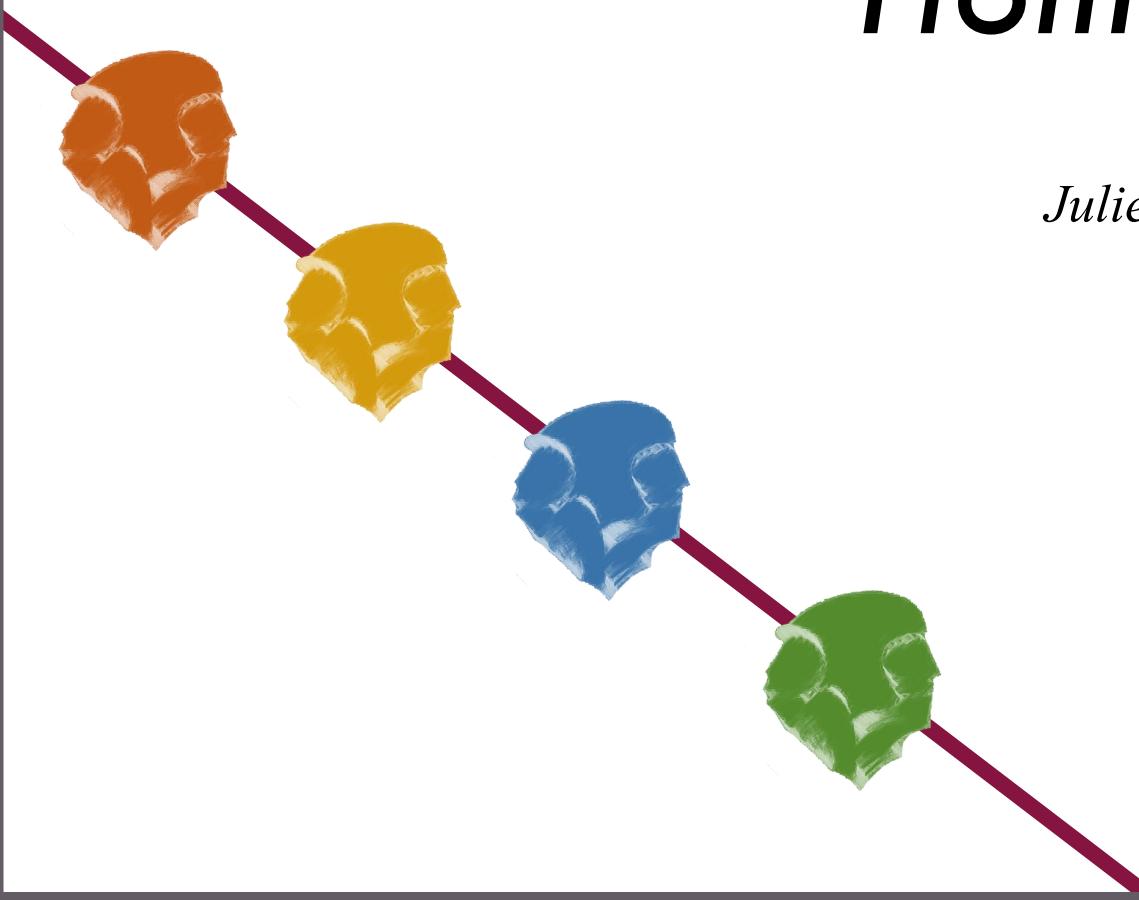




Homo sapiens

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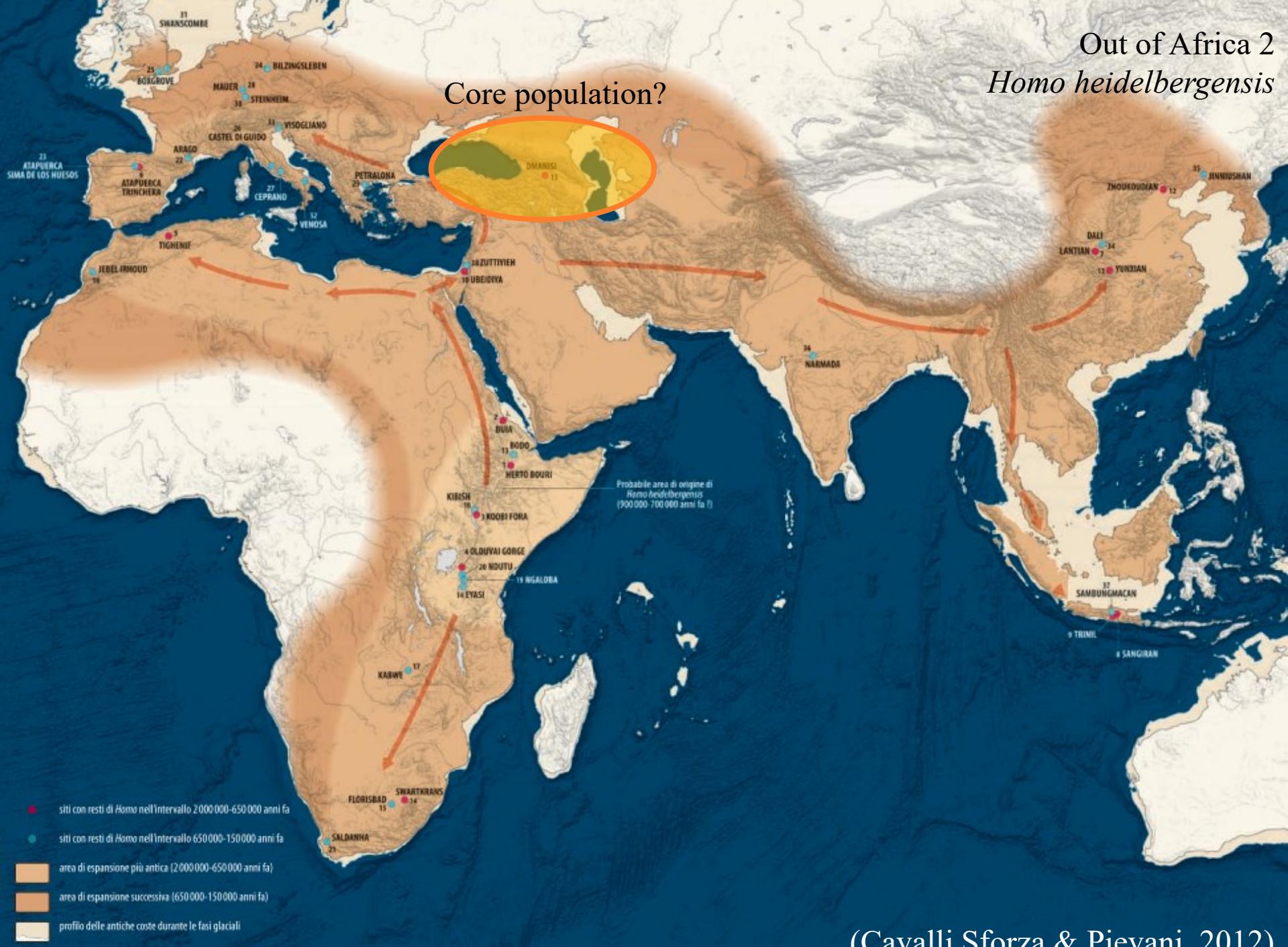


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Homo ergaster

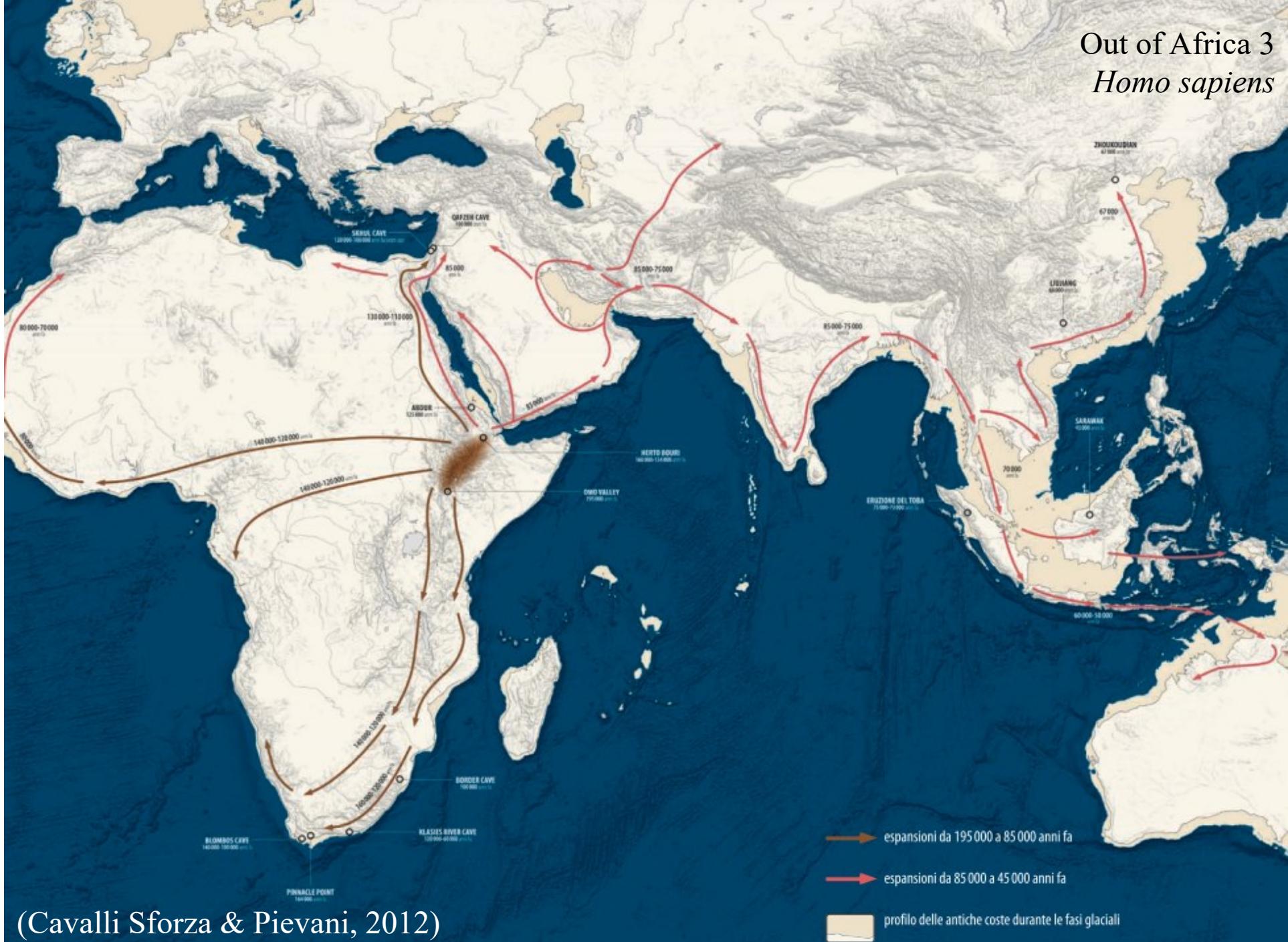


(Cavalli Sforza & Pievani, 2012)

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Homo heidelbergensis

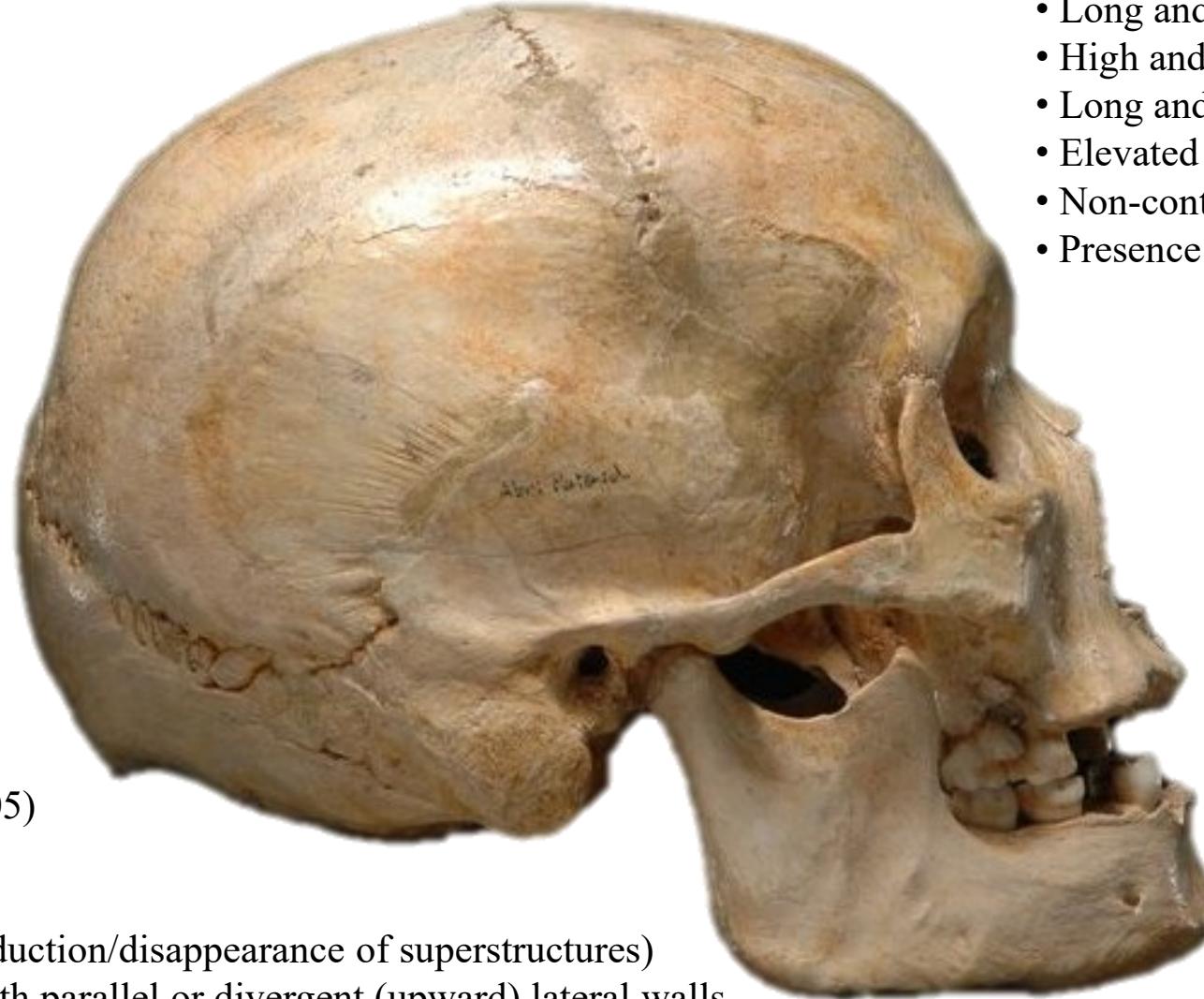


Out of Africa 3
Homo sapiens



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Homo sapiens morphological features (paleontological definition of the species)



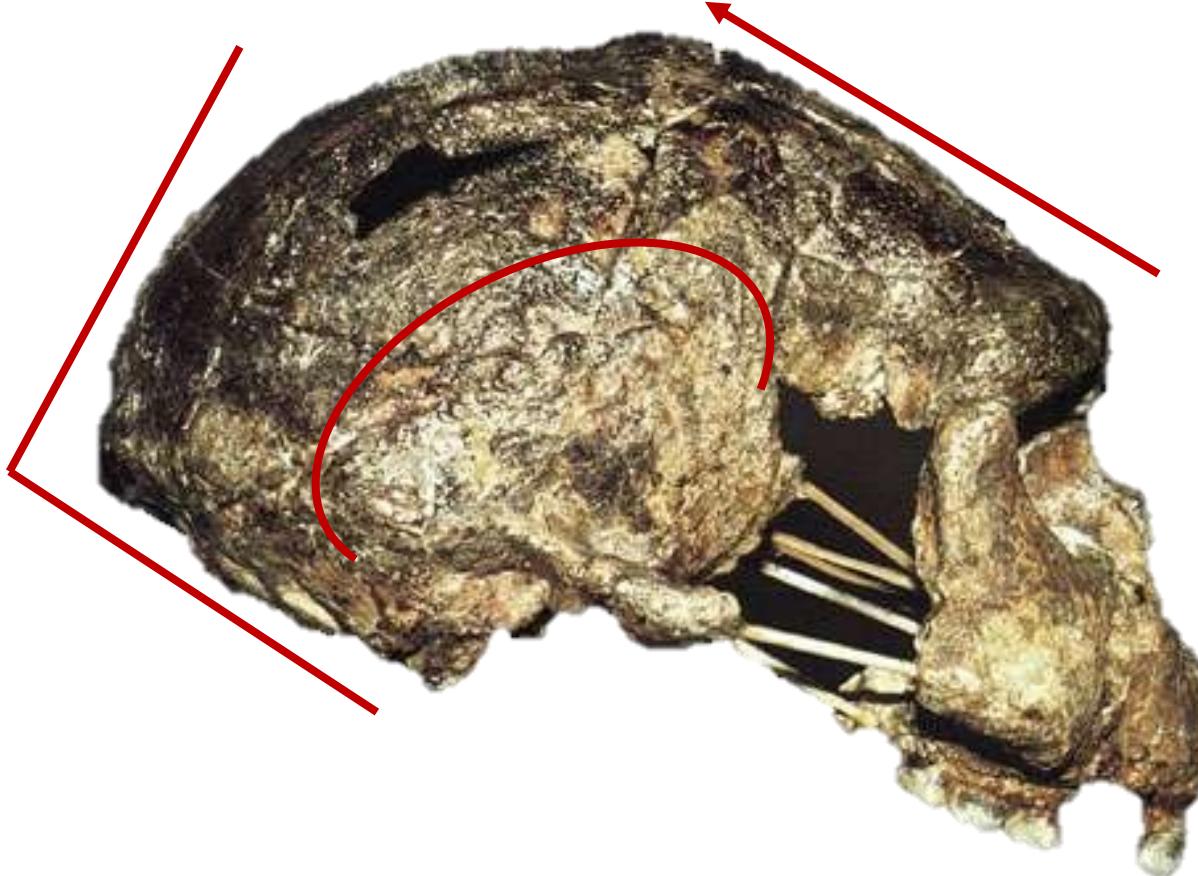
Vandermeersch (1981, 2005)

- rounded cranial shape
- large cranial capacity
- decreased robustness (reduction/disappearance of superstructures)
- elevated cranial vault, with parallel or divergent (upward) lateral walls
- regularly rounded occipital bone
- short face
- teeth-size reduction tendency

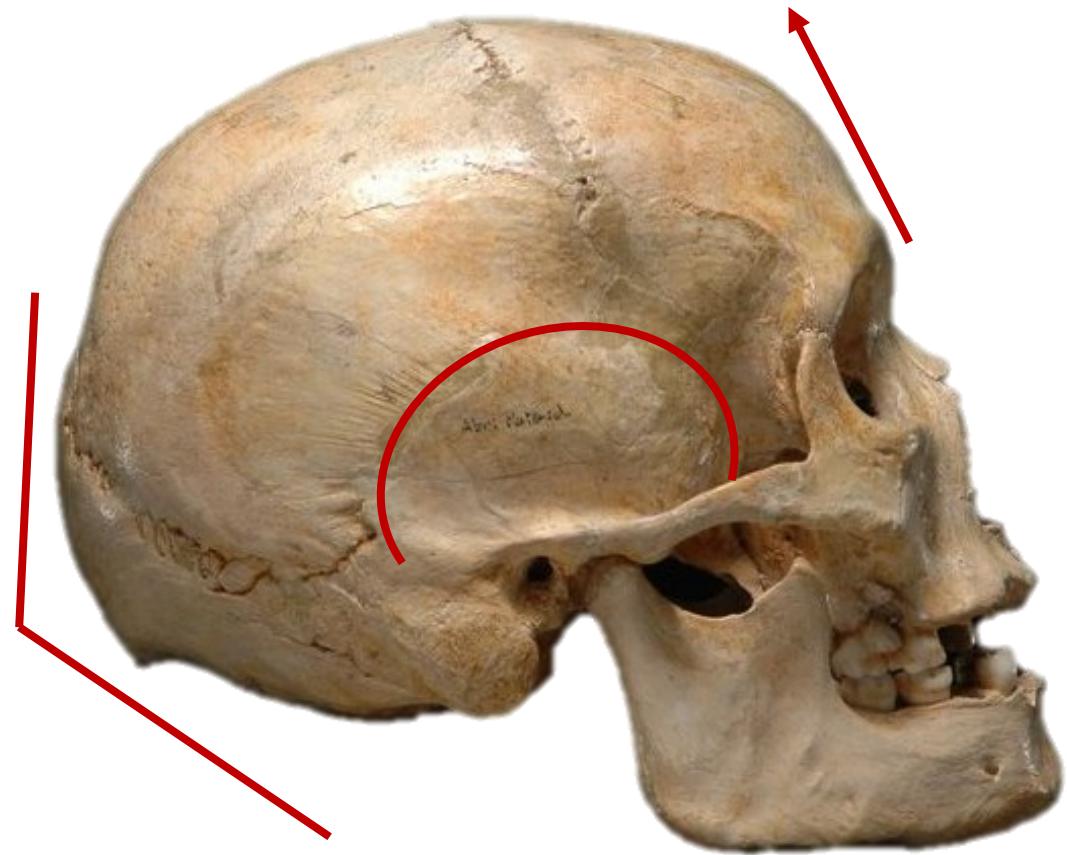
Day & Stringer (1982)

- Short and elevated cranial vault
- Long and curved parietal bones in the sagittal plan
- High and wide biparietal vault in the coronal plan
- Long and narrow occipital bone, without projection
- Elevated frontal bone
- Non-continuous supra-orbital complex
- Presence of a canine fossa

Homo erectus
Sangiran 17

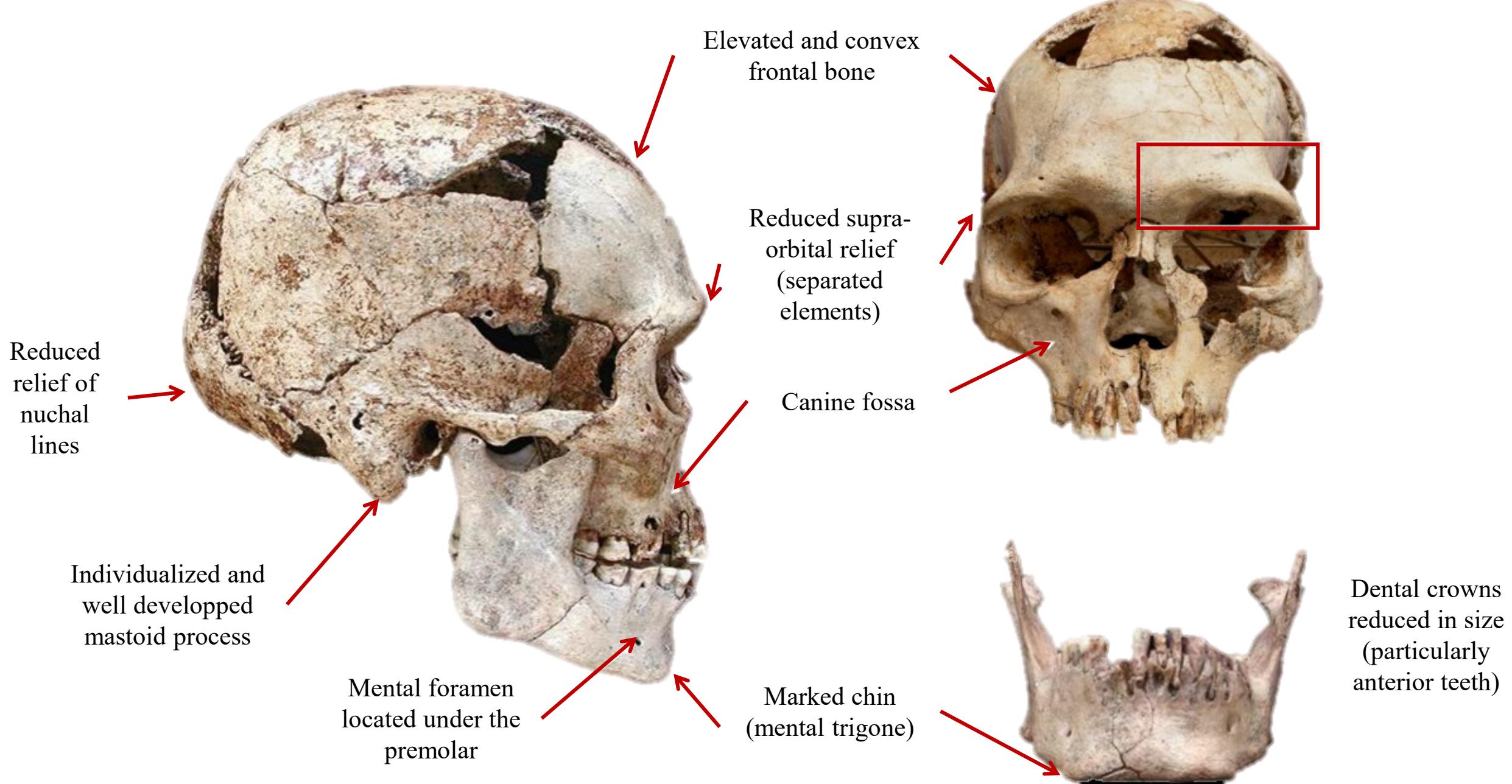


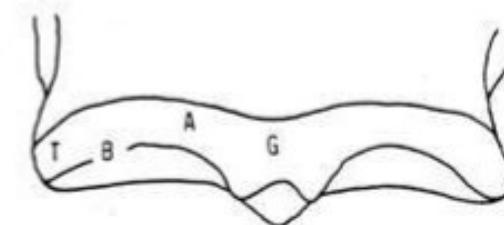
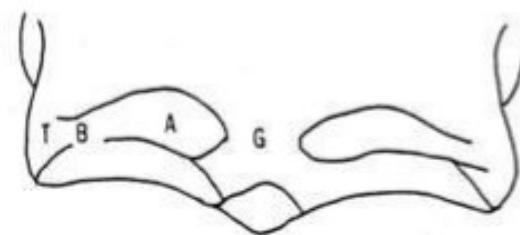
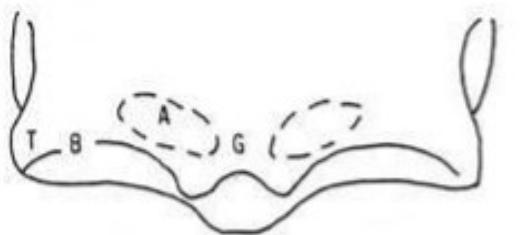
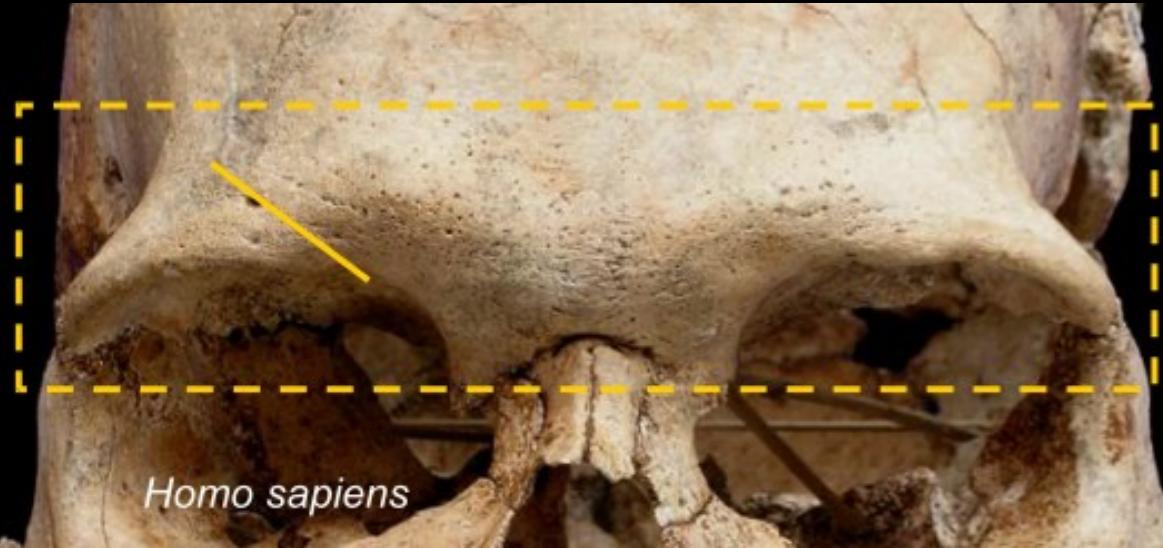
Homo sapiens
Pataud 1



Short and rounded vault
Elevated frontal bone
Rounded occipital bone
Reduced face, placed under the braincase

