

Preface

This is the second volume of Laborativ arkeologi (vol 1 was published 1986) and also the 13th report from The Archeological Research Laboratory. The previous reports have been distributed free of cost. As however the reports by time have gained certain recognition most of them are now out of print. It has therefore been considered appropriate to create a periodical which should appear yearly and have a more commercial distribution. The name "Laborativ Arkeologi" refers to the purpose which is to publish archeological studies which comprehend scientific analysis, mostly performed in a laboratory, as an integrated part.

This volume is dominated by investigations carried out by graduate students at the university of Stockholm as part of the ongoing research at the Archeological laboratory. There also are however contributions from other scholars as Jan Sundström from Östersunds museum and Erik Tholander and Stig Blomgren at Sven Rinman-institute, Eskilstuna. The paper by Dr Anupama Kshirsagar, Deccan College, Pune India was written during her stay at the Archeological research laboratory 1985 made possible by a sholarship from The Swedish Institute.

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