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presented work help us to get a general view of environmental state and/or hunters’ preferences in this space and time. The comparison with other areas will be possible now as well. The work includes a discussion of the most abundant game species: equus, aurochs, red deer, roe deer, elk, wild boar, hare, beaver, some carnivores and some others.

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Cattle loose horns from the Eneolithic site of Hostivice-Litovice (Czech Republic, Central Europe): breed or pathology?

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Abstract: Generally, nine features at Hostivice-Litovice (excavation 1997-1998, distr. Prague-west) contained animal bones. Archaeological finds of ritual character came from at least two pits of Funnel beaker period. Feature no. 5 contained remains of several cattle skeletons. Horn cores of one of them and related area on a frontal bone are of particular interest. The nature of this find shows that horn cores were not firmly attached to frontal bones and so horns had to be movable (maybe hanging). It is complicated to find out some causation of that state. It could be kind of breed, since this state appears (even though very rarely) in some breeds in recent breeding as well. It could be also a teratology (developmental mistake) or other pathological state. In recent breeding, sometimes it is caused by an accident or by men deliberately. As the left and right horncores are completely symmetrical, an accident is far less probable. As the described find is exceptional in the archaeozoological evidence, it is important to deal with it especially.

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LAHTÍ, E.-K.

Bones from Ohcejohka Sámi market site—interpreting the bone material of two excavated dwellings of 16th century mountain Sámi