

Early hominins in north-west Europe: a punctuated long chronology?

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Table 3: Prevailing habitat characteristics in Europe over the last 1.2mya (re-drawn after Kahlke et al., 2011: Fig. 6).

Region	Prevailing habitats (inferred from large mammal communities)		
Apennine Peninsula	High variety of open / forested	Open woodland / steppe	
	habitats		
Iberian Peninsula	Open savannah / lightly forested	Open woodland, tree savannah / steppe	
	habitats		
Western Europe	High variety of open / forested	Woodland / steppe	Variety of
	habitats		open to
			forested
			habitats
Northwest Europe	Woodland	Woodland with	Steppe /
		open patches /	woodland
		mixed habitats	
Central Europe	High variety of open / forested	Steppe / woodland	Steppe-
	habitats	with open patches	tundra /
			woodland
Eastern Europe	High variety of forest steppe /	Open steppe /	Steppe-
	open steppe habitats	forest steppe	tundra /
			woodland
Chronology (mya)	1.2 1.0	0.8 0.6	0.4