Hunting lesions in Pleistocene bone assemblages.

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Résumé

he question what formed the human niche in our deep history is often answered by putting forward the hunting way of life, inextricably intertwined with the formation of weaponry. In stark contrast to the omnipresent importance of weapon technology and its evolution for our understanding of the humans we are today is the limited conceptual foundation on which our current analyses on the topic is based. In addition, for most of our deep history we cannot even identify weapons/weaponry systems that must have shaped the human niche to a large degree. We currently even lack a comprehensive methodological agenda, especially for the systematic identification of hunting lesions in bone helping us to understand the hunting way of life. The current contribution provides a novel perspective on how our knowledge base can be enlarged here.

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