

Isotopic evidence for dietary diversity at the mediaeval Islamic necropolis of Can Fonoll (10th to 13th centuries AD), Ibiza, Spain

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Abstract

The diet of the population interred at the Islamic necropolis of Can Fonoll, Ibiza, Spain, which was in use between the 10th and 13th centuries AD, is reconstructed from the carbon ($\delta^{13}\text{C}$) and nitrogen ($\delta^{15}\text{N}$) stable isotope ratios of bone collagen from 112 individuals. The mean \pm sd (1σ) $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ ($-19.0\pm 1.3\text{‰}$) and $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ ($10.3\pm 0.8\text{‰}$) values of the Can Fonoll population indicate a diet based largely on terrestrial C_3 resources. However, the wide range of both $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ (-20.6‰ to -8.6‰) and $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ (7.0‰ to 12.1‰) values attested at Can Fonoll indicate significant variation in individual diet. The elevated $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values of a small proportion of the individuals buried at Can Fonoll are consistent with the consumption of a large proportion of, or dependence on, C_4 resources, such as millet. Comparison of the $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ and $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ values of the Can Fonoll population with those of other mediaeval populations from the Balearic Islands and mainland Spain highlights a wide range of stable isotope values, which reflects not only significant differences in diet but also points to widespread mobility within the Mediterranean Basin.

Key Words: C₄, Ibiza, Islamic, Millet, Stable Isotopes

INTRODUCTION

The Spanish island of Ibiza, part of the Balearic Islands in the Western Mediterranean has seen an influx of peoples from the eastern and central Mediterranean (in particular North Africa) since at least the mid-7th century BC (McMillan and Boone 1999; O'Connor 2003). In the 8th century AD the Iberian Peninsula came under Moorish influence, which resulted in linguistic, social, economic, technological, cultural and religious change (McMillan and Boone 1999). There is evidence that Islamic influence in Ibiza started at least in the 8th or 9th centuries and the island was under Islamic control certainly from the 10th century until 1235 AD with the Christian conquest by the Crown of Aragon (Davies 2014; Gurrea Barricarte and Martín Parrilla 2016).

Fuller et al. (2010) investigated the impact of cultural change on diet, one aspect of cultural behaviour through which identity may be expressed. Diet was reconstructed through carbon ($\delta^{13}\text{C}$) and nitrogen ($\delta^{15}\text{N}$) stable isotope analysis of human bone collagen of archaeological Ibizan populations. This study suggested that there was a significant shift in diet associated with Moorish expansion into Ibiza. The Islamic population from the early mediaeval necropolis of Es Soto, in Ibiza town, which was in use from the 10th to the 13th centuries, exhibited a greater reliance on C_4 resources than earlier populations on Ibiza (Fuller et al. 2010; Nehlich et al. 2012). However, Ibiza town was an important centre for trade and the diet of the Es Soto population may not be representative of populations elsewhere on the island.

Here, we present the results of carbon ($\delta^{13}\text{C}$) and nitrogen ($\delta^{15}\text{N}$) stable isotope analyses of a contemporaneous Islamic population from a necropolis located at Can Fonoll in the southwestern region of Ibiza (Figure 1 and Figure 2). Those interred in the cemetery (*maqbara*) may have been involved in agricultural production on the island (Castro 2009) and likely represent a more residentially stable community than that of Ibiza town. The Can Fonoll assemblage represents one of the largest mediaeval Islamic populations from Ibiza to be studied to date (Kyriakou et al. 2012). Comparison with the urban population at Es Soto (Fuller et al. 2010) and other mediaeval populations from the Iberian Peninsula offers a broader understanding of dietary variability within the Balearic Islands and beyond.

Figure 1. Location of Can Fonoll, Ibiza, Spain.

Figure 2. Photograph of excavated graves at Can Fonoll necropolis (© Jonathan Castro Orellana and Joan Roig). [\[about here\]](#)

RECONSTRUCTING DIET

The Balearic Islands witnessed a population influx from mainland Al Andalus following the establishment of Islamic control in the early 10th century (Kirchner 2009a). Thirteenth-century records detailing land rents in rural areas of Ibiza indicate small groups of settlements and associated farmland, with names of Arabic-Berber derivation (Kirchner 2009b). Watermills, constructed to irrigate small allotments on valley floors, were also used to grind cereals into flour (Kirchner 2009b). While it is known that intense agriculture and irrigation took place, direct evidence for the diets of mediaeval Ibizans is limited.

By comparison, Islamic period agricultural practices, cultivars, and diets on mainland Spain are relatively well attested. Agricultural intensification is evident: use of fertilizers, such as ash and straw, was widespread (Bolens 1978). Systems of irrigated terraces were constructed to support exotic, introduced crops such as sugarcane and citrus fruits (Watson 1983; Puy and Balbo 2013). However, the primary importance of cereals is underscored by an abundance of naked wheat and hulled barley in archaeobotanical assemblages, while oil-bearing plants and nuts are also evident (Bolens 1978; Alonso Martinez 2005; Alonso et al. 2014). Historical accounts of diet in medieval Spain support the prominence of cereals and other plant foods in diet: wheat, sorghum and millet, fruits and olives were all described as important staples (García-Sánchez 1996, 2002; Constable 2013). Pulses such as lentils and chickpeas, were reported to have been widely consumed, particularly by those of lower status (García-Sánchez 2002). The meat of goat, sheep and chicken, as well as milk, cheese, butter and eggs were also important components of the Islamic diet (Grewe 1981; García-Sánchez 2002; O'Connor 2003; Constable 2013). Textual evidence further indicates that in the mediaeval period Muslims abstained from wine, shellfish, pork and lard, as well as the meats of other animals that were not prepared according to Islamic law (Constable 2013).

However, historical records provide a limited overview of mediaeval diet, often describing foods consumed by elites with little mention of the habits of individuals of lower status, or alternatively, focussing on religious restrictions on foods and eating practices (Bolens 1978;

Grewe 1981; Constable 2013). Additionally, information on the relative importance of foodstuffs is often contradictory (cf. O'Connor 2003; Constable 2013; Burns 2015).

Stable Isotope Analysis

In contrast to historical sources, $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ and $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ stable isotope ratio analysis of human remains can determine population level dietary intake and highlight individual variations in diet (Katzenberg 2000; Lee-Thorp 2008; Reitsema 2013). Carbon and nitrogen stable isotope ratios of bone collagen are reliable indicators of long-term (mainly) dietary protein intake in a protein adequate diet (e.g. van der Merwe and Vogel 1978; Sealy et al. 1987; Sealy 2001; Müldner and Richards 2007; Schoeninger 2010; Fuller et al. 2012a; Commendador et al. 2013; Quintelier et al. 2014).

Plants in different environments (terrestrial [i.e. C_3 vs C_4], marine and freshwater) fix/acquire carbon during photosynthesis in different ways. Plants utilised as dietary staples generally fix carbon by one of two pathways, either the C_3 or C_4 pathway (DeNiro and Epstein, 1978; Krueger and Sullivan, 1984; Ambrose and Norr, 1993). C_3 plants comprise most grasses and plants native to temperate regions, including oats, barley, wheat, and also rice. C_4 plants include important cereal staples such as maize and millet. C_3 plants generally have more depleted ^{13}C values than C_4 plants. For example, a typical consumer of foods drawn from the terrestrial C_3 food web would have $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values between approximately -20‰ and -18‰ , while a consumer entirely dependent on resources from the C_4 food web would be expected to have $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ around -7.5‰ (cf. van der Merwe and Vogel 1978; Tykot 2004). Marine plants also fix carbon by the C_3 pathway. However, the $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values of marine plants are distinctive from those of terrestrial C_3 plants because marine carbon isotope ratios are enriched relative to atmospheric carbon isotope ratios (Tykot 2004). A typical consumer of predominantly marine resources might have isotope values of $\delta^{13}\text{C} = -12\text{‰}$. Although this overlaps with the carbon isotope values of C_4 consumers, the two dietary components can often be distinguished by $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ analysis.