Global decrease of robustness





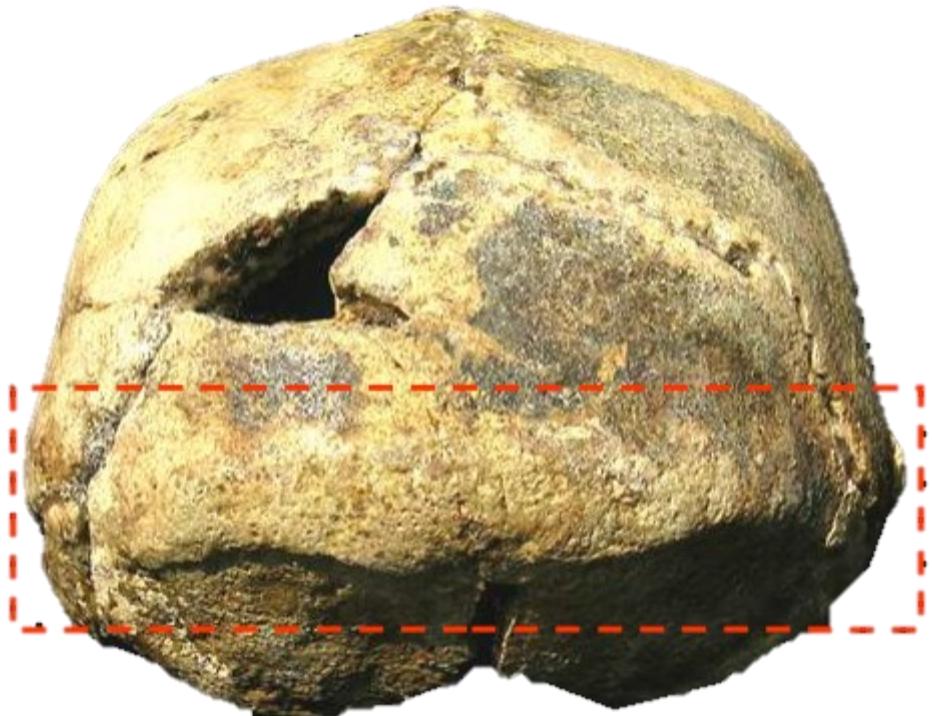
G: Glabella

A: Superciliary arch

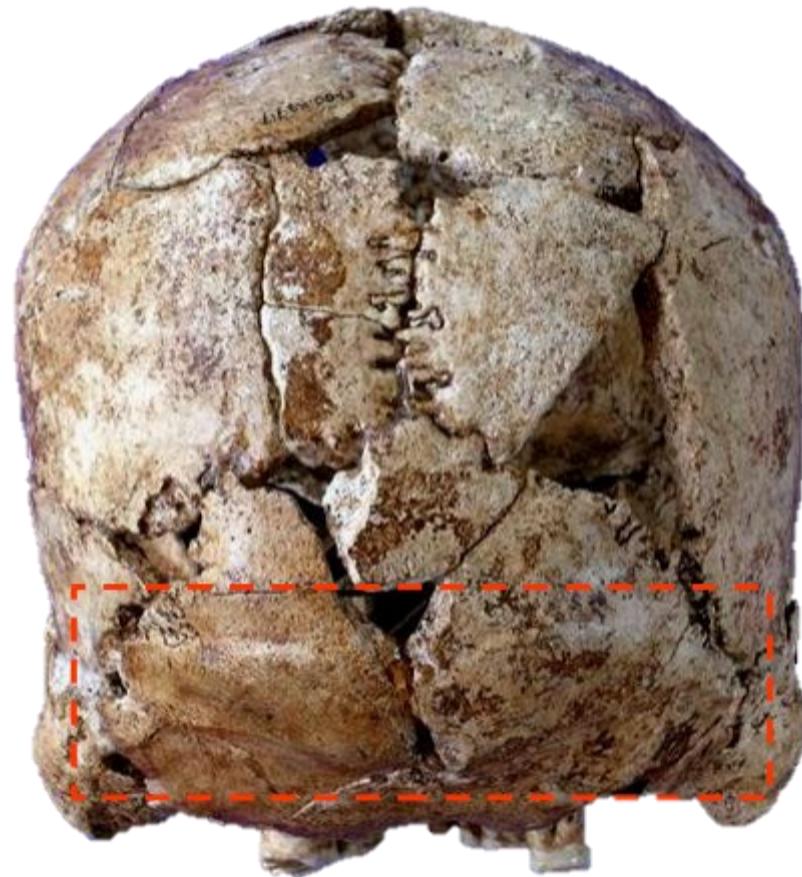
B: Upper border of the orbit

T: Lateral trigone

Transverse occipital torus



Homo erectus



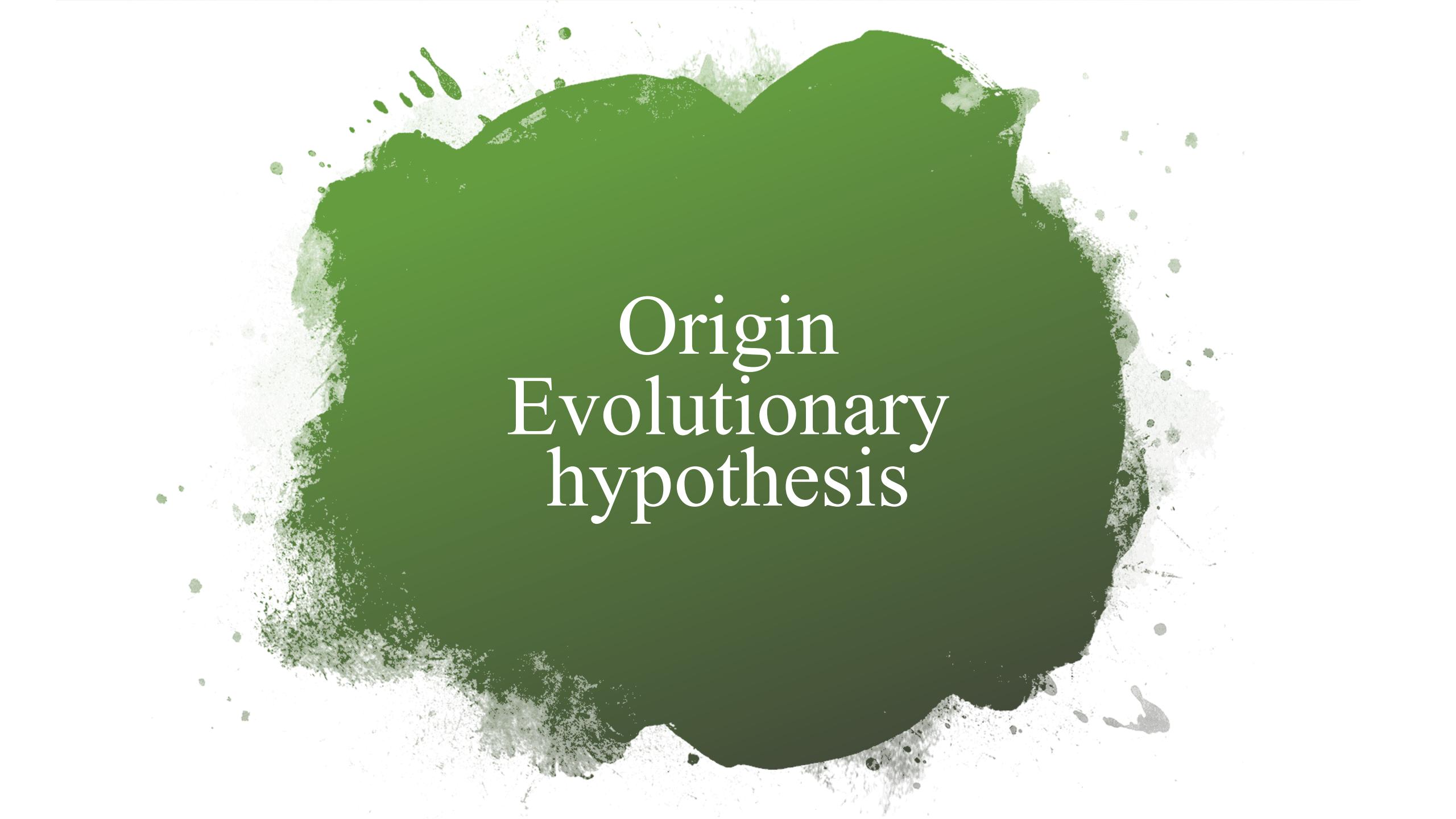
Homo sapiens



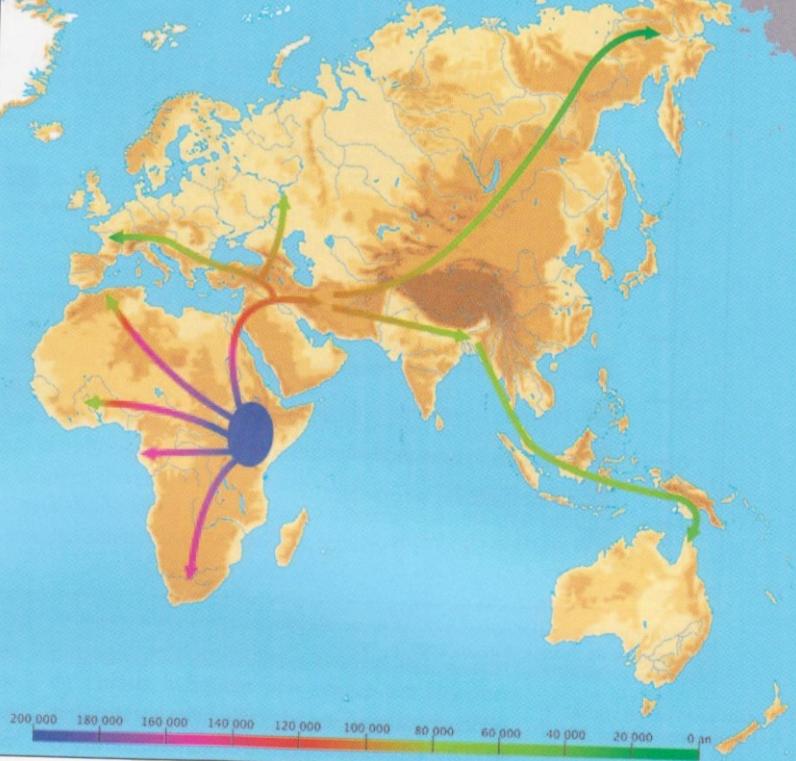
- Narrow trunk and pelvis
- Low body mass compared to stature
- Center of gravity at the level of the 2° sacral vertebra
- vertebral column with marked secondary convexities
- Long limbs compared to trunk
- Robust and lengthened lower limbs
- Lengthening of the distal segments of the limbs
- Reduced thickness of cortical bone and large medullar cavity (compared to *Homo erectus*)



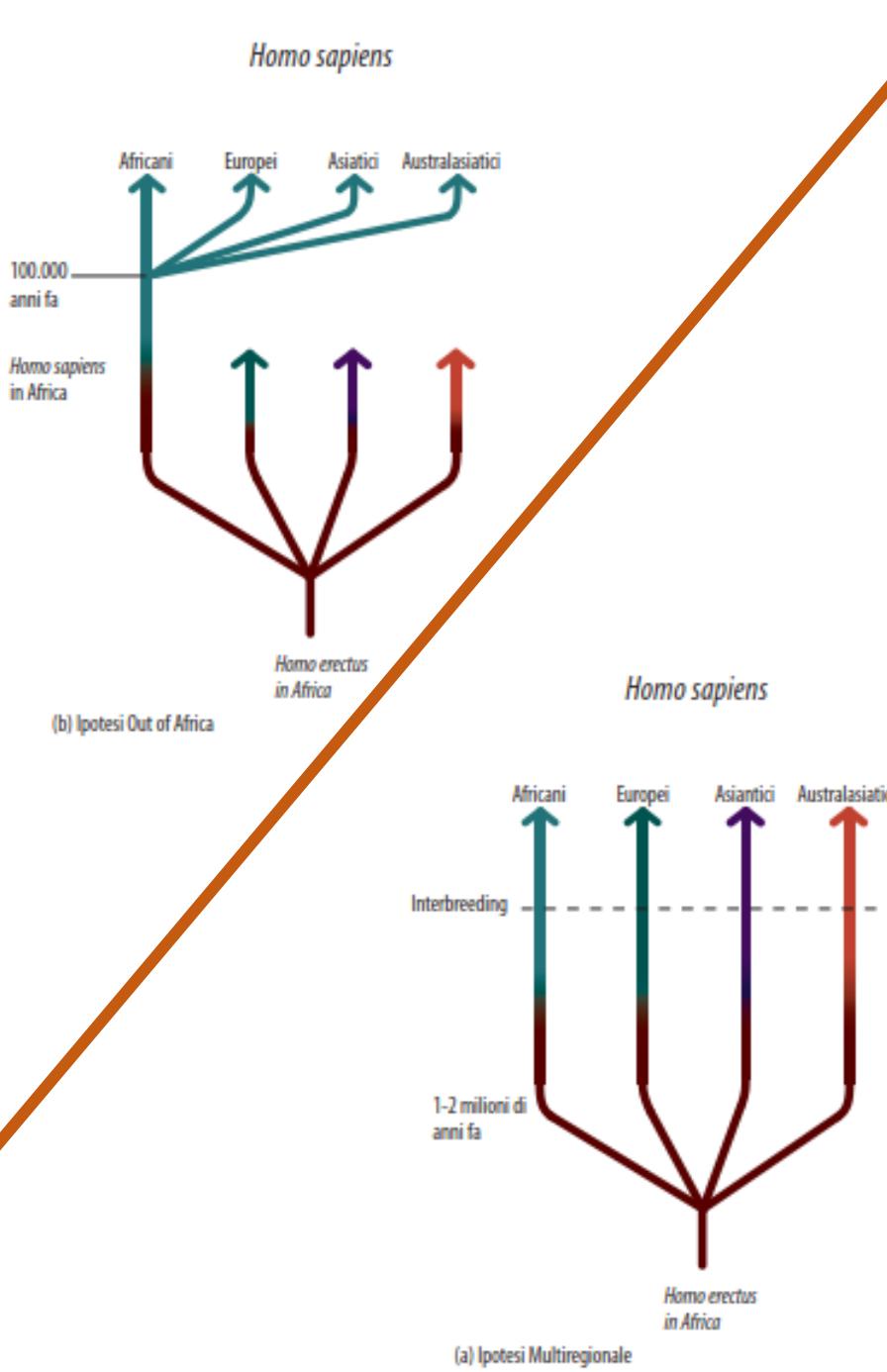
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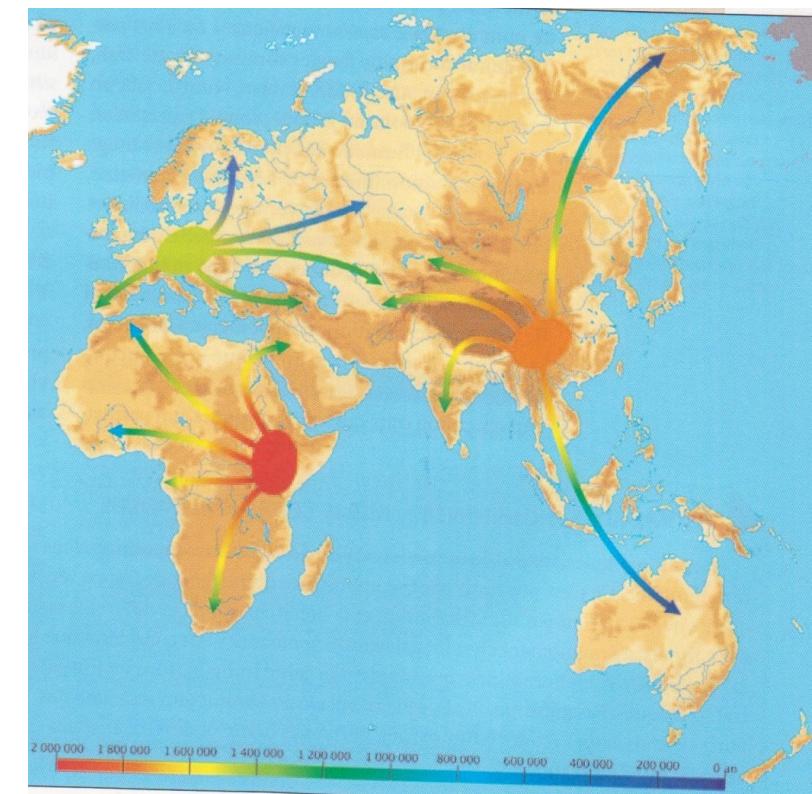
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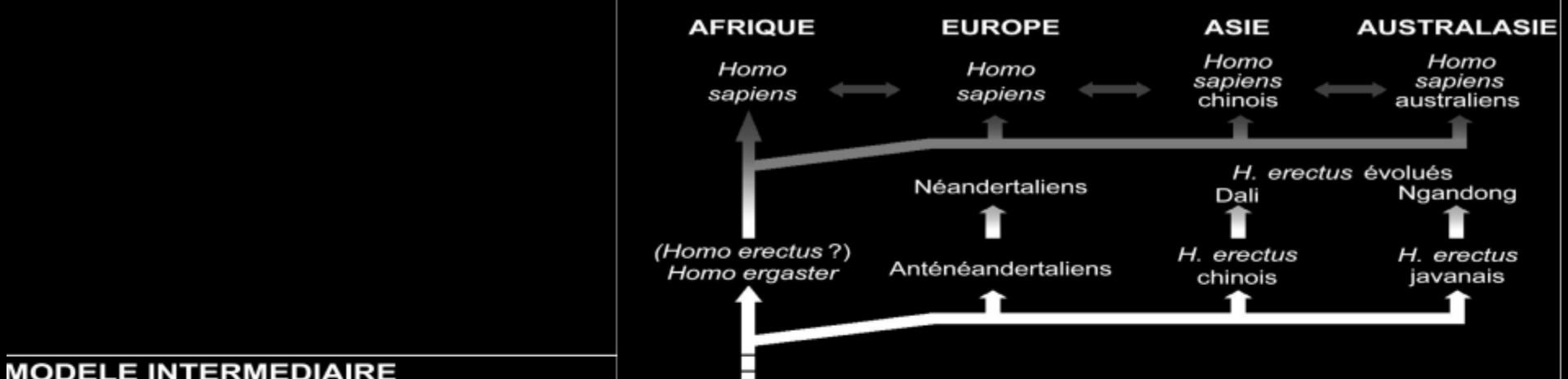
Out-of-Africa Model or substitution model



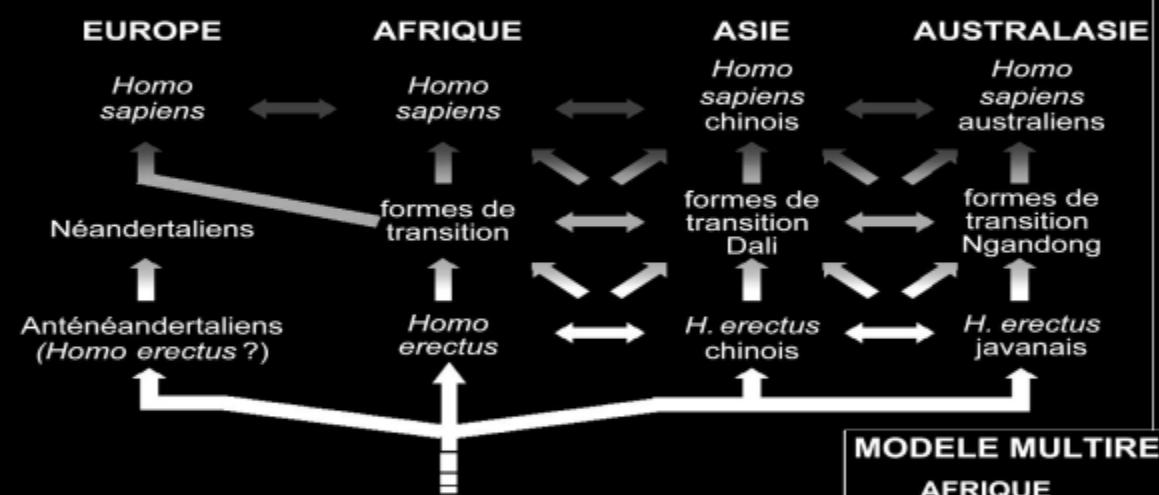
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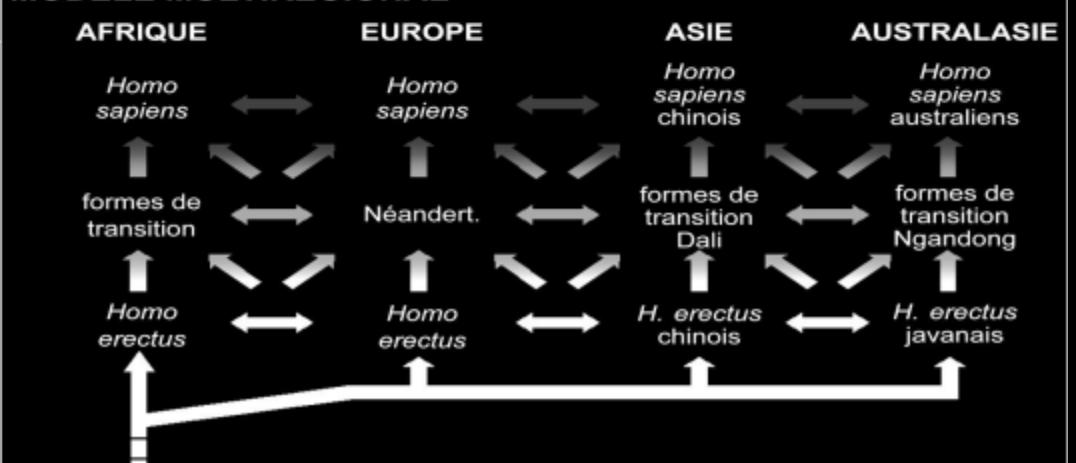
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MODELE MULTIREGIONAL



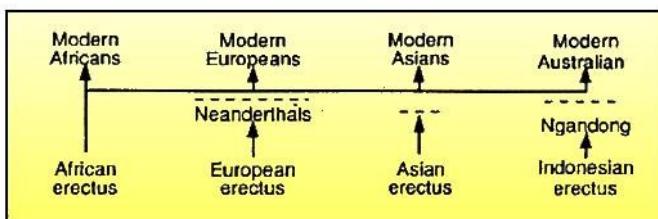
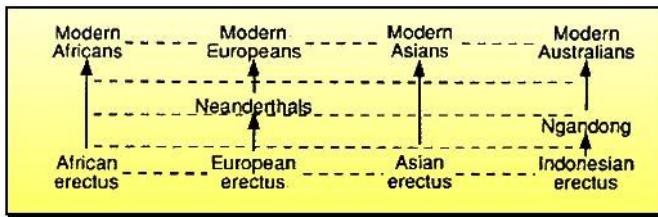
Multiregional model

The principal bases of the multiregional theory are:

- Specific regional similarity between archaic *Homo sapiens* and modern one;

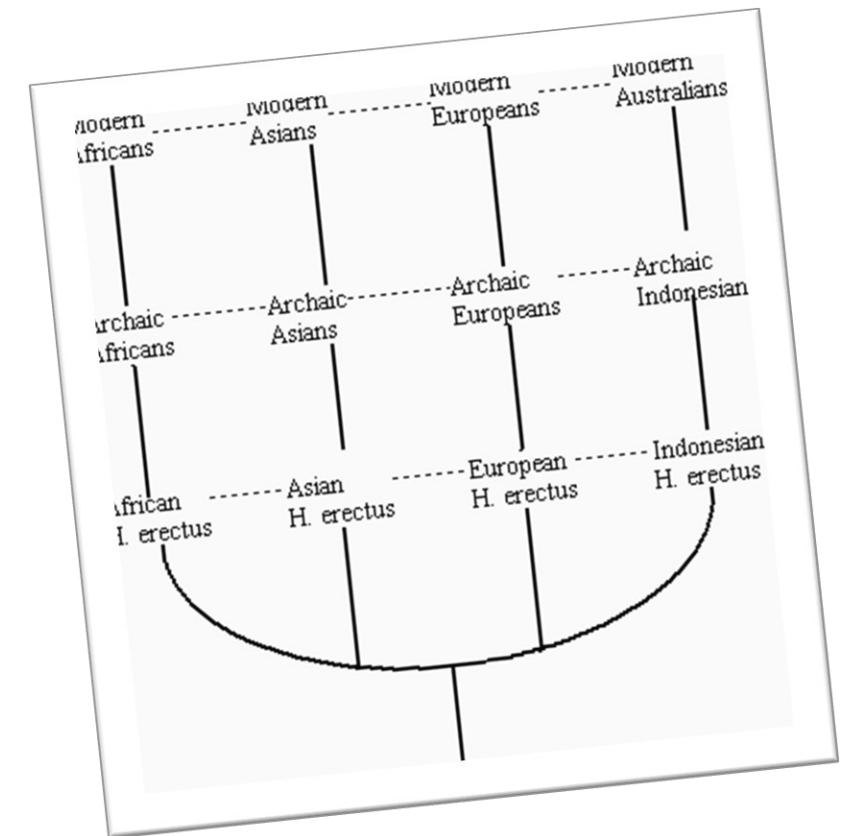
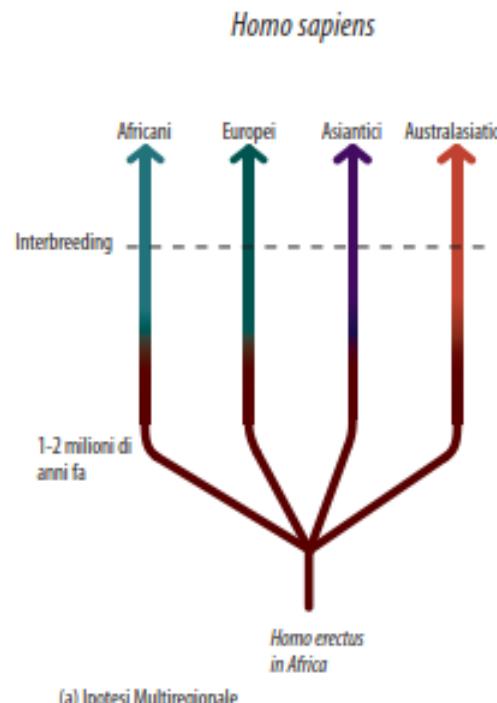
Principal criticism :

- Lack of transition shape in Asia and Europe
- Genetical proof
- This theory request a continuous gene flow between the regional population



Two views of the origins of modern humans: the multiregional model (top) and the "Out of Africa" model. Each interprets the same fossil evidence in a radically different way

Stringer, 1990



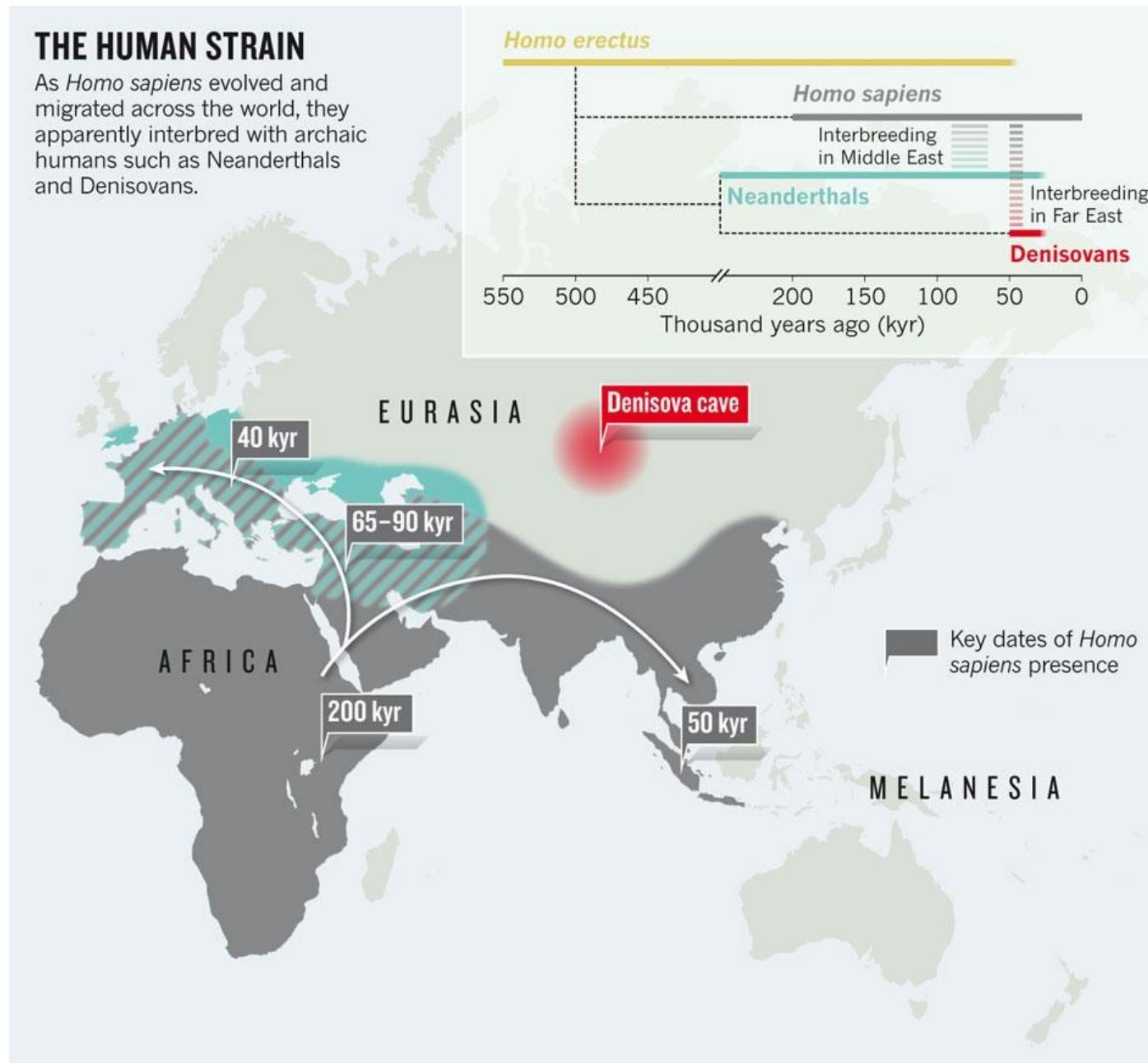
Partial substitution model

Theory of integration (Smith, 1987) or partial replacement:

