

# Bechyňská Smoleč, Tábor dist., South Bohemian Region

## Early Medieval barrow cemetery

8th–9th cent. AD

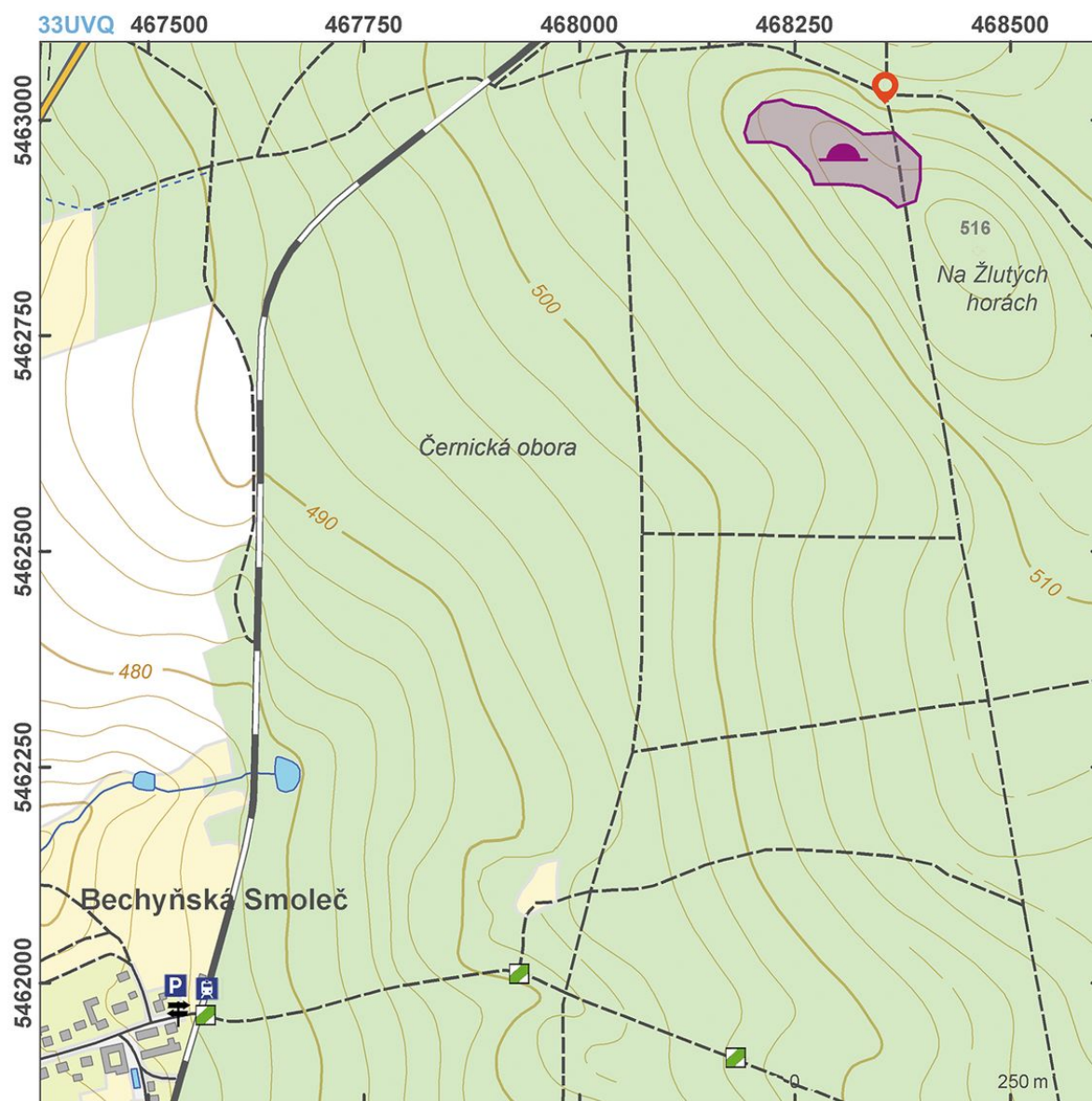


An Early Medieval barrow cemetery from the 8th and 9th centuries AD, with a typical row layout. Although the cemetery was investigated as early as the beginning of the 20th century, the most recent excavations identified fifty-five barrows with a diameter of up to 10 m. The mounds were composed of earth and stone, and wooden structures ('tombs'), and simple cremation burials were preserved in several of them.