It is widely accepted that nitrogen stable isotopes are enriched with each trophic level by c. 3–5‰ (Bocherens and Drucker 2003) and potentially by up to 6‰ (O'Connell et al. 2012; Iacumin et al. 2014). Human consumers of terrestrial resources will typically have $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ values c. 6–10‰, but results can be variable due to differing environmental conditions and anthropogenic activities such as manuring (Tykot 2004; Lee-Thorp 2008; Fraser et al. 2011; Bogaard et al. 2013). Marine/freshwater food-chains are generally longer than terrestrial food-chains so consumers of aquatic resources tend to have higher $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ values than consumers of

terrestrial resources (although see Hedges and Reynard [2007] for discussion of uncertainties in the $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ trophic shift). This $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ difference between terrestrial and aquatic food-chains *generally* allows diets based on marine resources to be distinguished from those derived from the C_4 food web.

Thus, co-analysis of $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ and $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ isotope values can potentially distinguish between diets based on terrestrial C_3 and C_4 plant food web, freshwater and marine resources, and identify the trophic level of the consumer (e.g. Chisholm et al. 1982; Schoeninger and DeNiro 1984; Schwarcz and Schoeninger 2011). However, caution must be exercised in the interpretation of stable isotope results. A range of non-dietary factors can affect an individual's stable isotope values, such as pregnancy and disease (Fuller et al. 2005; Olsen et al. 2014). Furthermore, determining the relative contribution of plant vs animal protein in diet is complicated by uncertainties in the human-diet $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ trophic shift (Hedges and Reynard 2007).

CAN FONOLL – ARCHAEOLOGICAL BACKGROUND

The cemetery at Can Fonoll, near the area of Molí de Can Fonoll in the southwest of Ibiza, was discovered during motorway construction (Castro 2009). Rescue excavations were undertaken between October 2006 and February 2008. Remains of 154 individuals were recovered from 167 burials at Can Fonoll, a large Islamic necropolis (c. 1220 sq. m) or maqbara at the site (Castro 2009; Kyriakou et al. 2012). The burials all follow typical Islamic funerary tradition: graves were oriented SW-NE, individuals laid on their right side and facing SE toward Mecca, and there was a lack of surviving grave goods and headstones (Castro 2009). The cemetery was dated to c. 10th to 13th centuries AD on the basis of the burial practices, and the well-established historical evidence relating to the occupation of Ibiza by Islamic populations (Castro 2009). The human remains generally displayed poor preservation, with a significant degree of surface erosion and bones were highly fragmented (Kyriakou et al. 2012).

The human remains were analysed in 2010 by a team from the University of Edinburgh, UK (Kyriakou et al. 2012). Bioarchaeological data, including demographic information, were collected following the recommendations of Brickley and McKinley (2004) and Buikstra and Ubelaker (1994), and were the focus of a separate publication (Kyriakou et al. 2012). Of the 154 individuals, 112 were adults, 21 were juveniles and 21 had an unknown age at death. Amongst the adults, 23 were females or possibly female and 35 were males or possibly male (Kyriakou et al. 2012).

MATERIALS AND METHOD

Materials

Bone samples (ribs and long bones) for stable isotope analysis were obtained from 143 of the 154 individuals, but only 112 of these yielded well-preserved collagen – these 112 samples are the focus of the current paper. They comprise 85 adults, 13 juveniles and 14 of unknown age (see also Table S1). Amongst the juveniles, one (7.6%) was in the age range 1–5 years, two (15.3%) in the 5–10 year age range, eight (61.5%) between 10 and 15 years and two (15.3%) in the 15–18 year age range.

To investigate diet, human $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ and $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ values need to be considered alongside the isotope values of potential foods. Ideally, comparisons should be made with animal and plant remains found in association with the human remains. However, no animal or plant remains were recovered from the Can Fonoll necropolis. Comparisons are therefore drawn from the nearby, contemporaneous site of Es Soto, located 4 km away from Can Fonoll, for which $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ and $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ values have been published (Fuller et al. 2010; the average values of the animal remains sampled are presented in Table 1 and plotted in Figure 3).

Table 1. Mean \pm sd (1σ) $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ and $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ values of animal remains from Ibiza, taken from Fuller et al. (2010). [\[about here\]](#)

Figure 3. Mean \pm sd (1σ) $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ and $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ values for the Can Fonoll humans. [\[about here\]](#)

Method

Bone collagen was extracted at the Department of Human Evolution, Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology (Leipzig, Germany) following the procedure described in Richards and Hedges (1999) with the additional step of ultrafiltration by Brown et al. (1988). Each bone sample (~500 mg) was cleaned by air abrasion and placed in a 0.5 M HCl solution at 4 °C for ~2 weeks, with acid changes every 2 days. Demineralized samples were gelatinized at 70 °C in a pH=3 solution for 48 hours. After purification with a 5 μm EZEE[®] filter, the solution was concentrated by Amicon[®] ultrafilters (<30 kDa), and then was frozen and freeze dried for 2 days. Approximately 0.5 mg of extracted collagen was weighted for carbon and nitrogen

analysis, using a Flash EA 2112 coupled to a Delta XP mass spectrometer (Thermo-Finnigan, Bremen, Germany). The results are reported in ‘per mil’ (‰) relative to the standards VPDB for $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ and AIR for $\delta^{15}\text{N}$. The analytical precision is $\pm 0.2\text{‰}$ for both $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ and $\delta^{15}\text{N}$. Although the collagen yields are low, ranging from 0.1% to 3.0% (cf. van Klinken 1999), ultrafiltration isolation of well-preserved collagen is indicated by the atomic C:N ratio (Richards et al. 2008). A total of 112 (i.e. 79%) of the 143 individuals produced collagen with acceptable atomic C:N between 2.9–3.6 (DeNiro 1985), and five samples outside this range are omitted from the discussion below (see Table S1).

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Diet at Can Fonoll

Carbon and nitrogen stable isotope values for the Can Fonoll population are presented in Table S1 and plotted in Figure 3. The mean \pm sd (1σ) $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ and $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ values of the Can Fonoll population ($\delta^{13}\text{C} = -19.0\pm 1.3\text{‰}$; $\delta^{15}\text{N} = 10.3\pm 0.8\text{‰}$, $n=112$) are consistent with a diet based primarily on resources from the terrestrial C_3 food web.

The Can Fonoll human isotope values differ from the mediaeval Ibizan domestic herbivore values (mean \pm sd (1σ) $\delta^{13}\text{C} = -19.9\pm 0.7\text{‰}$; $\delta^{15}\text{N} = 6.9\pm 2.1\text{‰}$, $n=18$) published in Fuller et al. (2010). The difference in $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ is c. 1‰ and that in $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ is 3.4‰ . These values suggest that cattle and caprines, and secondary products from these animals, were important components of diet, but that other resources such as plant foods were dietary staples. Dental caries rates of the Can Fonoll population (Kyriakou et al. 2012) supports the consumption of some carbohydrates; caries prevalence is similar to that of other mediaeval sites in the Iberian Peninsula (see Lalueza-Fox and González-Martín 1999) and slightly lower than that of earlier populations in Ibiza (see Márquez-Grant 2006).

