

Re: Flaked Stones and Old Bones: Biological and Cultural Evolution at the Dawn of Technology

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<paleocity@xxxxxxxxxxx> schreef:

On Dec 9, 5:35 pm, Marc Verhaegen <m_verhae...@xxxxxxxxx> wrote:

Once stone tools turn up in the record, they are found
wherever early
Homo sites are found, be it South Africa, Dmanisi, Iberia, or
China.

yes, always near seas rivers lakes:

Says the liar who doesn't know the difference between a mountain
beaver and a capybara. Here is what real scientists say:

At Gona, Ethiopia, 2.5 Ma-old stone tools were deposited in ³floodplain environments, close to margins of channels that carried the volcanic cobbles used as raw materials for tool manufacture² (Semaw et al. 1997: 333). Nearby, in the Hata Member of the Bouri Formation, hominid fossils of a similar age to the Gona deposits were discovered in sediments containing sandstone with bivalve and gastropod shells ³deposited by fluvial processes associated with floodplains along distributary channels close to a shallow fluctuating lake² (de Heinzelin et al. 1999: 625). This Member also reveals evidence of cut and percussion marks on bones of medium and large-sized bovids, though stone tools have so far not been discovered. The Homo maxilla AL 666, dated to 2.3 Ma, along with a stone tool assemblage (though no signs of butchering), was recovered from deposits of the Hadar Formation, suggesting a landscape which was ³predominantly open, with wetlands and bushed or wooded grasslands, and with stands of trees close to the water source² (Kimbel et al. 1996: 559).

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At Olduvai Gorge Plio–Pleistocene Homo remains are associated with deposits containing ³cemented aggregates of the small benth