Barrera *et al.* (1997) and Barrera & Savin (1999) using foraminifera at a much narrower stratigraphic coverage. The barite ⁸⁷Sr/⁸⁶Sr profile shows a fairly consistent linear trend as a function of sub-bottom depth or age, yet there is a minor but noticeable break in the trend at ~160 mbsf (the junction of Cores17 and 18), which can also be seen in the foraminiferal ⁸⁷Sr/⁸⁶Sr data of Barrera & Savin (1999, Table Appendix 1 therein). Notably, this break clearly correlates with a concerted jump in δ^{13} C and δ^{18} O values of benthic foraminifera *Nuttallides truempyi* (Barrera & Savin, 1999) and bulk carbonates (Voigt *et al.* 2010). These observations support an unconformity at the Core 17/18 boundary, justifying the breaking of Sr isotope-based age model into two segments.

To generate the ⁸⁷Sr/⁸⁶Sr (barite) vs. sub-bottom depth relationship, a linear regression is applied to data from the Core 18–29 interval. Above the unconformity, the same slope of linear function is fitted over the rest of ⁸⁷Sr/⁸⁶Sr ratios up-section (n = 5). The resultant age-depth curves suggest ~1.7 m.y. of hiatus during the Maastrichtian (69.3–67.6 Ma).

DSDP Site 463 (Fig. S5b)

Sr isotope stratigraphy for this site was presented in Ando *et al.* (2009) using chiefly bulk carbonates for the entire Upper Cretaceous interval, and by Barrera & Savin (1999) using foraminiferal calcite for the upper Campanian–Maastrichtian. These two data sets match closely and compare well with the reference ⁸⁷Sr/⁸⁶Sr curves when plotted using planktonic foraminiferal ages.

An important feature of the ⁸⁷Sr/⁸⁶Sr profile is the major step in values within Site 463-Core 26. In Core 26, a color change occurs at 218.9 mbsf (463-26-3, 140 cm) from pinkish-white (below) to white (above), and the top 10 cm of the pinkish-white chalk interval is burrowed (Ando, unpublished observation at IODP Gulf Coast Repository, May 2011). These observations strongly indicate an unconformity at this level; as expected, planktonic foraminifera show a fundamental assemblage compositional change from the Coniacian (= *Dicarinella concavata* Zone (upper part, with highly evolved form of *D. concavata*)) to Campanian (= *Globotruncanita elevata* Zone), according to preliminary examination of several washed samples (1 sample per section) through Core 26 by the present author.

Note that Ando *et al.* (2009) also reported that the Site 463 ⁸⁷Sr/⁸⁶Sr profile for the Albian–Turonian interval has marginal offset toward lower ⁸⁷Sr/⁸⁶Sr ratios than expected biostratigraphically. This site is typified by having significantly low ⁸⁷Sr/⁸⁶Sr ratios in interstitial-water at greater sub-bottom depth (Ando *et al.* 2009, Appendix 4 therein). Thus, the observed ⁸⁷Sr/⁸⁶Sr offset is most likely a result of diagenetic overprinting of interstitial-water Sr isotopic signatures.

To generate the numerical age model, the ⁸⁷Sr/⁸⁶Sr vs. sub-bottom depth relationship is represented by higher-order polynomials. The upper Cenomanian–Coniacian interval (grey line) is broken into two parts at the ⁸⁷Sr/⁸⁶Sr inflection of 252.58 mbsf, and they are then shifted by +0.000015 in order to make correction for a diagenetic offset (solid line). This adjustment makes the ⁸⁷Sr/⁸⁶Sr ratio of the inflection point at Site 463 equivalent to ⁸⁷Sr/⁸⁶Sr for the correlative 95 Ma ⁸⁷Sr/⁸⁶Sr inflection baseline in the standard Sr isotope curve. Comparing with the standard ⁸⁷Sr/⁸⁶Sr curve, the age-depth relationship is proposed for Site 463, which shows that the duration of latest Coniacian–early Campanian hiatus is 6.6 m.y. (86.2–79.6 Ma).

Accuracy of Sr isotope-derived ages

Reliability of the Sr isotope-based chronology described above is supported by: (1) one-by-one correspondence of planktonic foraminiferal zones between Site 463 and GTS2004 via the Sr isotopic age-depth curve through the Cenomanian to mid-Campanian (lack of correlation in the late Campanian–Maastrichtian interval could be due to diachronous planktonic foraminiferal datums); and (2) precise agreement of the ⁸⁷Sr/⁸⁶Sr ranges for the *Rd. calcarata* Zone between Site 305 (⁸⁷Sr/⁸⁶Sr = 0.70767–0.70772 (214.00–186.00 mbsf)) and Site 463 (⁸⁷Sr/⁸⁶Sr = 0.70766–0.70770 (192.47–176.71 mbsf)).