Despite the island setting of the Can Fonoll cemetery, marine resources do not appear to have contributed significantly to the diet (suggested by the relatively low mean $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ value). This interpretation is offered cautiously as in the Mediterranean region, identifying the consumption of marine foods is non-trivial (e.g. Prowse et al. 2004; Keenleyside et al. 2006; Craig et al. 2009). The $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ and $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ values of modern fish caught in the Mediterranean Sea have been observed to vary widely and often have values similar to those of terrestrial foods (see Pinnegar and Polunin 2000, Garvie-Lok 2001; Polunin et al. 2001 and Badalamenti et al. 2002). For example, the mean $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ and $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ values of fish captured off the southeast coast of Ibiza were

-17.8‰ and 11.3‰ respectively (Polunin et al. 2001). Furthermore, in individuals with relatively low protein diets, nutrient scrambling (Prowse et al. 2004; Craig et al. 2013) may result in carbon and nitrogen being drawn from different dietary constituents – carbon is assimilated from dietary carbohydrates and/or lipids in protein inadequate diets (Hedges 2004). These factors invalidate the notional linear correlation of $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ and $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ in establishing the consumption of marine resources (see Schoeninger et al. 1990).

Table S1. Demographic information and $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ and $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ values of the Can Fonoll population. [\[about here\]](#)

Differences in individual diet

The $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ and $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ values of the Can Fonoll necropolis population exhibit wide ranges, which hint at intra-population differences in dietary intake (cf. DeNiro and Epstein 1978; DeNiro and Schoeninger 1983). Spanning approximately one trophic level, the range of $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ values (from 7.0‰ to 12.1‰) of the Can Fonoll population is large and is consistent with differences in individual diets. Two suspected statistical outliers (SPSS boxplot), individuals T-12 and T-122, have relatively low $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ values, 8.2‰ and 7.0‰, respectively, compared to the population mean of 10.3‰. Both individuals are adult males. Their $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values, -19.2‰ and -20.0‰, respectively are consistent with a diet based on C_3 resources. These values possibly suggest that there were socio-economic or socio-religious restrictions to the consumption of animal products among the Can Fonoll population. Those individuals with lower $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ values likely consumed a greater proportion of plant foods than those with higher values. However, the consumption of legumes, which fix atmospheric N_2 and therefore have low $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ values (Szpak et al. 2014), may mask animal protein intake. It is also important to note that non-dietary causes of $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ variability cannot be excluded (e.g. Reitsema 2013; Olsen et al. 2014).

The spread of $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values is exceptionally large ranging from -20.6‰ to -8.6‰. Five of the individuals analysed are statistical outliers, with a further three individuals suspected as statistical outliers. Four of these individuals (T1, T20, T121 and T122, see Table S1) have $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values that are typical of diets based on C_3 resources. The other four (T-2, T-14, T-99 and T-155, see Table S1) have distinctive $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values, higher than those generally observed for individuals subsisting exclusively on C_3 terrestrial resources. Three of these individuals are firmly identified as males and one, T-155, is tentatively identified as male.

The $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values of T-2, T-14, T-99 and T-155 (-14.2‰ , -14.9‰ , -15.6‰ and -8.6‰ respectively) indicate that their diets were distinctive from the other individuals interred at Can Fonoll. Notably, the $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ values of these individuals (10.3‰ , 11.0‰ , 10.8‰ and 10.6‰ , respectively) are similar to the population mean (i.e. $\delta^{15}\text{N} = 10.3\text{‰}$). The parsimonious explanation for the variation in the $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values of these four individuals, with no associated variation in $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ values, is the consumption of varying proportions of C_4 resources (cf. Müldner et al. 2011; and see Figure 3).

One explanation for these values potentially reflecting C_4 resources is the consumption of millet. Millet, indigenous to Africa and Asia, was an important C_4 crop cultivated in mediaeval Europe. The reported $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values for modern millet plants range from -10‰ to -12‰ (McGovern et al. 2004; Pechenkina et al. 2005; An et al. 2015). Archaeobotanical remains indicate the presence of broomcorn millet (*Panicum miliaceum*) in Europe from at least the later part of the 4th millennium BC (Lightfoot et al. 2013; Motuzaitė-Matuzevičiūtė et al. 2013), and consumption of millet is evident in the isotope values of later prehistoric and Roman populations throughout Europe (Murray and Schoeninger 1988; Bonsall et al. 2004; Le Huray and Schutkowski 2005; Le Huray and Schutkowski 2005). However, it is generally thought that millet was viewed as a poor quality cereal (e.g. Iacumin et al. 2014), not used in the kitchens of the elite, and often grown as animal fodder (Adamson 2004).

Sugarcane (*Saccharum*), was also cultivated in mediaeval Europe (Galloway 2005). Sugarcane has a low crude protein content (Pate et al. 2002), and is therefore unlikely to have contributed directly to human bone collagen $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ in a protein adequate diet (cf. Hedges 2004). Elevated $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values may result indirectly from the consumption of domesticates fed on sugarcane crops or stubble (Alexander et al. 2015). Animal collagen from the Islamic period of Ibiza, analysed by Fuller et al. (2010), show $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values no higher than expected for a diet based on C_3 plants in the Mediterranean region with $\delta^{13}\text{C} < -18\text{‰}$. Araus et al. (1997) demonstrated that archaeological C_3 cereal grains from Middle Neolithic to Iron Age sites in northeastern and southeastern Spain had $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values ranging from -24.5‰ to -20.3‰ (with average $\delta^{13}\text{C} = -22.7\text{‰}$) – thus, there is no evidence for supplementation of domesticate diet in the Islamic period on Ibiza with C_4 crops (i.e. neither with sugarcane nor millet).

There are no published reports of individuals from European sites with $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values as high as the Can Fonoll individual T-155 with $\delta^{13}\text{C} = -8.6\text{‰}$ (cf. Lightfoot et al. 2013). Although it is possible that individual T-155 was local to Ibiza and consumed a distinctive diet for reasons

relating to health, social status or cultural preference, an alternative and more likely scenario is that individual T-155 spent much of his life elsewhere, in a region where C₄ resources were a dietary staple. Although millet was used widely across Europe in the mediaeval period (e.g. Rösch et al. 1992; Dembińska 1999), it does not appear to have been a significant component of the human diet in many areas. One exception to this was central Europe: documentary sources indicate that millet was one of the most commonly consumed grains in Poland from the early mediaeval period up to the 17th century AD (Dembińska 1999). It is also possible, and more probable given the historical context of Ibiza, that individual T-155 (and arguably all four of the individuals at Can Fonolls with atypical $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values) had migrated to Ibiza from northern or sub-Saharan Africa (cf Márquez-Grant 2005) shortly before death. Determining how recently before death these individuals migrated to Ibiza is complex for two reasons. First, the lack of knowledge of provenance and consequently the baseline isotope values of foods consumed prior to moving to Ibiza: second, the variation in bone collagen turnover rate, which depends on developmental stage (e.g. Tsutaya and Yoneda 2013), sex (e.g. Garnero et al. 1996), parturition (e.g. Naylor et al. 2000), skeletal element sampled (e.g. Manolagas and Jilka 1995), as well as behaviour (e.g. Thorsen et al. 1997).

Few stable isotope studies of northern African groups subsisting largely on C₄ resources have been undertaken – see Loftus et al. (2016) for a review. Analyses of historic farming populations from Kenya, known to have predominantly consumed a mix of C₄ and C₃ cereals in varying proportions, had $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values ranging from -18.0‰ to -7.3‰ , while two individuals from west Kenya, who subsisted exclusively on C₄ resources, had $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values of -6.7‰ and -6.3‰ (Ambrose and DeNiro 1986). The remains of many prehistoric agriculturalists from Africa, inferred to have subsisted on C₄-based food webs, have produced high $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values of up to -4.5‰ (see table 2 in Ambrose and DeNiro 1986 and table 4 in Murphy 2011). The differences in diet evident within the Can Fonoll population may reflect the status or the occupations of these individuals, or more likely, indicates residential mobility, which was commonplace in mediaeval Europe (O'Connor 2003).