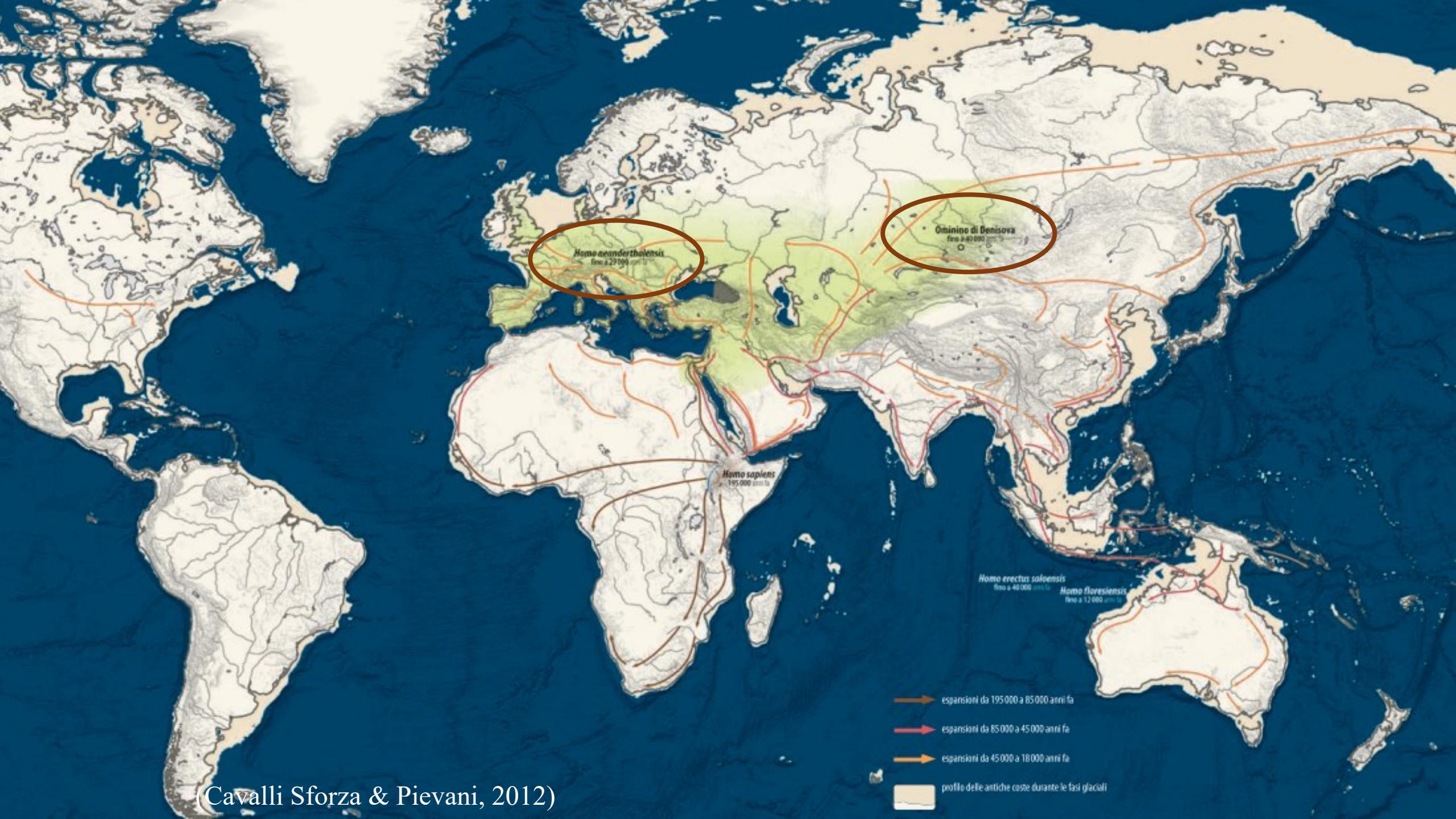
Integration from European population of the genetic patrimony of modern human, by genetic flow*. Paleontological proof: fossils from eastern Europe (Vindija).

Hybridation theory (Trinkaus):

Interbreeding in the various geographic area of modern human and preexisting population



*Genetic flow is the diffusion of gene between population, by migration of individual in reproductive age. The genetic flow can introduce in a population new allele and can change the allelic frequency. The global genetic effect is the reduction of genetic differences between population and then limit the evolution. In another hand, genetic flow can increase the internal variability of a population, increasing the polymorphism.



(Cavalli Sforza & Pievani, 2012)

Ancestors evolve into Neanderthals and first modern humans



Neanderthals die out

Common ancestor with Neanderthal



Homo sapiens

Some Neanderthal and *Homo sapiens* interbreeding

Neanderthal

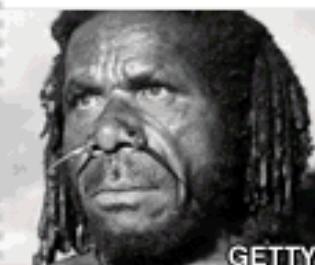
Researchers looked at five groups of modern humans



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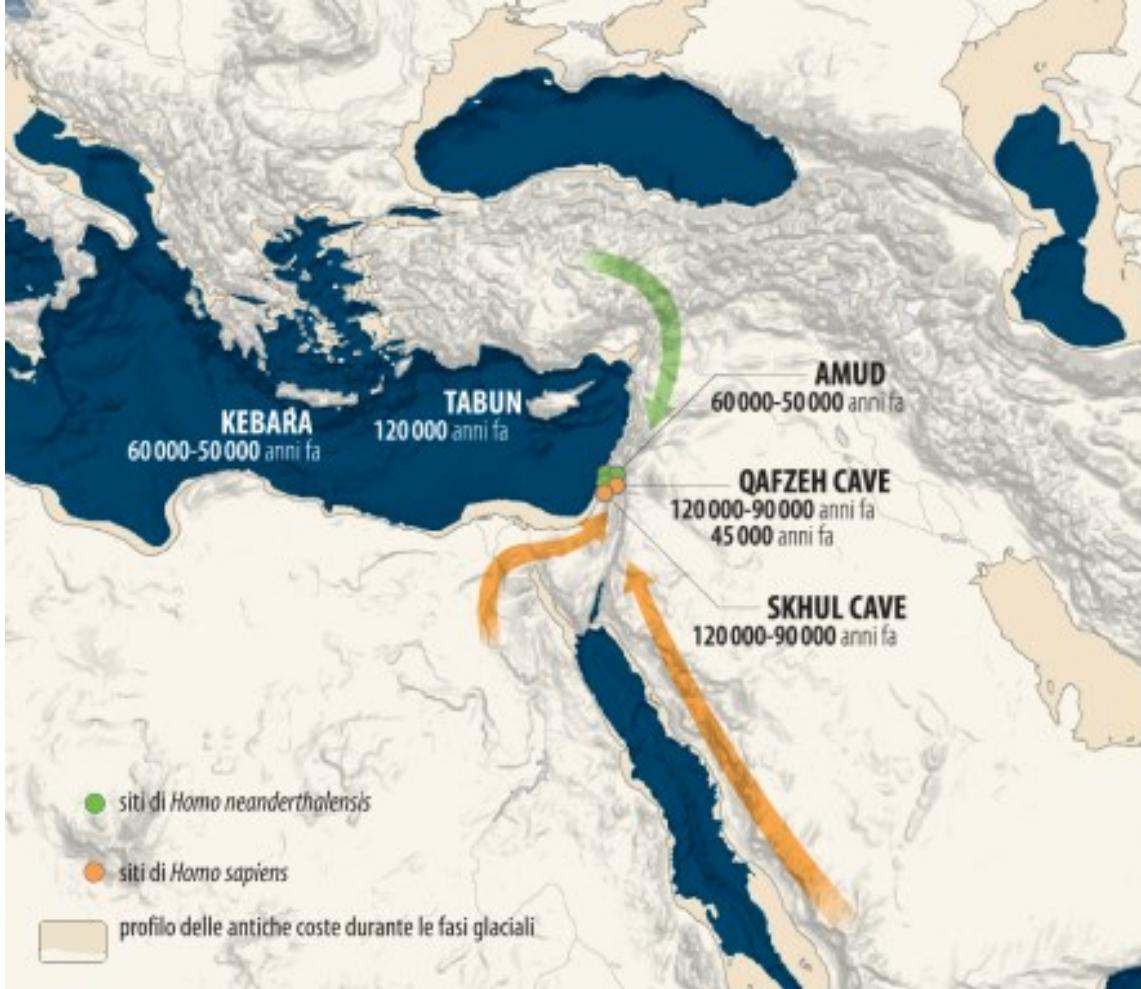
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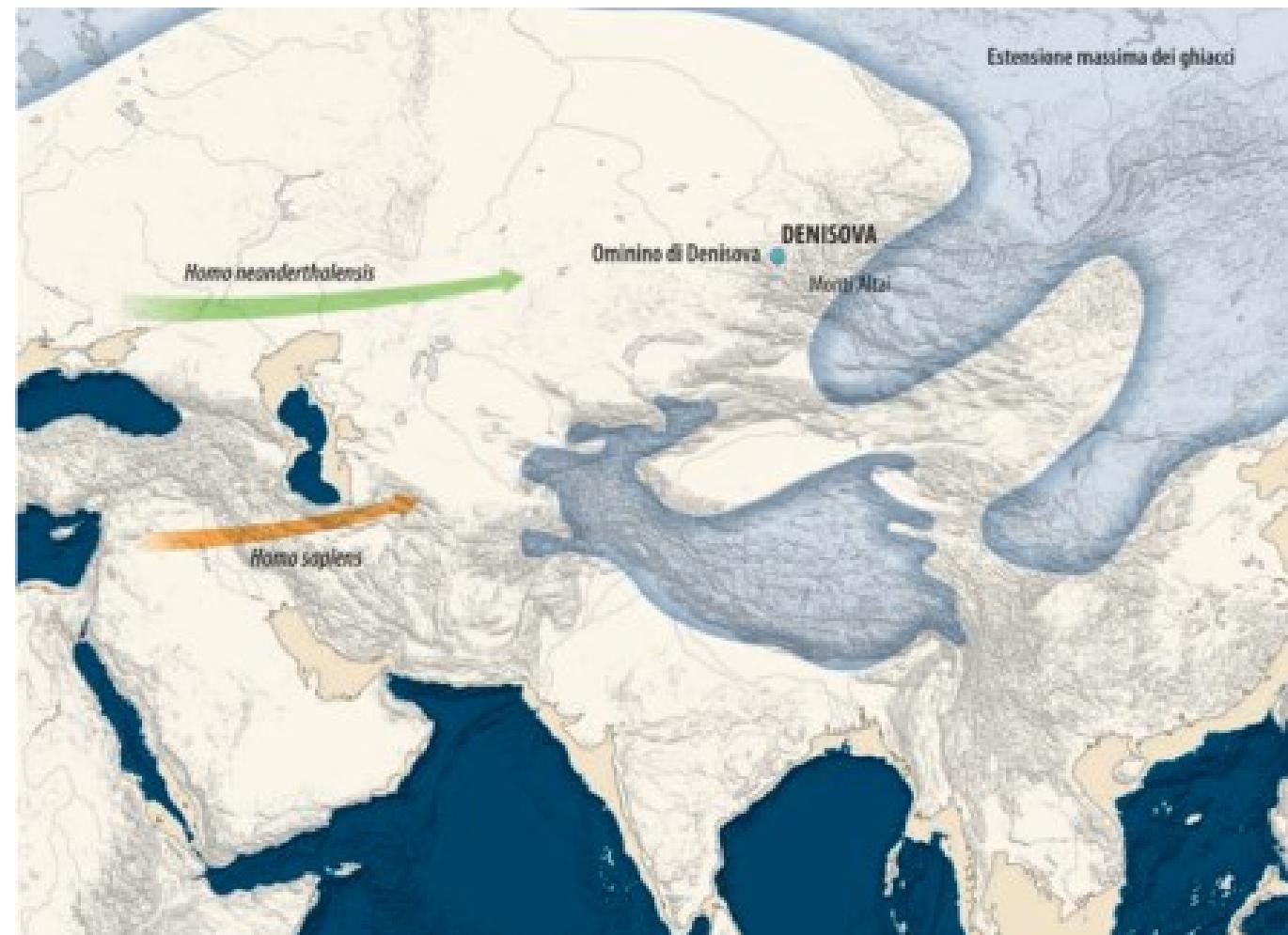
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Possible interbreed area



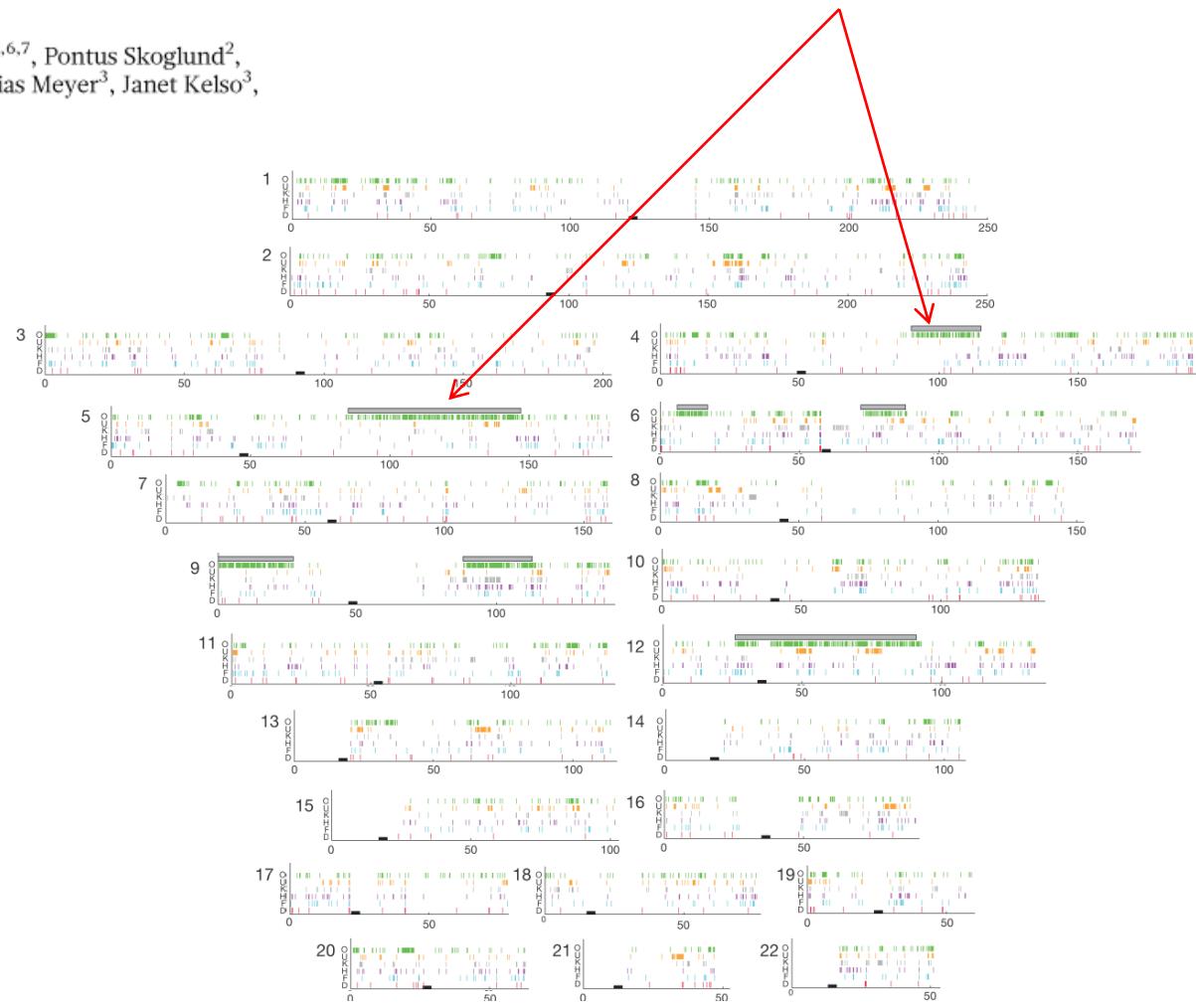
An early modern human from Romania with a recent Neanderthal ancestor

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Neanderthals are thought to have disappeared in Europe approximately 39,000–41,000 years ago but they have contributed 1–3% of the DNA of present-day people in Eurasia¹. Here we analyse DNA from a 37,000–42,000-year-old² modern human from Peştera cu Oase, Romania. Although the specimen contains small amounts of human DNA, we use an enrichment strategy to isolate sites that are informative about its relationship to Neanderthals and present-day humans. We find that on the order of 6–9% of the genome of the Oase individual is derived from Neanderthals, more than any other modern human sequenced to date. Three chromosomal segments of Neanderthal ancestry are over 50 centimorgans in size, indicating that this individual had a Neanderthal ancestor as recently as four to six generations back. However, the Oase individual does not share more alleles with later Europeans than with East Asians, suggesting that the Oase population did not contribute substantially to later humans in Europe.

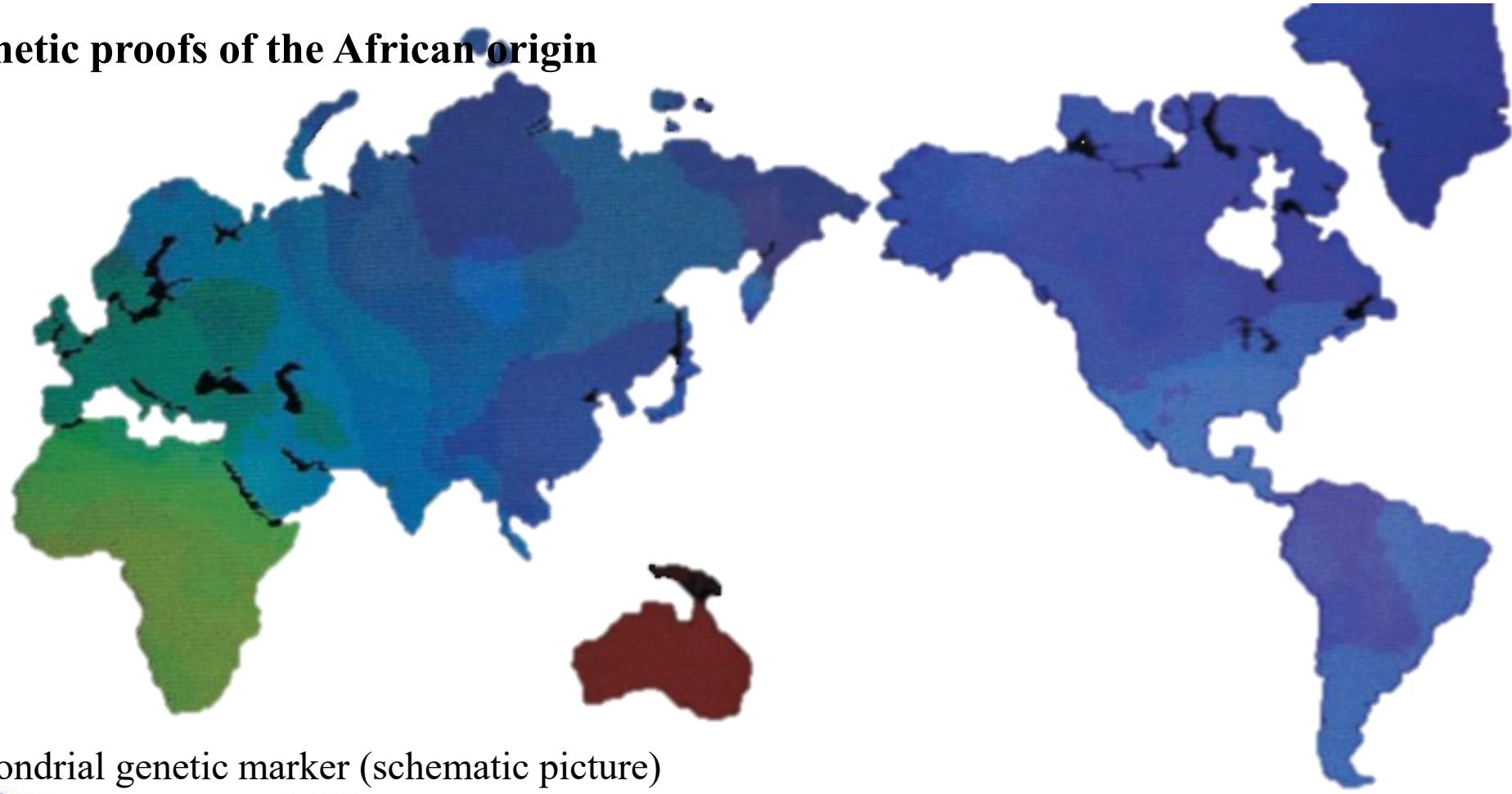


Putative recent Neanderthal ancestry

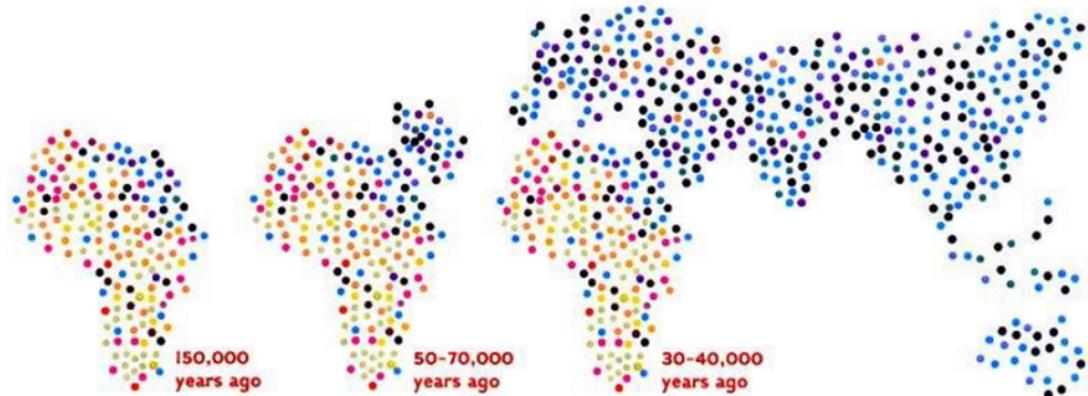


«Out of Africa» Model – Genetic proofs of the African origin

The African origin of modern human
evidenced by the study of actual
mitochondrial DNA



Diversity of one imaginary mitochondrial genetic marker (schematic picture)

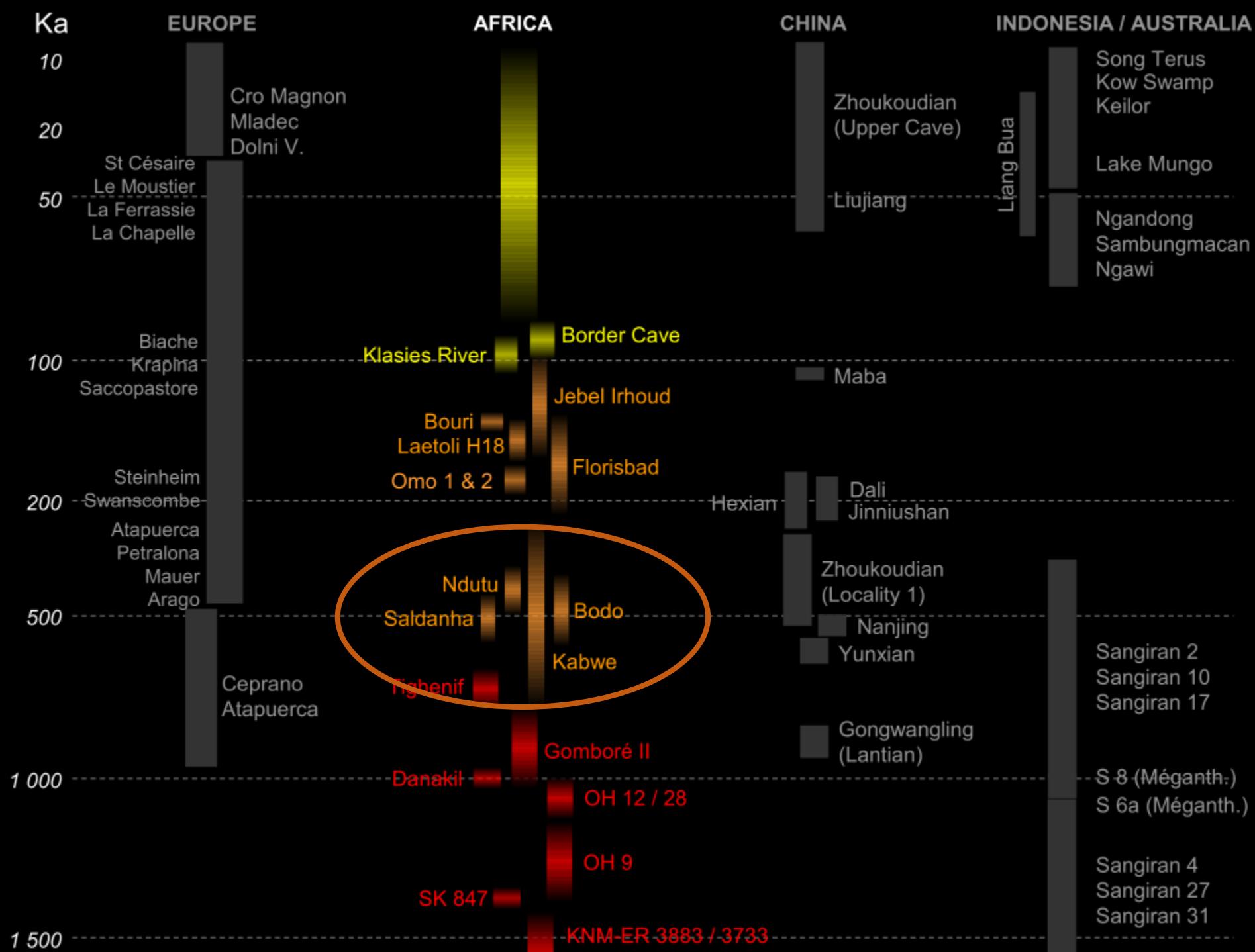


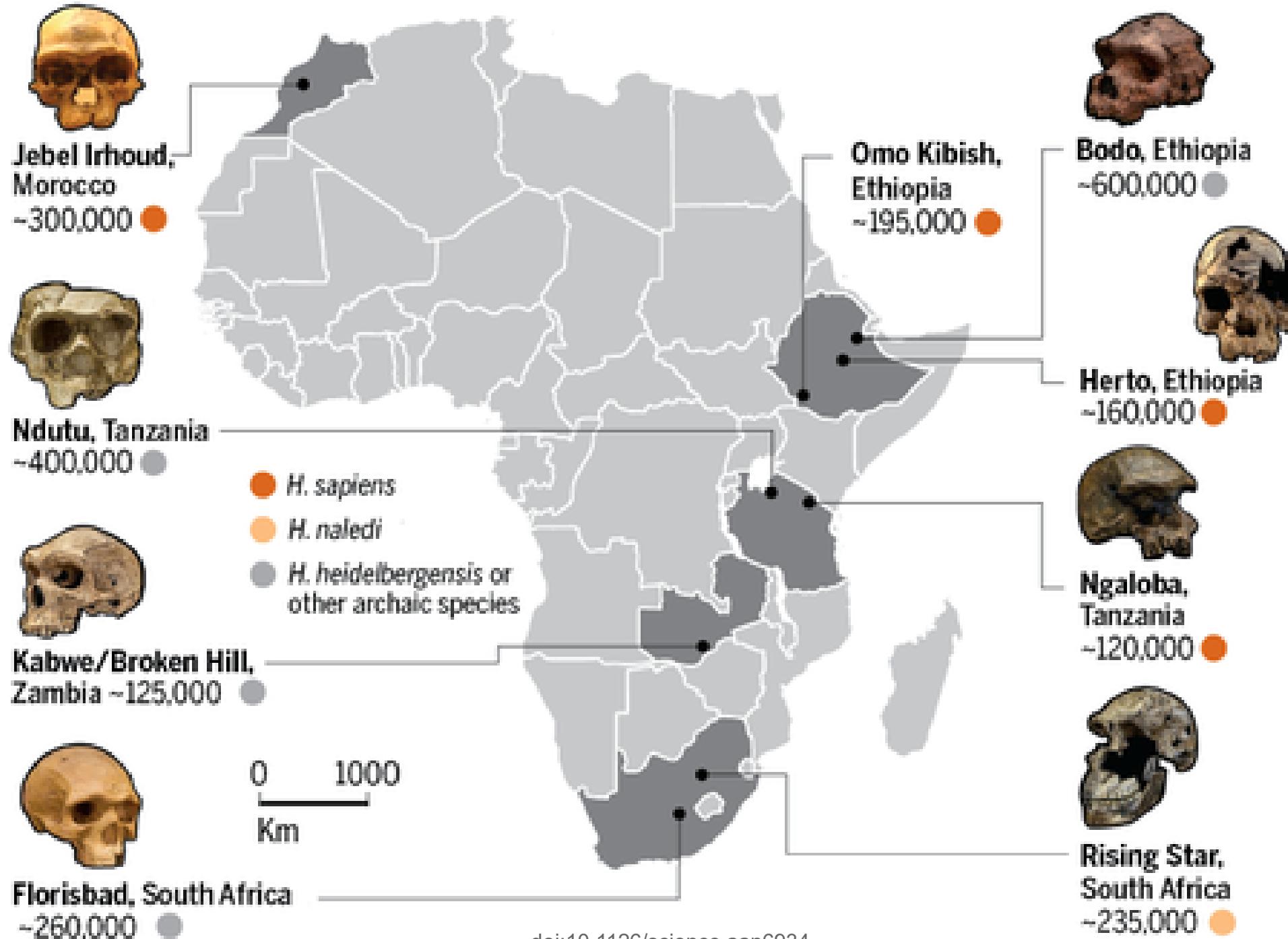
Present variability mtDNA

« all the contemporary and worldwide human mtDNA variability is also present in Africa (East Africa), thus it is the most probable place of origin of the species *Homo sapiens*. »

