

Daily Drilling and Scientific Report for IODP Expedition 313 New Jersey Shallow Shelf

24th June 2009 (0000-2400, local time)

1. Location

Hole MAT-3A (Hole M0029A).

Time zone: US Eastern Time, UTC -4

Position at midnight: Latitude: 39° 31.1717' N Longitude: 73° 24.7957' W

2. Activity summary

Coring operations at Hole M0029A (MAT-3A). Our strategy of sport coring every 9 m continues, although recovery is poor. Latter half of the day is spent trying to free stuck PQ pipe.

3. Science report

Today, we recovered three spot cores in the sequence above the m1 unconformity: 20R (76.46-79.51 m), 21R (85.61-88.66 m) and 22R (94.76-97.81 m). Recovery is very poor with only a few centimetres of sediment (20R, 0.48m; 21R, 0.03m; 22R, 0.04 m). Sediment is well-sorted, medium to coarse-grained or fine-grained quartz sands with some heavy minerals and traces of mica. Grains are sub-rounded, rarely sub-angular. No trace of shells.

4. Core recovery details

Hole	M0029A
Cores recovered	20R-22R (3 cores)
Drilled length	9.15 m
Recovered length	0.55 m
Recovery	6.01 %
Depth at midnight	97.81 mbsf

5. Weather

Sea swell 1-2 ft; W winds 5-10 kt (became NE then E); dry, sunny spells; 24°C.

Next 24 hrs: sea swell 2-3 ft; NE winds 5 kt (becoming S winds 10-15 kt); dry; 26°C.