Age/Sex related differences in diet

The individual variations in diet are not correlated to age nor to sex. A large proportion of younger to middle age adults (18–35 years) were represented; no older adults (i.e. 45+ years) or infants (i.e. < 1 year) were identified amongst the remains (Kyriakou et al. 2012). The average isotope values of the various age categories represented at Can Fonoll were found to

be remarkably similar. Adults in the 18–25 years category (n=61) had mean±sd (1σ) $\delta^{13}\text{C} = -19.0 \pm 1.5\text{‰}$ and $\delta^{15}\text{N} = 10.3 \pm 0.9\text{‰}$; while those aged 25–35 years (n=23) had mean±sd (1σ) $\delta^{13}\text{C} = -18.7 \pm 1.2\text{‰}$ and $\delta^{15}\text{N} = 10.3 \pm 0.9\text{‰}$. Adults aged 35–45 years (n=2) formed too small a sub-set to provide meaningful comparison; however, their values were in keeping with the younger age groups. Thirteen non-adults (≤ 18 years) were sampled. The distribution of the dataset was determined to be non-normal (Shapiro-Wilk test, $p = 0.000$ and $p = 0.001$ for $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ and $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ respectively) so the null hypothesis, that the adults vs non-adults had the same $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ and $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ values was evaluated using the non-parametric Mann Whitney U-test. Average non-adult $\delta^{13}\text{C} = -19.3 \pm 0.3\text{‰}$ and $\delta^{15}\text{N} = 10.3 \pm 0.6\text{‰}$ values are not statistically different (Mann Whitney U-test, $p = 0.159$ and $p = 0.743$ for $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ and $\delta^{15}\text{N}$, respectively) from the values obtained for the adult (18+ years) population at Can Fonoll.

The dataset of the males and females is not normally distributed (Shapiro-Wilk test, $p=0.000$, $p=0.032$ for $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ and $\delta^{15}\text{N}$, respectively). The mean±sd (1σ) $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ and $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ values of the males ($\delta^{13}\text{C} = -18.4 \pm 2.3\text{‰}$; $\delta^{15}\text{N} = 10.4 \pm 0.8\text{‰}$, n=31) and females ($\delta^{13}\text{C} = -19.1 \pm 0.4\text{‰}$; $\delta^{15}\text{N} = 10.4 \pm 0.8\text{‰}$, n=20) at Can Fonoll are not statistically different (Mann Whitney U-test, $p = 0.361$ and $p = 0.953$ for $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ and $\delta^{15}\text{N}$, respectively) indicating that the diets of males and females are broadly similar at the population level.

Comparison to other mediaeval western Mediterranean populations

The data from Can Fonoll add to the growing evidence for heterogeneity in diet between mediaeval populations in the western Iberian Peninsula and the Balearic Islands. The Can Fonoll population have lower mean $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ and $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ values than the Islamic population from Es Soto (Shapiro Wilk test indicates non-normally distributed data, $p = 0.000$ and $p = 0.002$ for $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ and $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ values respectively; Mann-Whitney U test, $p = 0.000$ and $p = 0.008$ for $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ and $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ values, respectively; see Figure 4 and Table 2). Although possible, it is unlikely that environmental factors account for the distinct $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values given the proximity and contemporaneity of the two sites. This small but significant difference in dietary patterns likely reflects the respective locations of the two sites.

Individuals interred at Es Soto, which is located in Ibiza town, an important urban centre of trade in the mediaeval period, potentially had greater access to imported foodstuffs, as well as marine resources, than their rural counterparts at Can Fonoll. Mean $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values of the farming community at Can Fonoll (as well as the $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values of the herbivores from Es Soto, all of

which have $\delta^{13}\text{C} > -18\text{‰}$) argues against the local cultivation of C_4 cereals. It is also possible that the difference between the two sites relates to the large number of recent migrants to Ibiza at Es Soto with ‘remnant’ isotope signatures. Nehlich et al. (2012) established that 18 of 20 individuals sampled had $\delta^{34}\text{S}$ values outside the local range indicating that they were not native to Ibiza.

The $\delta^{34}\text{S}$ analysis of the Can Fonoll population would help to determine whether the differences in isotope signatures of the two populations might be due to differences in the diets of those native to Ibiza or whether these differences reflect the non-local origin of some of those individuals interred at Can Fonoll. A further consideration is temporal variation in dietary patterns. Although the cemeteries at Can Fonoll and Es Soto are roughly contemporaneous, both sites were in use for several hundred years. In the absence of absolute dates for the individuals sampled for stable isotope analysis, it is not possible to determine to what extent the differences in isotope values between the two sites relates to chronological variations in diet.

Table 2. Mean \pm sd (1σ) bone collagen $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ and $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ values of human remains from Ibiza and mediaeval populations from the Mediterranean region.

Figure 4. Scatterplot of stable isotope values of key Ibizan and Valencian Spanish mediaeval sites discussed.

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As at Can Fonoll, the wide spread of $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ (from -19.4‰ to -13.1‰) values evident in the Es Soto population suggested variation in individual diet (Fuller et al. 2010). Nehlich et al. (2012) established, through the co-analysis of bone collagen $\delta^{13}\text{C}$, $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ and $\delta^{34}\text{S}$ values, that the Es Soto population was not consuming marine foods. The mean \pm sd (1σ) $\delta^{34}\text{S}$ value of this group is $9.1\pm 2.7\text{‰}$ ($n=20$); consumers of marine resources generally have more elevated $\delta^{34}\text{S}$ values reflecting that of marine sulphate c. $+21\text{‰}$ (Rees et al. 1978; Richards et al. 2001). Thus, variation of $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values in the Es Soto group likely reflects differential consumption of C_4 foods (Fuller et al. 2010; Nehlich et al. 2012). Individual ES-T18-2 (with $\delta^{13}\text{C} = -13.1\text{‰}$, $\delta^{15}\text{N} = 12.5\text{‰}$ and $\delta^{34}\text{S} = 10.2\text{‰}$) was interpreted as having consumed a significant proportion of C_4 resources (Fuller et al. 2010). In addition, this individual has a $\delta^{34}\text{S}$ value that lies outside the local range indicating that ES-T18-2 had migrated to Ibiza (Nehlich et al. 2012). The $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ and $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ values of this individual are typical of the values of African groups subsisting

predominantly by pastoralism with C₄ cereals as well as wild C₃ plants (cf. Ambrose and DeNiro 1986). However, similar carbon and nitrogen isotope values are also evident in later mediaeval populations on mainland Spain at Gandía, Valencia (Alexander et al. 2015).

In general, the diet of early mediaeval Islamic Ibizan populations is dominated by terrestrial C₃ resources. Mediaeval populations from the Basque region as well as in Aragon in northern Spain also had diets of mainly C₃ foods (Mundee 2009; Lubritto et al. 2013; Quirós Castillo 2013). However, within this general pattern there is some variation, which has often been linked to status. At Jaca in Aragon, a small number of individuals (4 of 27 sampled) with atypical $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values likely consumed greater quantities of C₄ foods and may have been non-local (Mundee 2009). High status populations interred at Saint Tirso monastery, Zaballa, and at Treviño Castle have mean $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values consistent with an exclusively C₃ diet. Mean $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ values similar to that of carnivores were interpreted as evidence for the importance of animal resources to diet (Lubritto et al. 2013; Quirós Castillo 2013). Lower mean $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ and a wider range of $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values, particularly among the middle mediaeval inhabitants at Aistra, indicated that plant foods and to some extent C₄ plant foods likely comprised a higher proportion of diet. The consumption of C₄ cereals was attributed to the lower status of individuals at this rural site (Quirós Castillo 2013). Slightly elevated mean $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ at the Santa Maria church cemetery at Zornoztegi suggests that C₄ resources were consumed, probably indirectly, reflecting the use of C₄ grains as feed for domestic fowl (Quirós Castillo 2013).