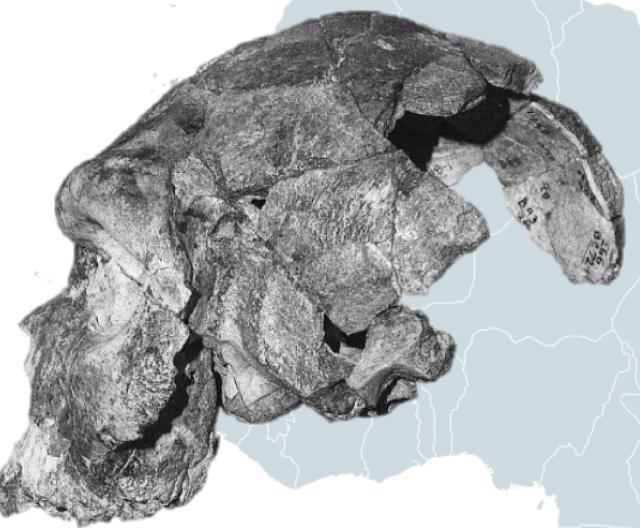


Fossil proofs

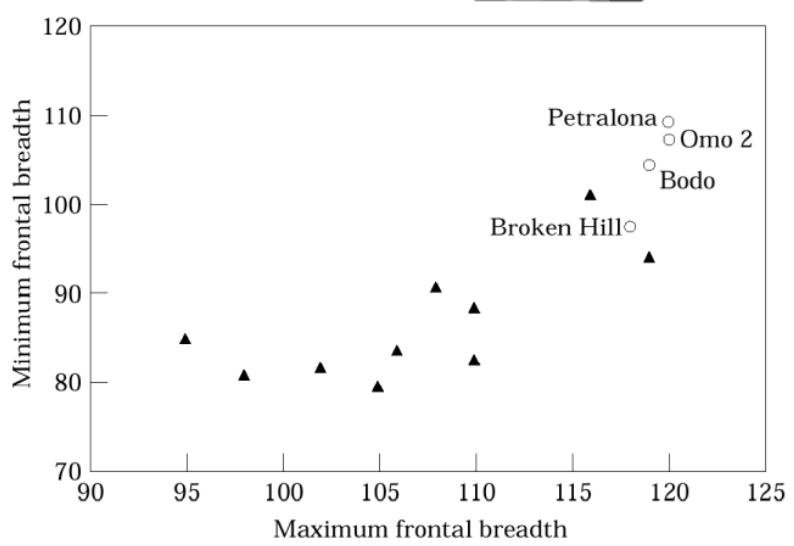




Bodo (Ethiopia) and Kabwe (Broken Hill, Zambia) 600 000 y B.P.?

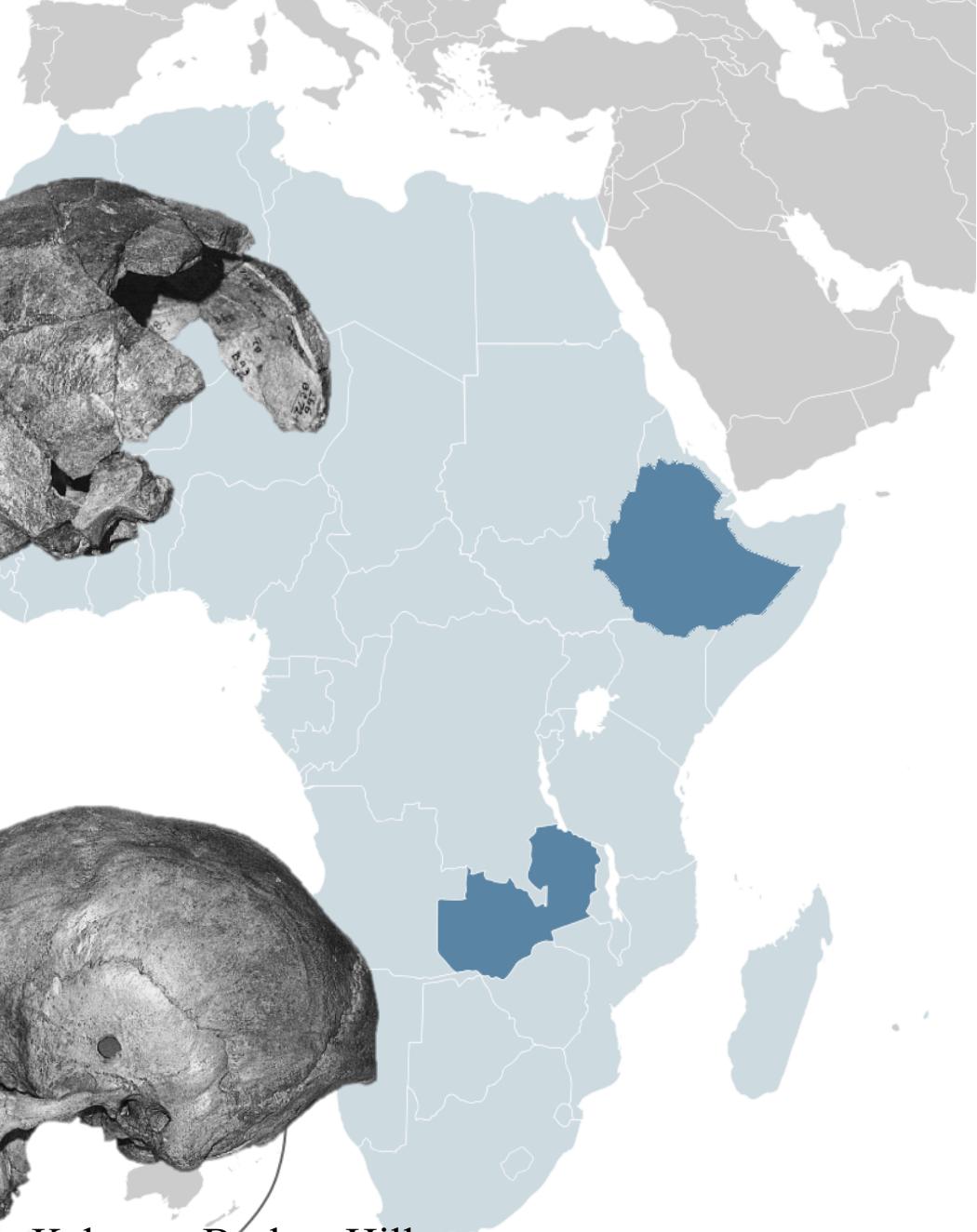
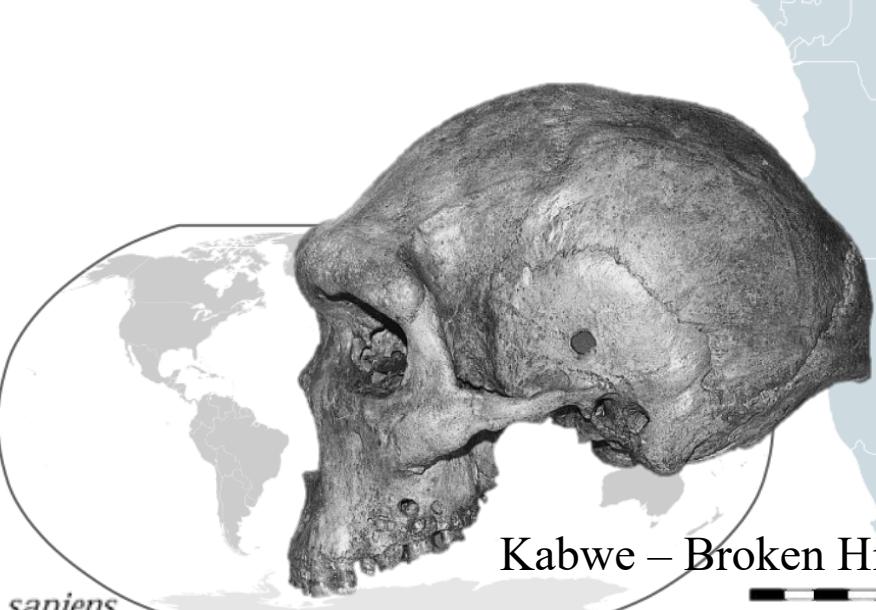


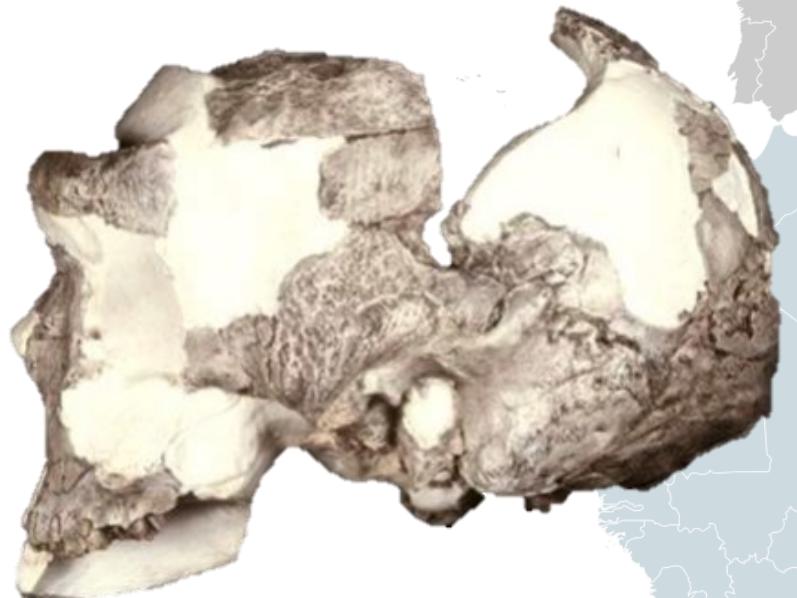
Bodo (Rightmire, 1995)



(▲), *Homo erectus* (Africa and Asia); (○), "archaic" *Homo sapiens*.

Kabwe – Broken Hill

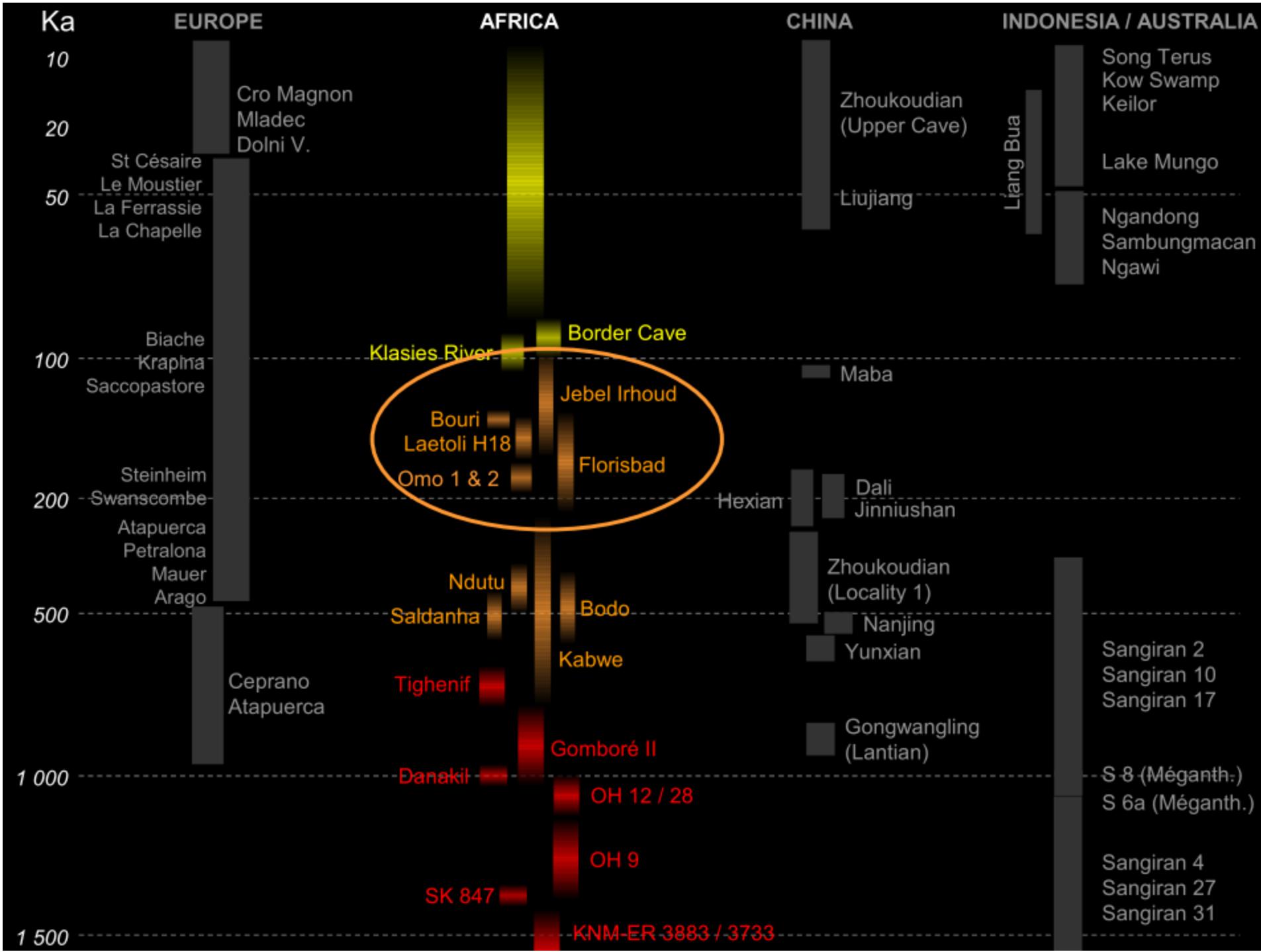




H. erectus: Dimensions of the cranium, thickness of the vault bones.

Archaic *H. sapiens*: Occipital and mastoid morphology

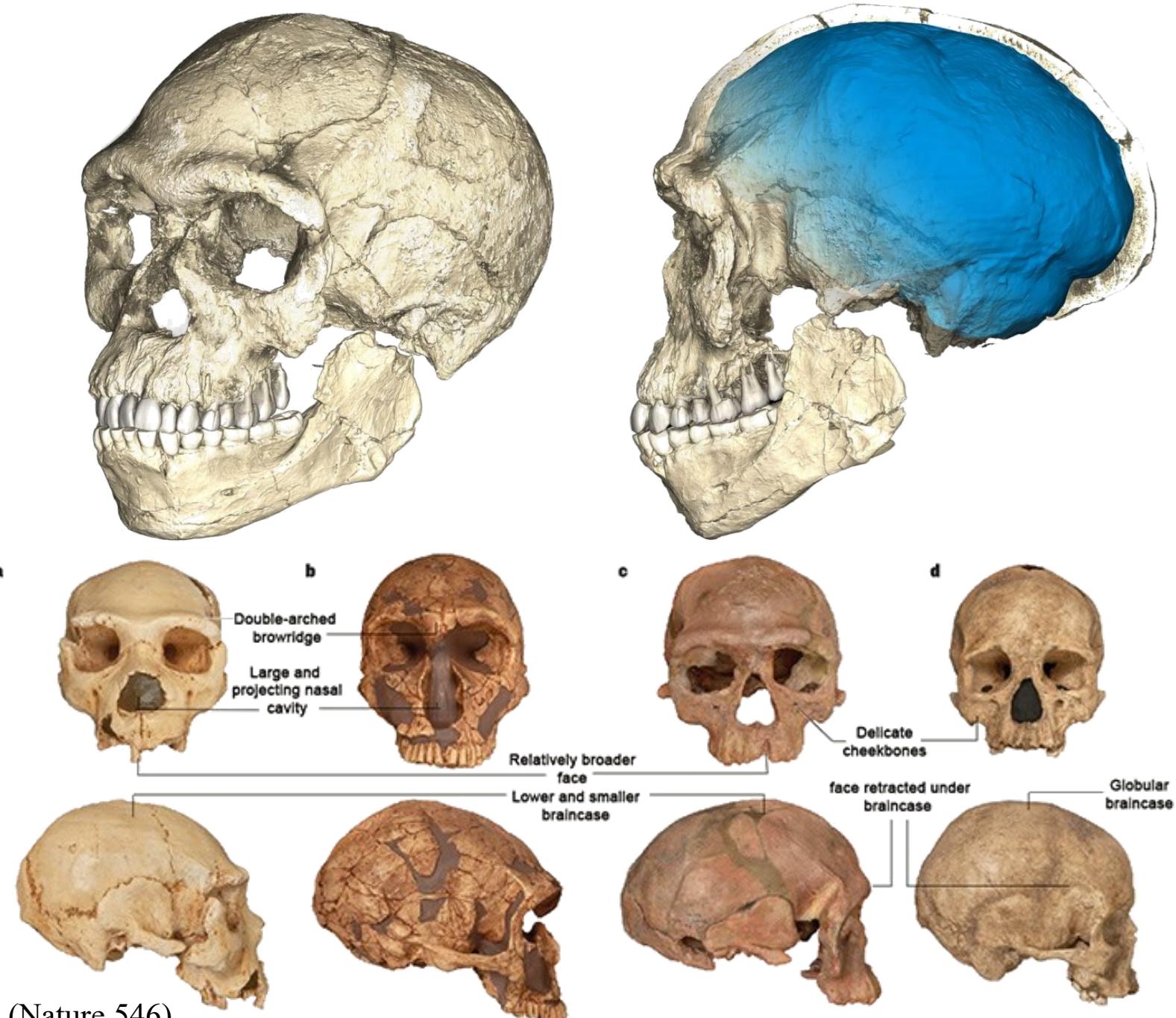


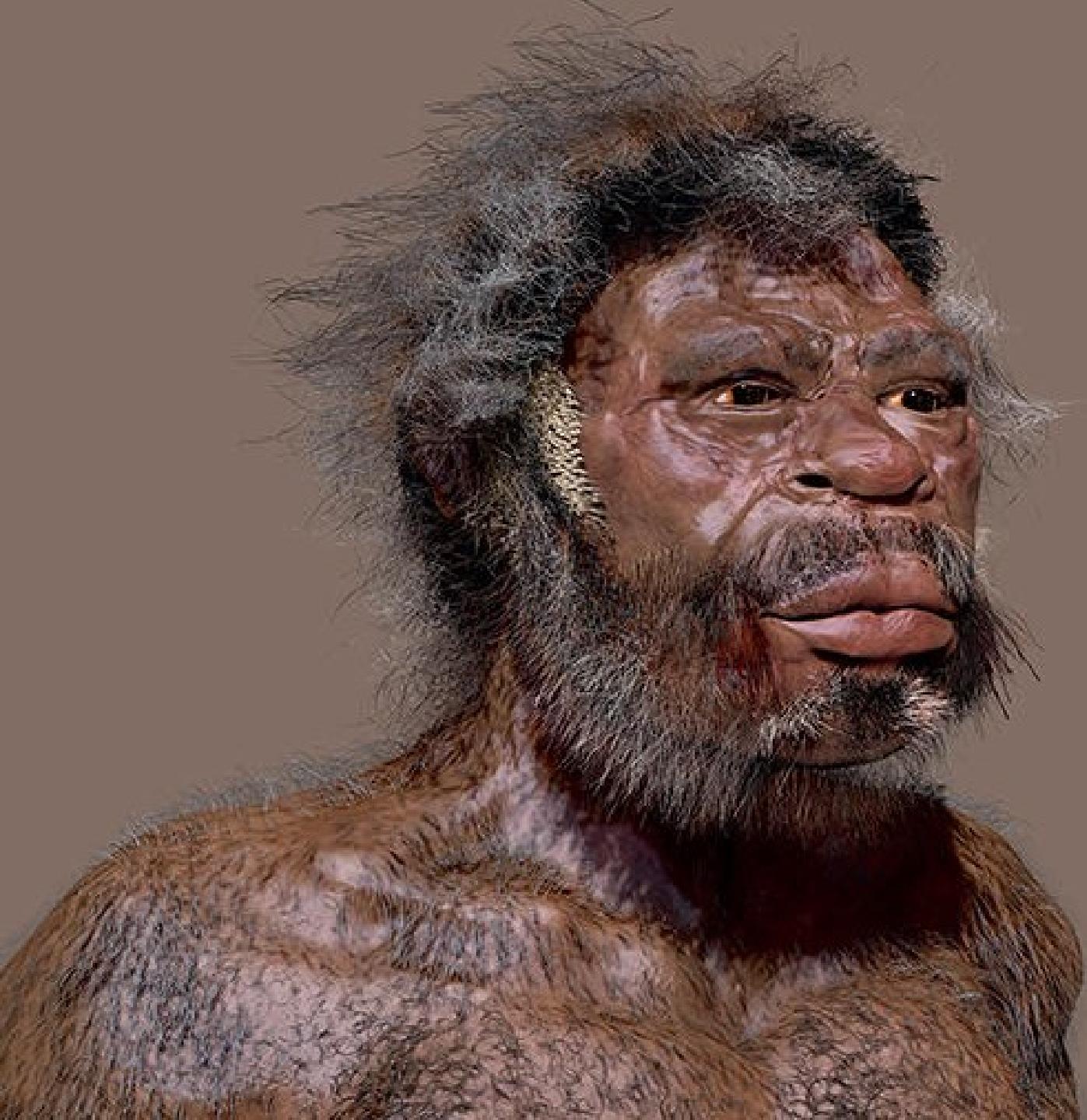


New fossils from Jebel Irhoud, Morocco and the pan-African origin of *Homo sapiens*

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Fossil evidence points to an African origin of *Homo sapiens* from a group called either *H. heidelbergensis* or *H. rhodesiensis*. However, the exact place and time of emergence of *H. sapiens* remain obscure because the fossil record is scarce and the chronological age of many key specimens remains uncertain. In particular, it is unclear whether the present day ‘modern’ morphology rapidly emerged approximately 200 thousand years ago (ka) among earlier representatives of *H. sapiens*¹ or evolved gradually over the last 400 thousand years². Here we report newly discovered human fossils from Jebel Irhoud, Morocco, and interpret the affinities of the hominins from this site with other archaic and recent human groups. We identified a mosaic of features including facial, mandibular and dental morphology that aligns the Jebel Irhoud material with early or recent anatomically modern humans and more primitive neurocranial and endocranial morphology. In combination with an age of 315 ± 34 thousand years (as determined by thermoluminescence dating)³, this evidence makes Jebel Irhoud the oldest and richest African Middle Stone Age hominin site that documents early stages of the *H. sapiens* clade in which key features of modern morphology were established. Furthermore, it shows that the evolutionary processes behind the emergence of *H. sapiens* involved the whole African continent.





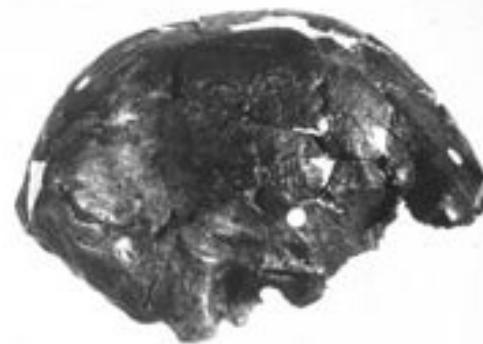
Modern face but archaic cranium.



Omo Kibish, Ethiopia
195 000 - 130 000 y BP



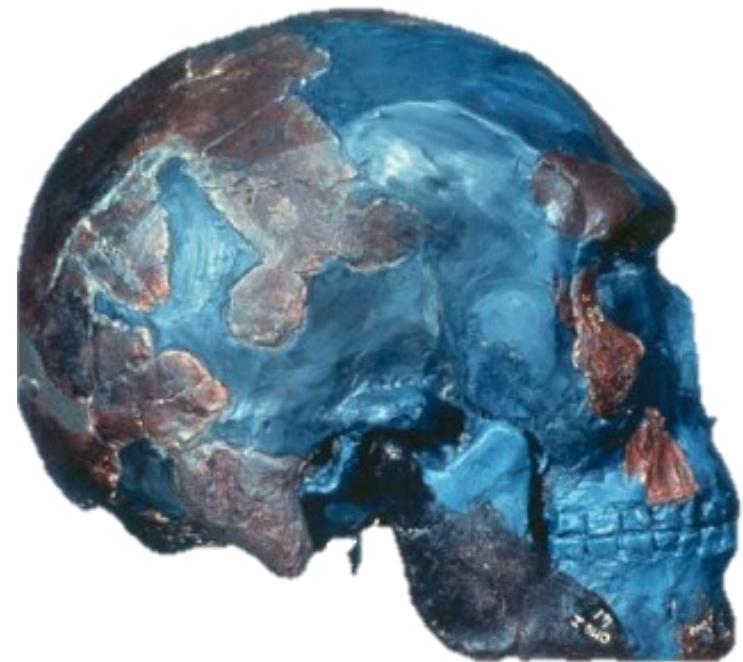
Omo 1



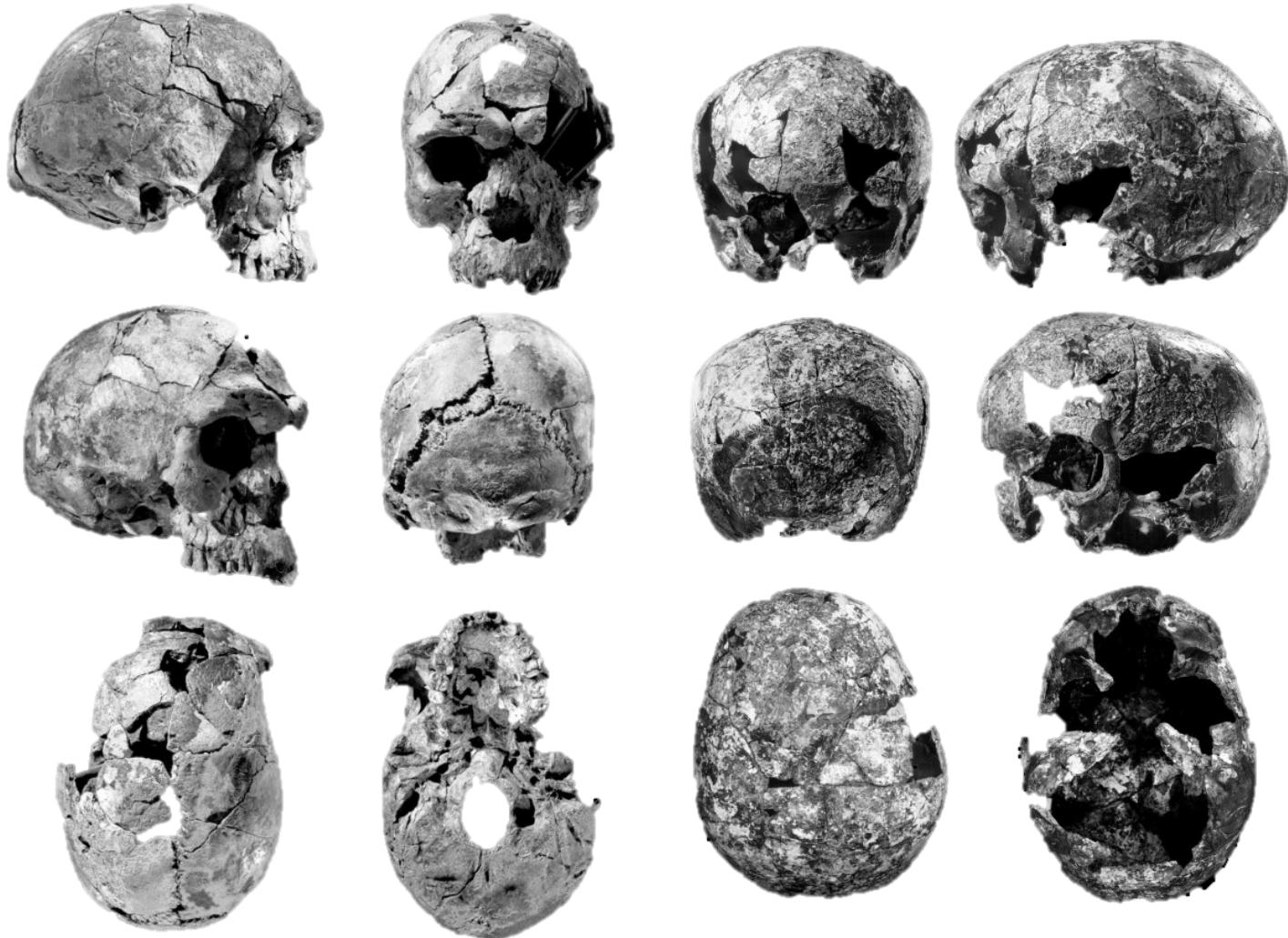
Omo 2



Bab El-Mandeb strait, the area where Africa and Saudi Arabia are close.



