

Late Medieval animal remains from the Esztergom archbishopric (N-Hungary)

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Recent excavations at the site of Esztergom-Castle Hill-Quarry in northern Hungary yielded an outstanding bone material, mostly representing refuse from the archbishop's kitchen from the 14th–15th century. Thanks to systematic dry screening, in addition to commonly occurring mammalian remains, a great number of bird and fish bones could also be analysed. In addition to the bone remains resulting from food processing and meat consumption, a number of finds represented bone and antler tools and objects, as well as manufacturing waste. Besides a concise presentation of the listed groups of finds, the lecture shall highlight the novelties brought by this material into the medieval archaeology of the Carpathian Basin as well as the challenges of a complex study in the light of architectural reconstruction and historical documents.