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# Ancient TL SUPPLEMENT

## Date List

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### Date List Structure

1. The list includes dates for fired materials of archaeological interest, for which sufficient information has been supplied. It is not intended to be an *authorised* list. The format of a list for sediment TL ages is currently under discussion.
2. Each entry (see below) is divided into two sections. The first (Part I) is a non-technical specification providing basic information concerning the date and associated error, and the archaeological context of the sample. The second (Part II) is a compacted technical specification, the format of which is sufficiently comprehensive to provide information of interest to TL researchers. The format is flexible and will permit subsequent additions and alterations where necessary (three techniques are represented in the first issue, but we expect others to follow; for example, the F technique). By providing a split entry in this way, we aim to interest archaeologists, for whom basic information concerning the date and associated error as well as the archaeological context of the sample must be easily accessible. The Reports section in Part I gives access to further detailed information.
3. Dates within the archaeological periods ranging from the Neolithic to the historic are given AD/BC to reinforce the absolute basis of TL dates. Earlier dates are given as TL ages before the test year; the last two digits of the test year are included in the laboratory reference code, as shown below. One error, the overall error, has been adopted in the single date entry for Part I. The precision may also be given in the technical specification.
4. A number of abbreviated terms and forms of expression of data have been used. The details are given in the Entry Specification. The data entries are numbered (except where tabulation is required) for database reference purposes. The information required is described in italics within squared brackets. The Specification should be read in conjunction with the Notes and Key sections.

5. Application forms are available from the Editor, who will be pleased to advise on data compilation; laboratories wishing to submit dates for which the current date entry specification is not suitable should write to him. A separate summary of Part 1 entries will be available for general archaeological circulation.

### Date Entry Specification

Laboratory:	[name]	Date Entry Specification							
		Entry: [entry number]							
<b>PART I</b>									
Site: [Name] Location: [Region, country] Grid Ref.: [National map reference]									
Site Description: [Brief description of period and nature of site]									
Dates:									
[Type of date]                          [Lab. abbrev.]                          Lab. Ref.                  Mat'l                          Arch'l Ref.									
TL Context Date: 800 AD ± 50 (Dur87TRLfg) 100-1/6 pottery ABC-1a									
[Overall error]                          [Test year]                          [Technique]                          [Dated material]                          [Context reference]									
[Sample ref.]									

TL Context Components: [Details of component TL dates used to derive Context Date]

Archaeological Evidence: [Excavator's brief description of context(s)]

Site Director: [Full name and institutional postal address]

Reports: [Details of excavation and laboratory reports]

## NOTES

## General

- It is strongly recommended that, in addition to laboratory reports, reference to an excavation report is included since this will be of particular importance for archaeologists. If a non-standard technique has been used, reference to a full report or paper must be given under Reports or Special Remarks, and a copy included with date list applications if not published in a recognized journal.
- Part II currently comprises four sections A-D. It can be seen that they include the following measurement details: A(TL), B(Dose-rate), C(Error), and D(Age). Each contains numbered summaries of particular data. In section B, the total effective dose-rate (Total.Eff.Dose-rate) is broken down into percentage contributions for each radiation type. Where necessary, the internal and external grain dose-rate components are given separately (ie for those techniques employing grains with self-radioactivity).
- Grain sizes are given in  $\mu\text{m}$ . Errors are standard errors given at the 68% level of confidence.

## Specific Data Entries

**A.1** The mineral type(s), TL technique, and grain size range(s) are specified using the standard abbreviations given in the key. For a technique employing a number of grain size ranges (grs's), as in the multi-mineral inclusion (*mmi*) technique used at the Risø Laboratory, each grs is assigned a number which, prefixed with the appropriate abbreviated mineral type, is used in the tabulation of measurement details A2 - A4.

**A.2** The archaeological or palaeodose,  $P$ , is given in Gy with associated standard error, and information concerning the intercept (I/P) is given in 2a. .

**A.2-A.5** (Pre-dose) To be consistent with other techniques,  $P$  is used to denote the archaeological dose.  $S_b$ , the sensitivity baseline, is the (assumed) sensitivity that would have been measured after firing, expressed as a percentage of  $S_0$ . Although stability measurements are not part of the original procedure, it is likely that they will be performed in the future.

**A.4** TL signal, TL age, or dose plateaux may be specified using the appropriate prefix ( $s$ ,  $a$  or  $d$  respectively). The s.e. of the mean value is given (as a percentage) for the indicated temperature interval ( $T_1-T_2$ ) of the glow curve. If a well-defined TL peak is present in the plateau region, its peak temperature and the heating rate used should be given. This may not be possible for some fine-grain samples.

**A.5** The results of measurement associated with determination of TL stability are given in the specified order; temperature region of the glow curve, storage period, storage temperature, and the outcome.

**A.6** The  $a$  or  $b$  value is given.

**B.1** The total effective dose-rate, corrected for water uptake, grain size attenuation etc., is given with associated standard error. The percentage contributions of the various

## KEY TO ABBREVIATIONS

## STANDARD METHODS/TECHNIQUES/PROCEDURES

	i	Inclusion	pd	Pre-dose	<sup>a</sup> Plat	Age plateau
	fg	Fine-grain	MA	Multiple activation	<sup>d</sup> Plat	Dose plateau
	mmi	Multi-mineral	ADD	Additive dose proc.	<sup>s</sup> Plat	TL Signal plateau
$\alpha$ -c		Alpha counting	FPh	Flame Photometry	TLD	TL dosimetry
AAS		Atomic absorption	NAA	Neutron Activation Anal.	XRF	X-ray fluorescence
$\beta$ -c		Beta counting	PXE	PIXE		
CAP		Capsule	SPEC	Spectrometer (SPEC = portable)		
	Non-standard		AutoR	Auto regeneration	PTTL	Photo-transferred TL
						MINERALS & ETC.
cal	Calcite		Nf	Sodium feldspar	*	Other
ft	Flint		p	Polymineral	-	Not applicable
f	Feldspar		q	Quartz	e	Equivalent to (used as prefix)
Af	Unsep. alkali feldspar		z	Zircon		Year
Kf	Potassium feldspar	por		Porcelain	a	

Terms: I, P, a, b, A, SN, So, TAC: as defined in the literature.

## PART II

## VARIATIONS

## Section A. TL Measurements

1.  $\min([mineral])$  tech([technique]; [grain size range, gsr]  $\mu\text{m}$ )  
*Data tabulated for each sample:*
2.  $P = [value] \pm \text{s.e. Gy}$     2a.  $I/P = [value]$
3. Slopes [2nd/1st; [value]  $\pm \text{s.e.}$ ]
4. [Type of plateau] Plateau [ $\pm [value]$ ] %; [ $T_1 - T_2$ ]  
4a. Peak [ $\pm [value]$ ]  $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ; [heating rate] $^{\circ}/\text{s}$ ; [pre-heat details if applicable]
5. Stability[ [interval,  $T_1 - T_2$ ]; [period]; [storage T  $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ]; [result; [value]  $\pm [value]\%$ ]  
6.  $a$  value = [value], or  $b$  value = [value]

## Section B. Dose-rate Measurements

*Data tabulated for each sample:*

1. Total Effective Dose-rate = [value]  $\pm \text{s.e. mGy/a}$   
 $[\alpha = [value]\% \text{ [method]}; \beta = [value]\% \text{ [method]}; \gamma = [value]\% \text{ [method]}$
2. Radon [ $\pm [value]\%$  [method]]
3. Water [ Sample ( $[value] \pm \text{s.e. \%}$ ); (Burial) Env. ( $[value] \pm \text{s.e. \%}$ ) ]

## Section C. Error [ [Procedure : eA76 or specify other] ]

1. Dates for the Palaeolithic may be given in years (a) or kiloyears (ka) before the test year.
2. Pre-dose technique, Part II:

## Section A. TL Measurements

1. As defined above  
*Data tabulated for each sample:*
2.  $P = [value] \pm \text{s.e. Gy} ([\text{pre-dose procedures}])$
3. Initial Sensitivity [ $[value]\% S_N$ ;  $[value]\%$  (of  $S_N$ ) UV reversible;  
 $S_B = [value]\% S_O$ ]
4. TAC [ $[\text{temp. region of max. sensitization}]$ ; [heating rate] $^{\circ}/\text{s}$ ]
5. Stability-[ result of stability measurement ]

## 3. Multi-mineral inclusion techniques, Part II:

## Section A. TL Measurements

1.  $\min([minerals])$  tech([technique]; gsr ( $\mu\text{m}$ ) - 1 ([value] - [value]), ..., n ([value] - [value]))  
*Data tabulated for each mineral grain size fraction:*
- 2-4. As defined above
5. Stab [ $[mineral]$  gsr [ $n$ ]  $\pm [value]\%$ ], [ $T_1 - T_2$ ]; [period]; [storage T  $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ]; [value]  $\pm [value]\%$ ]

## Section B. Dose-rate Measurements

*Data tabulated for each mineral grain size fraction:*

1. Total Effective Dose-rate, as defined above
- 1a. Internal grain [ $Dose\text{-rate from internal sources, as \% of total, with method used}$ ]
- 1b. External grain [ $Dose\text{-rate from external sources, as \% of total, with method used}$ ]
- 2&3. As defined above.

