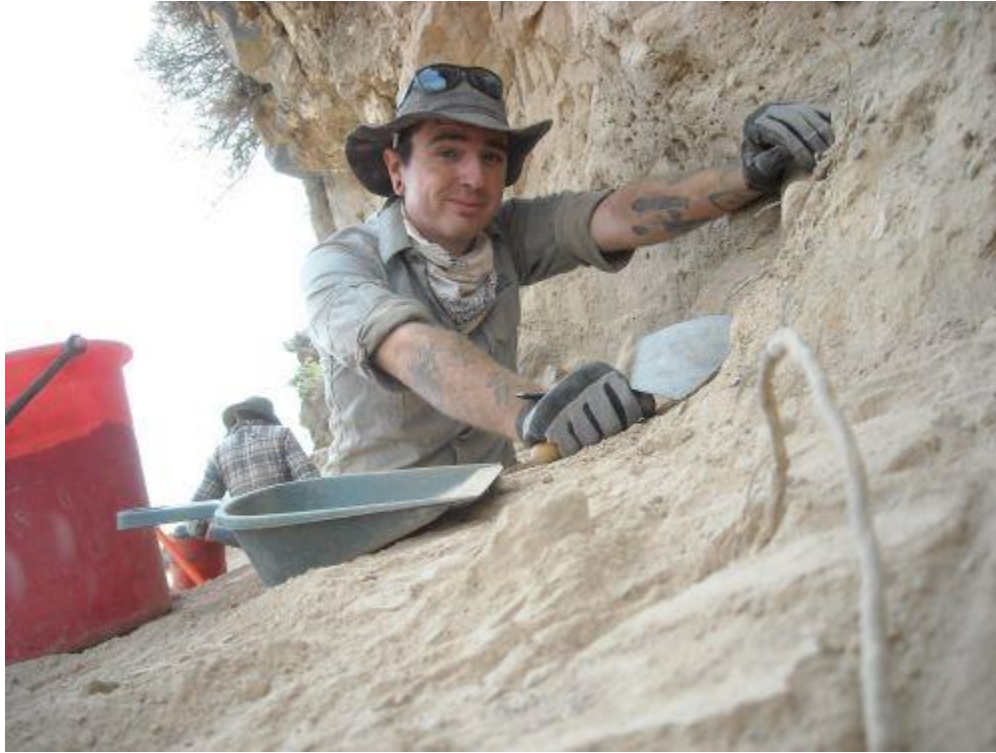


Pleistocene Behavioral Landscapes of the Debed River Valley, Armenia

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Until recently, the Pleistocene record of the Armenian Highlands and southern Caucasus was considered poorly understood. Using modern methods of survey, excavation, dating, and analytical techniques, key regional projects over the last two decades have been successful in addressing issues of Pleistocene hominin behaviors and evolution. However, much of this research has focused on late Marine Isotope Stage (MIS) 4 through MIS 3. The few published Middle Palaeolithic sites correlated with \geq MIS 5 have low artifact densities and are often poorly-stratified. The Pleistocene Behavioral Landscapes project aims to expand our understanding of hominin occupation and behavior in the Armenian Highlands and southern Caucasus during the Middle and Late Pleistocene via geological and archaeological research in the Debed River Valley of northern Armenia. Initial results from the project will be presented along with current and future directions.

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