

## UPPER CRETACEOUS LARGER FORAMINIFERA OF WESTERN CUBA

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In western Cuba the Upper Cretaceous outcrops are ve-  
ry abundant in all provinces; in some localities the -  
thickness is over 500 m. The rocks are of carbonated -  
and flyschoid facies. The carbonate are clastics (bre-  
ccias, sandstones) or argillaceous limestones. Larger  
Foraminifera are very abundant in sandstones and bre-  
cciated sequences, the predominant forms are many spe-  
cies of Orbitoididae, Pseudorbitoididae and Amphistegi-  
nidae.

The horizons that contains this fauna are very useful  
for regional correlation during geological mapping and  
in petroleum exploration. The beds of Campanian and --  
Maastrichtian ages in western Cuba contains and abundant  
fauna of Larger Foraminifera, specially the Genera Orbi-  
toides, Pseudorbitoides, Asterorbis and Sulcoperculina.  
Based in many species of those genera it is possible to  
correlate the campanian-maastrichtian formations of wes-  
tern Cuba, also those forams are very useful for paleo-  
geography. This paper includes a correlation chart of  
the studied region and a table of Stratigraphic Distri-  
bution of 16 genera and about 30 species