## Section D. TL Age

*Data tabulated for each sample: TL Age* [ $\pm [random error]$ ;  $\pm [overall accuracy]$ ]

Special Remarks: [Details of entries with \* or any other additional information]

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Site: Lower Farm  
Location: Fingeham, Northbourne, Nr Deal, Kent, UK  
Grid Ref.: TR 3383 5379  
Site Description: Flint scatter just above marsh level.

Dates	Lab.	Ref.	Mat'l	Archaeological Reference
TL. Context Age: 6650 ± 600 a (Ox87TLfg)	257f		flint	"
TL Context Comps:			PB 30	
6390 ± 540 a	257f1		PB 26	
6325 ± 695 a	257f2		PB 9	
6420 ± 580 a	257f3		PB 52	
6890 ± 620 a	257f4		PB 39	
6655 ± 665 a	257f5		PB 39	
5670 ± 560 a	257f8		PB 21	
7590 ± 900 a	257f9		PB 3	
7580 ± 705 a	257f10		PB 54	

**Archaeological Evidence:** Mesolithic site uncovered during excavations for a new cowshed. Trenches cut into nat. head brickearth containing calcined flints and struck flints of Mesolithic type. More than 1700 flints recovered include six major fragments from axes and adzes; most remarkable for the number and quality of axe-adze sharpening flakes of which 39 so far recovered.

**Site Director:** K. Parfitt, and G Halliwell. Dover Archaeological Group, c/o 8 Castle Avenue, Dover, CT16 1HA

**Reports:** Interim Report: Parfitt, K., and Halliwell, G. (1983) A Mesolithic site at Fingeham. *Kent Archaeological Review*, 72, 29-32.  
Final report in preparation.

#### Section A. TL Measurements

##### 1. Min(fit) tech (fig. 1 - 8μm)

Sample Ref.	P ± s.e. (Gy)	I/P	S/ps	s Plateau	Peak	Stability	α value
257f1	7.85 ± 0.50	0	-	+5%	325-400°	325°; 5%;	0.08
257f2	8.92 ± 0.30	0	-	+2%	325-375°	325°; 375°;	0.10
257f3	8.92 ± 0.50	0	-	+5%	325-375°	325°; 375°;	0.10
257f4	11.30 ± 0.30	0	-	+3%	375-475°	375°; 475°;	0.18
257f5	8.92 ± 0.30	0	-	+3%	350-450°	350°; 450°;	0.10
257f8	7.02 ± 0.50	0	-	+6%	350-425°	350°; 425°;	0.08
257f9	10.70 ± 0.50	0	-	+6%	325-375°	325°; 375°;	0.10
257f10	11.30 ± 0.30	0	-	+3%	350-450°	350°; 450°;	0.16

#### Section B. Dose-rate Measurements

Sample Ref.	Total Dose-rate mGy/a	α	β	γ	Dose-rate Components cos.	Radon	Water Sample Env.
257f1	1.31 ± 0.06	10	16	63	11	0 ± 3	0 ± 2
257f2	1.41 ± 0.07	16	15	58	11	"	22 ± 3
257f3	1.39 ± 0.07	15	15	59	11	"	"
257f4	1.64 ± 0.08	30	11	50	9	"	"
257f5	1.34 ± 0.07	16	12	61	11	"	"
257f8	1.24 ± 0.06	9	13	66	12	"	"
257f9	1.41 ± 0.07	17	14	58	11	"	"
257f10	1.49 ± 0.07	24	11	55	10	"	"

#### Section C. Error [ ea76]

Method	α-c	α-c	α-c	CAP	SpEC	α-c
Sample Ref.	TL Age	Random	Overall			
257f1	5990	5325	540			
257f2	6325	695				
257f3	6420	580				
257f4	6890	620				
257f5	6655	665				
257f8	5670	560				
257f9	7590	900				
257f10	7580	705				



Laboratory: Oxford	Entry: 14	
Dates	Lab. Ref. Mat'l	Archaeological Reference
TL Single Date: 2.00 ±2.5 ka	(Ox81TL)g	226d flint D687
Site: Pontnewydd Cave Location: nr. St Asaph, Clwyd, Wales, UK Grid Ref.: SJ 0153 7101 Site Description: Middle Pleistocene cave site.		

Laboratory: Oxford

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## PART II TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION

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**Site:** Pontnewydd Cave  
**Location:** nr. St Asaph, Clwyd, Wales., UK  
**Grid Ref.:** SJ 0153 7101

Dates	Lab. Ref.	Mat'	Archaeological Reference
TL Single Date: 200 ±25 ka (C <sub>x81</sub> TL1g)	226d	flint	D687

**Archaeological Evidence:** Hominid remains and an Acheulian industry; assigned to oxygen isotope Stage 7 (195–250 ka).

**Site Director:** H.S. Green, National Museum of Wales, Cathays Park, Cardiff CF1 3NP,  
U.K.

**Reports:** Green, H.S., Stringer, C.B., Collcutt, S.N., Curran, A.P., Huxtable, J., Schwarz, H.P., Debenham, N., Embleton, C., Bull, P., Molleson, T.I., and Bevins, R.E. (1981) Pontnewydd Cave in Wales - a new Middle Pleistocene hominid site. *Nature*, **294**, 707-713.  
Green, H.S. (1984) *Pontnewydd Cave, A Lower Palaeolithic Hominid Site in Wales*. Nat. Mus. of Wales Quaternary Studies Monographs, No. 1. ISBN 0 7200 0282 6.

## Section A: TL Measurements

### 1. Min(f1) tech.(fg; 1 - 8μm)

Sample Ref.	$P \pm s.e.$ (Gy)	IP	S1ps	s Plateau	Peak	Stability	$\alpha$ value
226d	290 ± 10	0	-	+33%; 375-475°	375°; 5%;	375-475°; 0.5 $\alpha$ ; 18°; 100±3%	0.08

## Section B. Dose-rate Measurements

Sample Ref.	Total Eff. Dose-rate	Dose-rate Components			Water Sample Env.		
	mGy/a	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\gamma$	Radon %	%	%
226 $\text{Cd}$	1.45 ± 0.10	8	9	81	2	0 ± 3	18 ± 7
Method		$\alpha$ -c	$\alpha$ -c	CAP	SpEC	SpEC	$\alpha$ -c

Section C: Error [ ea76 ]

## Section D: TI, Age

Sample Ref.	T <sub>L</sub> a	Age a	Random a	Errors a.	Overall a.
226d		200			25

site: Baïche-Saint Vaast  
location: Metal works site: Chatillon-Commentry-Baïche, Baïche-Saint Vaast, France

Grid Ref.: -

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The site is located in the fluvial calcareous and shelly formations which form a gravel of a low terrace of the Scarpe valley at the foot of the Oise chalk escarpment. The whole is overlain by a thick Saalian and Weichselian loess series which allows the site to be attributed a Middle Pleistocene age.

Dates	TL Context Age:	175 ± 13 ka	(Ox83TLg)	704g	Flint	B76	Lab. Ref.	Mat'l	Archaeological Reference
TL Context Comps:	178 ± 14 ka			704g1	"	B76 9L IIa SE			
	196 ± 16 ka			704g2	"	B76 16u IIa			
	159 ± 12 ka			704g3	"	B76 9c IIa			
	178 ± 14 ka			704g4	"	B76 10L IIa			
	176 ± 13 ka			704g5	"	B76 10A IIa			
	159 ± 12 ka			704g6	"	B76 15X NE			

**Archaeological Evidence:** Archaeological material dated to the start of oxygen isotope Stage 6. An important Palaeolithic site with abundant lithic industry (especially Levallois flakes, side scrapers and denticulates), fauna, and a human skull. The flints were from

**Site Director:** A. Tuffreau, Université de Lille, Bâtiment 2 et 6, 59655 Villeneuve D'Ascq Cedex, France.

**Reports:** Tuffreau A., Munaut A.V., Puissegur J.J., and Somme J. (1982) Stratigraphie et environnement de la sequence archéologique de Biache-Saint-Vaast. *Bull. Ass. Fr. Et. Quat.*, **10-11**, 57-61.  
Aitken, M.J., Huxtable, J., and Debennam. (1986) Thermoluminescence dating in the Palaeolithic: burned flint, stalagmitic calcite and sediment. *Bul. d'Assoc. Française pour l'Etude du Quaternaire*, **26**, 7-14.

## PART II TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION

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**Site Description:** The site is located in the fluvial calcareous and shelly formations which overlie gravel of a low terrace of the Scarpe valley at the foot of the Anthon chalk escarpment. The whole is overlain by a thick Saalian and Weichselian loess series which allows the site to be attributed a Middle Pleistocene age.

