

experiments, did I reach the conclusion that true replicas could be made by the pressure technique. These experiments have shown that blades and cores made by the use of pressure do have every quality and characteristic of most cores and blades found in Mesoamerica. This conclusion is based not only on my experiments but also on relating the aboriginal work to some of my pressure-worked replicas.

It is not difficult to examine an artifact and see the approximate direction in which force was applied; but, to determine how and by what individual or traditional technique the artifact was made involves actual working tests before final conclusions can be reached. Each technique characteristic of certain groups of men of prehistory may play an important part in their economy, and, therefore, I recommend to each analyst the personal act of fracturing stone.

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