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d) Final Abstract:

Models assist in the analysis of complex relationships, but they direct the analysis. Literature gives a clear cause and effect model. But is it too convenient? The model is linear, history is not. The archaeological evidence disputes literary. Examination of trade material in Celtic and Gallo-Roman regions suggests alternate trade routes that probably survived the conquest. The Roman epigraphical material reveals something other than a collapse. The model may have been acculturation rather than assimilation.