Section A. TL Measurements						
I. Min(fit) tech. (Fig. 1 - 8.1μm)						
Sample Ref.	P ± s.e. (Gy)	I/P s/t�	s Plateau	Peak	Stability	a value
70481	80.0 ± 3.0	0	-	± 2%; 350-425°	373°; 575°;	350-425°; 0.5 a; 18°; u; 100-3%
70482	78.5 ± 3.0	0	-	± 2%; 350-400°	"	350-400°; " u
70483	79.4 ± 3.0	0	-	± 2%; 325-400°	"	325-400°; " u
70484	85.6 ± 3.0	0	-	± 3%; 325-400°	"	325-400°; " u
70485	84.4 ± 3.0	0	-	± 3%; 330-400°	"	330-400°; " u
70486	79.4 ± 3.0	0	-	± 2%; 375-425°	"	375-425°; " u

Section B. Dose-rate Measurements									
Sample Ref.	Total Dose-rate	Eff.	Dose-rate Components			Water Sample Env.			Radon %
	mGy/a		$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\gamma$	cos.	%	%	
70481	0.45 ± 0.03	2.6	24	25	25	0 ± 3	0 ± 2	26 ± 3	"
70482	0.40 ± 0.03	2.4	18	29	29	"	"	"	"
70483	0.50 ± 0.03	2.9	25	23	23	"	"	"	"
70484	0.48 ± 0.03	2.4	28	24	24	"	"	"	"
70485	0.48 ± 0.03	2.1	3.3	23	23	"	"	"	"
70486	0.50 ± 0.03	2.7	27	23	23	"	"	"	"
Method		$\alpha$ -c	$\alpha$ -c	FPB	SPB	CAP	SpEC	α-c	

Section C. Error [ ea76 ]				Section D. TL Age			
Sample Ref.	TL a	Age a	Errors a	Random a	Overall a		
704481	178				14		
704482	196				16		
704483	159				12		
704484	178				14		
704485	176				13		
704486	159				12		

## Laboratory: Oxford

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Site: Grottes de Sclayn.  
 Location: Meuse Valley, Namur Province., Belgium  
 Grid Ref.: -  
 Site Description: Habitation cave site with Mousterian industries; overlain by Neolithic inhumations.

Dates	Lab. Ref.	Mat <sup>1</sup>	Archaeological Reference
TL Single Date: 4.4 ± 5.5 ka (Ox83TLg)230a1	flint	Level 1A, 82-113.D15	
TL Single Date: 13.0 ± 20 ka (Ox83TLg)230a2	flint	Layer 5B, 82-370.G13	

Archaeological Evidence: C-14 age of 38600 ±1500 BP (L.v 1377) for bone from same context as TL sample a1; sample a2 was from level 5B which was lower, and contained within a Levallois type industry..

Site Director: M. Ottc, Université de Liège, Service de Préhistoire, place du XX août 7, Bâtiment A1, B-4000, Liège, Belgium.

Reports: Ottc, M. (1979) Sclayn. *Archéologie*, 2, 12.  
 Ottc, M., Leotard, J-M., Schneider, A-M. and Gautier, A. (1983) Fouilles aux Grottes de Sclayn (Namur). *Hélium*, XXIII, 112-142.  
 Ottc, M., Everard, J-M., and Mathis, A. (1988) L'occupation du paléolithique moyen à Sclayn (Belgique). *Revue Archéo. de Picardie*, 1-2, 115-124.  
 Ottc, M. (forthcoming) Les Fouilles au sites Paléolithique de Sclayn - les sciences naturelles. *Etudes et Recherches Archéologiques de l'Université de Liège*. (Ed., M. Ottc).  
 Aitken, M.J., Huxtable, J., and Debchenham. (1986) Thermoluminescence dating in the Palaeolithic: burned flint, stalagmitic calcite, and sediment. *Bul. d l'Assoc. Française pour l'Etude du Quaternaire*, 26, 7-14.

PART II  
TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION

## Section A. TL Measurements

## 1. Min(fit) tech.(fg. 1 - 8 μm)

Sample Ref.	P ± s.e. (Gy)	I/P	S/ps	s Plateau	Peak	Stability	a value
230a1	61.5 ± 5.0	0	-	+ 2%; 350-425°	400°; 5°/s·	350-425°; 0.5 a; 18°;	100±3%
230a2	133.0 ± 13.0	0	-	+ 2%; 350-425°	400°; 5°/s·	350-425°; 0.5 a; 18°;	100±3%

## Section B. Dose-rate Measurements

Sample Ref.	Total Dose-rate	mGy/a	Dose-rate Components	Water Env.
	α	β	γ	Radon Sample
230a1	1.40 ± 0.20	1.2	23	60
230a2	1.02 ± 0.15	5	11	77
Method	α-c	α-c	cAP	SpEC
	FPh	SPEC	α-SPEC	α-SPEC

## Section C. Error [ ea76]

## Section D. TL Age

Sample Ref.	TL Age <sup>a</sup>	Errors Random <sup>a</sup>	Errors Overall <sup>a</sup> .
230a1	4.4	-	5.5
230a2	130	20	20

**Site:** Maastrict-Belvedere  
**Grid Ref.:** -  
**Site Description:** Loess and gravel pit; excavation revealed about 3000 flint artefacts, mostly small flakes of Levallois type and some cores.

	Lab. Ref.	Mat'l	Archaeological Reference
TL Context Age:	2.63 ± 22 ka	(Ox85TLfg)	712k flint
TL Context Comps:	300 ± 32 ka	"	712k4 A2-12/9
	263 ± 27 ka	"	712k5 C2-19/15
	238 ± 20 ka	"	712k6 B2-20/2
	307 ± 28 ka	"	712k11 22/22-44
	250 ± 22 ka	"	712k12 dW 84/1
	269 ± 26 ka	"	712k13 dW 84/2
	219 ± 20 ka	"	712k14 1984. 11/bf
TL Single Age:	2.38 ± 25 ka	(Ox86TLfg)	712k17 flint
TL Single Age:	2.20 ± 20 ka	(Ox86TLfg)	712k19 " Site G 46/105-10
TL Single Age:	2.18 ± 24 ka	(Ox87TLfg)	712k23 " Site K 7/203

Archaeological Evidence: Probable correlation to oxygen isotope Stage 7.

**Site Director:** Wil. Roebroeks, Inst. of Prehistory, Leiden University, PO Box 9515, 2300 RA Leiden, The Netherlands.

**Reports:** Van Kolfschoten, T., and Roeboeks, W., eds. (1985) *Maastricht-Belvedere: stratigraphy, palaeoenvironment and archaeology of the Middle and Late Pleistocene deposits. Mededelingen Rijks Geologische Dienst N.S.39*. ISBN 9004 079 068.  
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## PART II TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION

### Section A. TL Measurements

#### 1. Min(fit) tech.(fg; 1 - 8μm)

Dates	Sample Ref.	P ± s.e. (Gy)	I/P	S/Ips	s Plateau	Peak	Stability	a value
TL Context Age:	712k4	3.30 ± 3.30	0	-	± 4%; 325-400°	375°; 5°/s;	325-400°; 0.5 a; 18°;	100±3%
TL Context Comps:	712k5	2.47 ± 1.5	0	-	± 4%; 325-425°	375°; 5°/s;	325-425°; "	0.07
	712k6	2.80 ± 1.5	0	-	± 3%; 350-450°	350°; 5°/s;	350-450°; "	0.10
	712k11	3.13 ± 1.5	0	-	± 3%; 350-400°	375°; 5°/s;	325-400°; "	0.11
	712k12	2.94 ± 1.4	0	-	± 4%; 350-425°	375°; 5°/s;	350-425°; "	0.11
	712k13	2.80 ± 1.8	0	-	± 4%; 350-425°	375°; 5°/s;	350-425°; "	0.11
	712k14	2.35 ± 1.5	0	-	± 3%; 350-400°	375°; 5°/s;	350-400°; "	0.10
	712k17	2.43 ± 1.3	0	-	± 5%; 325-375°	350°; 5°/s;	325-375°; "	0.15
	712k19	2.18 ± 1.0	0	-	± 3%; 350-425°	375°; 5°/s;	350-425°; "	0.10
	712k23	2.38 ± 1.4	0	-	± 6%; 325-400°	375°; 5°/s;	325-400°; "	0.08

### Section B. Dose-rate Measurements

Sample Ref.	Total Dose-rate mGy/a	α	β	γ	cos.	Dose-rate Components %	Radon %	Water Sample Env.
712k04	1.10 ± 0.15	8	15	65	12	45 ± 5	0 ± 2	16 ± 5 "
712k05	0.94 ± 0.14	3	6	77	14	"	"	"
712k06	1.18 ± 0.18	13	13	63	11	"	"	"
712k11	1.02 ± 0.15	9	7	71	13	"	"	"
712k12	1.18 ± 0.18	14	14	61	11	"	"	"
712k13	1.04 ± 0.15	8	10	69	13	"	"	"
712k14	1.07 ± 0.16	6	15	67	12	"	"	"
712k17	1.02 ± 0.15	12	18	58	12	"	"	"
712k19	0.99 ± 0.15	15	12	61	12	"	"	"
712k23	1.08 ± 0.16	10	11	67	12	"	"	"

### Section C. Error [ ca76 ]

### Section D. TL Age

Sample Ref.	TL Age a	Random Errors a	Overall a
712k04	3.00	32	
712k05	2.63	27	
712k06	2.38	28	
712k11	3.07	22	
712k12	2.50	26	
712k13	2.69	20	
712k14	2.20	25	
712k17	2.38	20	
712k19	2.20	24	
712k23	2.18	24	

Laboratory: Oxford      Entry: 18

Site: Seclin

Location: Mayolande factory, Seclin., France  
Grid Ref.: -

Site Description: Middle Palaeolithic

Dates	Lab. Ref.	Mat'l	Archaeological Reference
TL Context Age: 9.3 ± 9 ka (Ox85TLg)	720a	flint	Stratigraphic Unit 7
TL Context Comps: 91.5 ± 11 ka	720a1	"	3D. Layer D4
90.0 ± 10 ka	720a2	"	S84.SG.D7

Archaeological Evidence: Evidence of lithic industry manufacturing Levallois blades.