Herto Bouri, Middle Awash, Ethiopia
154-160 000 y BP



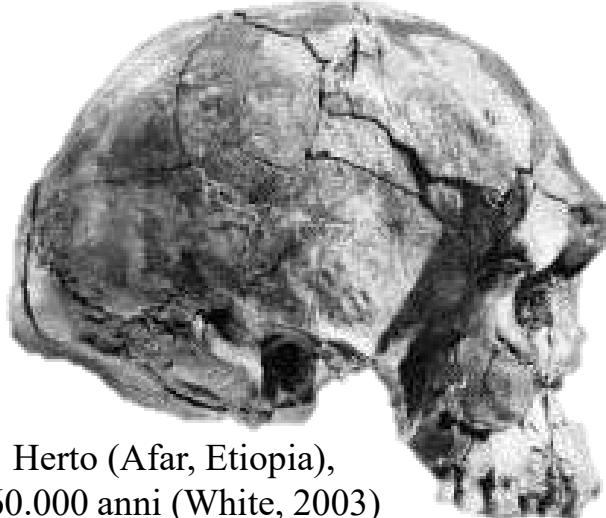
(White, 2003)



Bab El-Mandeb strait, the area where Africa and Saudi Arabia are close.

Homo sapiens idaltu

The remains were discovered for the first time in the site of Herto Bouri (Ethiopia) and have been dated to 160 ka BP.



Herto (Afar, Etiopia),
160.000 anni (White, 2003)

"Because the Herto hominids are morphologically just beyond the range of variation seen in AMHS [anatomically modern *Homo sapiens*], and because they differ from all other known fossil hominids, we recognize them here as *Homo sapiens idaltu*, a new palaeosubspecies of *Homo sapiens*".

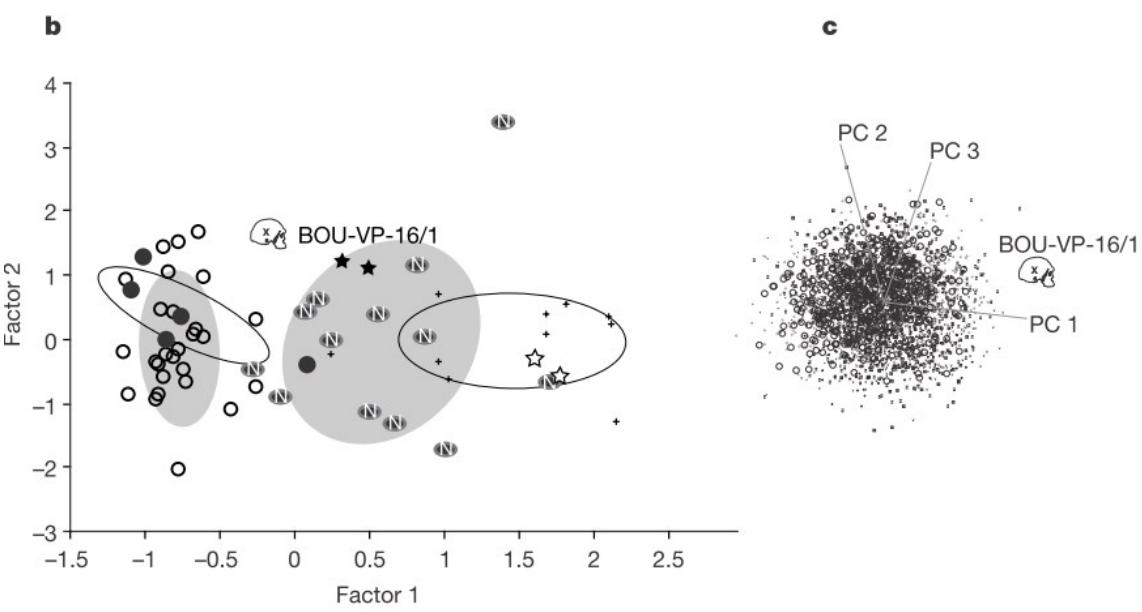
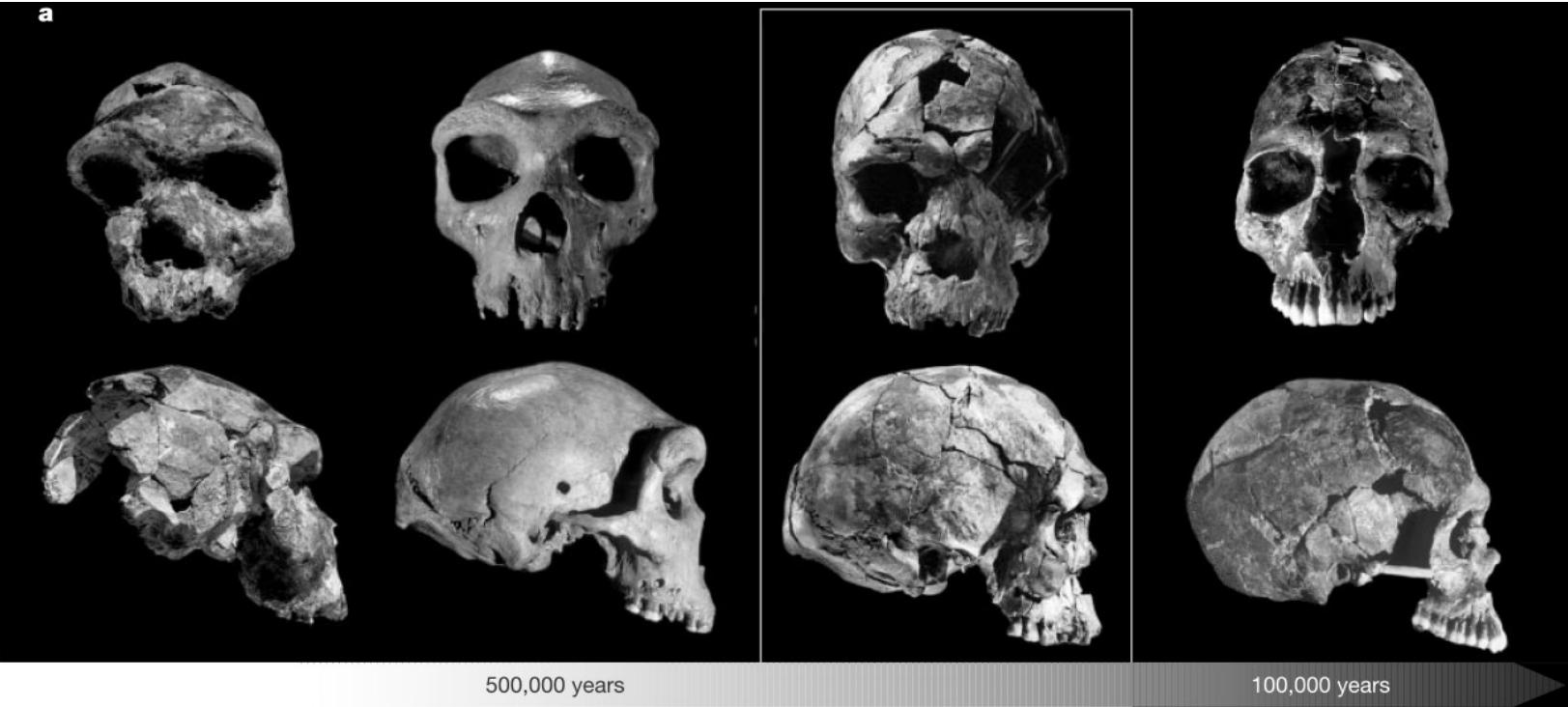
Order Primates L., 1758
Suborder Anthropoidea Mivart, 1864
Superfamily Hominoidea Gray, 1825
Family Hominidae Gray, 1825
Homo sapiens idaltu subsp. nov.

Etymology. The subspecies name 'idàltu' is taken from the Afar language. It means 'elder'.
Holotype. BOU-VP-16/1 (Fig. 1), an adult cranium with partial dentition. Holotype and referred material are housed at the National Museum of Ethiopia, Addis Ababa. Holotype from Bouri Vertebrate Paleontology Locality 16 (BOU-VP 16); differentially corrected GPS coordinates: 10° 15.5484' N and 40° 33.3834' E.

Referred material. BOU-VP-16/2 cranial fragments; BOU-VP-16/3 parietal fragment; BOU-VP-16/4 parietal fragment; BOU-VP-16/5 child's cranium; BOU-VP-16/6 R. upper molar; BOU-VP-16/7 parietal fragment, BOU-VP-16/18 parietal fragments; BOU-VP-16/42 upper premolar, BOU-VP-16/43 parietal fragment.

Stratigraphy and age. Bouri Formation, Upper Herto Member. Dated by $^{40}\text{Ar}/^{39}\text{Ar}$ to between 160,000 and 154,000 years ago (ref. 6).

Diagnosis. On the limited available evidence, a subspecies of *Homo sapiens* distinguished from Holocene anatomically modern humans (*Homo sapiens sapiens*) by greater craniofacial robusticity, greater anterior–posterior cranial length, and large glenoid-to-occlusal plane distance. *Homo sapiens idaltu* is distinguished from the holotype of *Homo rhodesiensis* (Woodward, 1921) by a larger cranial capacity, a more vertical frontal with smaller face, and more marked midfacial topography (for example, canine fossa). We consider the holotypes of *H. helmei* and *H. njarasensis* too fragmentary for appropriate comparisons.



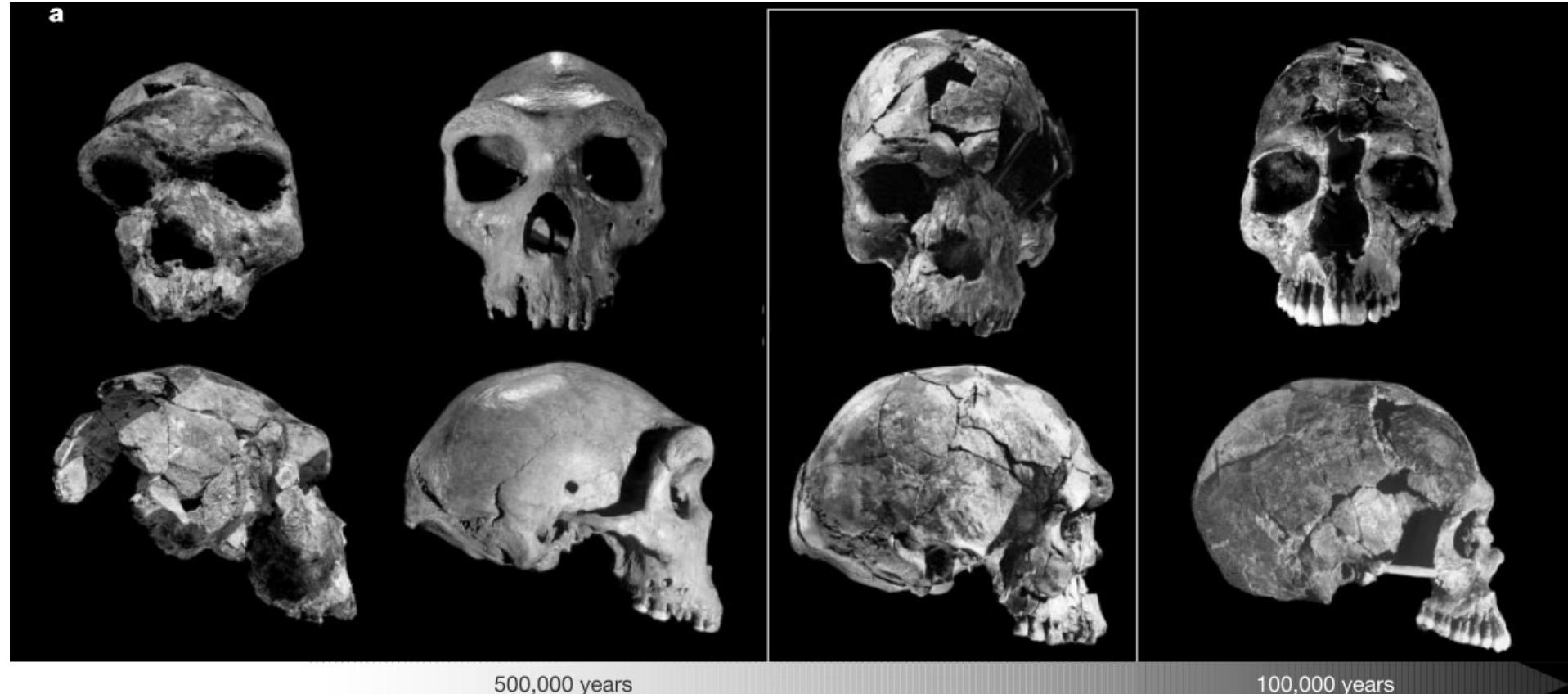
(White et al. 2003)

The african « evolutionary sequence » for *Homo sapiens*

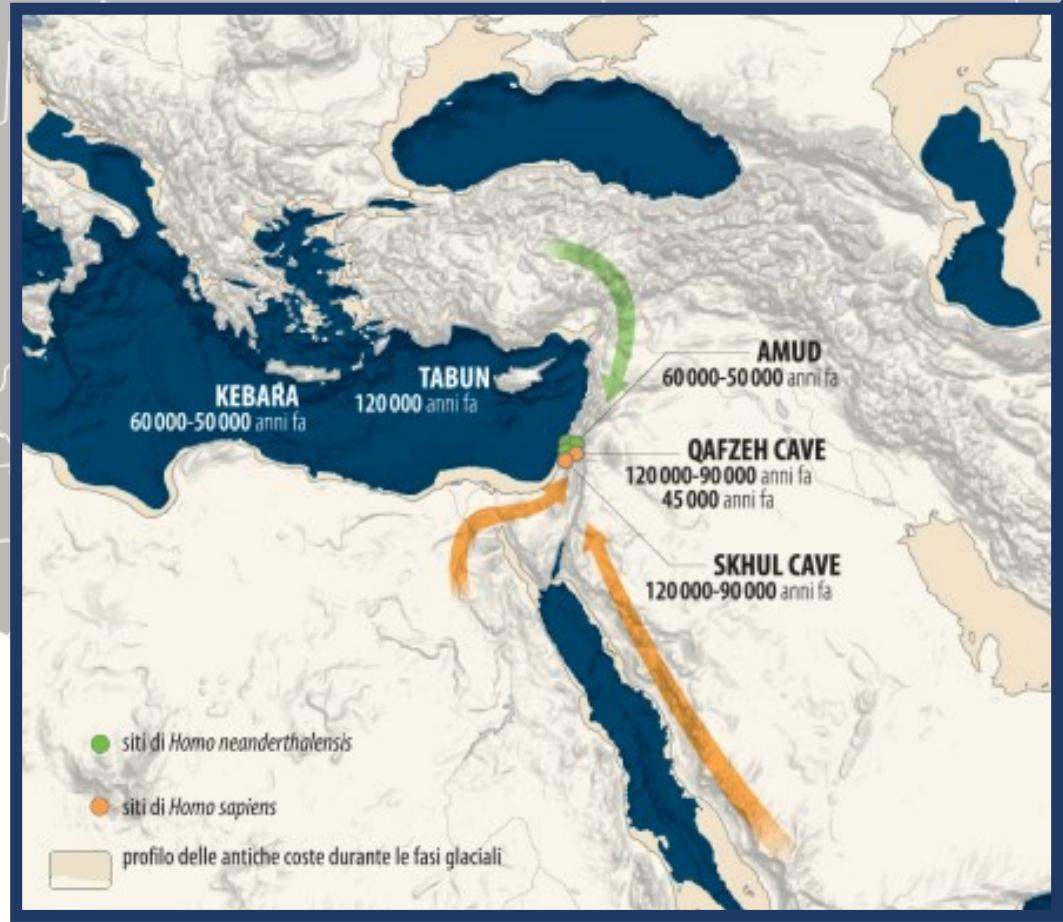
Archaic *Homo sapiens*
Homo rhodesiensis?
Homo heidelbergensis?



Anat. modern
Homo sapiens

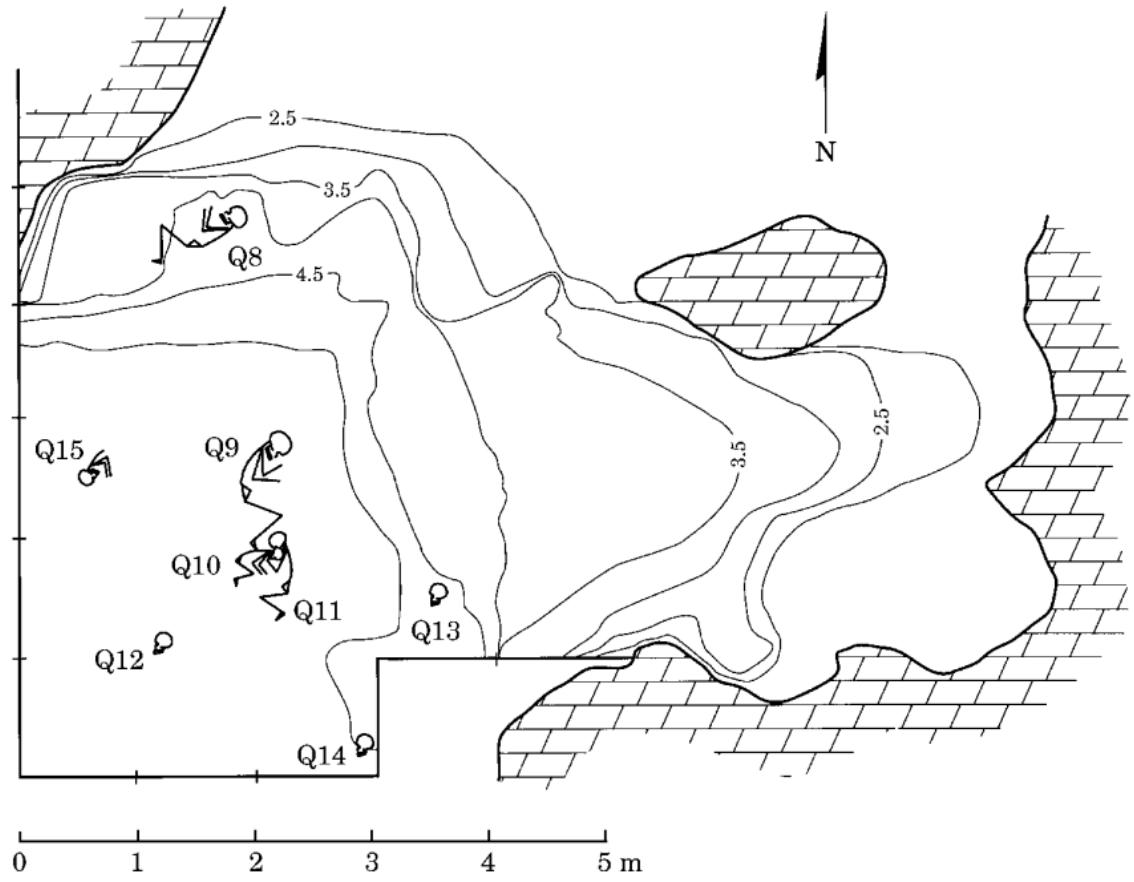


Homo sapiens idaltu



Qafzeh, Israel
90-100 000 y BP

Human remains (NMI 25 individuals)
Mousterian assemblage

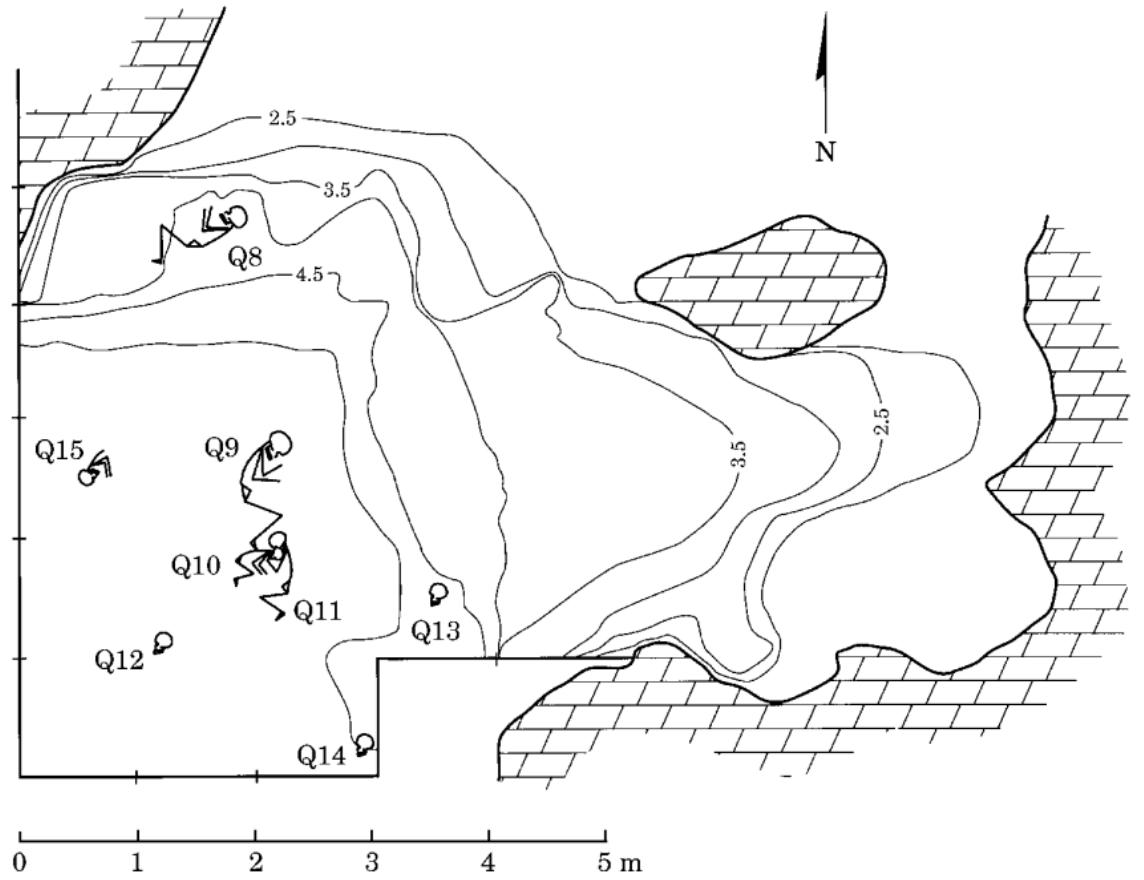


Qafzeh 9

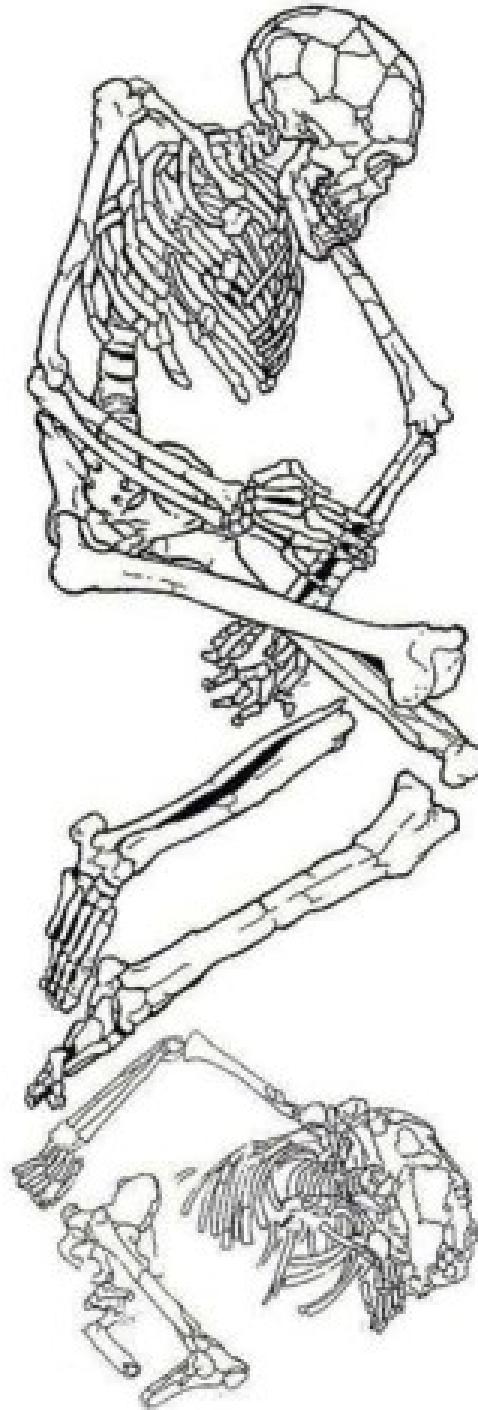
(Vandermeersch, 1981)

Qafzeh, Israel
90-100 000 y BP

Multiple burial



(Vandermeersch, 1981)



The first *Homo sapiens* in the Near-East

Skhul - Israel (100.000 BP)

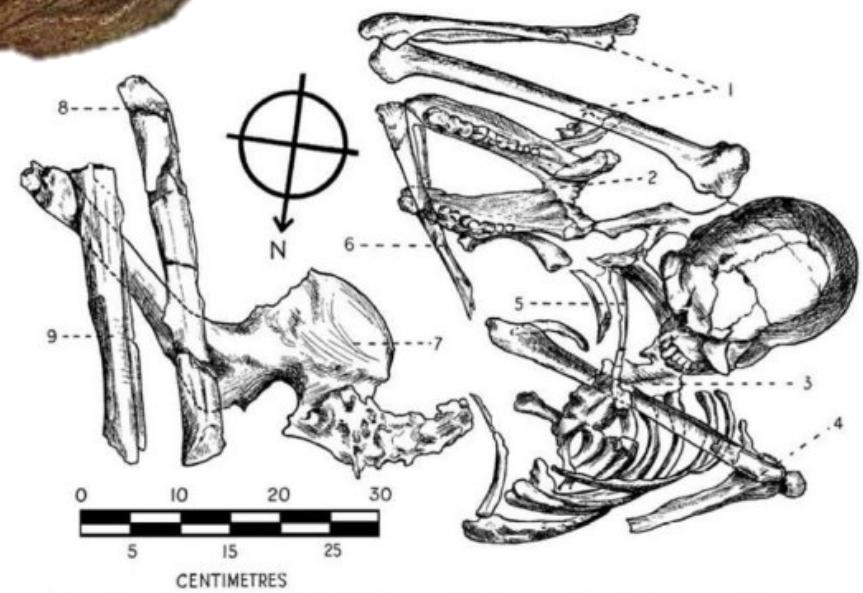
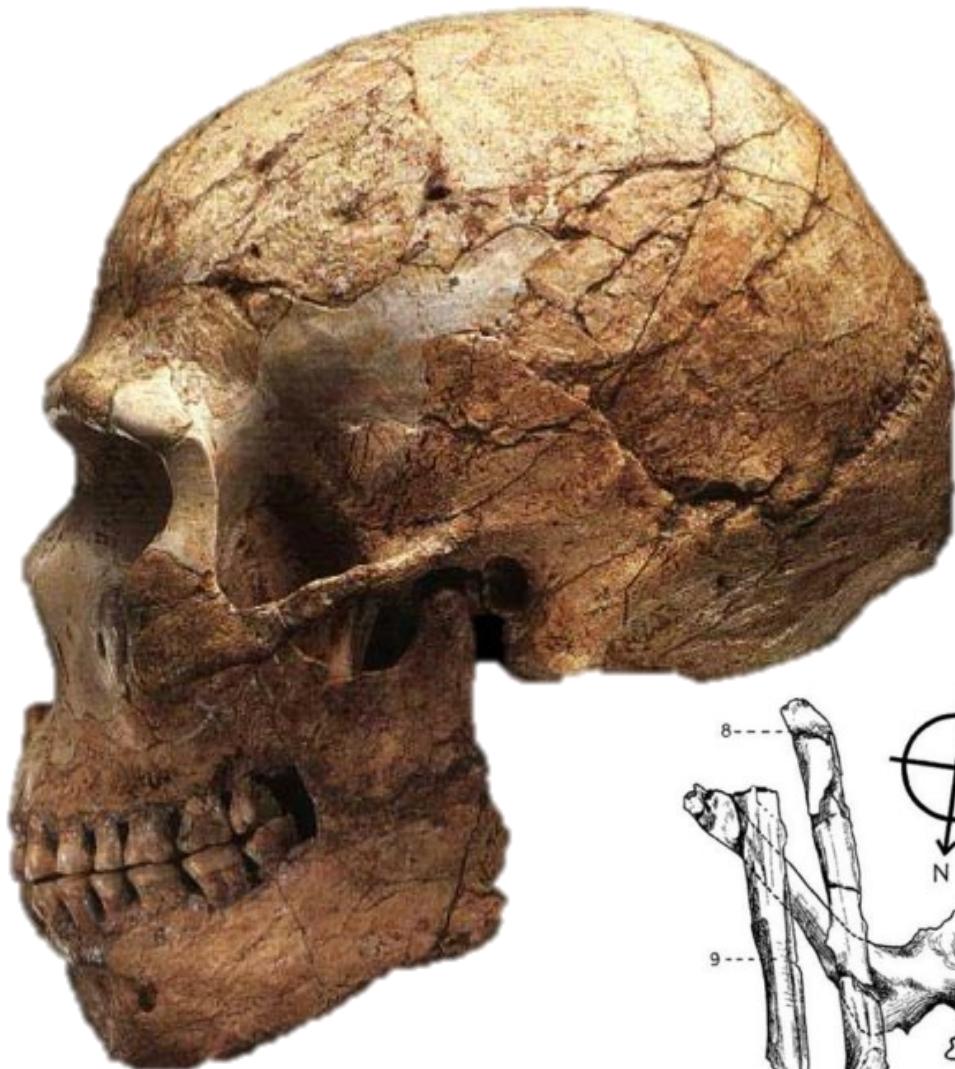
- Mousterian lithic industries
- 10 complete skeleton
- Archaic morphology (attributed at the beginning to *Homo neanderthalensis*)