Among the later mediaeval populations from Gandía and El Raval in Valencia, C₄ resources comprise a more substantial part of diet (cf. Salazar-García et al. 2014, Alexander et al. 2015). While there are slight differences in the diets of Muslims and Christians at two later mediaeval necropoli at Gandía (i.e. Benipeixcar vs Colegiata de Santa Maria), the isotope values of both groups reflect the importance of C₄ plants or C₄-plant consumers to the diet (Alexander et al. 2015). Similarly, at El Raval, a late mediaeval necropolis with a largely Islamic population and a number of *moriscos* (i.e. converts to Christianity), located less than 100 km to the south of Gandía, a mixed terrestrial C₃/C₄ diet is indicated (Salazar-García et al. 2014). Higher mean $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ values at El Raval in comparison to those of the Gandía sites points to the greater consumption of fish (Shapiro Wilk test indicated normality, $p = 0.568$, $p = 0.0649$ and $p = 0.568$ for Benipeixcar, Colegiata de Santa Maria and El Raval, respectively: Levene's unequal variance, $p = 0.042$: Kruskal Wallis test demonstrated statistically significant differences in mean $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ values, $p = 0.001$). However, as Alexander and colleagues (2015) point out, wide

variation in the $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ values of archaeological domesticates and fish from the region complicates $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ interpretation.

The emphasis on C_4 foods in Valencia reflects the ready adoption of new crops in Spain under Moorish influence (Galloway 2005). Cultivation of sugarcane, which was evident in southern Spain from at least the early 10th century AD, grew in economic importance from 1300-1500 AD. Valencia was one of the most northerly outposts of sugarcane cultivation in Europe, although the crop does not appear to have been cultivated on Ibiza (cf. Galloway 2005).

Elsewhere in the western Mediterranean region there is similar variation in stable isotope signatures, and by inference, diet. At early to middle mediaeval sites in Friuli-Venezia, Guilia, in northeastern Italy, considerable variation in diet is evident with C_4 cereals comprising from 0% up to 29% of dietary protein (Iacumin et al. 2014). The consumption of millets was attributed by Iacumin et al. (2014) to the economic and social upheaval following the demise of the Roman Empire along with climatic deterioration resulting in reduced wheat production and reduced access to higher quality cereals among lower status individuals. By contrast, at Trino Vercellese in northwestern Italy, a necropolis which was in use between the 8th and the 12th centuries AD, diet was dominated by terrestrial C_3 resources with potentially a small proportion of C_4 cereals. In the eastern Mediterranean there is little evidence in isotope signatures for the use of C_4 resources in the Byzantine period: diets were dominated by C_3 resources with varying proportions of marine foods constituting an important but secondary source of protein (Bourbou et al. 2011).

The consumption of small quantities of fish is often cited as a possible explanation for the wide spread of $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ values among mediaeval populations (e.g. Munde 2009; Reitsema and Vercellotti 2012; Quirós Castillo 2013; Iacumin et al. 2014; Alexander et al. 2015). Although faith-based differences in the consumption of marine resources might be anticipated there is little evidence to support this view. Fish did not contribute significantly to population level diet in the western Mediterranean despite the widely held view that fish would have been consumed by Christians on fast days. This may relate to the high cost of fish and the limited impact of meat abstinence on other than the highest status households (Dyer 1983; Adamson 2004). On Ibiza, from Punic times and throughout the Roman and Early Byzantine periods, there is a little to no input of marine resources evident in diet (e.g. Fuller et al. 2010; Salazar-García 2011), and this neglect of the sea foods continued into the medieval period.

Consumption of fish with scales is permissible under Islamic dietary law (Regenstein et al. 2003) and fish may have been important to the Islamic population at Tauste, Zaragoza, which is located in the interior of north-east Spain on the banks of the River Arba. Adult $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values range from -19.5‰ to -18.4‰ and $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ values from 9.5‰ to 17.0‰ (Guede et al. 2015). Guede et al. (2015) interpreted these values as indicative of a terrestrial C_3 diet, explaining the unusually elevated $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ values as the result of aridity and/or salinity rather than the consumption of marine resources owing to the inland location of the site. However, ^{15}N enrichment is not evident in the contemporary population from the nearby site at Zaragoza (Mundee 2009; Quirós Castillo 2013). An alternative interpretation for $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values in the terrestrial C_3 range along with very elevated $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ values is the consumption of freshwater fish (e.g. Bonsall et al. 1997; Fuller et al. 2012b), and an indicator of high status in mediaeval Spain (García-Sánchez 2002).

Previous studies have identified sex-based differences in isotope values in mediaeval populations that indicate differential access to resources (e.g. Reitsema and Vercellotti 2012; Quirós Castillo 2013). Quirós Castillo (2013) argued that food was used as one expression of the inequality of men and women in mediaeval Spain. However, this discrimination is not universally manifest and is not evident at Can Fonoll nor at Colegiata de Santa Maria (Alexander et al. 2015).

Diets of later mediaeval groups at Gandía (Benipeixcar *versus* Colegiata de Santa Maria) are distinctive and, potentially, reflect religious practices (Alexander et al. 2015). Religious affiliation was communicated through differences in diet, although Constable (2013) argued that prior to the later mediaeval period the foodways of Christian, Jews and Muslims in Spain were largely shared. On a wider geographic scale (i.e. above the level of individual communities) differences in diet in Spain and elsewhere in the western Mediterranean in the mediaeval period appear to be largely related to regional socioeconomic and environmental considerations. It could be argued that this supports Constable's (2013) assertion that in the earlier mediaeval period foodways were shared across faiths. However, identification of faith-based differences in diet may be obscured by the relatively small number and restricted geographic range of populations that have been analysed to date. Another confounding factor is the difficulty of identifying faith from burial practice (e.g. Rutgers 1992). Further research into the dietary patterns of different faith groups are warranted both on mainland Spain and in particular on Ibiza (where Islamic populations have been the focus of published studies) to investigate the extent and cause(s) of dietary variability in mediaeval populations.

CONCLUSION

The data presented add to our understanding of variation in diet in mediaeval Spain. Stable carbon and nitrogen isotope ratio analysis of the Islamic population interred at Can Fonoll on the island of Ibiza indicates, for most individuals, a diet based on C₃ terrestrial resources, with meat or dairy produce likely important, reflecting the agricultural economy of this community. The wide range of stable isotope values points to differences in individual diet: a small number of those interred at Can Fonoll consumed a significant proportion of C₄ resources in addition to C₃ foods, while one individual has a carbon isotope value suggesting dependence on C₄ resources. These individuals likely migrated to Ibiza from areas with distinct resources, and one possible place of origin is Africa. Similarly, differences in individual diet at other sites on Ibiza and on mainland Spain, for example at Es Soto and Jaca, may also attest to residential mobility, although differential access to resources relating to sex, status and labour cannot be entirely discounted.

Further exploration of diet in mediaeval populations is required to fully appreciate the regional variability of diet and to assess the effects of the religious, social and economic changes brought in the first instance by the Moorish conquest in the 8th century AD to the complete control of Christians in Spain by the 15th century.

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Figure 1. Location of Can Fonoll, Ibiza, Spain.

