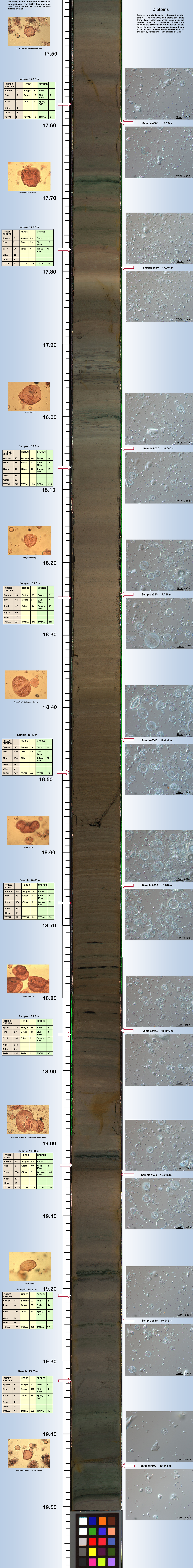


El'gygytyn impact crater lake is located in the Chukotka province of the Russian Federation. The 18km (12 mile) meteor impact crater is located 100km north of the Arctic circle. In the winter of 2009, as part of the International Polar Year, a scientific drilling expedition to the lake collected over 300 meters of sediment cores and over 200 meters of impact fractured rocks. The sediments have been extensively studied because they hold the longest, uninterrupted record of climate change of any location in the continental Arctic. The core sample below extends from the composite depth 17.4 meters below lake floor (MBLF) to 19.6 MBLF which corresponds to 378,000–430,000 years ago. Study the core sample and associated data to learn about the Arctic climate 400,000 years ago.



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