Site Director: A. Tuffreau, Université de Lille, Bâtiment 2 et 6, 59655 Villeneuve D'Ascq Cedex, France.

Reports: Tuffreau, T., Revillion, S., Sommè, J., Aitken, M.J., Huxtable, I., and Leroy-Gouham, A. (1985) Le gisement Paleolithique moyen de Seclin. *Archeologisches Korrespondenzblatt*, 15, 131-138.  
Aitken, M.J., Huxtable, J., and Debennam. (1986) Thermoluminescence dating in the Palaeolithic: burned flint, stalagmitic calcite and sediment. *Bul. d l'Assoc. Francaise pour l'Etude du Quaternaire*, 26, 7-14.

Laboratory: Oxford      Entry: 18

Entry: 18

## PART II TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION

### Section A. TL Measurements

1. Min(fit) tech.(fg; 1 - 8μm)						
Sample Ref.	P ± s.e. (Gy)	I/P	Stips	s Plateau	Peak	Stability
720a1	89.5 ± 4.0	0	-	±2%; 350-400°	350°; 5°/s;-	0.5 a; 18°;
720a2	122.0 ± 5.0	0	-	±3%; 350-425°	350°; 5°/s;-	350-425°; 0.5 a; 18°; 100±3% 0.21

### Section B. Dose-rate Measurements

Sample Ref.	Total Eff. Dose-rate	α	β	Components γ	cos	Radon	Water Sample Env.
	mGy/a	%	%	%	%	%	%
720a1	0.98 ± 0.05	10	16	62	1.2	0 ± 3	0 ± 2
720a2	1.28 ± 0.05	26	16	50	8	0 ± 3	0 ± 2

Method α-c CAP SpEC α-c  
PPh SpEC

### Section C. Error [ eA76 ]

### Section D. TL Age

Sample Ref.	TL Age a	Random a	Errors a	Overall a.
720a1	91.5			11
720a2	95.0			10

Laboratory: Oxford      Entry: 19

Laboratory: Oxford      Entry: 19

Site: Mesvin  
Location: Between Mesvin and Spiennes, nr. Mons, Belgium.  
Grid Ref.: -

Site Description: Fluvialite channel with a rich lithic industry of Middle Palaeolithic age.

Dates	Lab. Ref.	Mat'l	Archaeological Reference
TL Context Age: 5.9 ± 0.6 ka (Ox82TLfg)	233	flint	80E,F
TL Context Comps: 4.9 ± 0.6 ka	233a1	flint	80F183
6.8 ± 0.8 ka	233a2	flint	80E185

Archaeological Evidence: Squares F181 to 185 were crossed by a ditch of unknown age, but presumed to be Neolithic or later. The burnt flint must be intrusive; C-14 dates for flint mines at Spiennes and Mesvin of 540 ± 75 BP and 5340 ± 150 BP are in good agreement with the TL age.

Site Director: D. Cahen, Institute Royal des Sciences Naturelles de Belgique, Rue Vautier 31, B1040, Bruxelles.

Reports: Site reports in *Archaeologica Belgica*, nos. 213(1979), 223(1980), and 238(1981).

## PART II TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION

### Section A. TL Measurements

I. Mir(ft) tech.(fg; 1 - 8μm)						
Sample Ref.	P ± s.e. (Gy)	I/P	S/Ps	s Plateau	Peak	Stability
233a1	8.20 ± 0.70	0	-	± 5%; 325-375°	350°; 5%; 325-375°; 0.5a;	325-375°; 0.5a; 18°; 100 ± 3%
233a2	12.50 ± 1.00	0	-	± 5%; 325-375°	350°; 5%; 325-375°; 0.5a;	325-375°; 0.5a; 18°; 100 ± 3%

### Section B. Dose-rate Measurements

Sample Ref.	Total Dose-rate	α	β	γ	Components cos.	Radon	Water Sample Env.
	mGy/a	%	%	%	%	%	%
233a1	1.68 ± 0.10	24	17	51	8	0 ± 3	20 ± 5
233a2	1.83 ± 0.11	22	14	56	8	0 ± 3	20 ± 5
Method		α-c	α-c	SPEC	SPEC	α-c	
		fPh					

### Section C. Error [ eA76]

### Section D. TL Age

Sample Ref.	TL Age a	Errors Random a	Errors Overall a.
233a1	4.9		
233a2	6.8		

Site: Hengistbury Head  
 Location: Nr. Bournemouth, Dorset., UK.  
 Grid Ref.: SZ 172906

Site Description: Upper Palaeolithic and Mesolithic sites

Dates	Lab. Ref.	Mat'l	Archaeological Reference
TL Context Age: 12.5 ± 1.15 ka (Ox822TLfg) 707a	flint	Mace/Campbell Site	O31
TL Context Comps:	707a1	flint	
14.3 ± 2.43 ka			
10.8 ± 1.90 ka			
12.8 ± 1.97 ka			
10.4 ± 1.42 ka			
11.9 ± 1.29 ka			
13.0 ± 1.92 ka			
TL Context Age: 9.75 ± 0.95 ka (Ox822TLfg) 707c	flint	Powell Site	G11
TL Context Comps:	707c1	flint	
9.32 ± 1.26 ka			
7.00 ± 1.14 ka			
12.3 ± 1.67 ka			
8.88 ± 1.0 ka			
10.75 ± 1.5 ka			
707c2	"		
707c3	"		
707c4	"		
707c5	"		
707c6	"		
707c7	"		
707c8	"		
707c9	"		

**Archaeological Evidence:** Mace/Campbell Site: Scatter of flint artefacts in fine-grained sand deposits. The TL determinations were all on artefacts and the dates fall within the expected time range for a Late Upper Palaeolithic industry.  
 Powell Site: Concentration of flint artefacts stratified in windblown sands. The dates corroborate the Early Mesolithic classification of the flint assemblage.

**Site Director:** R.N.E. Barton, Inspectorate of Ancient Monuments, Fortress House, 23 Saville Row, London W1X 2HE

**Reports:** Barton, R.N.E., and Huxtable, J. (1983) New dates for Hengistbury Head *Antiquity*, LVII, 220, 133-135  
 Barton, R.N.E. (1988) The Upper Palaeolithic and mesolithic sites at Hengistbury Head. (Ed. R.N.E. Barton) Monograph Series, Oxford Committee for Archaeology. In press.

## PART II TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION

### Section A. TL Measurements

#### 1. Min(t<sub>1</sub>) tech (fig 1 - 8 μm)

Sample Ref.	P ± s.e. (Gy)	I/P	S/PS	s Plateau	Peak	Stability	a value
707a1	8.00 ± 0.70	0	-	+ 3%; 350-425°	375°; 5°/s;	350 - 425°; 0.5a; 18°; 100±3%	0.12
707a3	6.20 ± 0.70	"	-	+ 3%; 325-400°	375°; 5°/s;	325 - 400°; "	0.09
707a4	8.40 ± 0.70	"	-	+ 3%; 325-400°	350°; 5°/s;	325 - 400°; "	0.19
707a5	6.20 ± 0.70	"	-	+ 5%; 350-425°	375°; 5°/s;	350 - 425°; "	0.11
707a11	8.00 ± 0.70	"	-	+ 3%; 350-400°	375°; 5°/s;	350 - 400°; "	0.07
707a12	8.50 ± 0.80	"	-	+ 3%; 350-400°	375°; 5°/s;	350 - 400°; "	0.18
707c1	6.30 ± 0.50	"	-	+ 4%; 350-425°	375°; 5°/s;	350 - 425°; "	0.14
707c2	4.40 ± 0.40	"	-	+ 7%; 325-400°	375°; 5°/s;	325 - 400°; "	0.15
707c3	7.50 ± 0.50	"	-	+ 2%; 325-400°	375°; 5°/s;	325 - 400°; "	0.10
707c7	7.50 ± 0.50	"	-	+ 3%; 350-400°	375°; 5°/s;	325 - 400°; "	0.12
707c9	6.40 ± 0.50	"	-	+ 3%; 325-400°	375°; 5°/s;	325 - 400°; "	0.08

