

Human-environment interactions and a framework of prehistoric anthropography

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Present paper discusses how the reconstructed human society from archaeological records should be integrated and named when we understand the human-environment interactions. Prehistoric human society that has reconstructed from various Quaternary disciplines is only possible to evaluate from fragmental excavated data. There are two feedback reference methods from present to the prehistoric past. First is experimental archaeology, and the second is ethnographic archeology; and both are called as middle range research in archaeology. The latter method based exclusively on behavioral patterns of present ethnographic evidence. As a matter of fact, the reconstructed prehistoric world is not a concrete ethnography and /or ethos, it should be emphasized that a neutral term anthropography will be more adequate when discusses the prehistoric objects. The ongoing project, Historical variation in interactions between humans and natural resources: towards the construction of a prehistoric anthropography, (project leader: A. Ono) will be introduced in this connection, and the conceptual framework of prehistoric anthropography is also discussed.

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