V.4. Taxon Ef: Blade-like flakes

(6 items; #1092–1097)

#1092. Item no. 2824-16917

Exc. nr.	Discovery date	Square- subsq.	Depth range Z(D)	Depth Z(datum)	UTM E (x)	UTM N (y)	Stratum	Stratig. comp. (SC)
X16	17/01/2019	A2-SE	6.45/ 6.40	6.42	283905.32	2724523.64	1606	С
Taxon code	Taxon definition	Length (mm)	Width (mm)	Thickness (mm)	Weight (g)	Raw material class		
Ef	Blade-like flake	17	7.2	2.6	0.30	V		



<u>Characterization.</u> This small, thin item is a thinning debitage element, a tertiary or secondary blade-like flake, with a curved trajectory, a low dorsal ridge, and a smooth ventral surface. The platform is small, punctiform, unprepared, not lipped. The edges lack use-wear or other post-extraction modifications.





#1093. Item no. 4173-17137

Exc. nr.	Discovery date	Square- subsq.	Depth range Z(D)	Depth Z(datum)	UTM E (x)	UTM N (y)	Stratum	Stratig. comp. (SC)
X16	12/02/2019	A6-SW	-	5.65	283904.69	2724527.73	1606	С
Taxon code	Taxon definition	Length (mm)	Width (mm)	Thickness (mm)	Weight (g)	Raw material class		
Ef	Blade-like flake	22.3	22.1	6.8	3.90	V(b)		



1 cm

<u>Characterization.</u> This item is the distal end of a tertiary blade or blade-like flake of black limestone, with a wide ogival contour and a rugged, texturized ventral side. The proximal end is the fracture plane that separated the fragment from the missing part of the piece. The eroded prismatic dorsal side contains the extraction scars of previous flakes/blades, as well as percussion retouch scars

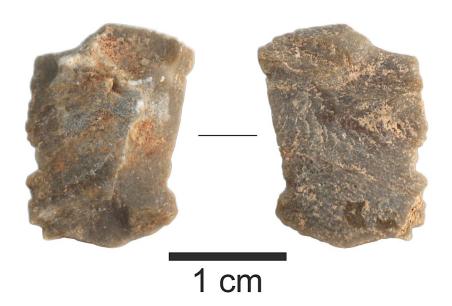


along the left edge. No actual use-wear can be detected on the edges, but the shaping of the item reveals intentions to obtain a functional tool.



#1094. Item no. 4288-17012

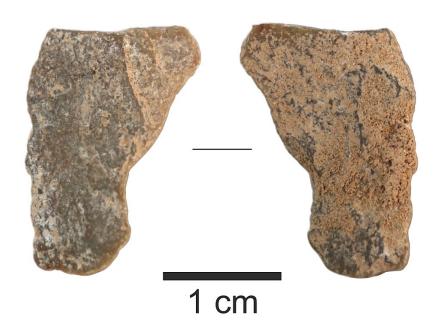
Exc. nr.	Discovery date	Square- subsq.	Depth range Z(D)	Depth Z(datum)	UTM E (x)	UTM N (y)	Stratum	Stratig. comp. (SC)
X16	18/02/2019	A6-SE	5.50/ 5.45	5.47	283905.27	2724527.89	1606/ 1609	С
Taxon code	Taxon definition	Length (mm)	Width (mm)	Thickness (mm)	Weight (g)	Raw material class		
Ef	Blade-like flake	19.2	13.5	3.6	0.98	V		



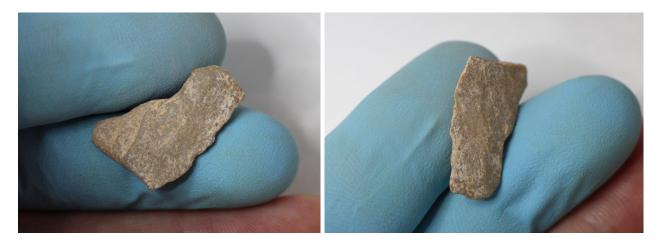
<u>Characterization.</u> This artefact is a wide, thin, tertiary flake or blade-like flake, extracted from a fine-grained green limestone core, with minimal calcite intrusions visible on the dorsal side. The platform is broken, probably collapsed under the strong impact, as suggested by the marked impact-related features on the slightly curved ventral side. The lateral and distal edges are thin and sharp, but they lack any evidence of use-wear.