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Fig. S1. Map showing present-day locations of IODP Site U1348 (Shatsky Rise), DSDP Site 305 (Shatsky Rise), and DSDP Site 463 (Mid-Pacific Mountains), and color bathymetric map showing all Shatsky Rise DSDP/ODP/IODP sites (courtesy of Will Sager). Also shown is 80 Ma palaeolocation of Shatsky Rise, adopted from Shipboard Scientific Party (2002; Fig. F4 therein). This study follows palaeolatitude reconstruction by Shipboard Scientific Party (2002), which indicates north-of-equator position of Shatsky Rise since the earliest Cretaceous. This estimate is supported by actual palaeomagnetic measurements of Berriasian sediments at Site 1213 (~5°N at ~140 Ma) (Sager *et al.* 2005).



Fig. S2. (a) Supplement to Figure 1(main text) with additional diagrams of total organic carbon (TOC) contents, δ^{13} C values of bulk carbonates, and relative abundance of planktonic foraminiferal genera for Site U1348-Core 2R. *Marginotr:*—*Marginotruncana*; trocho.—other trochospiral taxa. Benthic foraminiferal δ^{18} O values shown are raw data that are not corrected for vital effect-induced inter-taxon offset. (b) Stereomicroscopic images of benthic foraminifera showing very good preservation with dully translucent 'pearly' tests: (left) spiral view of *Nuttallides* (IODP Sample U1348-2R-1, 21–22 cm); (right) umbilical view of *Oridorsalis* (IODP Sample U1348-2R-1, 91–92 cm). Dryness of specimens was confirmed before imaging, and hence the demonstrated test translucency and surface reflection are the original features, not because of moistening. (c) SEM images of wall cross-section of *Oridorsalis* (IODP Sample U1348-2R-1, 61–62 cm) showing original granular texture. Faint *c*. 1 micron-thick layer of surface dissolution and/or recrystallization can be seen both externally and internally (indicated by paired red arrows).



Fig. S3. Examples of orthogonal projections of palaeomagnetic data from Site U1348-Core 2R. Open circles represent vector end point projection on vertical plane (inclination), and closed circles represent vector end point projection on horizontal plane (declination).



Fig. S4. Compilation of published ⁸⁷Sr/⁸⁶Sr datasets for standard Late Cretaceous Sr isotope stratigraphy adopted in this study: McArthur *et al.* (1993a), Lägerdorf/Kronsmoor, NW Germany; McArthur *et al.* (1993b), Trunch, UK; McArthur *et al.* (1994), U.S. Western Interior; and Sugarman *et al.* (1995), DSDP Hole 525A, SE Atlantic. All ⁸⁷Sr/⁸⁶Sr data are recalibrated using NIST SRM 987 = 0.710250, and plotted against GTS2004 using datum levels (upward-pointing arrows) presented in respective literature sources (McArthur *et al.* 1993a, Table 2; McArthur *et al.* 1993b, p. 199, Fig. 2; McArthur *et al.* 1994, Table 1; Sugarman *et al.* 1995, Table 1). Data from McArthur *et al.* (1994) are rescaled using revised mid-point numerical ages of U.S. Western Interior ammonite zones (Ogg *et al.* 2004, Table 19.3 therein). Error bar for each data point is internal precision (±2 standard error). Small black arrows in ⁸⁷Sr/⁸⁶Sr panel indicate data points not used for regression analysis (Fig. S5c). For Sugarman *et al.* (1995), data with errors greater than ±0.000025 are eliminated. '*Rd. calcarata:* Gubbio' is alternative age range of planktonic foraminiferal *Radotruncana calcarata* Zone based on its relative position in Chron 33n at Gubbio, Italy (Premoli Silva & Sliter 1994).



