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Dissertation project: a contextual study of mammalian animal remains from ancient Kalaureia (Poros, Greece), c. 650—100 BC

Research into human-animal interactions and animal exploitation in Classical archaeology has traditionally relied heavily on literary sources and other forms of evidence than animal bones, while zooarchaeological studies have become more prominent in recent decades. This PhD dissertation will examine mammalian animal remains from Kalaureia (Poros, Greece), focusing on the Sanctuary of Poseidon and adjacent areas during the Archaic, Hellenistic, and Early Roman periods (*c*. 650—100 BC). Taking an interdisciplinary approach, this project combines zooarchaeological analysis with the integration of further archaeological and textual sources, in attempt to further contextualize and link the material to human activities, local human-animal-environmental interactions, and the general discourse on ancient Greek religion and economy. A contextual study of mammalian remains involves a multi-faceted approach to zooarchaeological material. In this seminar, I will present the progress made so far, especially in regard to the recording of animal remains from two sites and early insights gained by this.