**References:** Maxová – Menšík 2011.

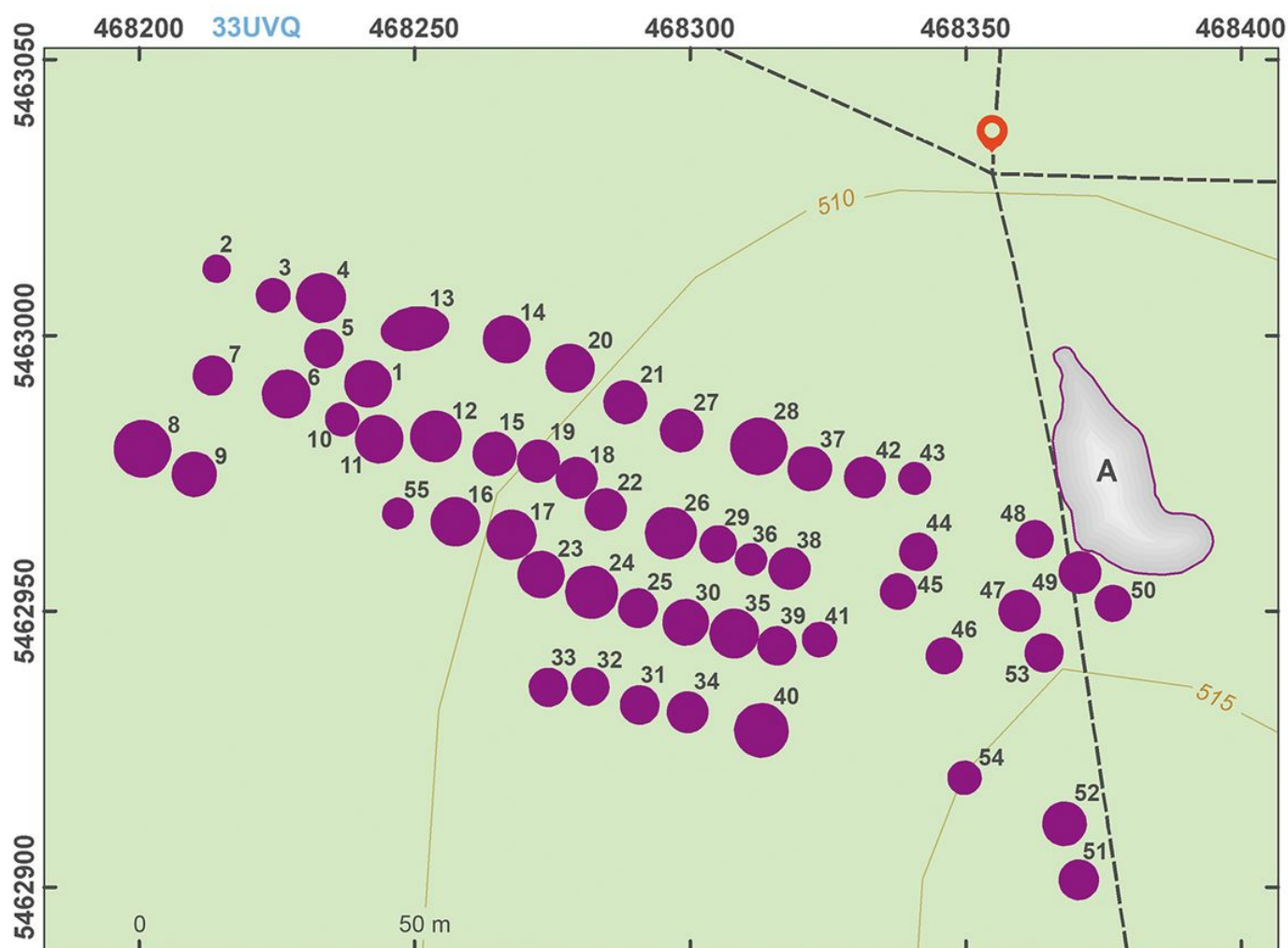
**Navigation points:** N 49°19'09.06", E 14°33'52.37".

**Map notes:** A – modern mining pit that damaged the barrow cemetery; 1–55 – barrows.



Access map.

After Kuna et al. 2014.



Site plan.

After Kuna et al. 2014.





A barrow with renewed forest.

Photo P. Menšík, 2011.



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A barrow after forest fire.

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Barrow Nr. 28, destroyed by illegal excavations.

Photo J. Mařík, 2014.