Amazon Dinosaur

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Amazon dinosaur intrigues scientists, as reported in BBC News 15 Jan 2004. Researchers from Federal University in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil have found a 10 metre (32 feet) long fossilised sauropod believed to be 100 million years old. Many scientists have believed looking for fossils in Amazon rainforest would be a waste of time because the hot steamy conditions cause rapid decay of fossils. The fossil dinosaur was not alone. It was buried with fossil turtles, crocodiles, molluscs and fish.

Link: BBC

Editorial Comment: Scientists are right about rapid decay in the current Amazon environment anything that dies there today has no chance of becoming a fossil. A mass of fossils that includes a 10 metre dinosaur is proof that they were so rapidly and deeply buried so that the normal decay processes could not get to them. Furthermore, the fossils were a mixture of land and sea creatures, so this is not a buried environment. It is far more likely these creatures were all swept up by a massive flood and then dumped where they were found. This flood dinosaur dump is a world-wide pattern in dinosaur beds. (Ref. Amazon, dinosaur, flood)