Fig. S5. Age-depth curves for DSDP Sites 305 and 463 developed through correlation with standard timescale via Sr isotope stratigraphy. All ⁸⁷Sr/⁸⁶Sr data are (re)calibrated using NIST SRM 987 = 0.710250. (a) Site 305. Planktonic foraminiferal zones are from Caron (1975). Sr isotope data (barite) are from Mearon et al. (2003); no information given to internal precision of ⁸⁷Sr/⁸⁶Sr measurements. Linear regression for 261.00–161.69 mbsf yields r = 0.97(n = 17). (b) Site 463. Planktonic foraminiferal zones are from Ando et al. (2009). Sr isotope data are from Barrera & Savin (1999) and Ando et al. (2009); internal precision is smaller than plot symbol size. Ordinal numbers are polynomial orders, in ascending order: 3rd-order (329.18-252.58 mbsf; $R^2 = 0.99 (n = 9)$; 2nd-order (252.58–243.04 mbsf; n = 3); and 5th-order (214.54–55.86 mbsf; $R^2 = 0.97$ (n = 47)). Trend lines for Cenomanian–Coniacian are shifted by +0.000015 from original (grey line), in order to



maximally compare them with standard Sr isotope curve. Two outliers of 87 Sr/ 86 Sr in Campanian interval (bracketed), generated from very chert-rich samples, are eliminated as they are presumably from drilling-induced down-hole contaminants. (c) Standard Sr isotope curve calibrated against GTS2004 for providing numerical age scales of Sites 305 and 463, adopted from Figure S4. Trend lines are polynomial regressions at 2nd-order (94.66–89.71 Ma; $R^2 = 0.97$ (n = 18)) and 5th-order (89.71–65.58 Ma; $R^2 = 0.99$ (n = 220)).



Fig. S6. Updated Late Cretaceous benthic foraminiferal stable isotope compilation for central Pacific DSDP Sites 305 and 463, using age-depth relationships of Figure S5. (a) Benthic foraminiferal δ^{18} O compilation, wit no correction for intertaxon δ^{18} O vital effect. Note obvious offset of datasets between *Praebulimina* and *Globorotalites* at Turonian–early Campanian of Site 463 (Friedrich *et al.* 2012). Data points from the latter group are not adopted in Figure 2 (main text); *Globorotalites* shows somewhat extreme isotopic behavior with greater extent of scatter, and it is also known for its disequilibrium δ^{18} O precipitation (Friedrich *et al.* 2006). (b) Benthic foraminiferal δ^{13} C compilation. Note fairly good match of *Nuttallides* δ^{13} C values between Sites 305 and 463, providing supportive evidence for the presence of unconformity at Site 305, as illustrated in Figure S5.

TABLE S1. SELECTED PLANKTONIC FORAMINIFERAL OCCURRENCE AND ABUNDANCE, IODP SITE U1348

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Sample ID	U1348A-2R-1, 9–10 cm	U1348A-2R-1, 20–21 cm	U1348A-2R-1, 30–31 cm	U1348A-2R-1, 40–41 cm	U1348A-2R-1, 50–51 cm	U1348A-2R-1, 60–61 cm	U1348A-2R-1, 70–71 cm	U1348A-2R-1, 80–81 cm	U1348A-2R-1, 90–91 cm	U1348A-2R-1, 100-101 cm	U1348A-2R-CC, 3-4 cm	U1348A-2R-CC, 10-11 cm	U1348A-2R-CC, 13–14 cm	U1348A-2R-CC, 23–24 cm	U1348A-2R-CC, 27–30 cm

A = abundant (>20%)

C = common (>10–20%)

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Note: Species with rare occurrence at single sample eliminated from this list (except for *U. sissinghii*) *Age-diagnostic species listed in Expedition 324 Scientists (2010, Table T2) A = abundant (>10–100 specimens per field of view) C = common (>1–10 specimens per field of view) F = frequent (1 specimen per 1–10 fields of view) R = rare (<1 specimen per 10 fields of view) — = absent

Sample ID	Depth: mid-point (mbsf)	CaCO ₃ (wt.%)	TOC (wt.%)	δ ¹³ C (‰ VPDB)	δ ¹⁸ Ο (‰ VPDB)	δ ¹³ C: duplicate (‰ VPDB)	δ ¹⁸ O: duplicate (‰ VPDB)
U1348A-2R-1, 9–10 cm	84.295	95.845	0.297	2.992	-0.687	_	_
U1348A-2R-1, 20-21 cm	84.405	93.802	0.297	2.915	-0.708	2.898	-0.594
U1348A-2R-1, 30-31 cm	84.505	96.070	0.023	2.918	-0.745	2.806	-0.703
U1348A-2R-1, 40-41 cm	84.605	94.782	0.171	2.958	-0.714	_	_
U1348A-2R-1, 50–51 cm	84.705	96.894	0.006	2.927	-0.547	_	_
U1348A-2R-1, 60–61 cm	84.805	96.305	0.079	2.899	-0.624		
U1348A-2R-1, 70-71 cm	84.905	95.569	0.080	2.826	-0.814		
U1348A-2R-1, 80-81 cm	85.005	93.935	0.269	2.829	-1.124		
U1348A-2R-1, 90–91 cm	85.105	93.472	0.105	2.863	-1.165		
U1348A-2R-1, 100-101 cm	85.205	93.364	0.234	3.016	-1.264		—
U1348A-2R-CC, 3-4 cm	85.305	93.478	0.251	2.817	-1.561		
U1348A-2R-CC, 10-11 cm	85.375	94.766	0.091	2.773	-1.735		—
U1348A-2R-CC, 13-14 cm	85.405	95.369	0.064	2.725	-1.655		
U1348A-2R-CC, 23-24 cm	85.505	94.838	0.154	2.713	-1.655	—	—
U1348A-2R-CC, 27–30 cm	85.555	96.289	0.016	—	—	—	_