### Section B. Dose-rate Measurements

Sample Ref.	Total Dose-rate mGy/a	Eff. α	Dose-rate Components β γ cos.	Radon	Water Sample Env.
707a1	0.57 ± 0.05	11	12	53	24
707a3	0.57 ± 0.05	9	14	53	24
707a4	0.66 ± 0.05	17	17	45	21
707a5	0.60 ± 0.05	8	18	51	23
707a11	0.67 ± 0.05	12	22	45	21
707a12	0.65 ± 0.05	17	15	47	21
707c1	0.67 ± 0.05	18	13	49	20
707c2	0.63 ± 0.05	13	13	52	22
707c3	0.61 ± 0.04	10	13	54	23
707c7	0.84 ± 0.06	26	18	39	17
707c9	0.60 ± 0.04	8	13	56	23

### Section C. Error [ ea76 ]

Method	α-c	β-c	γ-c	αPb	SpEC	α-c	SpEC	αPb
707a1	14.30							
707a3	10.80							
707a4	12.80							
707a5	10.40							
707a11	11.90							
707a12	13.00							
707c1	9.32							
707c2	7.90							
707c3	12.30							
707c7	8.88							
707c9	10.75							

### Section D. TL Age

#### Section C. Error [ ea76 ]

**Site:** Shuwikhat 1  
**Location:** Gebel Ras El Bistr near Qena in the Eastern Desert, Egypt

**Grid Ref.:** 26°14'N 32°36'E

**Site Description:** In Nile silts at the outer edge of a fan deposit of a wadi draining Gebel Ras El Bistr. The site is an Early/Late Palaeolithic occupation site in the flood plain of the former Nile.

Dates	Lab. Ref.	Mat'l	Archaeological Reference
TL Context Age: 25.0	253(i)	2.5 ka (Ox85TLi)	253 burnt clay ME85/3/48 21N/3EB
TL Context Comps:	253(ii)	"	253(iii)
25.2 ± 2.8 ka	"	"	"
24.8 ± 2.7 ka	253(iii)	"	"
25.1 ± 2.8 ka			

**Archaeological Evidence:** The archaeological material is included in the Shuwikhat silts. A buried soil is present within these silts and is posterior to the occupation. The Shuwikhat silts are overlain by the black Sheikh Houssein silts, dated at 12-13,000 BP (Vermeersch, Paulissen and Van Neer, 1985), and laid down by the Wild Nile (Butzer and Hansen, 1968). Faunal remains (aurots, hartebeest, gazelle and catfish) were abundant, but only a few were identifiable due to the high degree of postdepositional fragmentation. No Levallois nor Halfan technology has been detected on the site.

Nearly all tools are made on a blade. The most common tool type is the unilaterally denticulated blade (17%) but bilateral ones (9%) are also numerous. The bilaterally denticulated blades were often made on pointed blanks. Burns represent about 1.3% of tools and were normally made on strong blades. Multiple burns are numerous. End-scrapers on a blade are as numerous as burns. Combinations tools do occur. Blunting of the proximal end of the blade is rather frequent (10%). Backed blades, but mostly fragments, represent 5%. Borers and truncated pieces are rare. Backed bladelets, Ouchata bladelets and bifacial pieces are absent.

**Site Director:** Prof. Dr. P.M. Vermeersch, Laboratorium voor Prehistorie Katholieke Universiteit Te Leuven, Redingenstraat 16 bis, 3000 Leuven, Belgium.

**Reports:** Paulissen, E., and Vermeersch, P.M. (1987) Earth, Man and Climate in the Egyptian Nile Valley during the Pleistocene, 29-67. In *Prehistory of arid North Africa* (A. Close, Ed.). Southern Methodist University Press, Dallas.

Paulissen, E., and Vermeersch, P.M., and Van Neer, W. (1985) Progress report on the Late Palaeolithic Shuwikhat sites. Nyame Akuma, 26, 7-14.

## PART II TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION

### Section A. TL Measurements

1. Min(q) tech.(i; 90 - 125  $\mu$ m)

Sample Ref.	P ± s.e. (Gy)	UP	S1Ps	s Plateau	Peak	Stability	a value
253(i)	40.80 ± 4.00	0	1.25±0.05	±5%	300-350°	325°;	-
253(ii)	42.70 ± 4.00	0	1.22±0.05	±5%	300-375°	325°;	-
253(iii)	40.20 ± 4.00	0	1.40±0.05	±4%	300-350°	325°;	-

### Section B. Dose-rate Measurements

Sample Ref.	Total Eff. Dose-rate	α	β	γ	Components cos.	Radon	Water Sample Env.
	mGy/a	%	%	%	%	%	%
253(i)	1.62 ± 0.16			54	37	9	0 ± 3
253(ii)	1.73 ± 0.17			53	35	8	5 ± 5
253(iii)	1.60 ± 0.16			53	38	9	"
Method	α-c	α-c,FPh	SpEC	α-c	FPh	SpEC	

### Section C. Error ( ea76 )

### Section D. TL Age

Sample Ref.	TL Age a	Random Errors	Overall a.
253(i)	25.2		
253(ii)	24.8		
253(iii)	25.1		

Site: Hammam Well, El Kown.  
 Location: El-Kown basin, N of Palmyra in the Syrian desert/steppe, Syria  
 Grid Ref.: 426B DU8/9

**Site Description:** Hammam is a mound-spring, developed into a well by peasants, one of many in the artesian basin, a closed depression.

Dates	Lab. Ref.	Mat'l	Archaeological Reference
TL Context Age: 160 ± 22 ka	(Ox85TL)g	2351b	flint
TL Context Comps:	2351b(i)	"	Level 1b
180 ± 25 ka	2351b(ii)	"	
145 ± 20 ka	2351b(iii)	"	
160 ± 23 ka	2351b(iv)	"	
TL Context Age: 104 ± 9 ka	235 6b	flint	Level 6b
TL Context Comps:	235 6b(i)	"	
97 ± 8 ka	235 6b(ii)	"	
105 ± 9 ka	235 6b(v)	"	
112 ± 10 ka	235 6b(v)	"	

**Archaeological Evidence:** The industry of Level 1b (basal so far) is Yabrudian, embedded in the travertine, and below Middle Palaeolithic (Hummalian and Mousterian) layers. The date is similar to U/Th series dates of 157 ka and 140 ka for the same travertine. Level 6b was enigmatic because it consisted of abraded and patinated Mousterian-like blades but the level was far above the other Mousterian layers. Could it be transitional to Upper Palaeolithic? The date indicates the artefacts are derived possibly by spring action. The date is otherwise good for an early Levallois-Mousterian, dated elsewhere at El Kown by U/Th series dating to around 80 000 and earlier (c. 120 - 110 ka) on the coast.

**Site Director:** F. Hours (deceased); now J-M Le Tensorer, Basle University, Switzerland.

**Reports:** Hennig, G., and Hours, F. (1982) Dates pour le passage entre l'Acheulien et le paléolithique Moyen à El-Koun, Syrie. *Paléorient*, 8(1), 81-83.  
 Copeland, L., and Hours, F. (1982) Le Yabroudien d'El-Koun, Syrie et sa place dans la Paléolithique du Levant. *Paléorient*, 9(1), 21-37.

#### Section A. TL Measurements

##### 1. Min(fit) tech.(fig: 1 - 8 μm)

Sample Ref.	P ± s.e. (Gy)	I/P	S/ps	s Plateau	Peak	Stability	a value
2351b(i)	380 ± 35	0	-	-15%	350-425°	350°; 5°/s;	350-425°; 0.5a; 18°; 100±3%
2351b(ii)	305 ± 25	0	-	-23%	350-400°	350°; 5°/s;	350-400°; "
2351b(iii)	350 ± 30	0	-	+5%	375-425°	375°; 5°/s;	375-425°; "
2356b(i)	286 ± 25	0	-	-13%	325-375°	350°; 5°/s;	325-375°; "
2356b(iii)	310 ± 25	0	-	+5%	325-400°	350°; 5°/s;	325-400°; "
2356b(v)	310 ± 25	0	-	+5%	325-400°	350°; 5°/s;	325-400°; "

#### Section B. Dose-rate Measurements

Sample Ref.	Total Dose-rate mGy/a	Eff. α	Dose-rate Components β γ cos. cos.	Radon	Water Sample Env.
235 1b(i)	2.11 ± 0.10	1	4	89	6 0 ± 3 % % % %
235 1b(ii)	2.11 ± 0.10	1	4	89	6 0 ± 3 % % % %
235 1b(iii)	2.12 ± 0.11	1	4	89	6 0 ± 3 % % % %
235 6b(i)	2.96 ± 0.15	1.5	34	46	5 " " " "
235 6b(iii)	2.93 ± 0.15	1.5	33	16	46 " " " "
235 6b(v)	2.76 ± 0.14	3.3	12	50	5 " " " "

#### Section C. Error [ ea76 ]

#### Section D. TL Age

Sample Ref.	TL Age a	Random Errors a	Overall a
235 1b(i)	180	2.5	
235 1b(ii)	145	20	
235 1b(iii)	165	23	
235 6b(i)	97	8	
235 6b(iii)	105	9	
235 6b(v)	112	10	

Laboratory: Oxford	Entry: 23
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Site: Höfer 1  
 Location: Near Celle in Lower Saxony on the River Aschau., Germany  
 Grid Ref.: -

Site Description: Late Glacial tanged point complex.

