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Curriculum vitae

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Education and degrees:

1978: DEA - géologie des formations sédimentaires, Université de Provence, Marseille („*Industrie lithique de la Caune de l'Arago, Bande 17; Tautavel – Pyrenées orientales*“)

1979: PhDr - prehistoric archaeology, Charles University, Prague („*Quartzite industry from Ondratice. Its place in the Paleolithic development*“).

1985: CSc - prehistoric archaeology, Institute of Archaeology, Brno („*Cherts from Stránská skála near Brno. Their place in early technological processes*“).

1994: DrSc - prehistoric archaeology, Institute of Archaeology, Brno („*Paleolithic of Moravia and Silesia*“).

2000: Doc. (Ass. Prof.) - anthropology, Masaryk University, Brno („*Upper Paleolithic origin and Modern Human dispersal*“).

2005: Professor – anthropology, Masaryk University, Brno.

Languages:

English, French, German, Russian

Employments:

1978 – 1981: Moravian Museum (Anthropos), Brno

1981 - present: Institute of Archaeology, AS CR, Brno

2000 – present: Faculty of Science, Masaryk University, Brno

Direction of major fieldwork projects in the Czech Republic:

1978-1979, 1993-2003, 2005, 2007: North Bohemian sandstones, survey and excavation projects (Mesolithic)

1981-1987, 2005-2006: Moravian Karst, excavation and dating projects; Caves of Pekárna, Barová, Kolíbky, Býčí skála, etc. (Magdalenian, Epimagdalenian, Chalcolithic)

1981-1989, 1997-1999: Stránská skála (Upper Paleolithic, Chalcolithic)

1985-1993, 1999, 2005: Dolní Věstonice (Gravettian)

1985-1995: Vyškov Gate, survey project (Upper Paleolithic)

1989-1992, 2002, 2006: Předmostí (Middle and Upper Paleolithic)

1994-1995, 2007-2008: Petřkovice (Gravettian)

2007-2008: Pavlov (Gravettian)

Participation at fieldworks and expeditions abroad:

1975-1977: Bilzingsleben, Germany (Landesmuseum Halle/S.)

1977-1978: Arago and Lazaret, France (Université de Provence)

1979-1981: Libya, survey project (UNESCO - ICOM - Moravian Museum)

1987: Abusir, Egypt, survey project (Institute of Egyptology, Charles University)

1996: Tierra del Fuego, Argentina (University of Barcelona, CADIC Ushuhaia)

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2002-2003: Dzeravá skála Cave, Slovakia, with the Inst. of Archaeology, SAS, and the Jagiellonian University (Upper Paleolithic)

2007: Trenčín Basin, Slovakia, with with the Inst. of Archaeology, SAS, and the Jagiellonian University (Upper Paleolithic)

2003-2005, 2008: Western Desert, Egypt, survey project (Institute of Egyptology, Charles University)

Other field trips and expeditions:

1989: China (Paleolithic), 1990, 2005: Siberia (Paleolithic, rock art), 1996: Israel (Hayonim Cave), 1997, 2000: U.S. Southwest, 1998, 2000: Turkey (Paleolithic, Neolithic); 2000-2001, 2008: Western and Southwestern Europe (rock art), 2002: Thailand, 2003: Scandinavia (Mesolithic, rock art), 2004: Uzbekistan (Paleolithic, rock art), etc.

Teaching activities:

1991-present: lectures on Pleistocene human adaptations, paleoanthropology, anthropology of art, and paleoethnology, Masaryk University, Department of Anthropology, Brno.

1992-2006: lectures on the Paleolithic of Europe, the Gravettian, and methodology, Masaryk University, Department of Archaeology and Museology, Brno.

1989-1990: "Paleolithic", Charles University, Department of Egyptology, Prague.

1992-1993: "Paleolithic of Moravia", Vienna University, Institut für Ur- und Frühgeschichte, Vienna.

2007-present: „Paleolithic“, Palacký University, Department of History, Olomouc.

Grants awarded:

1991-1993: "*The Upper Paleolithic settlement at Pavlov*", Grant Agency of the Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic, No 90104

1991-1994: "*Dolní Věstonice and Pavlov*", L.S.B.Leakey Foundation, Berkeley, U.S.A

1993-1995: "*The Gravettian in South Moravia*", Grant Agency of the Czech Republic, No 404/93/2359.