TABLE S3. BULK SEDIMENT CACO₃, TOC, AND STABLE ISOTOPE DATA, IODP SITE U1348

Note: Horizontal bar = No data present

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Orido	$\delta^{13}C$	(%° VPDB)	I	Ι	Ι	0.701	Ι	0.522	Ι	1.060	Ι	Ι	1.239	Ι	1.249	1.110
onia	δ ¹⁸ Ο	(% VPDB)	0.680	0.613	0.568	0.531	0.525	0.578	Ι	0.196	0.155	0.010	Ι	-0.376	-0.280	-0.484
Arag	δ ¹³ C	(% VPDB)	0.971	0.920	0.953	0.956	0.912	0.773	I	1.145	1.305	1.499	I	1.338	1.317	1.243
Depth: mid-noint		(mbsf)	84.315	84.415	84.515	84.615	84.715	84.815	84.915	85.015	85.115	85.195	85.295	85.365	85.415	85.495
Age*		(Ma)	72.4	72.5	72.6	72.7	72.8	72.9	73.0	79.4	80.0	80.6	83.6	83.8	84.0	84.2
	Sample ID		U1348A-2R-1, 11–12 cm	U1348A-2R-1, 21–22 cm	U1348A-2R-1, 31–32 cm	U1348A-2R-1, 41–42 cm	U1348A-2R-1, 51–52 cm	U1348A-2R-1, 61–62 cm	U1348A-2R-1, 71–72 cm	U1348A-2R-1, 81–82 cm	U1348A-2R-1, 91–92 cm	U1348A-2R-1, 99–100 cm	U1348A-2R-CC, 2–3 cm	U1348A-2R-CC, 9–10 cm	U1348A-2R-CC, 14–15 cm	U1348A-2R-CC, 22–23 cm

TABLE S4. BENTHIC FORAMINIFERAL STABLE ISOTOPE DATA, IODP SITE U1348

Note: Horizontal bar = No data present

*Proposed numerical ages used in Figure 2, assigned arbitrarily by referring to probable age ranges of Figure 1B

TABLE S5. FORAMINIFERAL SR ISOTOPE DATA, IODP SITE U1348

Sample ID	Depth: mid-point (mbsf)	⁸⁷ Sr/ ⁸⁶ Sr: raw data	⁸⁷ Sr/ ⁸⁶ Sr: calibrated*	Error [†]
U1348A-2R-1, 7–8 cm	84.275	0.707685	0.707697	± 0.000008
U1348A-2R-1, 18–19 cm	84.385	0.707635	0.707647	± 0.000007
U1348A-2R-1, 27–28 cm	84.475	0.707682	0.707695	± 0.000013
U1348A-2R-1, 39–40 cm	84.595	0.707677	0.707690	± 0.000015
U1348A-2R-1, 62-63 cm	84.825	0.707650	0.707662	± 0.000009
(ditto)	84.825	0.707642	0.707654	± 0.000010
U1348A-2R-1, 71-72 cm	84.915	0.707658	0.707670	± 0.000013
U1348A-2R-1, 80-81 cm	85.005	0.707550	0.707562	± 0.000009
U1348A-2R-1, 87-88 cm	85.075	0.707559	0.707571	± 0.00008
U1348A-2R-1, 93–94 cm	85.135	0.707547	0.707559	± 0.000009
(ditto)	85.135	0.707562	0.707574	± 0.000012
U1348A-2R-1, 101-102 cm	85.215	0.707547	0.707559	± 0.000011
U1348A-2R-CC, 3-4 cm	85.305	0.707473	0.707485	± 0.000010
U1348A-2R-CC, 10-11 cm	85.375	0.707459	0.707471	± 0.000010
U1348A-2R-CC, 17-18 cm	85.445	0.707485	0.707497	± 0.000010

*Calibrated with respect to NIST SRM 987 = 0.710250

[†]2 standard error of internal precision