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Process and timing

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- Reference formats:
 - Journal Articles: Bednarik, R.G., 1996b. Only time will tell: a review of the methodology of direct rock art dating. *Archaeometry* 38(1), 1–13.
 - Book: Seidler, V.J., 1994. *Recovering the Self: Morality and social theory*. London: Routledge.
 - Book (multiple authors/eds.): Schortman, E.M. & P.A. Urban (eds), 1992. *Resources, Power and Interregional Interaction*. New York (NY): Plenum Press.
 - Chapter in Book: Frankel, D., 1991. Ceramic variability: measurement and meaning, in *Cypriot Ceramics: Reading the prehistoric record*, eds. J.A. Barlow, D. Bolger & B. Kling. (University Museum Monograph 74.) Philadelphia (PA): University of Pennsylvania, University Museum, 241–52.

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