



EXCAVATION 2007

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Aims

In 2007, field research was continued in the form of excavations in the three Areas A, B and C on the citadel. In the lower town Area D was opened. Its focus lies on the re-examination of the so-called «Kultraum», which had already been discovered by Max Freiherr von Oppenheim. Especially answers to questions concerning its function and its architectural integration into the structure of the city are a priority.

Special Studies

The new topographical survey of the ancient settlement area was continued by Brigitte Wolf, Sandra Hörner and Marcus Reutemann, who generated a corresponding plan.

Furthermore, Christian Hübner and Stefan Giese carried out geophysical investigations in the northeastern area of the lower town in order to prepare the excavations in this area for the following year.

Team 2007

Area A

Dr. Lutz Martin (Vorderasiatisches Museum Berlin)
Muhammad Fakhru, (National Museum of Aleppo)
Raphaella Heitmann, M.A. (Berlin)
Helen Gries, student (Universität Mainz)
Dr. Ralf-B. Wartke (Vorderasiatisches Museum Berlin)
Khitam Ghabash, student (University of Damascus)
Dani Abou, student (Ras al Ain)

Area B

Dr. Jörg Becker (Universität Halle)
Olesia Kromberg, M.A. (Universität Frankfurt)
Manuela Lischke, student (Universität Halle)
Nidal Haj Darwich, M.A. (Universität Halle)
Fahd Sbahi, student (University of Aleppo)

Area C

PD Dr. Mirko Novák (Universität Tübingen)
Samer Abdel Ghafour (Department of Antiquities Damascus)
Gerlinde Bigga, student (Universität Tübingen)

Nicola Scheyhing, student (Universität Tübingen)
Nowruz Tobal Hamu, student (University of Aleppo)
Idris Hussein, Master (Ras al-Ain)

Area D

Prof. Dr. Winfried Orthmann (Mandelbachtal)
Christine Gentzsch, student (Universität Halle)

Indoor Staff

Small objects – first listing: Elisabeth Katzy M.A. (Universität Tübingen),
Luise Loges, student (Universität Tübingen)

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Ceramics: Dr. Uwe Sievertsen (St. Gallen),

Anna Gnyp, student (Universität Mainz)

Botany: Dr. Simone Riehl (Universität Tübingen),
Felix Schreiber (Universität Tübingen)

Surveying

Brigitte Wolf, Dipl.-Ver. (Karlsruhe)

Marcus Reutemann, student (Universität Karlsruhe)

Sandra Hörner, student (Universität Karlsruhe)

Geophysics

Christian Hübner, Dipl.-Geol. (Freiburg)

Stefan Giese, Dipl.-Geol. (Freiburg)

Local Workforce

100 workers from Tell Halaf

Guests

In this year, we were very happy about the many guests who took an interest in the new excavations at Tell Halaf.

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