Skhul IV

Skhul V, Israel

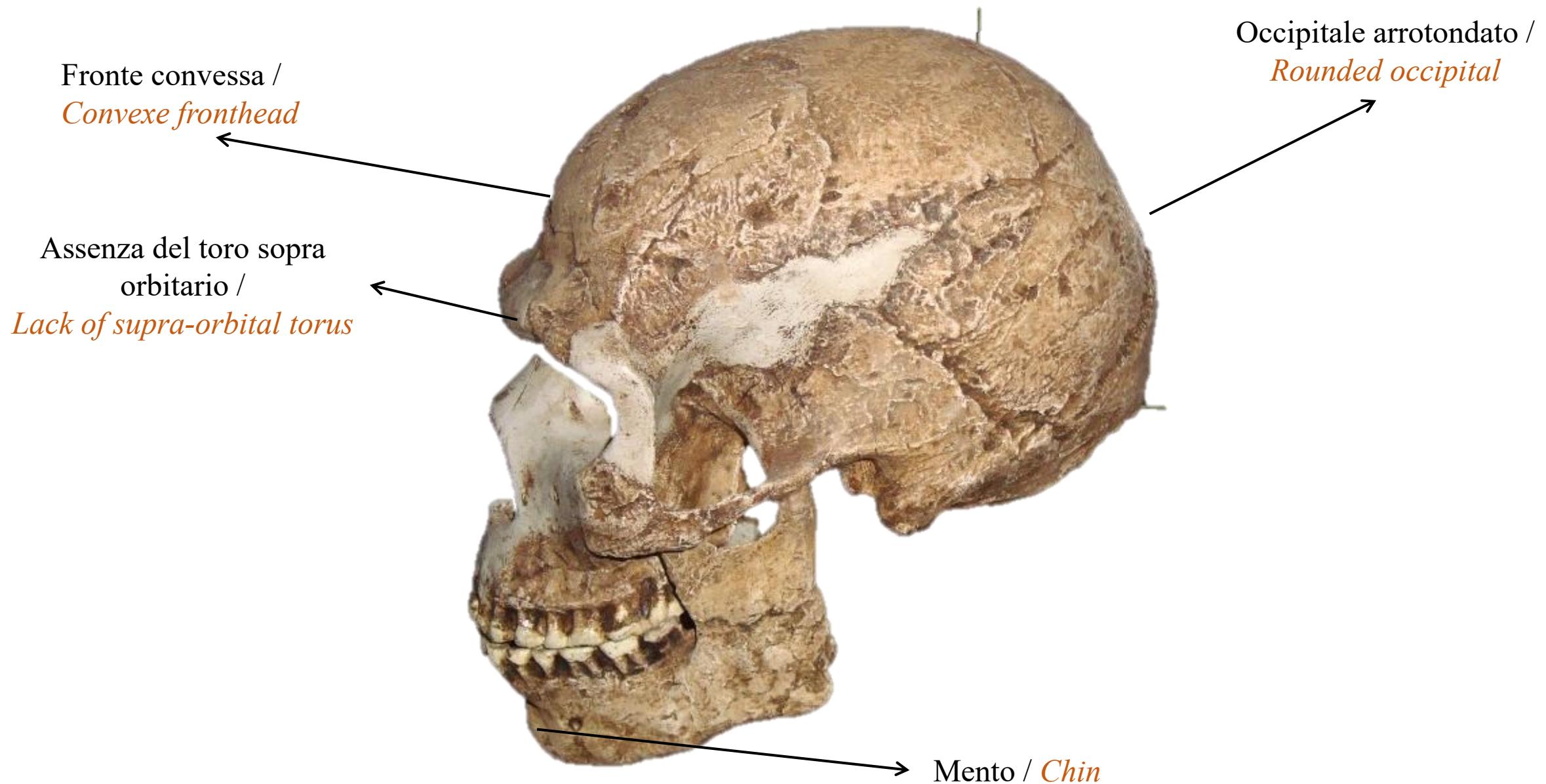
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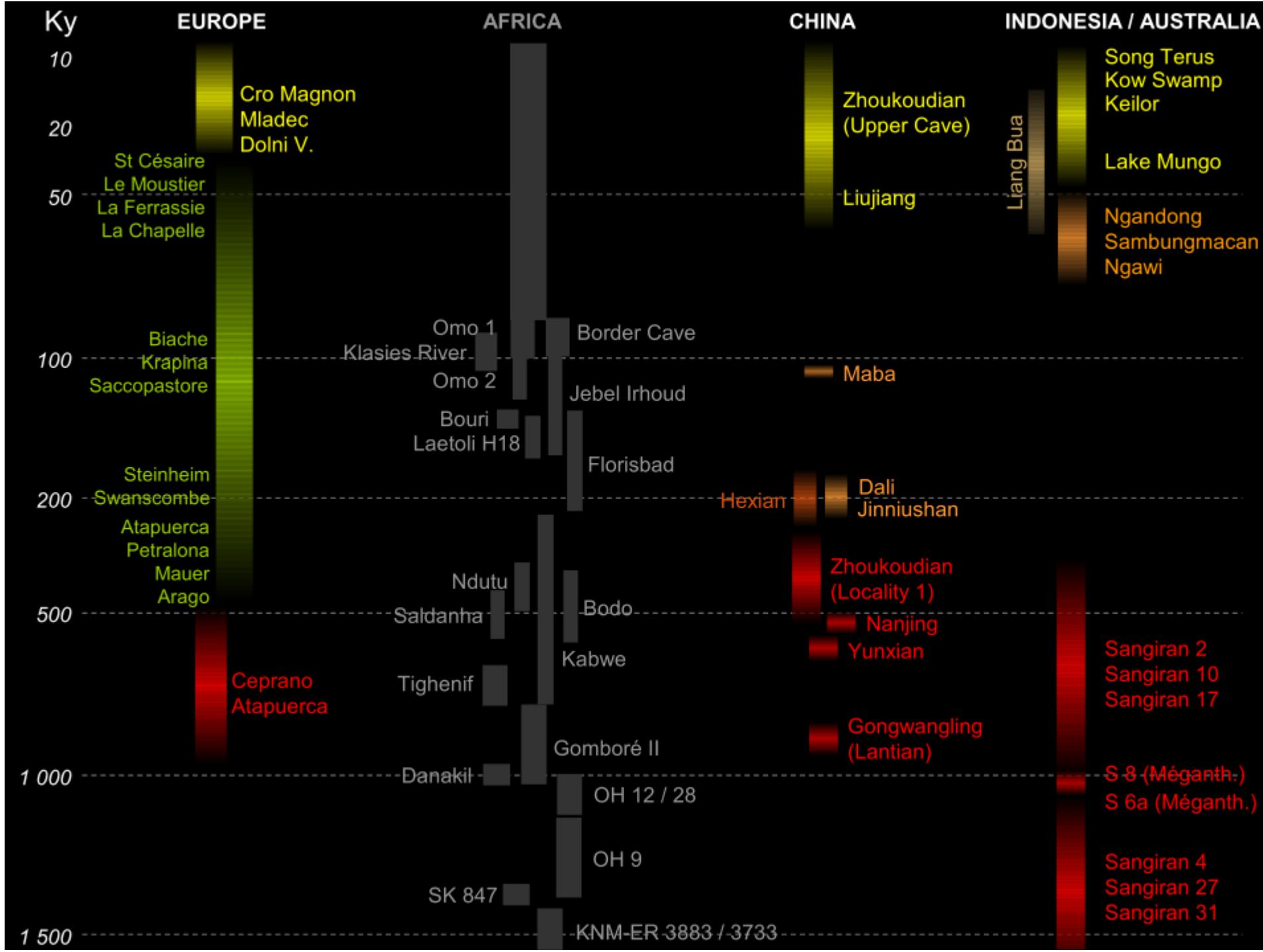


2. Plan of the contracted burial of a tall male, Skhul V. 1, right arm; 2, Pig's mandible; 3, dorsal vertebrae; 4, left scapula and humerus; 5, left clavicle; 6, left radius; 7, right ilium; 8, left femur; 9, left tibia and fibula.

(Garod & Bate, 1937)

The first *Homo sapiens* in the Near-East





Fossil record

Homo erectus

East Asia (China)

Southeast Asia
mainland
insular (Java)

H. erectus / archaic *H. sapiens*

East Asia (China)

Southeast Asia
insular (Java)

fossil *Homo sapiens*

East Asia

Southeast Asia

Australia

Pacific



Chronology of Chinese human fossils

Anatomically modern
Homo sapiens

“Archaic” *Homo sapiens*
transition forms?

~*Homo heidelbergensis*?

Homo erectus

Ka BP

100

200

300

400

500

600

700

800

900

Zhoukoudian (Upper Cave)

Minatogawa

Liujiang

Xujiayao

Hexian

Maba

Dali

Jinniushan

Zhoukoudian (Locality 1)

?

Nanjing

?

Yunxian

?

Yuanmou

?

Chenjiawo (Lantian)

Gongwangling (Lantian)

Narmada Valley, India
Middle Pleistocene—230 ka?

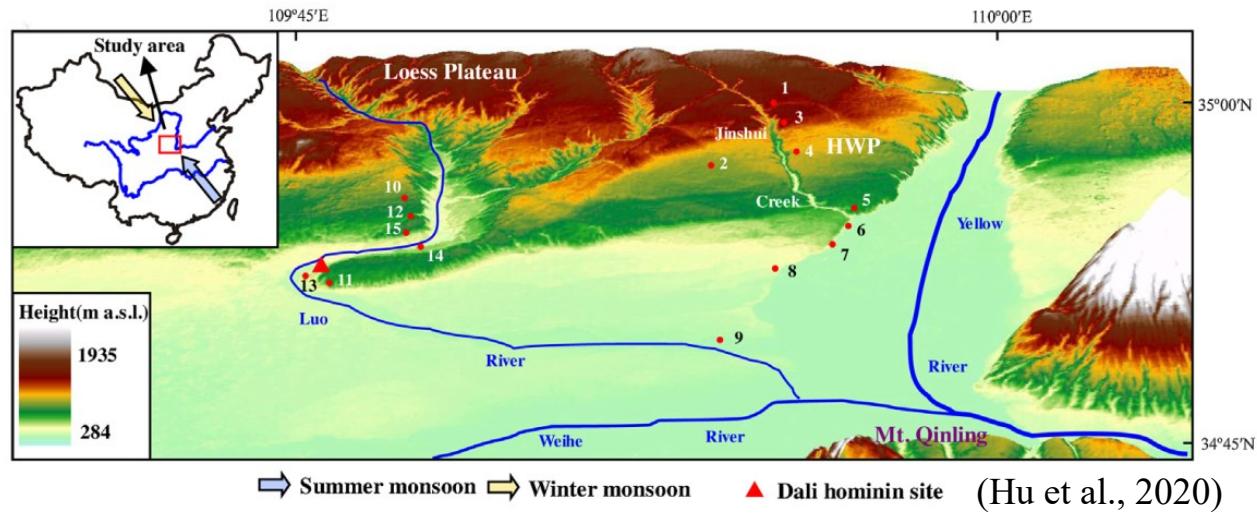
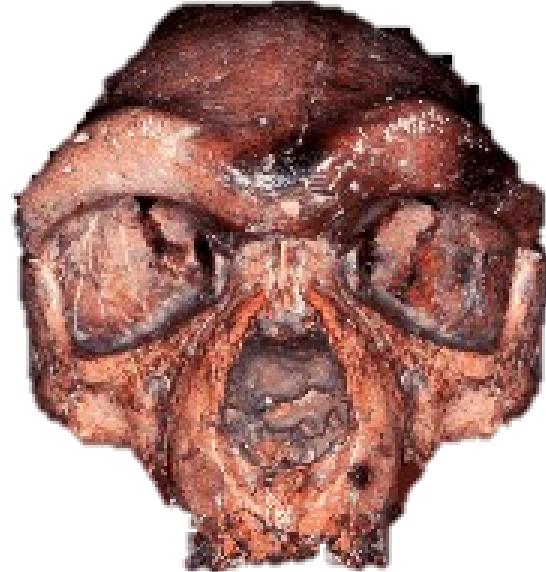


Dali, China

180 – 230 ky BP (U-Th on tooth)

250-350 ky BP (ESR – U-Th on tooth)

~550 ky BP (Geomorphology, Hu et al., 2020)



Mosaic of *H. erectus* and *H. sapiens* features
« archaic » *H. sapiens* = *H. rhodesiensis*, *H. heidelbergensis*?

Jinniushan, China
260 000 y B.P.

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(Rosenberg et al., 2006)



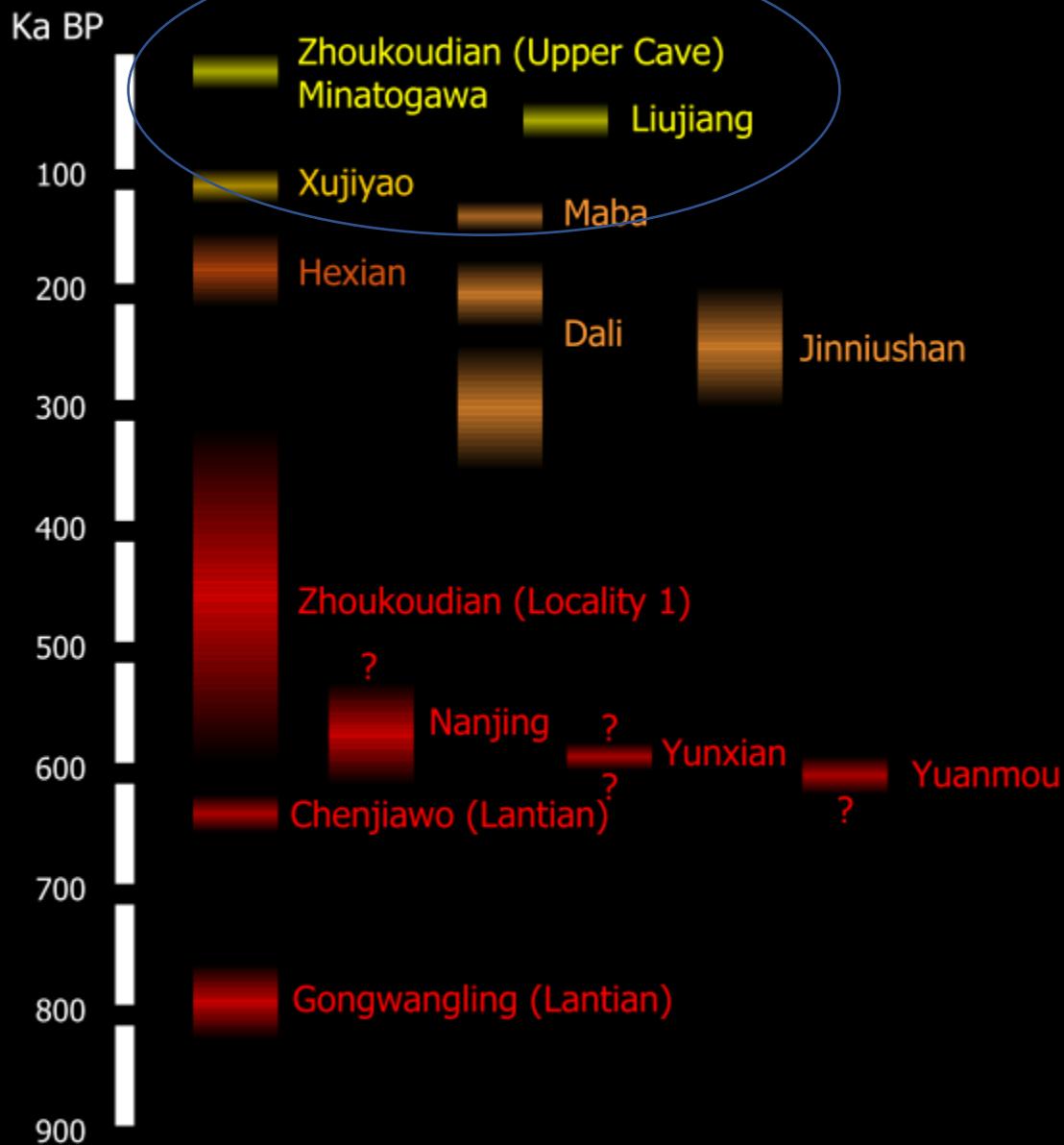
Chronology of Chinese human fossils

Anatomically modern
Homo sapiens

“Archaic” *Homo sapiens*
transition forms?

~*Homo heidelbergensis*?

Homo erectus



The earliest unequivocally modern humans in southern China

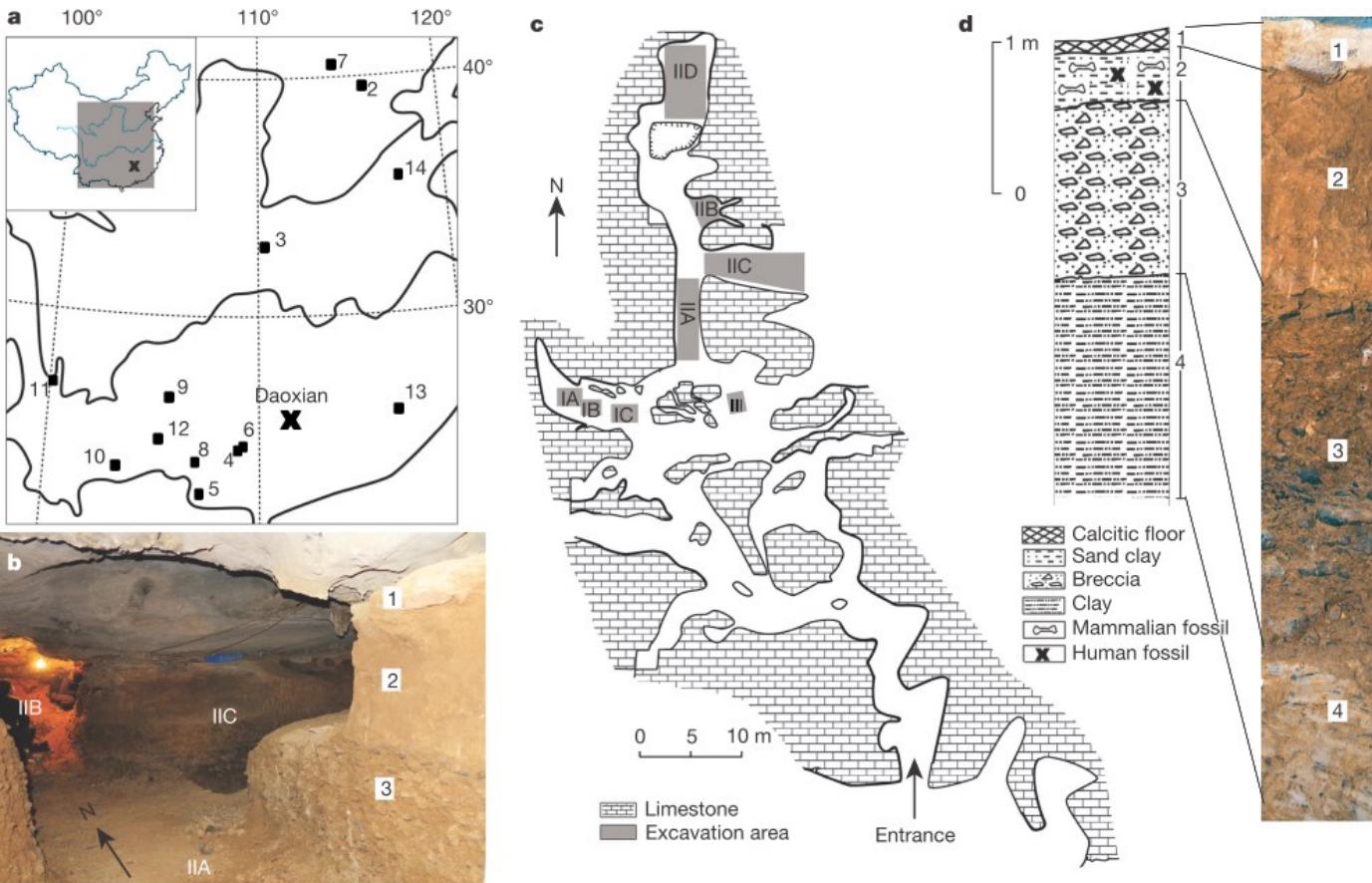
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Fuyan Cave in Daoxian

47 denti umane

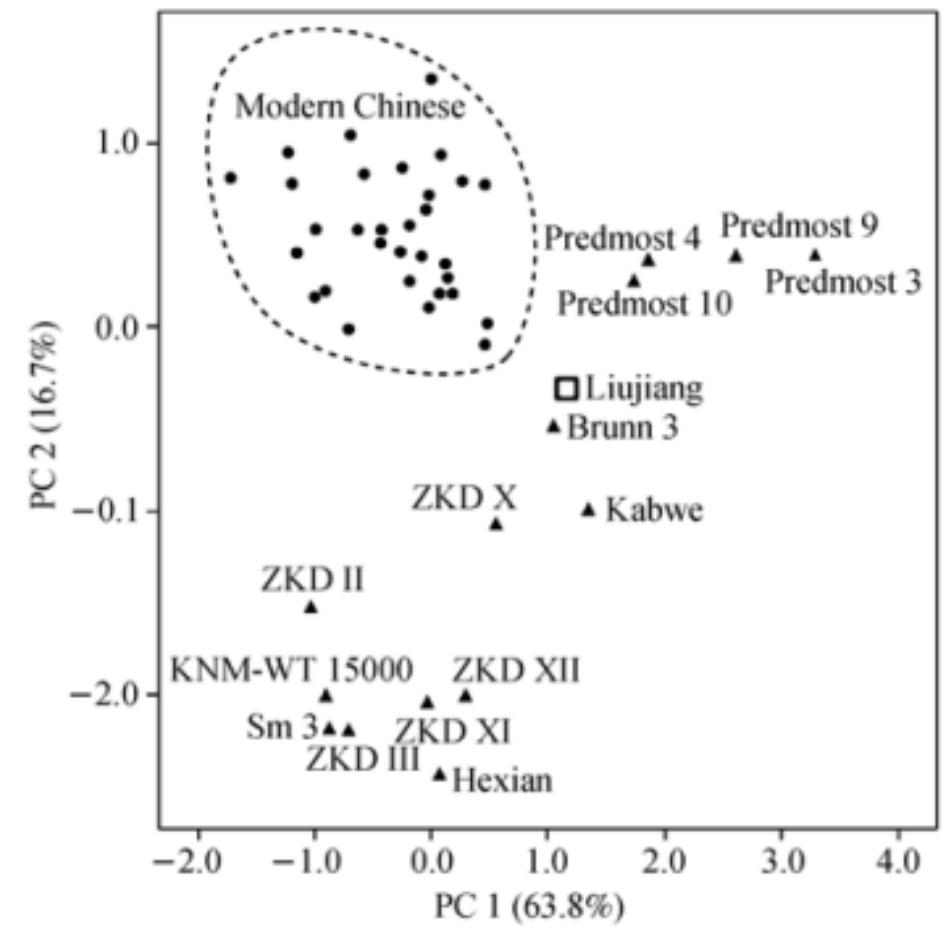
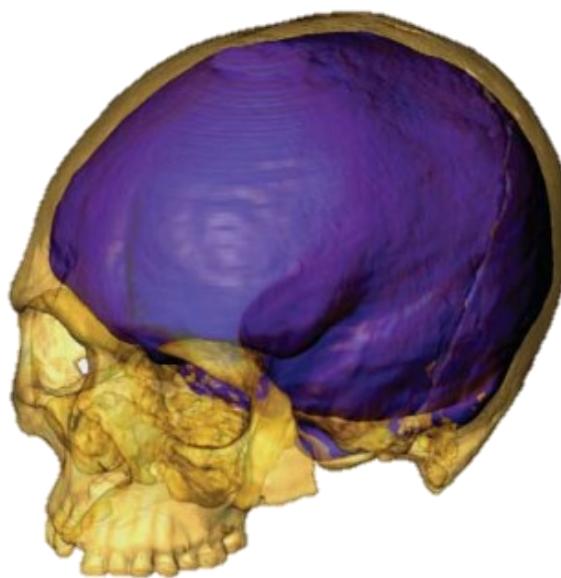
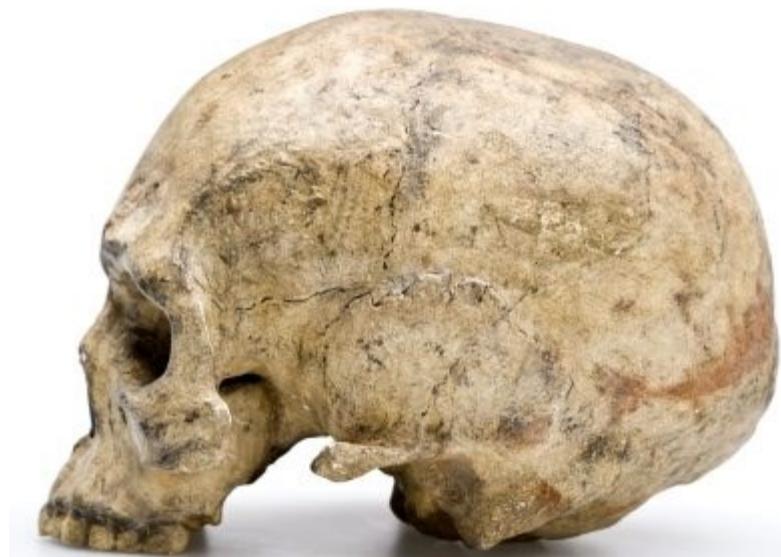
80 – 120 000 y BP

Più derivati che tutti i altri umani anatomicamente moderni, similarità con il umani del Pleistocene medio, superiore e anche di tempi moderni.



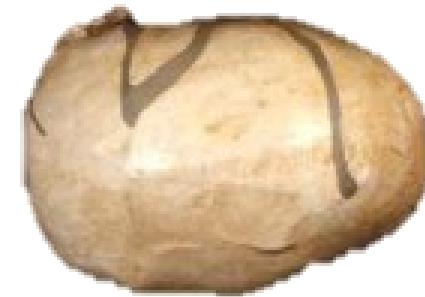
“I risultati sono rilevanti per l’indagine sulle ragioni della relativamente tardiva entrata di *H. sapiens* in Europa. Degli umani moderni “completi” erano già presenti in Cina almeno 80.000 anni fa, non ci sono però evidenze dell’entrata in Europa prima di 45.000 anni fa. Questo potrebbe indicare che *H. neanderthalensis* fosse stato un’ulteriore **barriera ecologica** per gli uomini moderni, che sono potuti entrare in Europa solo quando la scomparsa dei Neanderthals era già iniziata”.

Liujiang, China
60 – 100 000 y BP?



