

Oldest ever engraving discovered on 500,000-year-old shell

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About half a million years ago, Homo erectus on Java was already using the shells of freshwater mussels as raw material for tools and as a “canvas” for an engraving. Archeologists report on this in Nature (3 December 2014). The discovery provides new insights into the evolution of human behaviour.

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