



2nd ICAZ Taphonomy Working Group (TWG)
*"Taphonomy and archaeozoological research:
 recent approaches"*

12th – 14th September, Santander (Spain)

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The ICAZ Taphonomy Working Group (TWG) invites papers for our 2nd meeting *"Taphonomy and archaeozoological research: recent approaches"* to be held September 12th–14th, 2012, at the University of Cantabria, Santander (Spain). The meeting will be organized by Ana Belén Marin-Arroyo from the Cantabrian International Institute for Prehistoric Research and Marta Moreno-García from the Human and Social Sciences Centre (CSIC) with the support of the University of Cantabria, the Spanish National Research Council (CSIC) and the CONSOLIDER Programme.

The ICAZ TWG was created in Autumn 2009 with the aim to encourage dissemination, collaboration and interdisciplinary work in taphonomic research. Up to now, the group has more than 70 members from 20 countries and five continents. The proceedings of the successful 1st meeting held as part of 11th ICAZ International Conference in Paris 2010, have been published as a special issue of the International Journal of Osteoarchaeology.

The 2nd meeting will be hosted at the University of Cantabria with two-days of sessions of oral and poster presentations and round table discussions, followed by a one-day practical workshop on taphonomic issues proposed by the delegates. The aim of the meeting is to assemble researchers interested in taphonomy that are involved in the study of faunal remains, and to encourage both formal and informal interactions.

We encourage presentations that:

- Investigate the application of taphonomical analyses to archaeozoological data
- Recognize the importance of taphonomy in the interpretation of archaeological faunal assemblages
- Put together different taphonomical approaches with the aim to document post-depositional and formation processes
- Provide new perspectives on recording biological agents of bone modification
- Focus on the study of the spatial distribution and skeletal part frequencies of vertebrate faunal remains
- Analyze butchering practices from a taphonomical perspective

WE LOOK FORWARD TO WELCOMING YOU IN SANTANDER!

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