

OXLEY PARK WEST (Buckinghamshire)

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Oxley Park West lies near Milton Keynes, Buckinghamshire on a plateau over Oxford Clay with boulder clay (Brown *et al.* 2009, 43). Excavations at the site began in 1997 and then again in 2004 by Archaeological Investigation Ltd and Oxford Archaeology in advance of housing development (Brown *et al.* 2009, 45). The investigations revealed activity in the Middle to Late Iron Age, Roman and Medieval periods (Brown *et al.* 2009). The Middle/Late Iron Age settlement evidence consists of a linear settlement, on a northeast to southwest alignment, including roundhouses, pits and enclosures (Stansbie 2009, 46). Inhabitants of the Iron Age settlement practiced a mixed farming regime. The community abandoned the settlement by the Late Iron Age and reoccupied the area later in the Roman period (Webley 2009, 65). Excavations at Oxley Park West uncovered four disarticulated bones all dating to the Middle Iron Age (Stansbie 2009, 51). Ceridwen Boston conducted the osteological analysis.