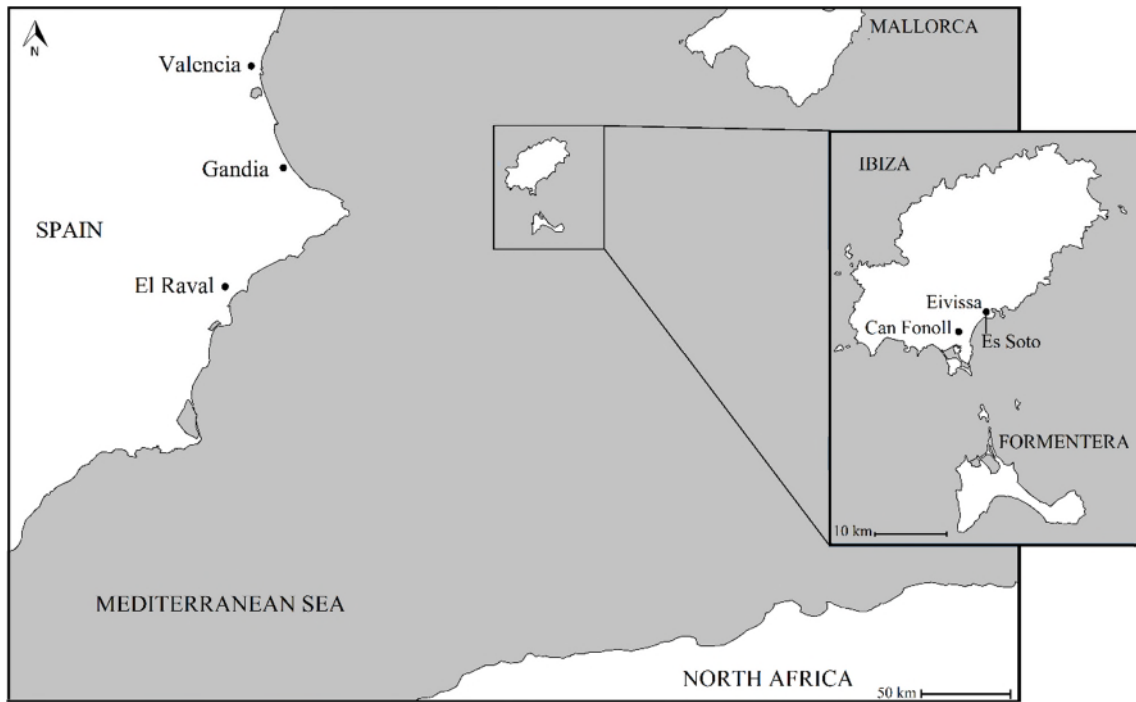


Figure 2. Photograph of excavated graves at Can Fonoll necropolis (© Jonathan Castro Orellana and Joan Roig).



Figure 3. Scatterplot of mean \pm sd (1σ) $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ and $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ values for the Can Fonoll humans.

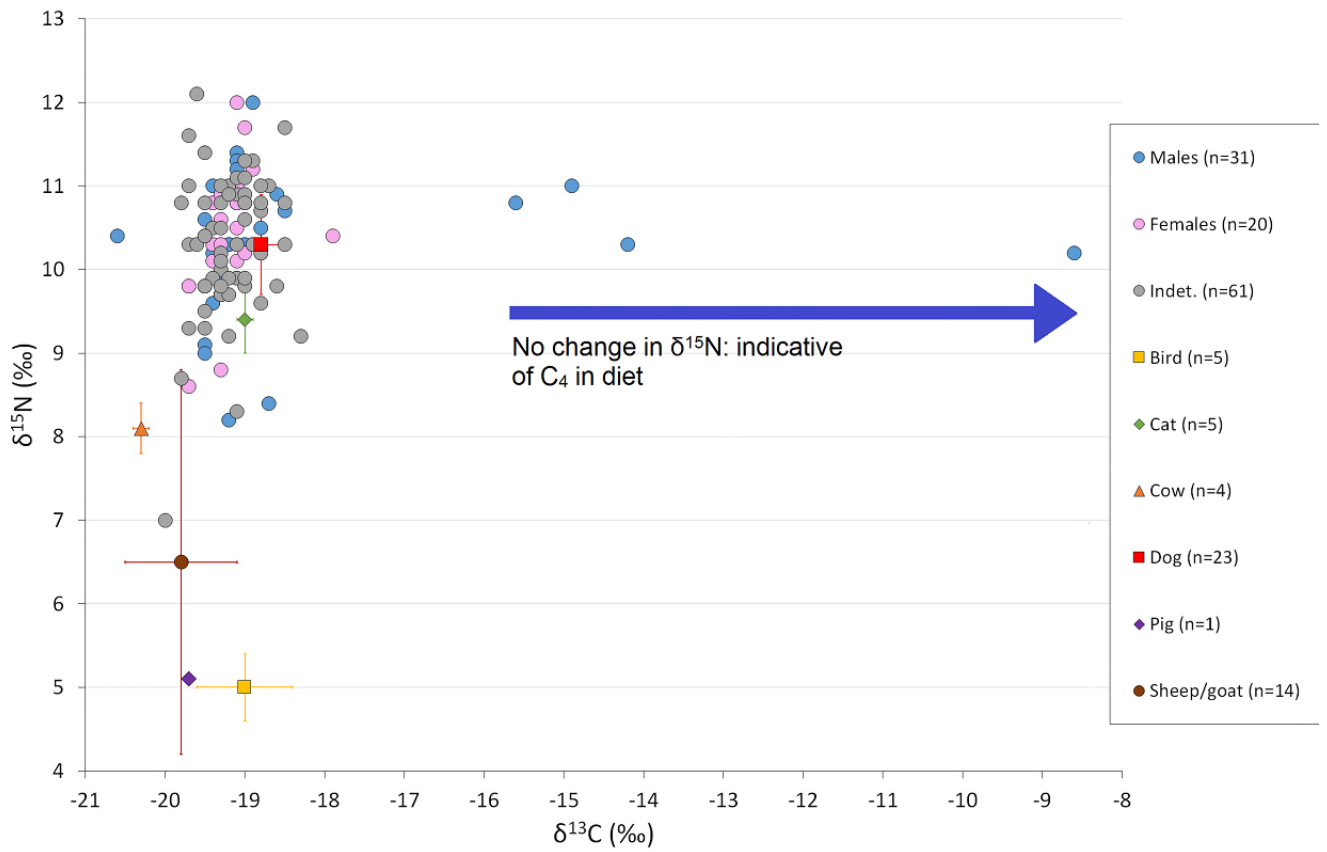


Figure 4. Scatterplot of stable isotope values of key Ibizan and Valencian Spanish mediaeval sites discussed.

