

## **Settlements of the Bükk culture from the Hernád valley**

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Some new results of the research of Bükk culture has been summarized in this paper. The presented data has been derived from recently excavated Middle Neolithic sites of the Hernád valley.

Settlement features, ceramic finds and radiocarbon dates (from skeletal remains) of Garadna-Elkerülő út, site No. 2 has been introduced. The chronological systems of the Bükk culture (J. Lichardus's and Kalicz–Makkay's) based on the decoration and forms of fine ceramics. The Garadna ceramic finds and radiocarbon dates have thrown new light upon the earliest phase and the earliest decoration style of the Bükk culture. The ceramics of Garadna and Novajdrány-Elkerülő út sites have another interesting characteristics: they show direct connections with the contemporary painted pottery groups.

Finally, the spatial patterns of the later groups of the Alföld Linear Pottery Culture (Tiszadob, Bükk, Szakálhát) will be presented in the territory of Borsod-Abaúj-Zemplén county (North-Eastern Hungary).