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Las Canoas Burial #3 202 BN/024 Observer #9 19 July 2002

This burial is represented by a fragmentary femur (adult) showing evidence of paleopathology. On the posterior surface, ~~one~~ and a little bit to either side, are irregular lesions due to bone resorption. Most of the lesions do not ~~not~~ completely penetrate the cortical bone, but one lesion does go all the way through the bone, forming a foramen. For the most part, however, the inner table of the bone is not affected. The largest lesion measures 15.1 mm long, 4.2 mm wide, and 1.9 mm deep. The lesions vary in shape from circular to irregular tracks in the bone. The cortical bone surrounding the lesions has a lumpy texture. I am unclear of the cause of the lesions, but suspect they may be due to an infection.

Las Canoas Burial Numbers

Burial #1 - 202 AX/013 was Burial #1
Burial #2 - 202 AO/043 was Burial #4
Burial #3 - 202 BN/024 was Burial #5
Burial #4 - 202 CC/018 was Burial #7

Miranda - The folder for this burial is in the back
of the to-be-photocopied box. Have fun!
☺ Frances

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