



Development process of Northern Bronze culture in South-Western China

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In the Prehistoric period of East Asia, it is divided into two societies; the agricultural society as center of Central Plains of China and the herding society of Northern Bronze culture. It is hypothesis that Northern Bronze culture spread to South-Western China and Vietnam at the beginning of Bronze Age. In order to prove this hypothesis, we researched at Tibetan area of Sichuan district of China and excavated at Yanerlong stone cist graves. Through this excavation, we found the earlier bronzes of c. 1300 BC in this district which would be connected with Northern Bronze culture and gained an archaeological evidence of life style for people by the physical anthropological analysis. In addition, barley seeds in this district firstly were identified from the grave soils by the floatation analysis.



Yanerlong Burial No.11



Burial goods of Yanerlong Burial No.11