Dates	Lab. Ref.	Mat'l	Archaeological	Reference
TL Single Date: 12.6 ± 1.6 ka (Ox88TLfig)	258a1	flint	II/535	

Archaeological Evidence: The date for Höfer is quite interesting because it lies beyond the hitherto archaeologically presumed age of this kind of tanged-point assemblage (Diederse-Lavesum-Gruppe cf Taute, 1968); end of Dryas III or even Preboreal (=approx. 10 000 BP). Even the 68% confidence interval does not cover these chronozones. On the other hand the dating of special assemblage types of the tanged-point complex is rarely based on radiometric, pollen analytical, or other than archaeological evidence. Furthermore Höfer can archaeologically be interpreted as a special activity camp(s) which may lack tanged points perhaps because of this. It should be kept in mind however, that the limits of the chronozones are based on C-14 dates (Mangerud u.a. 1976) which are not calibrated and therefore not directly comparable with TL dates. An example for diverging dates are the Magdalenian sites of the Paris Basin where TL dates appear older than C-14 dates (Schmider, 1982, 1987).

Site Director: Dr. S. Veil, Niedersächsisches Landesmuseum, 3 Hannover 1, Am Masechpark 5, West Germany.

Reports: Veil, S., Lass, G., and Meyer, H-H. (1987) Ein Fundplatz der Steinsplitzen-Gruppen ohne steilspritzen bei Höfer, Ldkr. Celle. *Archäologisches Korrespondenzblatt*, 17, 311-322.  
 Veil, S., Lass, G., and Meyer, H-H. (1987) Interdisziplinäre untersuchungen zum spätäolitischen fundplatz Höfer, Ldkr. Celle. *Berichte der Naturhistorischen Gesellschaft zu Hannover*, 129, 225-260.

Laboratory: Oxford

Entry: 23

## PART II TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION

### Section A. TL Measurements

1. Min(fit) tech (fig 1 - 8 µm)

Sample Ref.	P ± s.e. (Gy)	I/P	Sips	s Plateau	Peak	Stability	a value
258a1	6.55 ± 0.50	0	-	±2%	375-425°	375%; 5%	375-425°; 0.5a; 375%; 18°; 100±3%

### Section B. Dose-rate Measurements

Sample Ref.	Total Dose-rate	α	β	Dose-rate Components	γ	cos.	Water Radon Sample Env.
	mGy/a	%	%	%	%	%	%
258a1	0.52 ± 0.05	12	12	50	26	0 ± 3	0 ± 2
Method	α-c FPH	α-c SPEC	SpEC	α-c			13 ± 3

### Section C. Error [ ea76 ]

### Section D. TL Age

Sample Ref.	TL Age	Errors
	a	Random a.
258a1	12.6	1.6

Laboratory: Oxford      Entry: 24

Site: Schweskau  
Location: Near Lüchow, Lower Saxony, Germany.  
Grid Ref.: -

Site Description: Late Glacial, shouldered point complex.

Dates	Lab. Ref.	Mat'l	Archaeological Reference
TL Single Date:	8.3	± 1.0	ka (Ox88TLf8) 259b1 flint 157
TL Single Date:	7.0	± 0.9	ka (Ox88TLf8) 259b2 flint 519
TL Single Date:	8.3	± 1.0	ka (Ox88TLf8) 259b3 flint 6758

Archaeological Evidence: The dates of Schweskau material are acceptable, although most of the excavated concentration must be archaeologically attributed to LUP, probably before Allerød. We can isolate a few flint artefacts which scatter all over the concentration and beyond, and seem to be Mesolithic by technology, patination, proportion of craquelé and typology. Especially the craquelé may be attributed to this later settlement. OxTL259b2 fits well with the only microlith found during excavation (later Mesolithic).

Site Director: Dr. S. Veil, Niedersächsisches Landesmuseum, 3 Hannover 1, Am Maschpark 5, West Germany

Reports: In preparation

Laboratory: Oxford      Entry: 24

Entry: 24

## PART II TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION

### Section A. TL Measurements

1. Min(f1) tech.(fg: 1 - 8μm)						
Sample Ref.	P ± s.e. (Gy)	I/P	S/ps	s Plateau	Peak	Stability
259b1	4.90 ± 0.40	0	-	±5%	375-450° 375°; 5°/s;	375°; 5°/s;
259b2	4.25 ± 0.35	0	-	±6%	330-425° 375°; 5°/s;	330-425°; 375°; 5°/s;
259b3	5.55 ± 0.50	0	-	±6%	325-400° 375°; 5°/s;	325-400°; 375°; 5°/s;

### Section B. Dose-rate Measurements

Sample Ref.	Total Eff. Dose-rate mGy/a	Dose-rate Components α β γ cos.			Radon	Water Sample Env.
		%	%	%		
259b1	0.59 ± 0.06	8	10	58	24	0 ± 3 %
259b2	0.61 ± 0.06	10	13	54	23	0 ± 2 %
259b3	0.67 ± 0.07	15	13	51	21	0 " "

### Section C. Error [ ea76]

### Section D. TL Age

Sample Ref.	TL Age a	Random Errors a	Overall Errors a
259b1	8.3	-	1.0
259b2	7.0	-	0.9
259b3	8.3	-	1.0

Laboratory: Oxford      Entry: 25

Site: Chaperon Rouge 1  
Location: Rabat, Morocco

Grid Ref.: -

Site Description: Archaeological layer on Magrebien calcite overlain by Ibero-Maurusien.

Dates	Lab. Ref.	Mat'l	Archaeological Reference
TL Single Date: 28.2 ± 3.3 ka (0x88TLg) 724g1	Flint	CH-R	G59.4

Archaeological Evidence: The site contains late Aterien artefacts overlain by Ibero-Maurusien Epi-Paleolithic and Neolithic levels. The date is in good agreement with others from N. Africa.

Site Director: J-P Texier, Inst. du Quaternaire, Université de Bordeaux I. Bâtiment de Géologie. Ave. des Facultés 33405. Talence Cedex France.

Reports: Texier, J.-P., Huxtable, J., Rhodes, E., Mallier, D. and Ousmou, M. (1988) Nouvelles données sur la situation chronologique de l'Altérien et leurs implications. Paper to be published in *Préhistoire*

Laboratory: Oxford      Entry: 25

Site: Chaperon Rouge 1  
Location: Rabat, Morocco

Grid Ref.: -

Site Description: Archaeological layer on Magrebien calcite overlain by Ibero-Maurusien.

Dates	Lab. Ref.	Mat'l	Archaeological Reference
TL Single Date: 28.2 ± 3.3 ka (0x88TLg) 724g1	Flint	CH-R	G59.4

Archaeological Evidence: The site contains late Aterien artefacts overlain by Ibero-Maurusien Epi-Paleolithic and Neolithic levels. The date is in good agreement with others from N. Africa.

Site Director: J-P Texier, Inst. du Quaternaire, Université de Bordeaux I. Bâtiment de Géologie. Ave. des Facultés 33405. Talence Cedex France.

Reports: Texier, J.-P., Huxtable, J., Rhodes, E., Mallier, D. and Ousmou, M. (1988) Nouvelles données sur la situation chronologique de l'Altérien et leurs implications. Paper to be published in *Préhistoire*

Laboratory: Oxford      Entry: 25

Site: Chaperon Rouge 1  
Location: Rabat, Morocco

Grid Ref.: -

Site Description: Archaeological layer on Magrebien calcite overlain by Ibero-Maurusien.

Dates	Lab. Ref.	Mat'l	Archaeological Reference
TL Single Date: 28.2 ± 3.3 ka (0x88TLg) 724g1	Flint	CH-R	G59.4

Archaeological Evidence: The site contains late Aterien artefacts overlain by Ibero-Maurusien Epi-Paleolithic and Neolithic levels. The date is in good agreement with others from N. Africa.

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## PART II TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION

### Section A. TL Measurements

1. Min(fit) tech. (fig. 1 - 8μm)

Sample Ref.	P ± s.e. (Gy)	I/P	S/p	s Plateau	Peak	Stability	a value
724g1	49.30 ± 4.00	0	-	±5%, 350-425°	375°, 5%;	350-425°; 0.5 a;	18°; 100±3% 0.13

### Section B. Dose-rate Measurements

Sample Total Eff. Dose-rate Components Radon Water  
Ref. Dose-rate α β γ cos. Env.

