

Announcement
International Workshop
‘Migration and Mobility in the Neolithic: Interdisciplinary Dialogues’

Institut für Vor- und Frühgeschichtliche Archäologie, Universität Hamburg

Hamburg 17th – 18th February 2017

In recent years, aDNA has opened completely new perspectives for prehistoric archaeology: suddenly, it is possible to directly address the hitherto rather intractable question of migration. Initial applications to Neolithic skeletons have already revealed that multiple migration events took place, some of them potentially on a large scale. The Neolithic has been a particular focus of aDNA research, which has been combined with archaeological and increasingly also with linguistic evidence to provide (not so?) new and sometimes controversial narratives.

Therefore, the need for interdisciplinary dialogue has never been higher. While there has been much productive collaboration already, there are also very different research traditions, expectations and approaches. So how can we best combine ‘headlines’ in *Nature* or *Science* with the details of particular archaeological and linguistic studies? And how can we actually distinguish between different migration scenarios?

These are just some of the issues this workshop aims to address. We hope that this will provide an opportunity for archaeologists, archaeogeneticists and linguists, as well as an interested audience, to find space for fruitful discussion. A preliminary programme is included.

If you would like to attend, please:

- Email the following details to daniela.hofmann@uni-hamburg.de **by the 9th of February**: Your name, Institution/Affiliation, Address, Email and contact phone number, fee category
- Pay the conference fee (normal: 15 €; students: 10 €; students and staff of Hamburg University and members of the Vorgeschichtsverein Hamburg: free). Payment instructions are below. **Your registration only becomes valid upon payment.**

We are looking forward to welcoming you in Hamburg!

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**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17
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| 13.00 – 13.10 | Daniela Hofmann / Hans-Jürgen Bandelt: Welcome |
| 13.10 – 13.40 | Wolfgang Haack (MPI Jena):
Ancient DNA, linguistics and archaeology: on the chances, limitations and perils
of working on the edge of time |
| 13.50 – 14.20 | Guus Kroonen (Copenhagen):
Did Pitted Ware groups leave a linguistic trace in Germanic and Finnic? |
| 14.30 – 15.00 | Bernhard Weninger (Köln):
Rapid climate change as major factor underlying the development and spread of
the Neolithic lifestyle |
| 15.00 – 15.30 | Coffee break |
| 15.30 – 16.00 | Peter Schrijver (Utrecht):
In search of the language(s) of Europe's first farmers |
| 16.10 – 16.40 | Marc Vander Linden (London):
Ghost in perdition – Migration, population and the archaeology and genetics of
3rd mill cal. BC Europe |
| 16.50 – 17.40 | Kristian Kristiansen (Gothenburg):
From Yamnaya to Corded Ware: social strategies of migration and integration,
and theoretical implications for the formation of culture and language (Keynote
lecture) |
| 17.40 – 18.20 | Discussion |

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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18 HAUPTGEBÄUDE, HÖRSAAL C

- 09.00 – 09.30 **Martin Richards (Huddersfield):**
Inferring migration history from ancient and modern mitogenomes
- 09.40 – 10.10 **Agathe Reingruber (FU Berlin):**
The trilemma of interpreting cultural change: the case of the Neolithisation process in the Aegean
- 10.10 – 10.40 **Coffee break**
- 10.40 – 11.10 **Eszter Bánffy (DAI, Frankfurt):**
Mesolithic foragers lost – and found? The archaeological versus the genetic evidence for the Danubian Neolithisation process
- 11.10 – 11.40 **Martin Furholt (Kiel):**
The social reality of migration in prehistory. Integrating molecular biology, archaeology and social theory
- 11.40 – 12.30 **Daniela Hofmann / Hans-Jürgen Bandelt:**
Concluding discussion

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