

**Supplementary 2:** Comparative shoulder height data for Middle Iron Age sheep from southern Africa

<b>Site</b>	<b>Shoulder Height (cm)</b>	<b>Notes</b>	<b>Reference</b>
Toutswe, Botswana	61.71 - 62.35	Sheep burial, calculation based on length of adult female right metacarpal (12.75 cm). Length taken from photo	Welbourne, 1975
Mapungubwe (Phase II), South Africa	67.5	Calculation based on sheep calcaneum	Abatino, 2021
Mapungubwe (Phases III & IV), South Africa	50.1 – 74.2 (average 67.3)	Calculations based on sheep calcanea and astragali	Abatino, 2021
Mutamba, South Africa	53.1 – 59.2 (average 56.1)	Calculations based on sheep astragali	Abatino, 2021