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Dear Dr. Emory:

Thank you for your note of 25/2/62. Yes, the Michigan date M-361 is from same material as Isotopes Inc. date of 890 plus or minus 170 B.P. Obviously the latter is a much better date.

Unfortunately, there are no ancient walls. A true and correct account is given in the Bulletin, Geological Society of America, Vol. 70, 1959, pl245.

Down here I've been prospecting in kitchen middens. A total of eleven C-14 dates have been secured. Three are between 5,000 and 10,000 B.P. Apparently these blacks arrived shortly after the end of glaciation here.

Recently I stumbled on an interesting reference:

"A Chemical Aid for the Relative Dating of Coastal Shell Middens", by C. A. Schoute-Vanneck. Department of Physics, University of Natal, King George V Avenue, Durban, Natal. Published in the South African Journal of Science, March 1960, Vol 56, no 3, p 67-70.

When you issue some published account of your carbon dates on Hawaiian culture and related matters, I'd much appreciate receiving a copy.

Best regards,

  
Grote Reber