

Abstract

Through a thorough exploration of available literature, this dissertation presents an overview of the explanatory capacity of Czech archeozoology and archeobotany regarding dietary practices of medieval urban communities. The first section offers a summary of published information obtained through archeological research of medieval towns. Subsequently, the paper attempts a more detailed insight into the issue through the use of two case studies of selected urban locations. In the final section, it then contemplates the possibilities and limitations of comparative approaches and assesses the potential of environmental studies in documenting various forms of supply structures of medieval cities.

Key words

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