

SAHRIS OBJECT PDF REPORT

Object Code: SAM-AP 6014 rib sample
Quantity: 1.00
Cultural Association:
Maker:
Production Place:

Description:

The two small samples for dating and analysis from Iziko come from one partial skeleton, discovered during construction in 1971, at or near the intersection of Strand and Long Streets. I was provided, by Jayson Orton, some notes from Alan Morris, UCT, who had assessed the crania from photos. He identified a small number as probably well prior to European arrival. Most of those he highlighted are represented only by skulls, but one is a partial skeleton.

Here are Alan Morris's notes about SAM-AP 6014: My my – red ochre on a Khoesan face. Probably female. I can't gauge the age of the person. The teeth are only moderately worn, but are very healthy (as are the gums).

The unit includes bones of a partial juvenile skeleton and a broken digging stick weight. From the post-crania, the adult woman was very young, aged 19 to 22 years, when she died. The sample is two small fragments of rib that appear to be from the mid-thorax. The unit is very fragmentary.