

EARLY MAN DISTRIBUTION IN THE WESTERN HEMISPHERE:

38,000 B. P. TO 9,000 B. P.

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ABSTRACT

This paper investigated the question of when early man migrated into the Western Hemisphere. The hypothesis was made that the first Americans arrived in the New World more than 30,000 years ago. Diffusion models were developed in order to explain the distribution of early man from 38,000 to 9,000 years ago. The models were tested to see if there was evidence for only one migration or possibly multiple migrations of early man from Asia. The evidence tends to indicate that only one migration may have occurred approximately 35,000 years ago.