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Anthropological Investigations on an Iron Age Adult Male Skeleton from S. Pappinayakkanpatti, Madurai District, Tamil Nadu

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ABSTRACT This paper presents an account of morphmetric and pathological observations made on a skeleton recovered from the Iron Age habitation-cum-burial site at S. Pappinayakkanpatti. The individual represented is a middle aged adult male. Robustness exhibited by this individual reflects the rigorous lifestyle and mixed food habits. The notable pathology is a wound scar on the parietal, possibility caused by a flat and sharp metal weapon. Dental pathologies like attrition, caries and tartar accumulation have also been noticed.