



WORKSHOP TITLE: Some key questions in Forensic anthropology.

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Morning session (11-13h)

IDENTIFICATION ISSUES IN FORENSIC ANTHROPOLOGY.

What's new in the Biological profile assessment?

The most updated methodologies used to estimate sex, age and ancestry will be presented and discussed. Namely DSP2, for sex estimation by metric analysis of coxal bone. For age at death we will discuss a set of methods which we recommend to use in forensic anthropology like TSP (Two steps procedure) and some combinations of age indicators from the coxal bone.

In what concerns the evaluation of Ancestry, we will talk about both metric and non-metric approaches.

Practical cases will be presented and discussed.



Afternoon session: (14-17h)

TRAUMATIC INJURIES: why we have to know the language of bone fractures.

After a theoretical exposition about bone biomechanics and some other crucial issues for the interpretation of bone fractures, some forensic anthropological cases will be discussed to illustrate the key role of forensic anthropologists in the analysis of those injuries not only to assist the pathologist in cause and manner of death but also to document human rights violation