

Abstract:

The diploma thesis Neolithic and Eneolithic Settlement of the Karlovy Vary Region is based mainly on the analysis of the typical finds of this period, i.e. cut and chipped stone industry in the area of the region under study. By analysing the finds I could subsequently identify potential sources of production raw materials, thus documenting their migration in the landscape, showing the probable direction of long-distance communications and potential Neolithic colonisation of the area. I compared the findings with previously known facts from the surrounding areas, especially those from the South Bohemia region. I also followed the development of settlement in the period from the Neolithic to the Eneolithic in the surrounding border mountain areas in Bavaria, Saxony, Poland and Slovakia. This researched material is summarized in a catalogue, which thus becomes the first clear summary of all Neolithic and Eneolithic finds in the territory of the Karlovy Vary Region. The work also includes a graphic appendix containing maps with the finds as well as graphs of geochemical evaluation of the raw materials.

Key words:

Neolithic; Eneolithic; Karlovy Vary Region; West Bohemia; raw material; cut and chipped stone industry; X-ray fluorescence analysis