

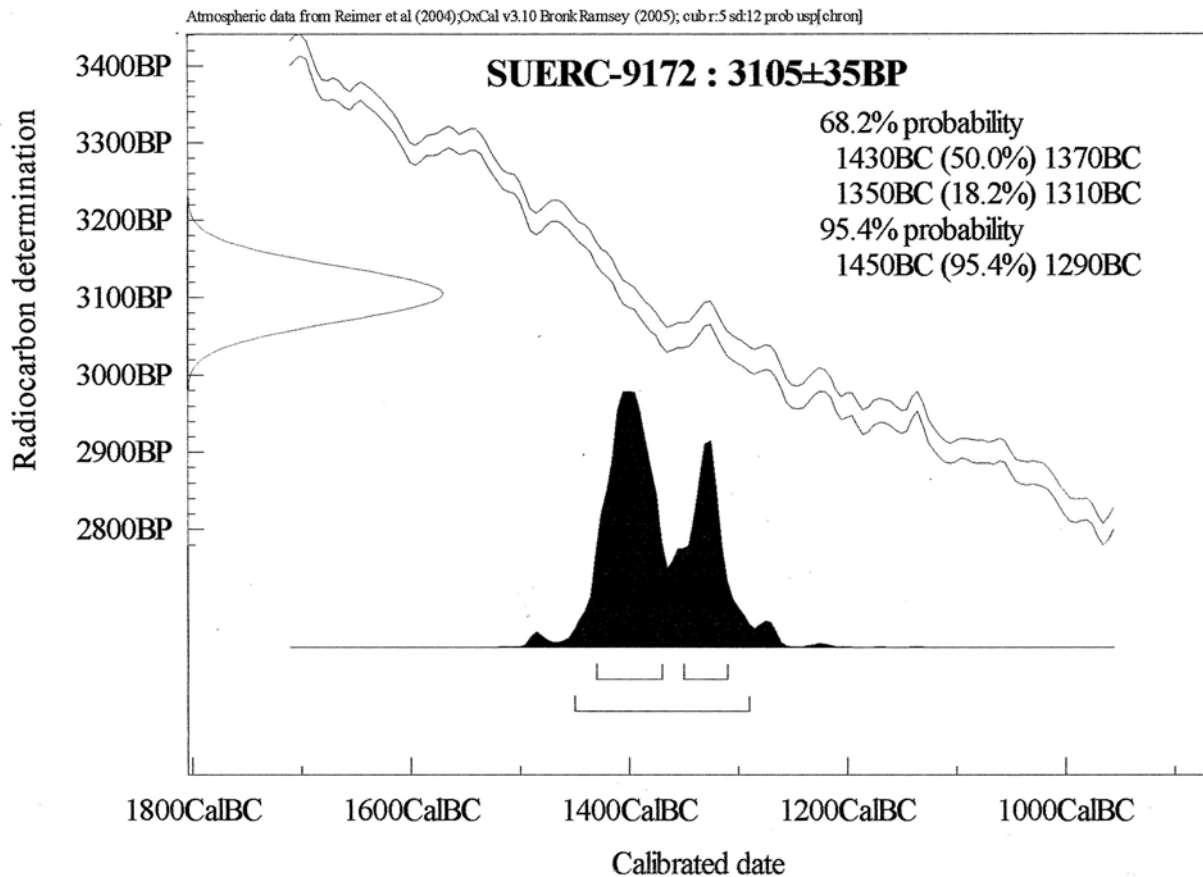
## 5 THE RADIOCARBON DATES *by Lorna Innes*

A sample of bone from the adult individual (Sk 1) only was submitted for radiocarbon dating as the remains of the infant (Sk 2) were considered too badly preserved and too small to be suitable. The radiocarbon date obtained places the adult burial in

the mid to later second millennium BC, and therefore within the Mid Bronze Age (*illus 3*). It locates the burial in a small group of Bronze Age burials that have been excavated and dated from Uig (see [Table 1](#) and discussion below in [8.2](#)).

**Table 1 Radiocarbon dates from Pabay Mor and comparative sites from Lewis**

Site	Lab code	Sample material	Yrs BP	$\delta^{13}\text{C} \text{‰}$	Calibrated date at 1-sigma	Calibrated date at 2-sigma
Pabay Mor	SUERC-9172 (GU-13838)	Skeleton: left talus (009)	3105± 35	-18.7	1430BC–1310 BC	1450BC–1290 BC
Cnip (Close-Brooks 1995)	GU-1174	Burnt residue from urn	3410± 55	-26.5	1860–1620 BC	1890–1530 BC
Cnip (Dunwell et al 1995)	GU-3488	Skeleton: left femur and tibia	3360± 50	(no info)	1737–1613 BC	1856–1520 BC



*Illus 3 Calibration plot for Pabay Mor*