Sample Ref.	Total Eff.	Dose-rate	α	β	γ	Components cos.	Radon	Water Env.
724g1	mGy/a	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
724g1	1.75 ± 0.17	49	28	15	8	5 ± 5	0 ± 2	5 ± 5

### Section C. Error [ cA76 ]

### Section D. TL Age

Sample Ref.	TL a	Age	Errors a	Random a	Overall a
724g1	28.2		3.3		

**Site:** Rekem  
**Location:** Meuse River Valley, Belgium  
**Grid Ref.:** 50°34'N 5°41'E

**Site Description:** Late Palaeolithic (Federmesser group) campsite situated on late Pleistocene sand deposits.

Dates	Lab. Ref.	Mat'l	Archaeological Reference
TL Context Age: 12.2 ± 1.1 ka (OxA88TL)	246	quartzite pebbles	-
TL Context Comps:	246a1	"	N8E 34/5
11.6 ± 1.2 ka	246a1	"	N18 E0/212
12.3 ± 1.4 ka	246b3	"	-
12.6 ± 1.4 ka	246b6	"	N18 E4/62
12.1 ± 1.3 ka	246c7	"	N2 E5/136
11.8 ± 1.2 ka	246c8	"	N2 E6/139
13.0 ± 1.5 ka	246e9	"	N2 E5/167
11.1 ± 1.2 ka	246f10	"	N2 E4/10
13.0 ± 1.4 ka	246d11	"	SO E1/22

**Archaeological Evidence:** Excavations which started in 1984 have revealed the presence of at least sixteen spatially independent structures, consisting of concentrations of lithic waste material which are dispersed in a cluster on a total excavated surface of 1.7 ha. Organization of the settlement is studied through refitting analyses, which will help also in establishing the internal chronology of the site. Evidence of a dwelling structure and hearths are preserved. No organic preservation except the resin attached to an arrow-head point (C-14 date: 11 350 ± 150 Ox A-942).

**Site Director:** Drs Robert Lauwers Katholieke Universiteit te Leuven Laboratorium voor Prehistorie Redingenstraat 16 bis 3000 Leuven Belgium.

**Reports:** Lauwers, R. (1985) Découverte d'un vaste campement du Paléolithique Final dans la vallée de la Meuse, Belgique. *L'Anthropologie*, 89, 557-559.  
 Lauwers, R. (1988) Le gisement tijongérien de Rekem (Belgique) Premier bilan d'une analyse spatiale. In *Les civilisations du Paléolithique final de la Loire à l'Orne* (M. Orie, Ed.) Liège.

## PART II TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION

### Section A. TL Measurements

#### 1. Min(q) tech (i; 90 - 125lμm)

Sample Ref.	P ± s.e. (Gy)	I/P	S I�ps	s Plateau	Peak	Stability
246a1	16.80 ± 0.80	0	0.93 ± 0.03	± 6%	325-425°	375°, 5°/s;
246b3	16.50 ± 0.80	0	0.82 ± 0.04	± 3%	300-350°	325°, 5°/s;
246b6	17.40 ± 0.90	0	0.85 ± 0.04	± 5%	350-400°	375°, 5°/s;
246c7	63.80 ± 1.80	0	1.10 ± 0.05	± 3%	275-375°	350°, 5°/s;
246c8	5.30 ± 0.30	0	0.33 ± 0.03	± 3%	325-375°	350°, 5°/s;
246c9	87.00 ± 4.00	0	1.10 ± 0.05	± 5%	350-425°	350°, 5°/s;
246c10	20.60 ± 0.60	0	1.00 ± 0.05	± 3%	325-375°	350°, 5°/s;
246d11	10.40 ± 0.50	0	0.65 ± 0.03	± 3%	300-350°	325°, 5°/s;

### Section B. Dose-rate Measurements

Sample Ref.	Total Dose-rate	α	β	γ	Components cos.	Radon	Water Sample Env.
246a1	1.45 ± 0.10			72	18	10	0 ± 2
246b3	1.34 ± 0.13			35	55	10	..
246b6	1.38 ± 0.10			71	19	10	"
246c7	5.28 ± 0.28			83	14	3	"
246c8	0.44 ± 0.04			9	59	32	"
246c9	6.69 ± 0.50			87	11	2	"
246c10	1.85 ± 0.18			52	41	7	"
246d11	0.80 ± 0.08			50	33	17	"

#### Method

#### α-c CAP FPh SPEC α-c

### Section C. Error [εA76]

#### Section D. TL Age

Sample Ref.	TL Age	Errors	Overall a.
246a1	11.6		1.2
246b3	12.3		1.4
246b6	12.6		1.4
246c7	12.1		1.3
246c8	11.8		1.2
246c9	13.0		1.5
246c10	11.1		1.2
246d11	13.0		1.4



**Site:** Wasperston  
**Location:** Warwickshire, England (SMR WA 1845)  
**Grid Ref:** SP 261 581  
**Site Description:** Late Bronze Age - Iron Age Settlements (preceded by Neolithic occupation and succeeded by Romano-British settlement and an Anglo-Saxon cemetery)

Dates	Lab. Ref.	Mat'l	Archaeological Reference
TL Single Dates: 440 BC ±195 (Dur86TLq1)	83-1	Pottery	F700 1804
190 BC 175	83-2	"	F715 1822
530 BC 215	83-3	"	F1729 5756
440 BC 245	83-4	"	F1739 5782
850 BC 400	83-5 AS	"	F1765 5889
690 BC 225	83-6	"	F1780 6113
1300 BC 275	83-7	"	F1918 6617
630 AD 120	83-8	"	F1948 6717
280 BC 235	83-9	"	F4031 6904
205 BC 195	83-10	"	F4040 6955
885 BC 240	83-11	"	F4074 7235
735 BC 240	83-12	"	F4118 7353
100 BC 225	83-13	"	F4126 7380

**Archaeological Evidence:** Coarse ware pottery taken from a variety of settlement features, including storage pits, post-holes, hut foundation slots and a large defensive enclosure ditch. The settlement features were extensive and related to up to 7 spatially distinct settlements.

**Site Director:** Mr. Gillis Crawford, Birmingham University Field Archaeology Unit, PO Box 363, Birmingham B15 2TT.

**Reports:** Crawford, G.M. (1981) Excavations at Wasperston - 5th Interim Report. *West Midlands Archaeology*, 28, 1-3.

## PART II TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION

### Section A. TL Measurements

#### 1. Min( $\alpha$ ) tech.( $\lambda$ ; 90 - 150 $\mu\text{m}$ )

Sample Ref.	P ± s.e. (Gy)	I/P	S1ps	Plateau	Peak	Stability
83-1	7.41 ± 0.37	0.13	1.07	s±3%;375-425°	-	375-400°; 0.6a;103+2(se12)% *
83-2	6.32 ± 0.28	0.27	1.05	s±4%;375-425°	-	"
83-3	6.39 ± 0.38	0.09	1.20	s±3%;330-425°	-	"
83-4	6.45 ± 0.45	0.25	0.98	d±3%;375-400°	-	"
83-5 AS*						
83-6	7.56 ± 0.40	0.05	0.99	d±3%;330-425°	-	"
83-7	10.91 ± 0.56	0.05	1.07	d±5%;375-400°	-	"
83-8	3.83 ± 0.21	0.04	0.95	s±4%;375-425°	-	"
83-9	6.84 ± 0.51	0.06	0.98	s±4%;330-425°	-	"
83-10	6.95 ± 0.37	0.03	1.05	s±3%;375-425°	-	"
83-11	7.54 ± 0.40	0.03	1.12	s±5%;375-425°	-	"
83-12	9.07 ± 0.46	0.02	1.15	s±3%;375-425°	-	"
83-13	6.56 ± 0.52	0.06	1.05	d±5%;360-400°	-	"

### Section B. Dose-rate Measurements

Sample Ref.	Total Dose-rate mG/a	%	β %	γ %	Coms cos.	Radon %	Water Sample %	Env. %
83-1	3.05 ± 0.07	72	23	5	0 ± 3	8 ± 2	9 ± 2	9 ± 2
83-2	2.91 ± 0.07	71	24	5	1	9 ± 2	"	"
83-3	2.54 ± 0.04	67	28	5	1	8 ± 2	"	"
83-4	2.66 ± 0.08	68	26	6	1	9 ± 2	"	"
83-5 AS	2.75 ± 0.10	69	26	5	1	10 ± 2	"	"
83-6	2.83 ± 0.06	70	25	5	1	9 ± 2	"	"
83-7	3.32 ± 0.06	74	21	5	1	8 ± 2	"	"
83-8	2.83 ± 0.11	70	25	5	1	8 ± 2	"	"
83-9	3.02 ± 0.11	72	23	5	1	8 ± 2	"	"
83-10	3.17 ± 0.05	73	22	5	1	12 ± 2	"	"
83-11	2.63 ± 0.05	68	27	5	1	9 ± 2	"	"
83-12	3.33 ± 0.10	75	21	4	1	8 ± 2	"	"
83-13	3.14 ± 0.12	73	22	5	1	9 ± 2	"	"

### Section C. Error [eA76]

### Section D. TL Age

Sample Ref.	TL Age a	Radon %	Water Sample %	Env. %	Errors a
83-1	2426	8	133	196	
83-2	2176	2	110	177	
83-3	2515	5	154	217	
83-4	2427	7	191	244	
83-5 AS	2834	1	400		
83-6	2675	5	151	226	
83-7	3287	7	178	275	
83-8	1335	8	88	122	
83-9	2267	7	189	236	
83-10	2192	1	123	197	
83-11	2870	5	159	239	
83-12	2721	1	161	238	
83-13	2087	1	182	226	

### Special Remarks

- 83-5. AS denotes Survey accuracy obtained.
- 5. Stab. Result is mean for all samples.

