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ABSTRACT

The Fourth Indiana University Archaeological Expedition to Columbia. Thomas P. Myers, Gary L. Brouillard, and Sara Hunter, Department of Anthropology, Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana 47401.—Since 1968 the Indiana University Museum has conducted archaeological research in Columbia with two broad objectives: 1) the illumination of the Paleo-Indian Period in northern South America; and 2) the understanding of the relationship between highland Colombia and lowland South America.

The objective of the fourth field season was to develop a chronology for the upper Cabrera Valley in the drainage of the Magdalena River and to begin work on the Orteguaza River, a tributary of the Caqueta which eventually empties into the Amazon.

The survey of the upper Cabrera identified 48 sites which fall into three groups: habitation sites; burial sites and petroglyph sites. In addition there was a large rockshelter which, we hoped, would provide the chronological key to the area.

An important result of our work in the upper Cabrera was the recognition that the recent and modern pottery had been traded into the area from three locations on the Magdalena River. These locations were visted by Miss Hunter who learned that pot making was still considered an "Indian" craft. Comparison with historic site material suggests that the industry is of some antiquity and may extend into the prehistoric period.

Mr. Brouillard's survey of the Orteguaza River revealed five sites, apparently late, at least some of which may be attributed to the Andakí tribe which penetrated the upper Magdalena Valley in the early Historic Period.

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