
Birds of a feather flock together - early Neolithic avifaunas in Upper Mesopotamia

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Abstract

The Pre-Pottery Neolithic bird remains from Göbekli Tepe (Euphrates basin) and Gusir Höyük (Tigris basin) are the starting point for this review of avifaunas from early Neolithic sites in Upper Mesopotamia. The taxonomic composition and abundance of certain species as well as body part representations will be evaluated and discussed in the light of seasonality, ecology and exploitation patterns.

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