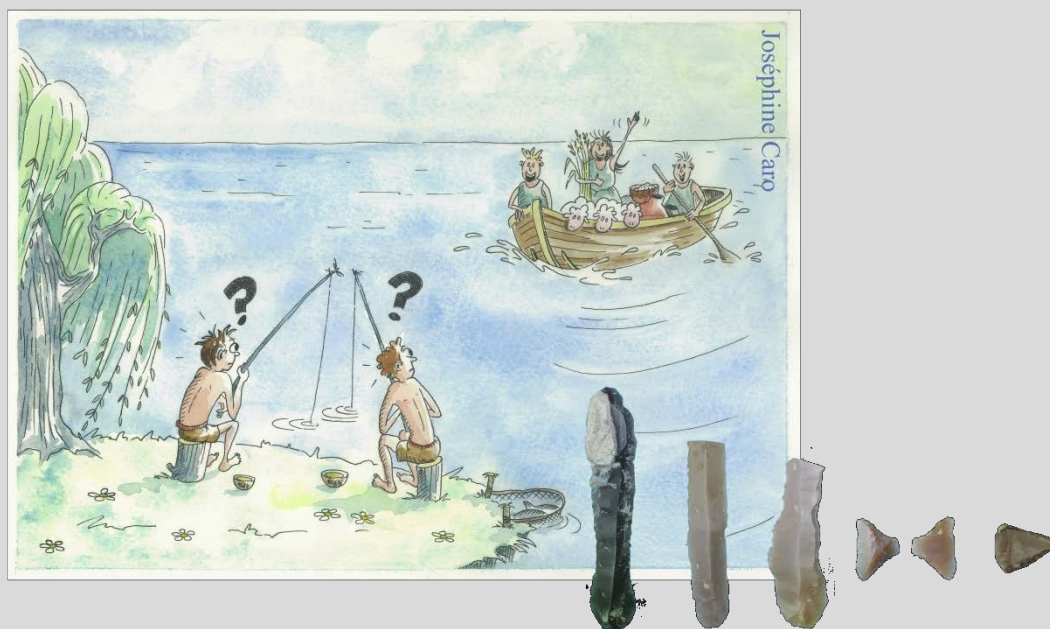


Neolithisation processes between the Rhône and the Ebro from the point of view of lithic production

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The Neolithisation of the north-western Mediterranean is unique in that it took place on the periphery of the Near East, where agriculture and animal husbandry were invented. Neolithic lifestyles therefore took root in different regions via human movements and interactions with indigenous populations, as demonstrated by palaeogenetic data. Lithic production is an ideal medium for understanding these processes, since it was used by all those involved in Neolithisation, from the last hunter-gatherers to the first agro-pastoralists.

For this seminar, I propose to focus on certain points in order to sketch out a panorama of the dynamics at work between the Rhône and the Ebro in the 6th millennium BCE. For example, I will address the question of the evolution of tools during the Second Mesolithic, the hypothesis of the establishment of a network for the circulation of well-made laminar products at the end of the Early Neolithic, and also phenomena of cultural segmentation and/or recomposition.

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