1996-1999: "*Early Modern Humans in Moravia*" - with E. Trinkaus, Wenner Gren Foundation, U.S.A. No ICRG-14.

1997-1998: „*Patterns of interaction between Anatolia and Southeast Central Europe during the Upper Palaeolithic and Neolithic*“, American Research Institute in Turkey and Mellon Foundation, U.S.A.

1999-2001: "*The Last Foragers of Northern Bohemia*". National Geographic Foundation, U.S.A. No 98/6330

1999-2001: "*Paleolithic and Mesolithic occupations in the karst areas*", formerly with B. Klíma and K. Valoch, Grant Agency of the Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic.

2000-2001; 2008: „*L'art paléolithique dans son context archéologique*“, Maison des Sciences Humaines, France - Mellon Foundation, U.S.A.

2002-2003: "*Technologische und dermatoglyphische Analyse der ältesten Keramik: Pavlov (Südmähren) und Krems (Niederösterreich)*". Austrian Science and Research Liaison Office, MU Brno (with M. Králík and V. Novotný).

2002-2003: "*Dzeravá skála: Early Upper Paleolithic in the Middle Danube Region*"; Leakey Foundation, U.S.A. (with L. Kaminská, Slovakia, and J.K. Kozłowski, Poland).

2003-2006: "*Paleolithic and Mesolithic settlement of Bohemia, Moravia and Silesia*", Grant Agency of the Czech Republic (with K. Valoch and J. Fridrich).

2005-2007: "*Předmostí*." Grant Agency of the Czech Republic (with J. Velemínská).

2006-2008: "*Petrkovice*." Grant Agency of the Czech Republic.

2008-2010: "*Paleolithic art: A contextual approach*". Grant Agency of the Czech Republic.

Membership in editorial boards:

1983-1986, 2000-present: Anthropologie (Brno)

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Archeologický ústav Akademie věd ČR, v.v.i.

2000 - 2006: Rekonstrukce a experiment v archeologii (Hradec Králové)
2000 - present: Praehistoria (Miskolc)
2003 - present: Eurasian Prehistory (Cambridge - Krakow)
2005 - present: Přehled výzkumů (Brno)
2007 - present: ArchéoLogiques (Luxembourg)

Membership in Committees:

1991 – present: Czech National Archaeological Committee
1998 – 2006: Commission VIII, "Paléolithique supérieur", de l'UISPP
1995 – present: Czech National Committee of the INQUA
2004 – present: INQUA commission „Palaeoecology and Human Evolution“ (corresponding member)

Organisation of international conferences:

1995: Paleolithic in the Middle Danube region - Anniversary Conference to Bohuslav Klíma (Dolní Věstonice)
1995: European Science Foundation Network The Paleolithic Occupation of Europe (Pavlov-Dolní Věstonice)
1999: Tagung der Hugo-Obermaier Gesellschaft (Mikulov-Dolní Věstonice)
2001: The last hunter-gatherers of Northern Bohemia (Dolní Věstonice)
2002: The Gravettian along the Danube (Mikulov)

Active participation at international conferences:

1978: 2nd Bilzingsleben Colloquium (Halle/S., East Germany)
1980: L'aurignacien et le gravettien (périgordien) dans leur cadre écologique (Krakow - Nitra, Poland-Slovakia)
1980: 2nd Congress of the European Anthropological Association (Brno, Czechoslovakia)
1981: 3rd Bilzingsleben Colloquium (Halle/S., East Germany)
1981: Evolution and environment (Brno, Czechoslovakia)
1983: Morphogenesis and evolution (Xanthi, Greece)
1984: The culture and environment of the Late Glacial in the Oder River Basin against the background of Central Europe (Rydzina, Poland)
1984: 3rd Seminar on Petroarchaeology (Plovdiv, Bulgaria)
1984: Evolution, adaptation and behavior (Liblice, Czechoslovakia)
1986: Prehistoric flint mining and lithic raw material identification in the Carpathian Basin (Budapest - Sumeg, Hungary)
1986: World Archaeological Congress (Southampton, UK)
1986: L'Homme de Néandertal (Liege, Belgium)
1986: Cultures et industries paléolithiques au milieu loessique (Amiens, France)
1987: Hunters-gatherers at the Last Glacial Maximum (SAA Symposium, Toronto, Canada)
1988: Die älteste Besiedlung Europas (Andernach, Germany)
1989: Les premiers peuplements humains d'Europe (Paris, France)
1989: Les industries à pointes foliacées du Paléolithique supérieur européen (Krakow - Karniowice, Poland)
1989: International symposium on Palaeoanthropology in commemoration of the 60th anniversary of the discovery of the first skull of Peking man (Beijing, China)
1989: 3rd Anthropological Congress of Aleš Hrdlička (Humpolec, Czechoslovakia)
1989: L'Homme du Maghreb et son environnement depuis 100 000 ans (Maghnia, Algeria)
1990: Chronostratigraphy of Paleolithic in North, Central and Eastern Asia and America (Novosibirsk, Russia)
1990: 3rd symposium on Upper Paleolithic, Mesolithic and Neolithic populations (Budapest, Hungary)

- 1991: 12e congres international des sciences préhistoriques et protohistoriques (Bratislava, Czechoslovakia)
- 1993: Man and environment in the Palaeolithic (Neuwied, Germany)
- 1993: The definition and interpretation of Levallois technology (Philadelphia, USA)
- 1993: 5th Bilzingsleben Colloquium (Jena, Germany)
- 1994: Litologia i stratygrafia czwartorzędowych utworów pyłkowych (Sosnowiec, Poland)
- 1994: Chronologies géophysiques et archéologiques du Paléolithique supérieur (Ravello, Italy)
- 1994: European Science Foundation Network The Paleolithic Occupation of Europe (Arras, France)
- 1994: Conference to the Centenary of the Archaeological Department of MAE (St.Peterburg, Russia)
- 1995: 1st Congress of the Association of European Anthropologists (Santiago de Compostela, Spain)
- 1997: INQUA meeting on the Last Interglacial (Amiens, France)
- 1998: International Conference on Mammoth Site Studies (Lawrence, Kansas, USA)
- 1999: Les industries aux outils bifaciaux en Europe occidentale (Caen, France)
- 1999: Paläolithforschung in Österreich (Vienna, Austria)
- 2000: 65. meeting of the Society for American Archaeology (Philadelphia, USA)
- 2000: Meeting of the American Association of Physical Anthropologists (San Antonio, Texas, USA)
- 2000: 42. Tagung der Hugo-Obermeier Gesellschaft (Tübingen, Germany)
- 2001: 14e congres international des sciences préhistoriques et protohistoriques (Liege, Belgium)
- 2001: The World of Elephants (Rome, Italy)
- 2002: Towards the definition of the Aurignacian (Lisboa, Portugal)
- 2003: European Science Foundation Workshop „The Humanized Mineral World“ (Sofia, Bulgaria)
- 2003: After the Ice Age. Settlements, subsistence and social development in the Mesolithic of Central Europe (Rottenburg am Neckar, Germany)
- 2004: Neanderthals and Modern Humans Meet? (Blaubeuren, Germany).
- 2004: Upper Pleistocene Prehistory of Central Asia (Tashkent-Samarkand, Uzbekistan).
- 2005: Early Human Habitation of Central, North and East Asia: Archaeological and Paleoecological Aspects (Denisova Cave, Gorny Altai).
- 2005: Rethinking Human Revolution: New Behavioral and Biological Perspectives on the Origins and Dispersal of Modern Humans (Cambridge, UK).
- 2005: Image and Imagination: Material Beginnings. The Global Prehistory of Figurative Representations. (Cambridge, UK).
- 2005: Eco-cultural Niche Modeling. An OMLL – NSF symposium (Les Eyzies, France).
- 2005: New Aspects concerning the Middle and Eastern European Upper Paleolithic (Vienna, Austria).
- 2006: Paleoanthropology Society Meeting – Jan Jelínek’s Honorary Session (San Juan, Puerto Rico).
- 2007: Rock art in the frame of the cultural heritage of humankind, XXII Valcamonica symposium (Boario Terme, Italy).