

Abstract:

In my bachelor's thesis I will focus on issues related to the impact of diet quality on the investigation of population structure in the archaeological past. I will mainly focus on the Early Iron Age period. I will work with the results of stable isotope analyses of carbon and nitrogen from bone collagen. On the basis of their relative proportions I will try to trace the diet of prehistoric communities. The main aim will be to trace and then confirm or refute a certain trend in the higher intake of animal protein in the diet of the so-called "warrior graves". I will then compare these individuals within a closed community with people classified by grave equipment into other social groups. I will also seek to identify trends in these dietary patterns in particular communities relative to the consumption of millet in continental Europe.

Keywords:

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