OSTEOMETRICS DATA OF HENS SKELETON

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Summary. The paper presents the osteometric analysis of hens bones recovered from castles of Vilnius, Kaunas, Klaipėda and Kernavė site during archaeological expeditions. After investigating 585 bones, 8 bird species were identified. Pluotry, hen (Gallus domesticus) in particular, comprised the main part of birds’ bones recovered from castles of Lithuania and Kernavė site. Majority of hens bones’ measurement data are within the range of measurements’ variation scale of hens’ bones excavated at the European archaeological sites.

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