
Hills on the Plain: The Evolution of Neolithic Tells in the K'or'os Region of the Great Hungarian Plain

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Abstract

In this paper, we bring together environmental, geological, and archaeological information to investigate the evolution of two tells located in the K'or'os region of the Great Hungarian Plain – Szeghalom-Kovácsalom and Vészt'ó-Mágó. By analyzing data collected via regional geological sediment cores, on-site micromorphological samples, geophysical surveys, intensive surface collections, and targeted excavations, we discuss the evolution of these two tells within their microregional settings in the broader landscape of the K'or'os region. The research discussed in the presentation was collected by the K'or'os Regional Archaeological Project from 2010-2015 and reveals two strikingly different trajectories of tell formation despite the close proximity of the two contemporaneous sites.

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