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Snow giant (PAGE 1)

Few ancient mammals are as well-known as the woolly mammoth, indeed its name has entered the language as a byword for size. Odd then that it was in fact smaller than today's African elephant.

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Only a million years ago, tropical South America looked very different. Instead of rainforest, there was miles of open plains occupied by strange creatures like the 'hose-nose' *macrauchenia* and the giant armoured *doedicurus* which was about the size of a small car.

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