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Human bone archive report

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See Skeleton Record Sheets for record of recovered bone. Text descriptions of morphology and pathological lesions are below (Berry and Berry 1967).

Immature age estimates based on long bone lengths (Scheuer and Black 2000).

Context 20214 grp 20213 LRB

overlies grp 20212

Redep. in layer - an area of stone rubble (Part of Group 20213) that has a lot of soil from the voids of the stones as well as from the deposit slightly overlying them.

AGE: neonate c. 40 weeks

SEX:?

LOWER LIMB: nothing of note

CONDITION: 3; erosion, esp. trabecular bone (end); old break, dry bone.

COMMENT: NOT part of 20295 – repeated element & slightly smaller & less well preserved

Context 20266 grp 20263 LRB

Redep. is an occupation layer, part of Group 20263, below a stone rubble spread (20265) in SW of area

AGE: adult >25 yr.

SEX:?

SKULL: Pacchonian depressions; sutures – saggital & lambdoid closed, beginning to obliterate; no parietal foramen, no obvious wormian bones

CONDITION: 3-4; old breaks, but all three refit together; slight ?root etching, or watery erosion?

COMMENT: faint sheen

Context 20295 grp 20212

overlain by grp 20213

Redep. is an area of occupation layer below stone rubble 201214 (part of Group 20213); associated with ABG 51 – partial remains of 2 x sheep.

AGE: neonate c. 40 weeks

SEX:?

UPPER LIMB: nothing of note LOWER LIMB: nothing of note

CONDITION: 2-3; old straight breaks (dry bone); some refitting; slight erosion

COMMENT: looks to be all the same individual

Berry, A.C. and Berry, R.J., 1967, Epigenetic variation in the human cranium. *Jnl. Anatomy* 101(2), 261-379.

Scheuer, L. and Black, S., 2000, *Developmental Juvenile Osteology*, Academic Press (London)