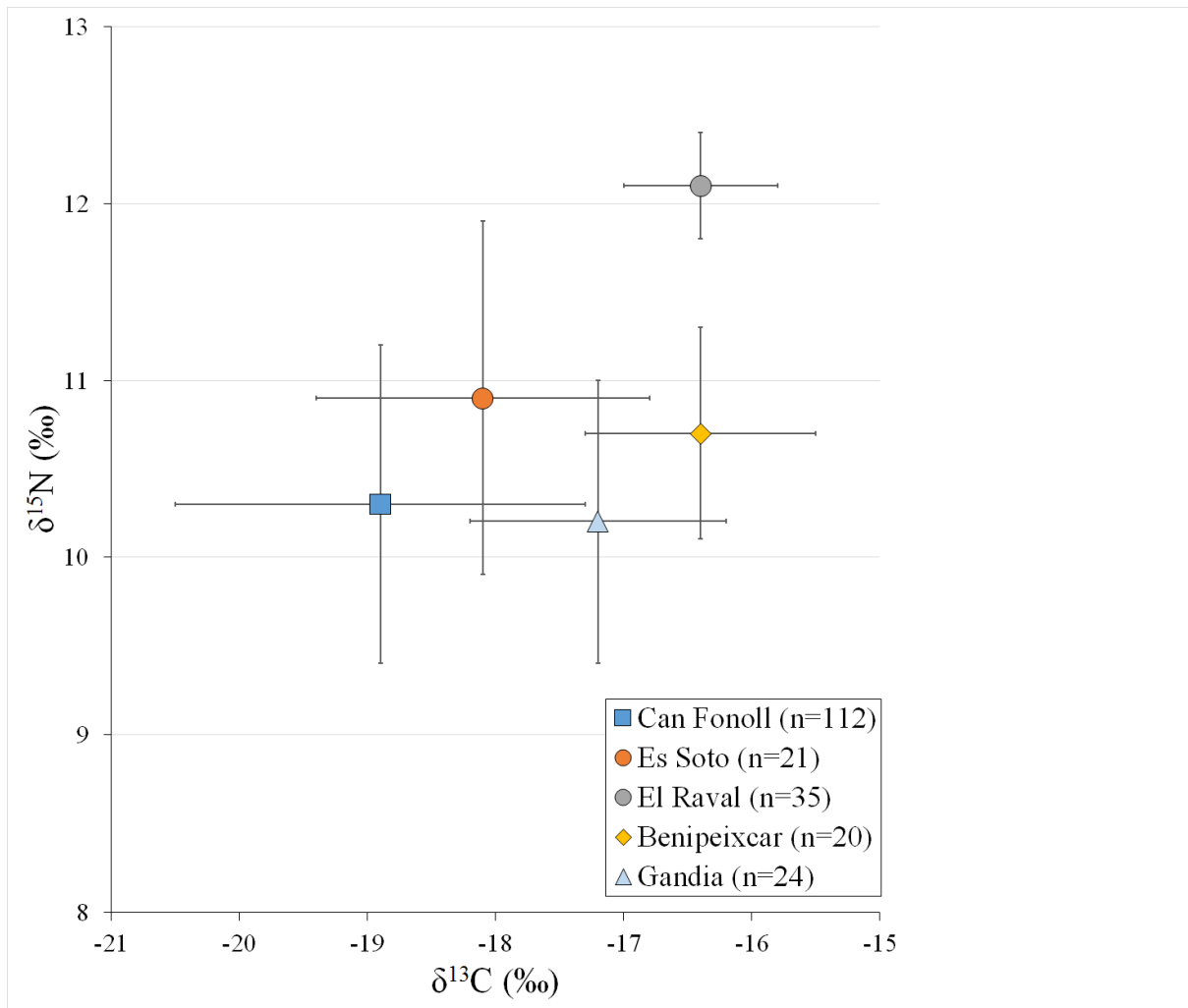


Table 1. Mean±sd (1σ) $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ and $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ values of animal remains from Ibiza, taken from Fuller et al. (2010).

Species	$\delta^{13}\text{C}$ (‰)	$\delta^{15}\text{N}$ (‰)	n
Cat	-19.0±0.1	9.4±0.4	7
Bird	-19.0±0.6	8.0±0.4	5
Dog	-18.8±0.3	10.3±0.6	23
Cow	-20.3±0.1	8.1±0.3	4
Sheep/goat	-19.8±0.7	6.5±2.3	14
Pig	-19.7	5.1	1

Table 2. Mean±sd (1σ) bone collagen δ¹³C and δ¹⁵N values of human remains from Ibiza and mediaeval populations from the Mediterranean region.

Site	Period	Affiliation	δ ¹³ C (‰)	δ ¹⁵ N (‰)	n	Reference
Ca na Costa, Ibiza	c. 2100 BC	Chalcolithic	-18.9±0.2	12.7±1.7	8	Fuller et al. 2010
Ses Païsses de Cala d'Hort, Ibiza	5 th -2 nd /1 st C BC	Punic (rural)	-18.7±0.3	12.5±0.5	38	Fuller et al. 2010
Puig des Molins, Ibiza	5 th -2 nd /1 st C BC	Punic (urban)	-18.8±0.3	11.3±0.7	8	Fuller et al. 2010
S'Hort des Llimoners, Ibiza	4 th -6 th C AD	Late Antiquity- Early Byzantine	-19.0±0.4	11.1±1.1	60	Fuller et al. 2010
Can Marines, Ibiza	5 th -4 th C BC	Punic	-18.5±0.3	11.5±0.4	27	Salazar-García 2011
Es Soto, Ibiza	10 th -13 th C AD	Mediaeval (Islamic)	-18.1±1.3	10.9±1.0	21	Fuller et al. 2010
Can Fonoll, Ibiza	10 th -13 th C AD	Mediaeval (Islamic)	-19.0±1.3	10.3±0.8	112	This study
El Raval, Valencia	14 th -16 th C AD	Mediaeval (Islamic)	-16.4±0.6	12.1±0.3	35	Salazar-García et al. 2014
Gandia (Benipeixcar), Valencia	13 th -16 th C AD	Mediaeval (Islamic)	-16.4±0.9	10.7±0.6	20	Alexander et al. 2015
Gandia (Colegiata de Santa Maria), Valencia	13 th -16 th C AD	Mediaeval (Christian)	-17.2±1.0	10.2±0.8	24	Alexander et al. 2015
Tauste, Zaragoza*	8 th -12 th C AD	Mediaeval (Islamic)	Range -19.9 to -16.9	Range 9.5 to 17.5	30	Guede et al. 2015
Trino Vercellese, Northern Italy	8 th -13 th C AD	Early-Middle Mediaeval (Christian)	-19.1±0.7	9.2±0.8	28	Reitsema & Vercellotti 2012
Mainizza, Northern Italy	10 th -11 th C AD	Middle Mediaeval (Christian/pagan?)	-15.9±1.4	7.7±1.0	16	Iacumin et al. 2014
Fruili-Venezia Giulia, Northern Italy	6 th -7 th C AD	Early Mediaeval	-16.6±0.9	8.4±0.8	66	Iacumin et al. 2014
Saint Tirso, Zaballa, Spain	10 th -13 th C AD	Middle Mediaeval	-19.8±0.7**	9.0±0.8**	14	Lubritto et al. 2013
Treviño, Spain	12 th -15 th C AD	Mediaeval	-19.6±0.7	9.6±1.2	15	Quirós Castillo 2013
Zornoztegi, Spain	12 th -14 th C AD	Mediaeval	-18±1.1	8.3±0.6	7	Quirós Castillo 2013
Aistra, Spain	8 th -13 th C AD	Mediaeval	-19.0±1.0	7.9±1.1	35	Quirós Castillo 2013

*- full data set was not published by Guede et al. (2015).

** - infants excluded.

Table S1: Supplementary Information

Sample number	Site sector and tomb number	Age	Sex	Collagen yield (%)	d ¹³ C (‰)	d ¹⁵ N (‰)	(%)C	(%)N	Atomic C:N
S-EVA-18759	Sector I T-1	25-35	M	0.2	-20.6	10.4	22.7	7.8	3.4
S-EVA-18760	Sector I T-2	18-25	M	0.1	-14.2	10.3	24.9	8.8	3.3
S-EVA-18762	Sector I T-4	?	?	0.1	-19.7	11.6	14.9	5.1	3.4
S-EVA-18763	Sector I T-5	25-35	?	0.6	-19.3	10.8	29.8	10.5	3.3
S-EVA-18764	Sector I T-6	?	?	0.8	-19.5	11.4	23.9	8.3	3.4
S-EVA-18765	Sector I T-7	18-25	F?	0.3	-19.4	10.8	20.4	7.0	3.4
S-EVA-18766	Sector I T-9	25-35	M	0.1	-19.1	10.8	19.9	6.9	3.3
S-EVA-18767	Sector I T-10	25-35	?	0.6	-19.1	10.3	33.9	12.0	3.3
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S-EVA-18769	Sector II T-41	18-25	?	0.3	-19.2	11.0	26.5	9.3	3.3
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S-EVA-18790	Sector II T-65	18-25	?	0.5	-19.7	10.3	18.5	6.3	3.4
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S-EVA-18809	Sector III T-16	18-25	?	0.4	-19.3	10.2	33.3	12.3	3.2
S-EVA-18810	Sector III T-17	18-25	M	0.3	-18.5	10.7	22.6	8.2	3.2
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S-EVA-18814	Sector III T-21	18-25	M	0.7	-19.3	10.9	31.9	12.0	3.1
S-EVA-18816	Sector III T-24	18-25	M	0.3	-19.4	10.2	36.3	13.4	3.2
S-EVA-18817	Sector III T-27	10-15	?	1.5	-19.4	10.5	47.1	18.6	3.0
S-EVA-18818	Sector III T-31	25-35	?	1.8	-19.2	9.2	12.8	4.4	3.4

