The Roman conquest of Tunisia: an archaeozoological approach



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The history of Roman Africa starts at the end of the second Punic war. This date is traditionally considered the starting point in a long process of profound transformations in the socio-political and socio-economic organization of the communities living in Tunisia, which led to their incorporation into the Roman political and economic system.
The aim of this project, co-directed between the ICAC and the Institut National du Patrimoine – Tunisie, is to investigate these transformations through an archaeozoological approach.
The study of faunal remains recovered in several pre–Roman and Roman Tunisian sites will allow us to analyse in detail important aspects of the economy and the society of these communities, such as food habits, livestock practices, animal trade or ritual practices, and how they changed with the Roman conquest.

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