PREHISTORIC AND MEDIEVAL SETTLEMENTS IN THE AREA OF THREE CONTEMPORARY SOUTH MORAVIAN DAMS

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All three flooded areas lied in a different natural environment that shaped their fates. Archaeological sources have irreplaceable significance for understanding the changes in settlements. If no archaeological research was carried out before the construction of the Vranov Dam and the Brno Dam and we only depend on the findings from the surroundings, so before the construction of the dam on Dyje, the flooded area was systematically and archeologically investigated.

Differences in settlement occurred mainly between the area around system of water reservoirs of Nové Mlýny, situated in the lowlands on the lower reaches of the river Svratka and Jihlava, which flow into the Dyje and Vranov Dam and Brno Dam, which lie on the outskirts of the inhabited area, apparently with breaks throughout prehistory.