#1095. Item no. 4288-17013

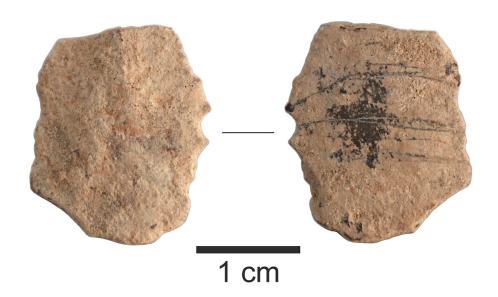


Exc. nr.	Discovery date	Square- subsq.	Depth range Z(D)	Depth Z(datum)	UTM E (x)	UTM N (y)	Stratum	Stratig. comp. (SC)
X16	18/02/2019	A6-SE	5.50/ 5.45	5.46	283905.07	2724527.89	1606/ 1609	С
Taxon code	Taxon definition	Length (mm)	Width (mm)	Thickness (mm)	Weight (g)	Raw material class		
Ef	Blade-like flake	21.2	14.1	2.6	0.94	V		



<u>Characterization.</u> This artefact is a green limestone thinning debitage element, a tertiary blade-like flake with the dorsal side covered by a uniform layer of cemented sediment deposition. The proximal end is missing, fractured by a transversal breakage representing the wider end. The lateral and distal edges are thin and sharp, lacking evidence of use-wear or tool functionality.

#1096. Item no. 4295-16576



Exc. nr.	Discovery date	Square- subsq.	Depth range Z(D)	Depth Z(datum)	UTM E (x)	UTM N (y)	Stratum	Stratig. comp. (SC)
X16	18/02/2019	A7-NE	5.35/ 5.30	5.32	283905.17	2724529.14	1606	С
Taxon code	Taxon definition	Length (mm)	Width (mm)	Thickness (mm)	Weight (g)	Raw material class		
Ef	Blade-like flake	21.3	17.4	3.9	1.82	V		



<u>Characterization.</u> This artefact is a fragmentary blade-like flake, possibly modified, possibly used as a tool, but the thick carbonate coating obstructs any accurate observations of the relevant features. The cross-section is flattened, biconvex. The dorsal side has an eroded central ridge, more visible towards one end, and the coating is thicker than on the ventral side. The ventral face, slightly convex, presents recent scratches across, probably caused by nearby rocks inside the layer. Both ends are broken, and the platform is no longer available. The edges present serrated or wavy profiles, generally consistent with the possibility of tool use, but the actual use-wear cannot be assessed adequately.

#1097. Item no. 4023-17000

Exc. nr.	Discovery date	Square- subsq.	Depth range Z(D)	Depth Z(datum)	UTM E (x)	UTM N (y)	Stratum	Stratig. comp. (SC)
X16	06/02/2019	B5-NW	-	5.67	283905.82	2724527.40	1606	С
Taxon code	Taxon definition	Length (mm)	Width (mm)	Thickness (mm)	Weight (g)	Raw material class		
Ef	Blade-like flake	22.3	16.4	6.8	2.63	V		



1 cm

<u>Characterization.</u> This artefact is a a small, tertiary, *outrepassé* blade-like flake of green limestone, with the surfaces covered by a thin uniform sediment coating. The platform is broken. The distal end is plunging and contains a portion of the opposite margin of the parent core. The dorsal ridge is low. The ventral side is curved. The edges are irregular, but show no convincing evidence of use-wear or post-extraction modifications.



The proximal segment of the left edge, as well as the central section of the right edge, do present micro-notching consistent with tool use, but the sediment coating does not allow a proper assessment.