(Wu et al., 2008)

Zhoukoudian Upper Cave, China
20 – 30 000 y BP





Toward Southeast Asia and
Australia

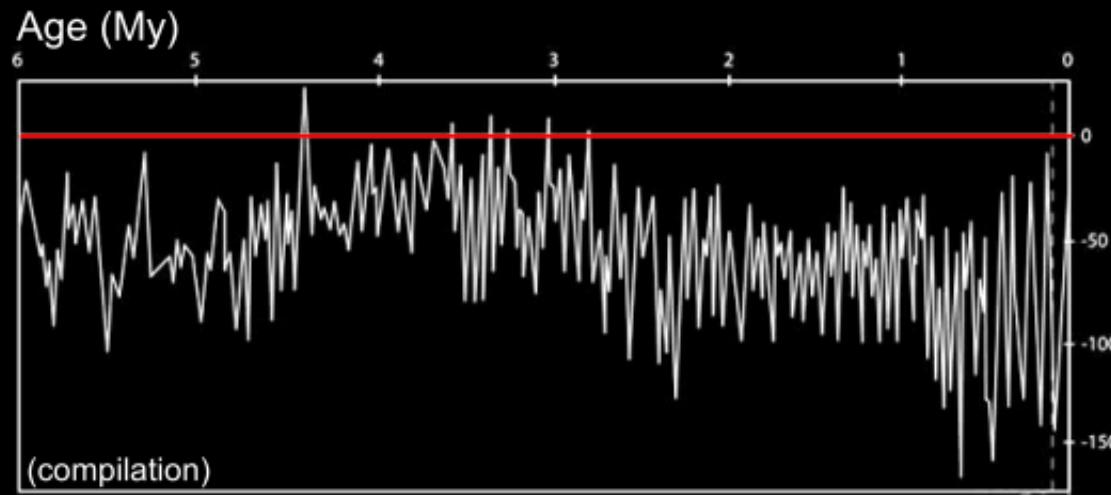
How did they arrive ?

Homo erectus

Glacial / interglacial

=> Sea level changes

- insular periods

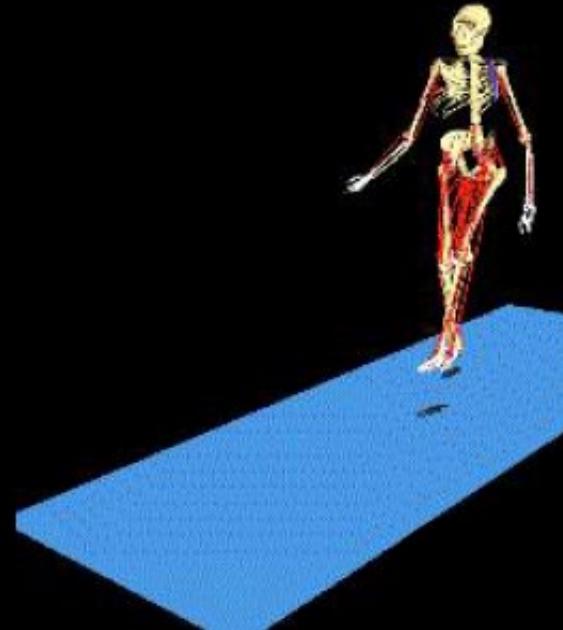
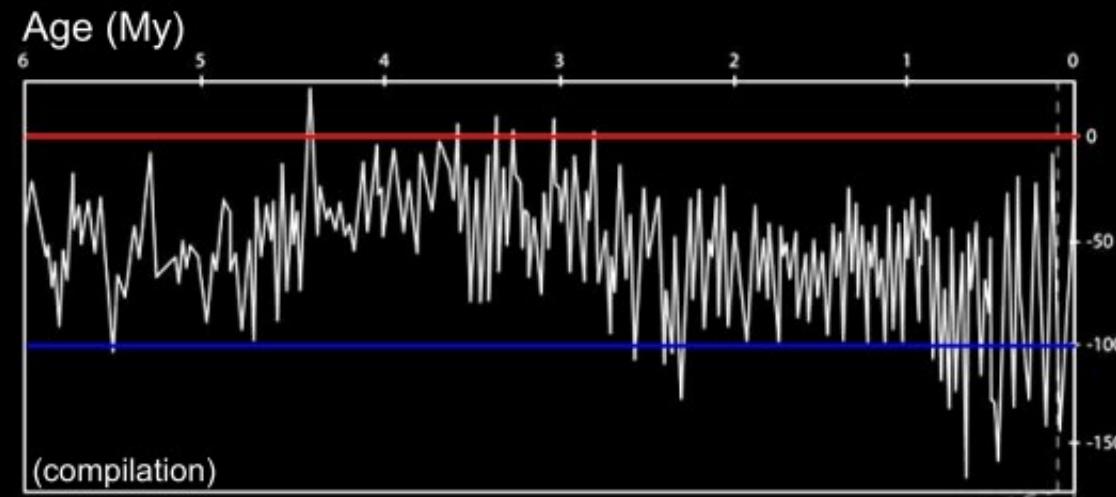


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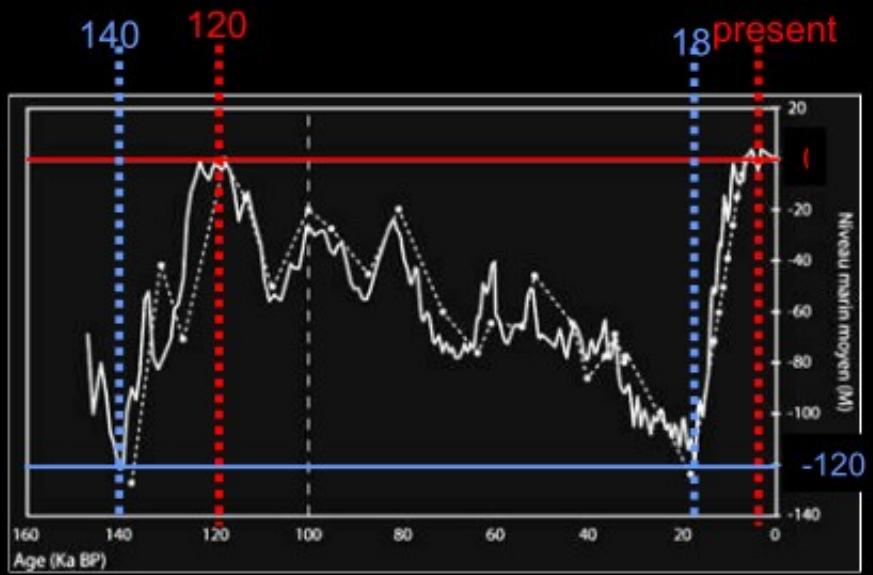
Homo erectus

Glacial / interglacial
=> Sea level changes

- insular periods
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Homo sapiens is able to navigate for at least 60 000 years



d'après Chappell *et al.* (1996) ; Pillans *et al.* (1998) et Voris (2002)

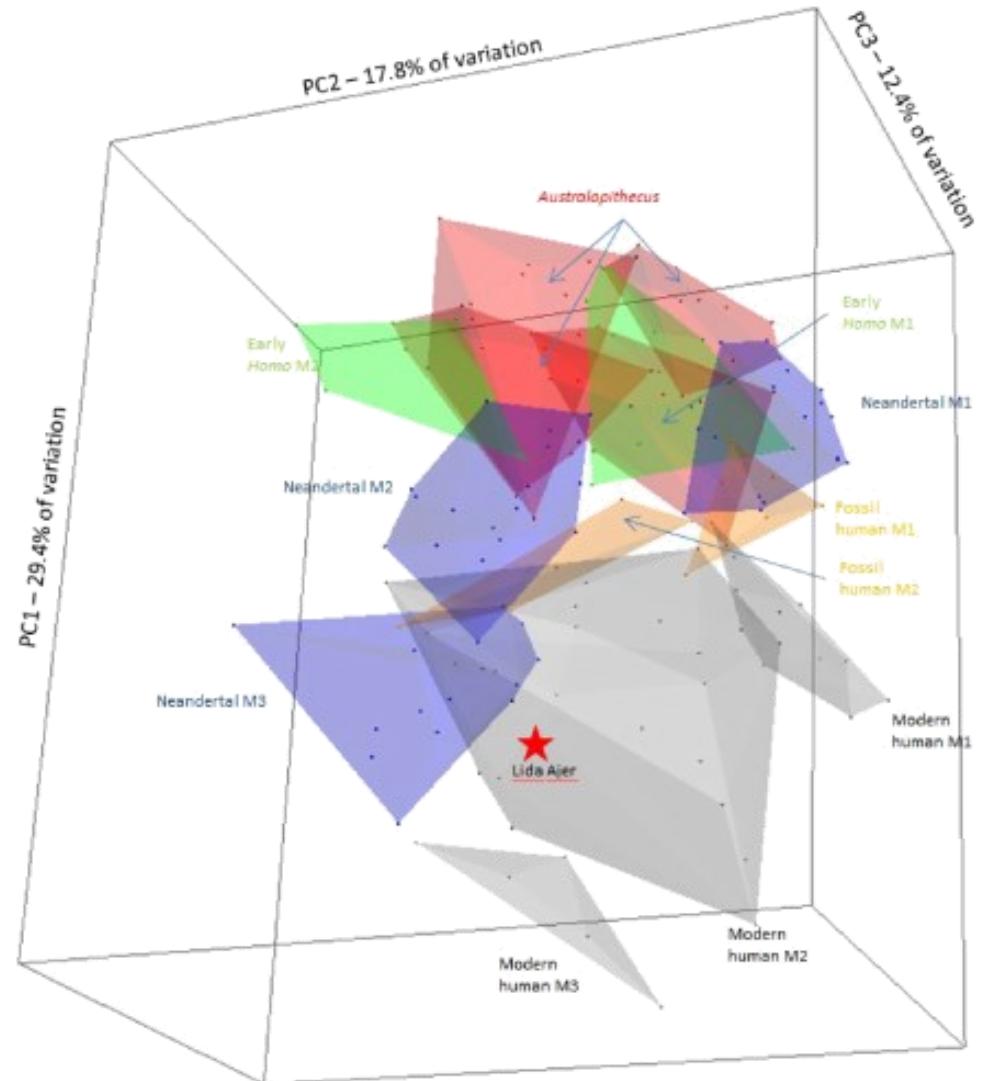
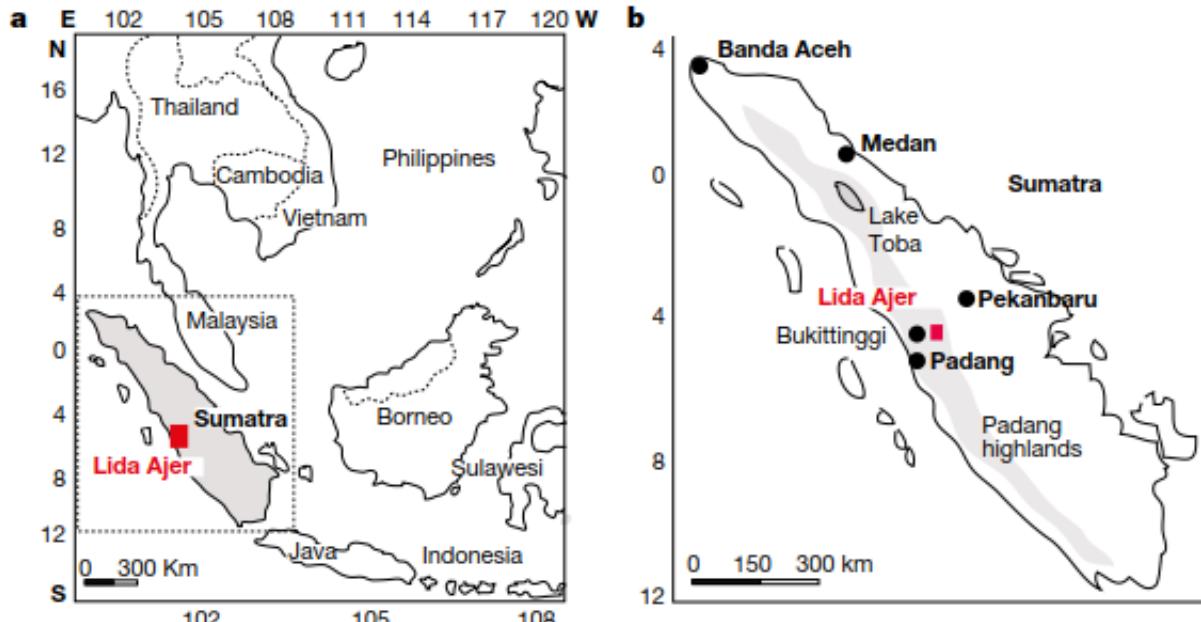


Homo species in Indonesia before the arrival of
Homo sapiens

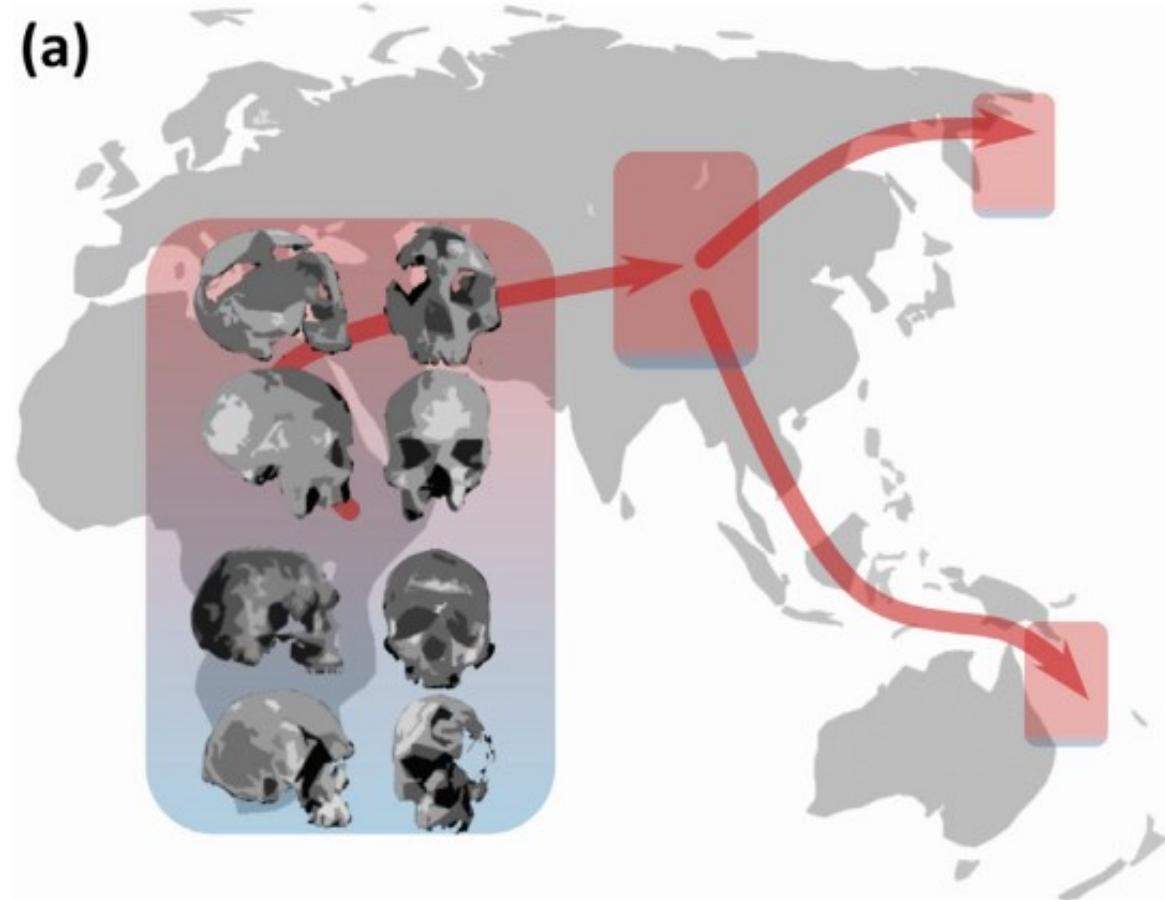
(Cavalli Sforza & Pievani, 2012)

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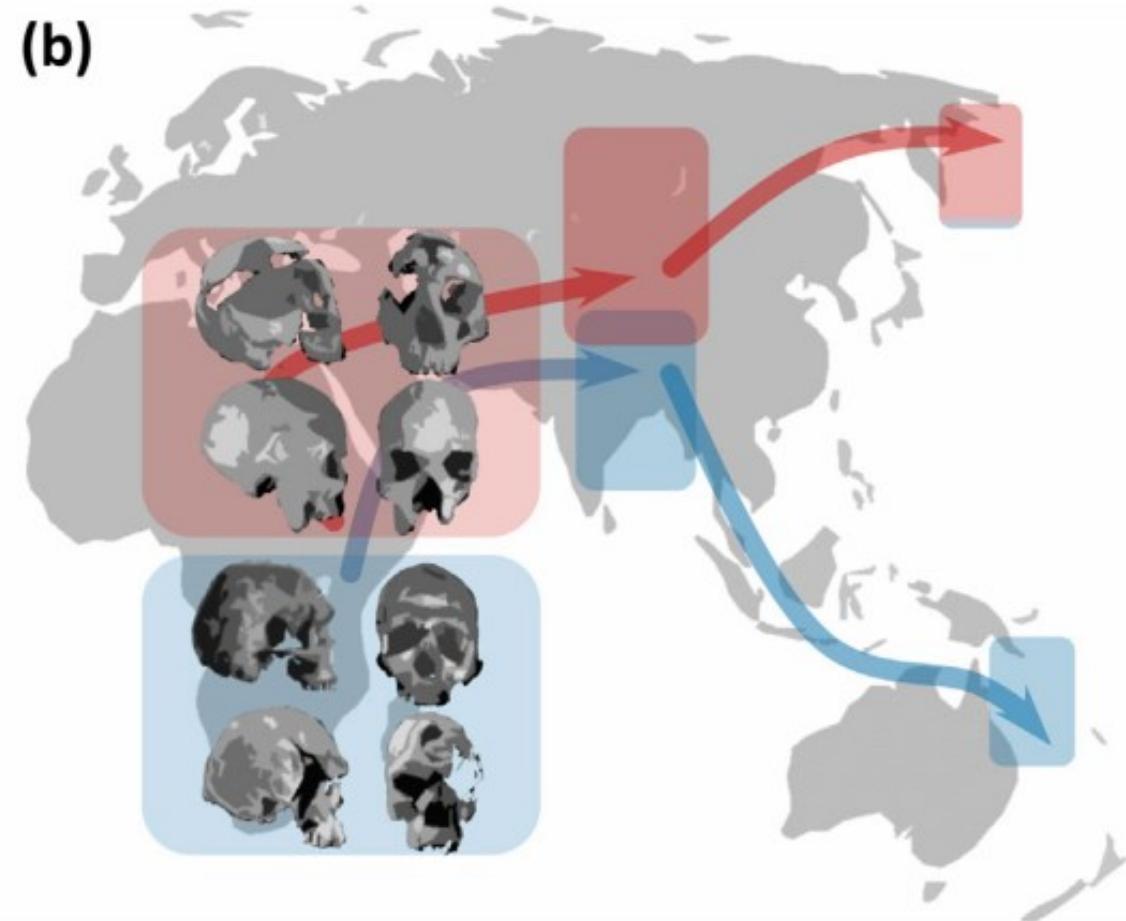


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Single dispersal

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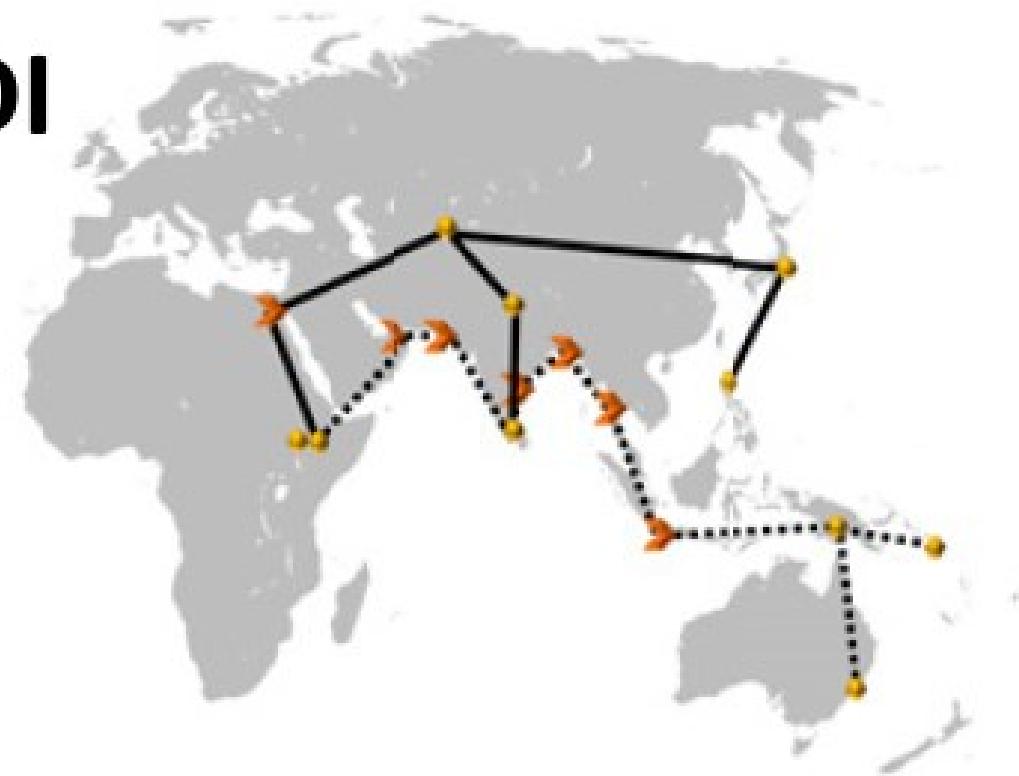


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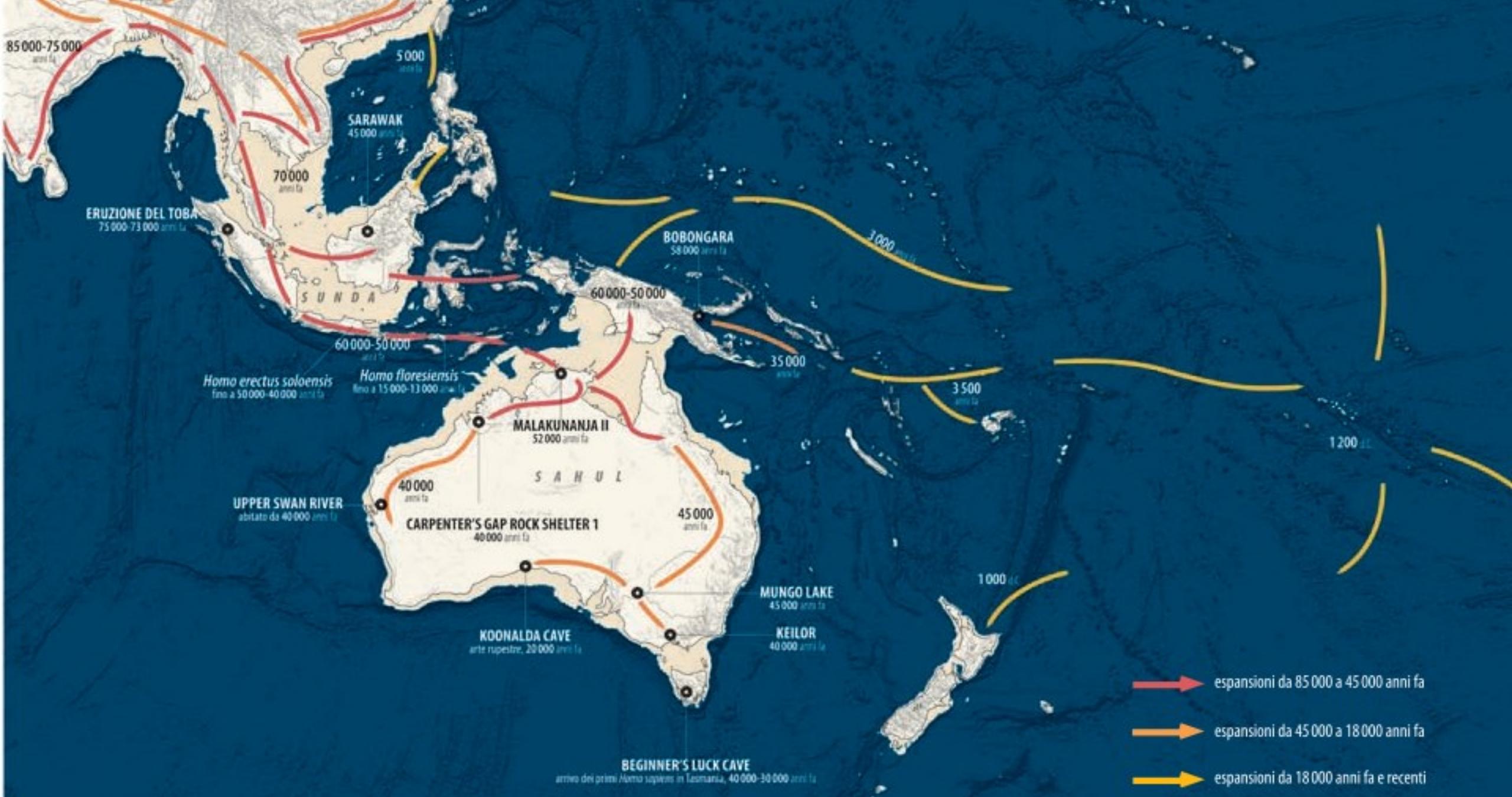


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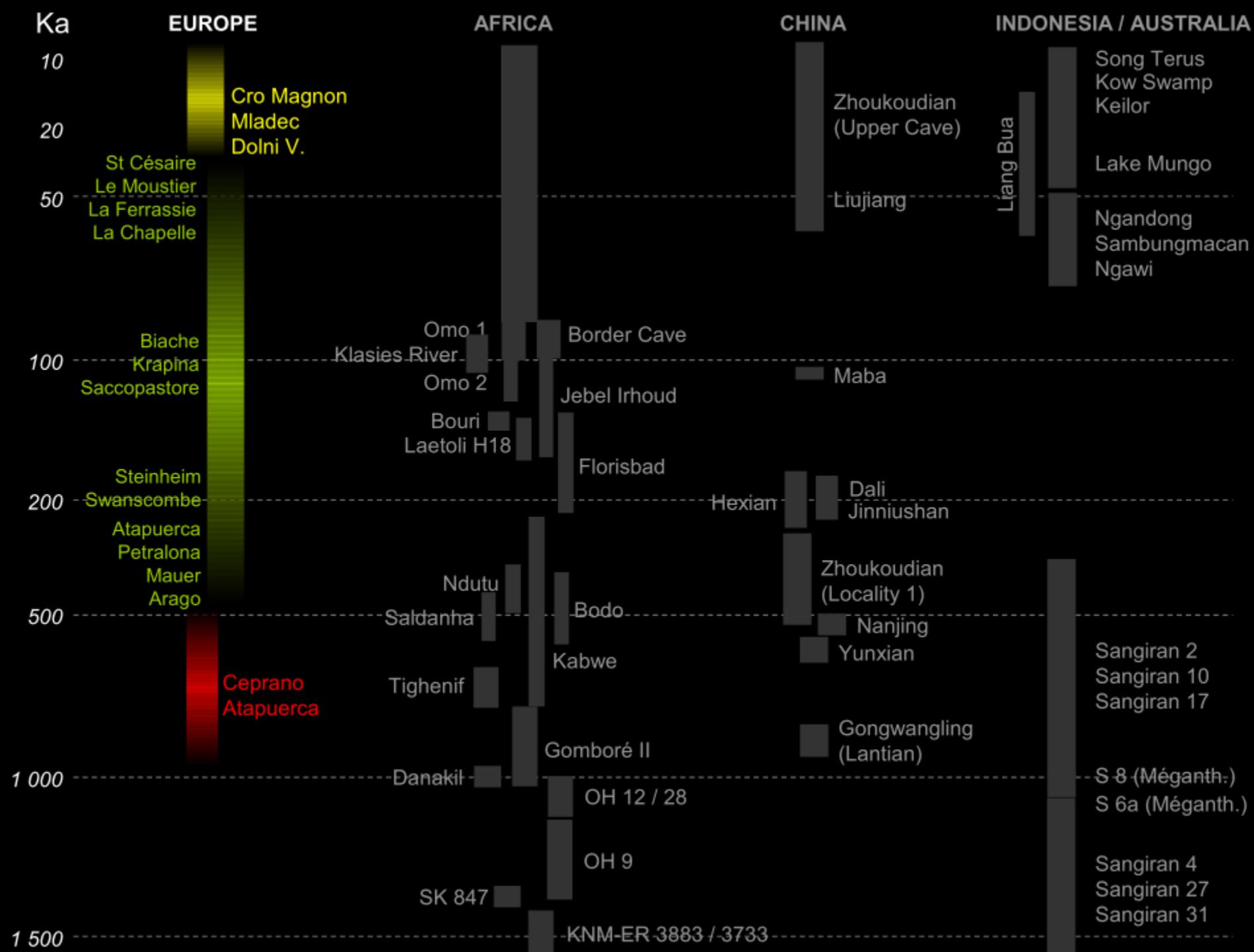
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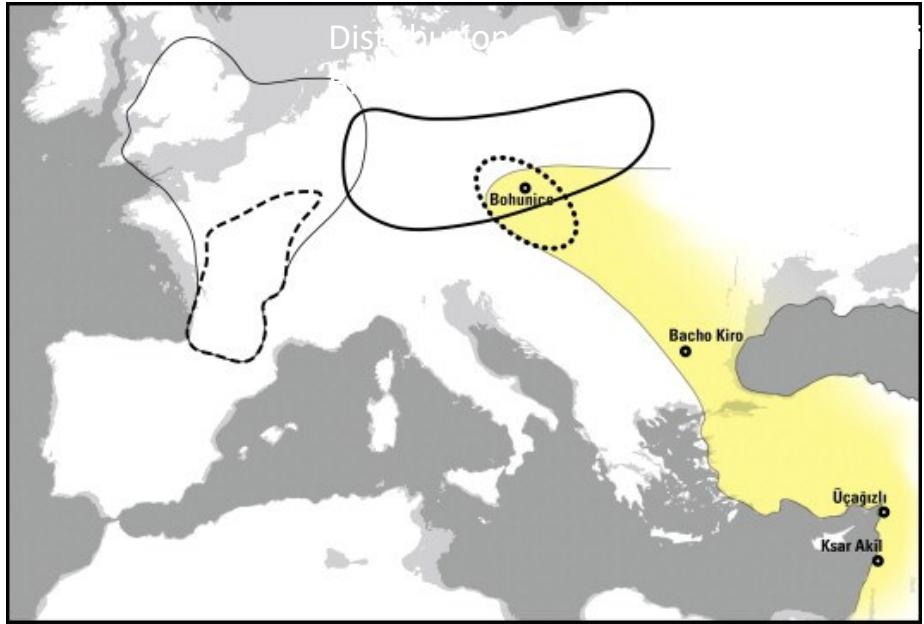
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profilo delle antiche coste durante le fasi glaciali