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S-EVA-18821	Sector III T-36	18-25	M	1.1	-19.7	9.8	10.9	3.8	3.4
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S-EVA-18860	Sector IV T-123	1-5	?	0.2	-19.2	9.7	28.3	9.8	3.4
S-EVA-18861	Sector IV T-124	18-25	?	1.4	-18.8	10.2	40.6	15.1	3.1
S-EVA-18862	Sector IV T-125	15-18	?	0.1	-19.6	10.3	23.7	8.0	3.5
S-EVA-18863	Sector IV T-126	25-35	M	0.6	-18.9	12.0	8.8	3.1	3.3
S-EVA-18864	Sector IV T-127	18-25	F	0.4	-19.1	10.5	30.6	10.5	3.4
S-EVA-18865	Sector IV T-128	15-18	F	1.1	-19.3	9.8	39.0	14.2	3.2
S-EVA-18866	Sector IV T-129	18-25	F	0.3	-19.1	10.8	32.7	11.3	3.4
S-EVA-18867	Sector IV T-130	18-25	F?	0.1	-19.1	12.0	11.7	4.1	3.3
S-EVA-18868	Sector IV T-131	5-10	?	0.3	-19.5	9.8	11.1	3.7	3.5
S-EVA-18869	Sector IV T-132	25-35	F	1.4	-19.3	10.9	38.2	13.5	3.3
S-EVA-18870	Sector IV T-134	18-25	M	1.1	-18.6	10.9	26.2	9.4	3.2
S-EVA-18872	Sector IV T-136	18-25	?	1.5	-19.8	8.7	3.0	1.2	3.0
S-EVA-18873	Sector IV T-137	18-25	?	0.2	-19.5	9.3	26.3	8.9	3.4
S-EVA-18875	Sector IV T-140	25-35	F	0.3	-18.5	10.3	28.9	10.1	3.4

S-EVA-18876	Sector IV T-141	18-25	F	0.5	-19.1	10.1	32.9	11.2	3.4
S-EVA-18877	Sector IV T-142	18-25	?	0.4	-19.0	10.8	28.6	9.9	3.4
S-EVA-18878	Sector IV T-143	?	?	0.3	-19.3	10.5	36.6	12.2	3.5
S-EVA-18879	Sector IV T-144	10-15	?	1.2	-19.0	9.9	40.5	14.1	3.4
S-EVA-18880	Sector IV T-145	18-25	F?	1.0	-18.9	10.3	36.0	12.9	3.3
S-EVA-18881	Sector IV T-146	10-15	?	0.2	-19.3	10.3	25.6	8.7	3.4
S-EVA-18882	Sector IV T-147	10-15	?	1.5	-18.5	11.7	38.6	13.6	3.3
S-EVA-18883	Sector IV T-148	18-25	?	1.5	-18.9	10.3	35.5	12.6	3.3
S-EVA-18884	Sector IV T-149	18-25	?	0.4	-19.0	10.9	37.0	12.6	3.4
S-EVA-18885	Sector IV T-150	25-35	M	0.2	-19.0	10.8	23.1	8.0	3.4
S-EVA-18886	Sector IV T-151	5-10	?	0.3	-19.1	11.2	33.2	11.8	3.3
S-EVA-18887	Sector IV T-152	18-25	?	0.8	-18.8	10.8	30.4	10.8	3.3
S-EVA-18888	Sector IV T-153	?	?	0.9	-19.2	10.9	23.6	8.4	3.3
S-EVA-18889	Sector IV T-154	18-25	M	0.3	-19.0	11.1	38.5	13.5	3.3
S-EVA-18890	Sector IV T-155	18-25	M?	0.7	-8.6	10.2	33.3	12.1	3.3
S-EVA-18893	Sector IV T-158	18-25	F	0.5	-19.1	10.8	32.7	12.0	3.3
S-EVA-18894	Sector IV T-159	35-45	M	0.4	-19.0	10.2	30.1	10.7	3.4
S-EVA-18895	Sector IV T-239	?	?	0.3	-19.5	9.0	14.7	5.2	3.4
S-EVA-18898	Sector IV T-164	18-25	?	0.4	-19.0	10.6	35.8	13.5	3.4
S-EVA-18899	Sector IV T-165	10-15	?	0.4	-19.5	10.4	28.2	10.4	3.4
S-EVA-18900	Sector IV T-166	18-25	?	0.3	-19.7	11.0	31.1	11.1	3.5
S-EVA-18785	Sector II T-60	18-25	?	1.3	-	-	5.9	1.7	4.0
S-EVA-18824	Sector IV T-78	?	?	0.3	-	-	2.7	0.9	3.7
S-EVA-18871	Sector IV T-135	18-25	?	0.4	-	-	3.9	1.2	3.8
S-EVA-18896	Sector IV T-160	18-25	M?	0.1	-	-	11.0	2.4	5.4
S-EVA-18897	Sector IV T-163	18-25	F	1.6	-	-	40.5	11.4	4.3
S-EVA-18761	Sector I T-3	?	?	-	-	-	-	-	-
S-EVA-18772	Sector II T-45	25-35	?	-	-	-	-	-	-
S-EVA-18773	Sector II T-46	15-18	?	-	-	-	-	-	-
S-EVA-18774	Sector II T-47	?	?	-	-	-	-	-	-
S-EVA-18777	Sector II T-50	?	?	-	-	-	-	-	-
S-EVA-18778	Sector II T-51	18-25	M?	-	-	-	-	-	-
S-EVA-18780	Sector II T-53	18-25	?	-	-	-	-	-	-
S-EVA-18783	Sector II T-57	18-25	?	-	-	-	-	-	-
S-EVA-18784	Sector II T-59	?	?	-	-	-	-	-	-
S-EVA-18785	Sector II T-60	18-25	?	-	-	-	-	-	-
S-EVA-18789	Sector II T-64	25-35	?	-	-	-	-	-	-
S-EVA-18792	Sector II T-67	18-25	F?	-	-	-	-	-	-
S-EVA-18795	Sector II T-70	10-15	?	-	-	-	-	-	-
S-EVA-18798	Sector II T-73	18-25	?	-	-	-	-	-	-
S-EVA-18808	Sector III T-15	25-35	?	-	-	-	-	-	-
S-EVA-18811	Sector III T-18	18-25	M?	-	-	-	-	-	-
S-EVA-18815	Sector III T-22	18-25	?	-	-	-	-	-	-
S-EVA-18822	Sector III T-37	?	?	-	-	-	-	-	-
S-EVA-18825	Sector IV T-79	18-25	?	-	-	-	-	-	-
S-EVA-18827	Sector IV T-81	25-35	?	-	-	-	-	-	-
S-EVA-18834	Sector IV T-91	25-35	?	-	-	-	-	-	-
S-EVA-18840	Sector IV T-98	18-25	F	-	-	-	-	-	-

S-EVA-18845	Sector IV T-107	18-25	?	-	-	-	-	-	-
S-EVA-18874	Sector IV T-138	18-25	?	-	-	-	-	-	-
S-EVA-18891	Sector IV T-156	18-25	F?	-	-	-	-	-	-
S-EVA-18892	Sector IV T-157	?	?	-	-	-	-	-	-

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