

TOLLARD ROYAL (Wiltshire and Dorset)

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Rescue excavations at Tollard Royal began in 1965 and investigated the entire site (Wainwright 1968, 102-103). Tollard Royal lies on a chalk spur and borders both Wiltshire and Dorset (Wainwright 1968, 102). The excavations uncovered a kite-shaped, enclosed farmstead that dates to the Middle/Late Iron Age (Wainwright 1968, 102, 139). The archaeological evidence suggests this was a short-lived occupation settlement and the inhabitants engaged in a mix of animal-rearing and agricultural economies (Wainwright 1968, 140). In addition, the archaeological investigation recovered a single crouched inhumation with flint and chalk covering the body lying just outside of the settlement's boundaries (Wainwright 1968, 117-118). The inhumation is the only human remains occurrence recovered from Tollard Royal and R. J. Harrison (1968) conducted the osteological analysis.