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Site: Asprochaliiko Rockshelter  
Location: 20 m above the Louros River on the right bank of its gorge; between the modern towns of Ioannina and Arta, Greece

Grid Ref.: -  
Site Description: Rockshelter

Dates	Lab. Ref.	Mat'l	Archaeological Reference
TL Context Age: 98.5	±12 ka	(Ox887TLfg)	229g
TL Context Comps:	102 ±14 ka	229g(i)	Layer 18

Archaeological Evidence: Layer 18 contains basal Mousterian of the Asprochaliiko Rockshelter. The TL date demonstrates that this belongs to a phase within the last interglacial.

Site Director: The late E.S. Higgs, Department of Archaeology, University of Cambridge.

Reports: Higgs, S.E., and Vita-Finzi, C. (1966) The climate, environment and industries of Stone Age Greece, part II. *Proc. Prehist. Soc.*, **32**, 1-29.  
Bailey, G.N., Carter, P.L., Gamble, C.S., and Higgs, H.P. (1983) Asprochaliiko and Kastritsa: further investigations of Palaeolithic settlement and economy in Epirus (north-west Greece). *Proc. Prehist. Soc.*, **49**, 15-42.

## PART II TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION

### Section A. TL Measurements

1. Min(ft) tech.(fg: 1 - 8  $\mu\text{m}$ )

Sample Ref.	P ± s.e. (Gy)	I/P	S/lps	s Plateau	Peak	Stability	a val.
229g(i)	48 ± 3	0	-	± 3%; 350-400°	375°; 5°/s;	350-400°; 0.5a;	18°; 100±3%
229g(ii)	61 ± 4	0	-	± 3%; 350-450°	375°; 5°/s;	350-450°; 0.5a;	18°; 100±3%

### Section B. Dose-rate Measurements

Sample Ref.	Total Eff. Dose-rate	α	β	γ	Components cos.	Radon	Water Sample Env.
	mGy/a	%	%	%	%	%	%
229g(i)	0.47 ± 0.07	11	19	47	23	0 ± 3	20 ± 10
229g(ii)	0.64 ± 0.09	28	22	34	16	0 ± 3	20 ± 10

Method α-c FPh CAP α-c

### Section C. Error [eA76]

### Section D. TL Age

Sample Ref.	TL Age a	Errors Random a.	Overall a.
229g(i)	102	14	12
229g(ii)	96	14	12

Site: Thorpe Thewles  
 Location: Cleveland, UK  
 Grid Ref.: NZ 3963 2432  
 Site Description: Iron Age settlement

Dates	Lab. Ref.	Ref. Mat'l	Archaeological Reference
TL Single dates:			
515 ±210 BC	TT1 (Dur86TL1)	pottery	TT 80 B 457
515 ±275 BC	TT2	"	TT 80 B 13
40 ±270 AD	TT3	"	TT 80 F 109
570 ±260 BC (Dur86TLpd)	TT6	"	TT 81 A 109
550 ±280 BC (Dur86TL1)	TT7	"	TT 81 C 876
490 ±270 BC (Dur86TLpd)	TT8	"	TT 81 C 679
40 ±160 AD (Dur86TL1)	TT13	"	TT 81 C 1632
400 ±220 BC	TT14	"	TT 80 B 44
240 ±260 BC	TT15	"	TT 80 D 118
590 ±260 BC	TT16	"	TT 80 B 392
700 ±270 BC	TT17	"	TT 80 B 390
110 ±175 AD	TT18	"	TT 81 C 407 88

**Archaeological Evidence:**

The TL date sequence forms a consistent group with one or two early outliers which may reflect the presence of residual material. Other artefactual evidence is available for the later periods of occupation and these provide dates which broadly agree with the TL results. The TL dates for the earlier periods suggest that this community in North Eastern England saw an intensification of arable agriculture and the evolution of a complex settlement type, developments previously associated with Southern and Central England. TT18 was included as a dating control, and the result agrees well with the date for the fabric; further discussion of averaging of dates can be found in the excavation report.

**Site Director:** Mr. D. Heslop, c/o Cleveland County Archaeology, Southlands Centre, Road, Middlesborough, Cleveland, UK.

**Reports:**  
 Bailiff J.K. (1984) TL dating of Iron Age/early medieval coarse-wares from north Britain. Unpublished TL Laboratory Report No.15, Archaeology Dept., Durham University.  
 Heslop D. (1987) Excavation of an Iron Age settlement at Thorpe Thewles, Cleveland. CBA Research Report 65. (Includes TL report).

Section A. TL Measurements						
1. Min(q) tech.(q; 90 - 150 µm)						
Sample Ref.	P ± s.e. (Gy)	I/P	S/Ips	s Plateau	Peak*	Stability
TT1	7.28 ± 0.56	0.1	1.11 ± 0.10	± 5%	360-390°C; 11°/s;	350-400°C; 0.6s; 18°; 106±6(se-8)%*
TT2	7.23 ± 0.65	0	1.04 ± 0.09	± 5%	380-425°C; 1°/s;	"
TT3	5.05 ± 0.58	0	1.11 ± 0.08	± 5%	375-415°C; 1°/s;	"
TT7	7.70 ± 0.70	0.1	1.11 ± 0.13	± 3%	375-425°C; P°/s;	P° "
TT13	5.68 ± 0.18	0.4	1.09 ± 0.03	± 5%	350-425°C; III°/s;	III " "
TT14	6.23 ± 0.34	0.1	1.13 ± 0.07	± 3%	375-425°C; II°/s;	II " "
TT15	5.84 ± 0.50	0.2	1.13 ± 0.07	± 3%	350-415°C; II°/s;	II " "
TT16	8.53 ± 0.55	0.2	1.09 ± 0.06	± 3%	330-400°C; II°/s;	II " "
TT17	9.15 ± 0.80	0.1	1.00 ± 0.10	± 4%	350-400°C; 1°/s;	1°/s "
TT18	5.49 ± 0.38	0.3	0.96 ± 0.07	± 6%	350-400°C; 1°/s;	1°/s "
1. Min(q) tech.(p; 90 - 150 µm)						
Sample Ref.	P ± s.e. (Gy)	Procedure	TAC Peak	Init. sensitivity		
TT6	6.80 ± 0.50	MA & ADD	550-575°C max; 10°/s	27% Sn; 40% uv rev; Sb=100% Sn ;*		
TT8	6.96 ± 0.70	MA & mod.ADD	525-575 °C max; 10°/s	25% Sn; 25% uv rev; Sb=100% Sn ;*		

Section B. Dose-rate Measurements						
Sample Water Ref.	Total Eff. Dose-rate α	Dose-rate β	Dose-rate γ	cos. Radon	Sample Env.	
TT1	3.42 ± 0.12	-	63	33	4	0
TT2	2.89 ± 0.10	-	58	37	5	"
TT3	2.60 ± 0.09	-	43	6	"	11 ± 2 "
TT6	2.66 ± 0.09	-	31	6	"	12 ± 2 "
TT7	3.24 ± 0.11	-	63	32	5	"
TT8	2.81 ± 0.10	-	65	30	5	"
TT13	2.92 ± 0.10	-	56	39	5	"
TT14	2.61 ± 0.09	-	54	40	6	"
TT15	2.63 ± 0.09	-	43	6	"	13 ± 3 "
TT16	3.31 ± 0.12	-	64	31	5	"
TT17	3.41 ± 0.12	-	62	34	4	"
TT18	2.93 ± 0.10	-	56	39	5	"
Method	β/TLD	CAP	CAP	α/c		
	+ α-c and XRF checks					

**Section C. Error [ eA76]**

## PART II CONT'D

Section D. TL Age			
Sample Ref.	TL Age a.	Random a.	Errors Overall a.
TT1	2130	165	210
	2500	220	275
TT3	1945	220	270
TT6	2555	200	260
TT7	2535	220	280
TT8	2475	220	270
TT13	1945	100	160
TT14	2385	150	220
TT15	2235	210	260
TT16	2575	195	260
TT17	2685	200	270
TT18	1875	145	175

## Special remarks

Peak: Peak classifications following Fleming(1970), with addition of type III\* (Bailiff, 1984) which is similar to type III ( $375^{\circ}\text{C}$ ), but exhibits 2nd order behaviour.

Stability: Result represents average for all samples.

Init. Sens.: Uncertainty associated with reversible part of  $S_0$  included in error assessment.

Ref. Fleming, S.J. (1970) Thermoluminescent dating: refinement of the quartz inclusion technique. *Archaeometry*, 12(2), 133-145.