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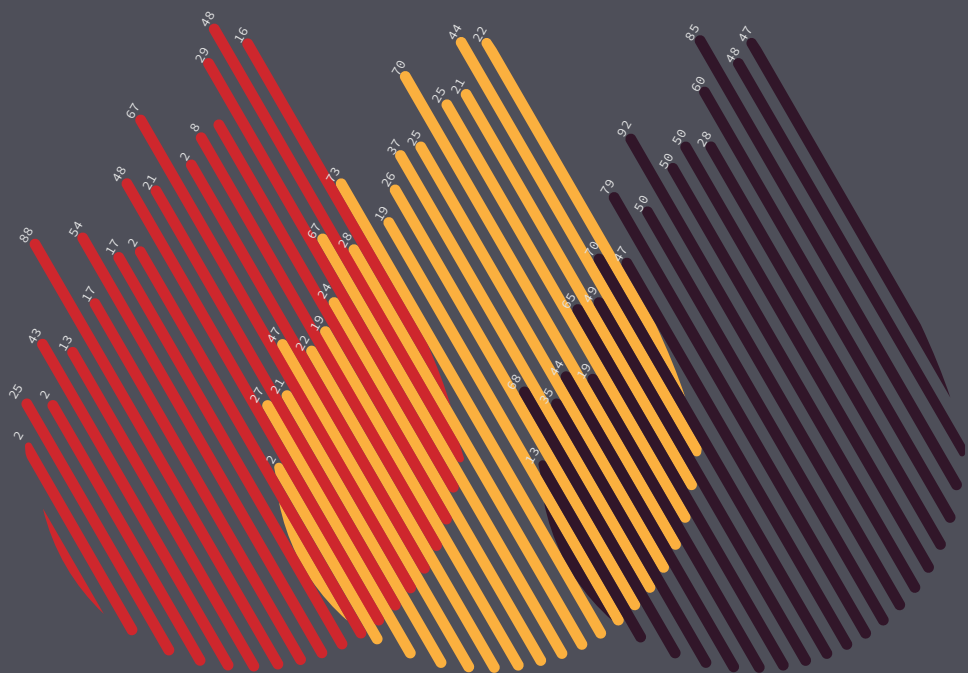
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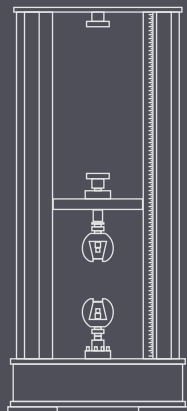
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Palaeolithic technology



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What can we learn about human origins by studying glue? Adhesives were a significant technological development which occurred in the Middle to Late Pleistocene. Neandertals in western Eurasia and early modern humans in southern Africa independently created, modified, and used new materials in transformative processes, the likes of which had never been done before.

Through a combination of laboratory and field experiments this research sheds new light on the earliest adhesives. How they were made, what they were used for, and how they survived in the archaeological record until today.