The first modern human in Europe



Bacho Kiro (Bulgaria) (Aurignacian) – 45-43.000 y

Grotta del Cavallo (Italy) (Uluzzian) – 45-43.000 y

Kents Cavern (UK) – 44-41 000 y

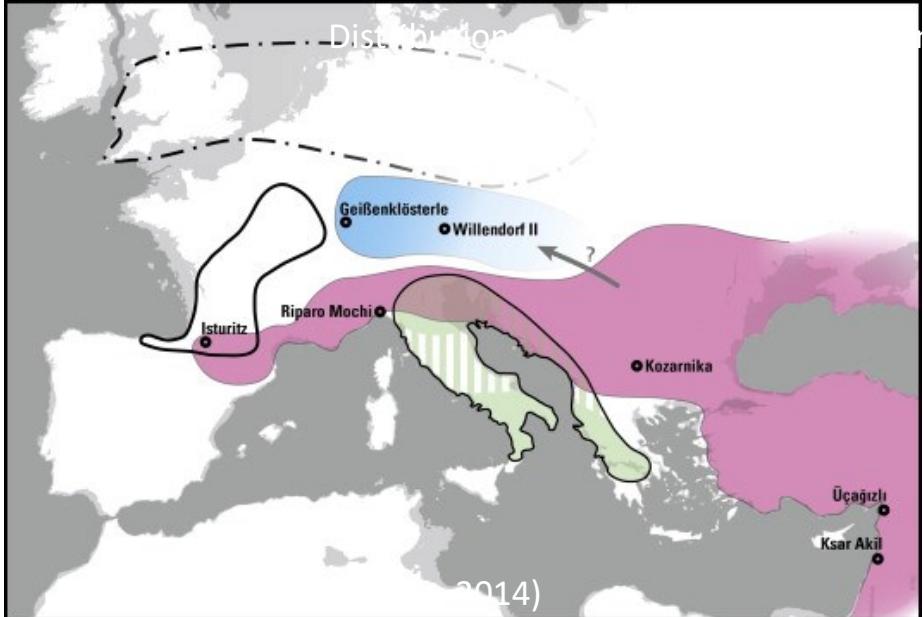
El Castillo (Spain) (Aurignacian) – 37.000- 34.000 y

Mladec (Czech Republic) – 32.000 y

Dolni Vestonice, Pavlov (Czech Republic) – 25.000 y

Cro Magnon (France) – 30.000 y

Pestera cu Oase (Grotta degli orsi, Romania) – 34-36.000 y





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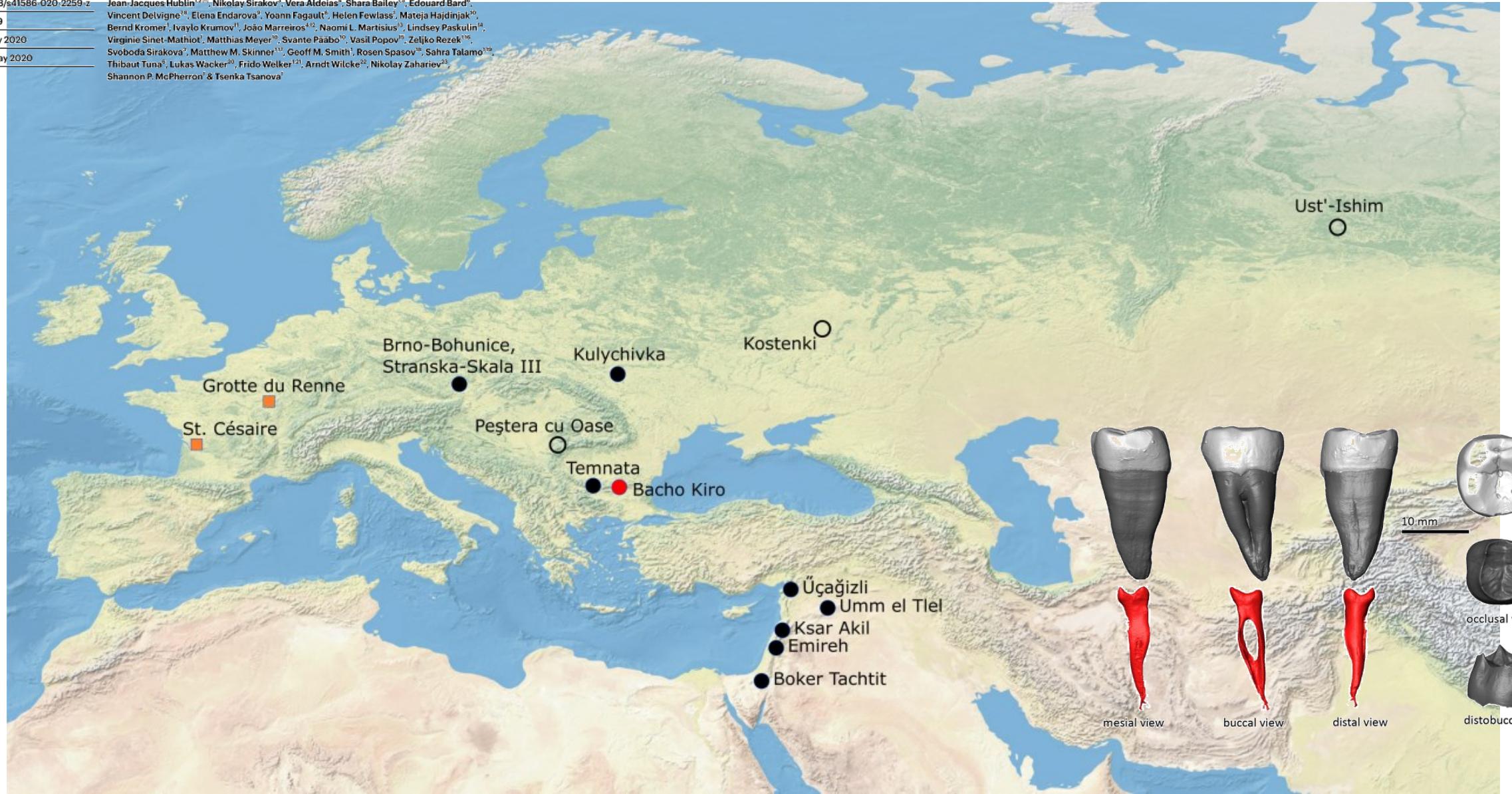
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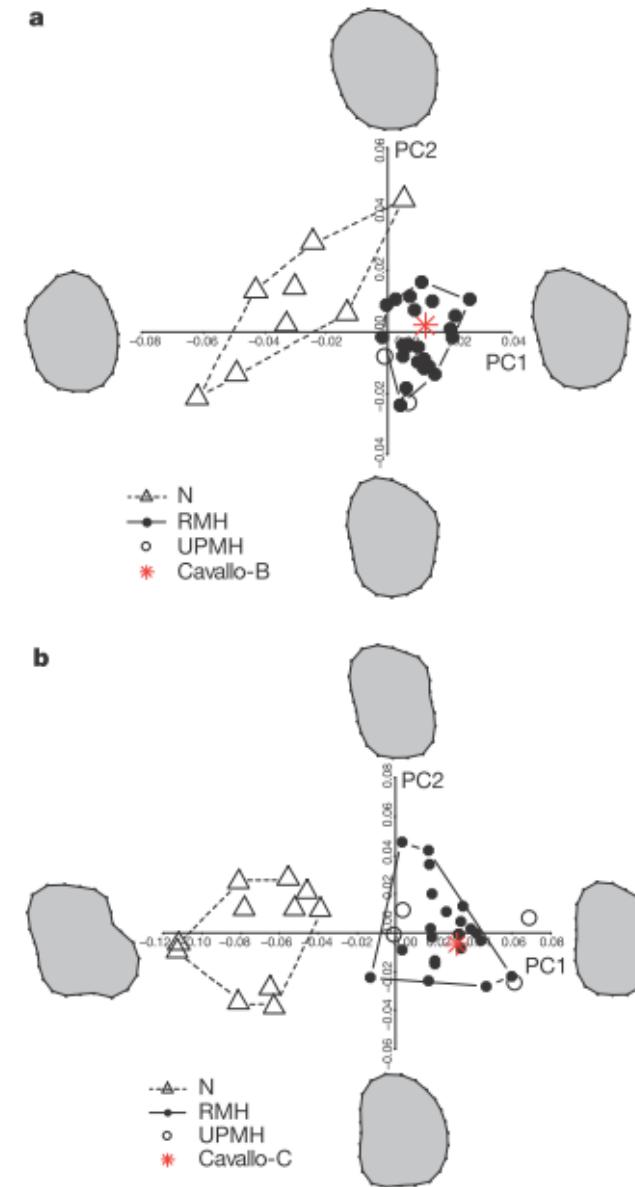
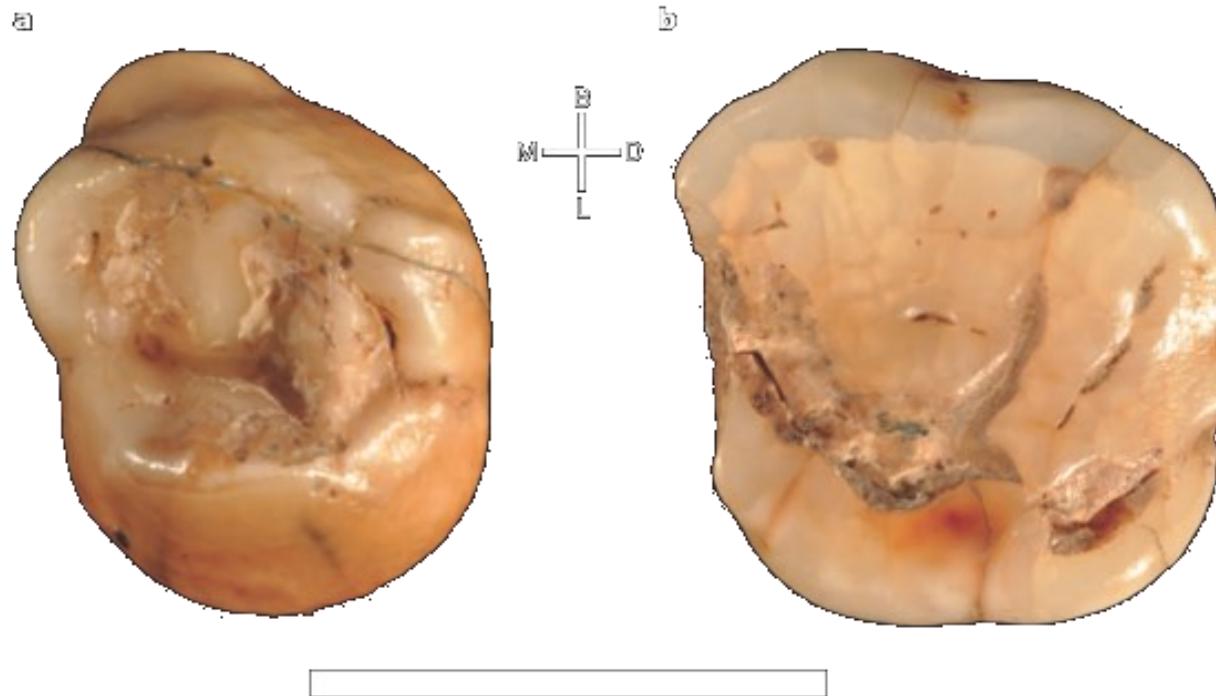
○ Directly dated early *H. sapiens* predating 37 ka cal. BP

■ Directly dated late Neanderthals associated with Châtelperronian



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Cro-Magnon, France

27 680 +/- 270 BP (Henry-Gambier et al, 2002)

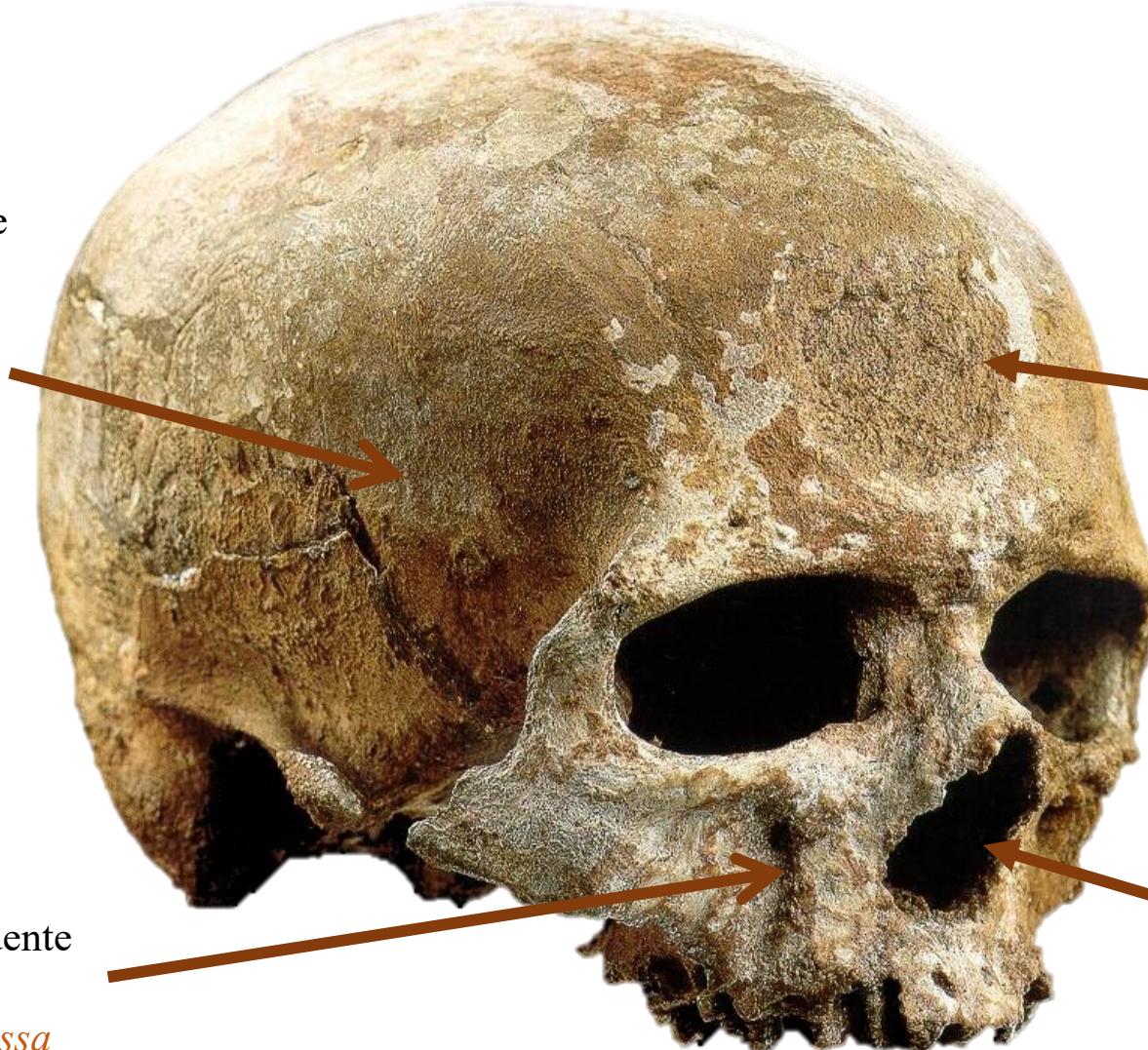


Cro-Magnon 1



Cro-Magnon 2





Parietali espansi e
occipitale
arrotondato /
*Parietals
expanded and
rounded
occipitals*

Fossa canina evidente
/
Evident canine fossa

Fronte verticale /
*Vertical frontal
bone*

Faccia piccola e
piatta / *Short and flat
face*

H. sapiens, Cro-Magnon



Mladec V, Czech Republic
34-35 000 y BP?



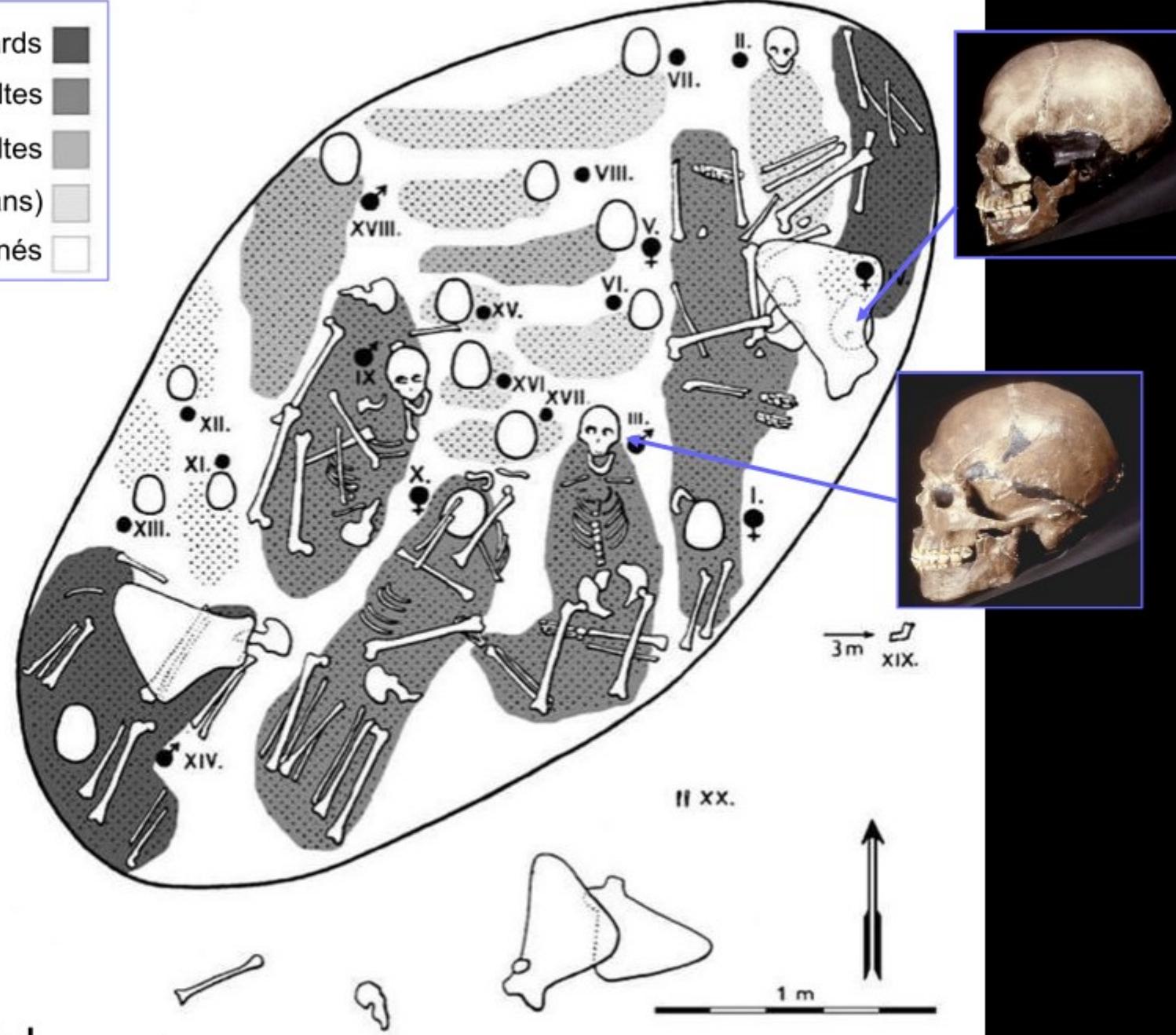
Triple burial (Mladec 5, 6 and 46)

Predmost III, Czech Republic

28 – 20 000 y BP



- 2 vieillards
- 2 "couples" adultes
- 2 jeunes adultes
- 7 enfants (2-14 ans)
- 3 nouveaux nés



Predmost
Multiple burial

(d'après Klima, 1991; in Trinkaus & Zilhao, 2002)



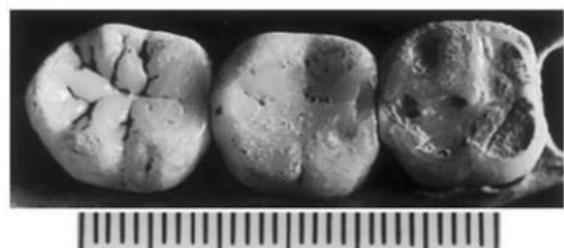
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34 290 +/- 900 BP



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(Trinkaus, 2003)



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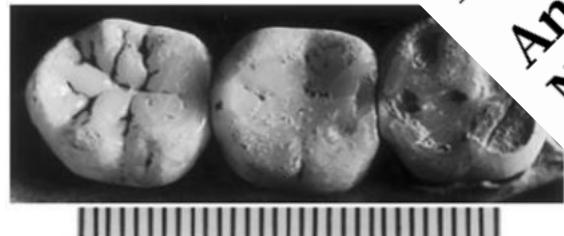
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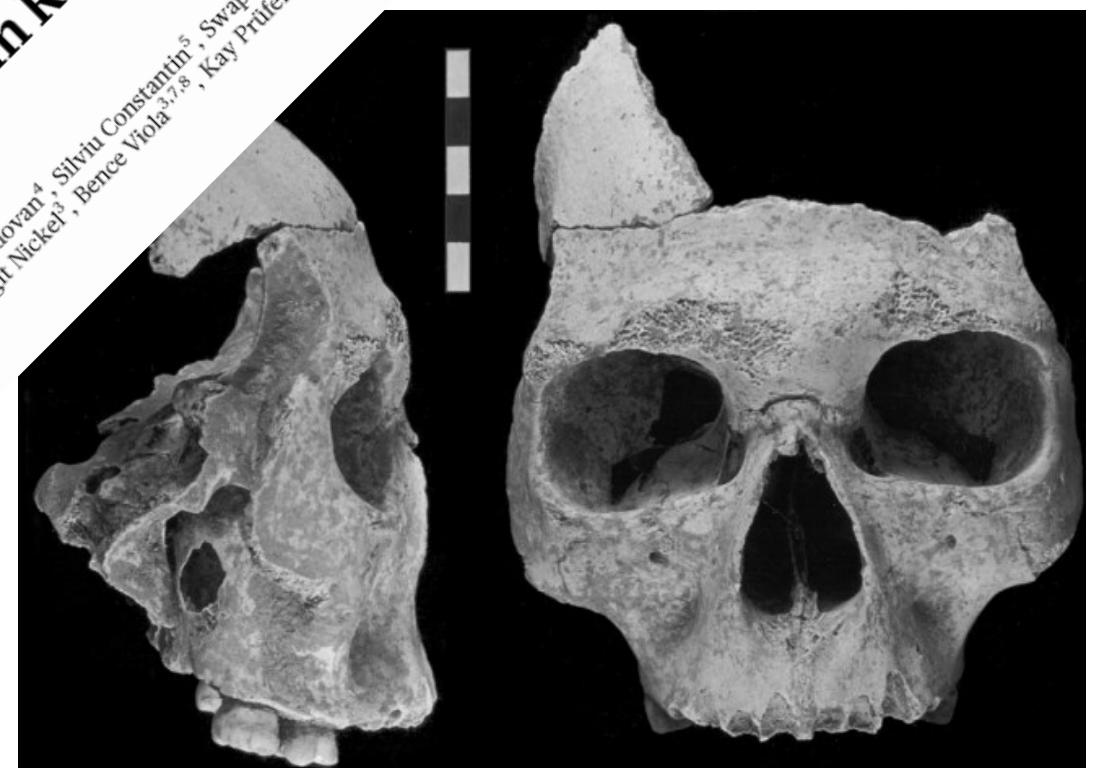
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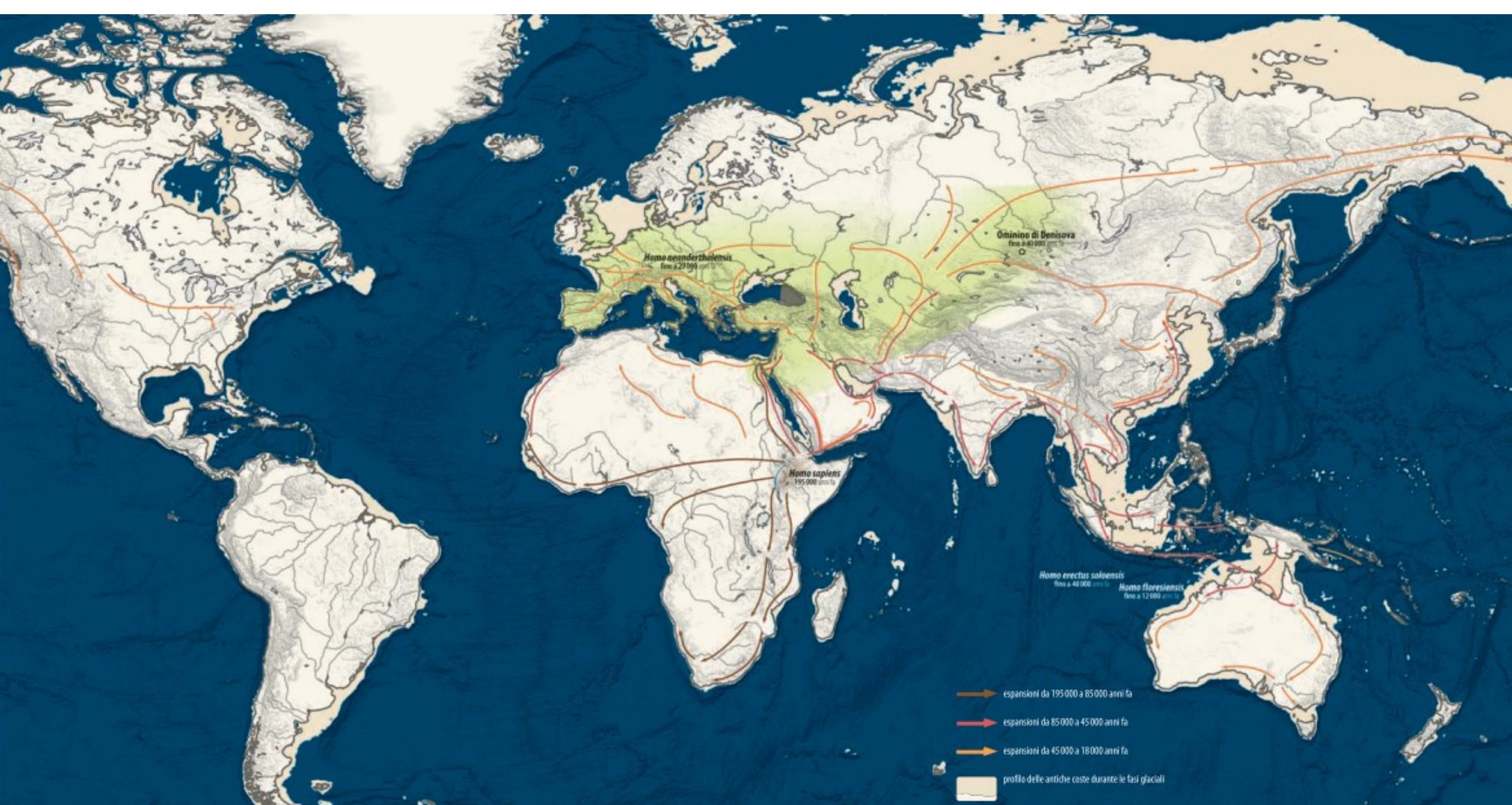
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Views

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Modern human dispersal routes in Europe (47,000–41,000 BP)



Homo sapiens dispersal toward America



