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## Relics @ the Lab (Brussels, 26-28 Oct 16)

Brussels, Royal Institute for Cultural Heritage (KIK-IRPA), Oct 26-28, 2016

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Wednesday 26 October

14.00 - 18.00 Registration at the KIK-IRPA

Thursday 27 October

9.00 - 9.30 Registration with coffee and tea

9.30 – 9.50 Welcome and introduction by Christina Ceulemans (general director of the KIK-IRPA) and Mark Van Strydonck (head radiocarbon laboratory KIK-IRPA)

SESSION 1

Chair: Anique de Kruijf (Museum Catherijneconvent, Utrecht, The Netherlands)

9.50 - 10.10

Julia M.H. Smith (University of Glasgow, UK)

Late antique and early medieval relic-objects: an overview of the surviving evidence

10.10 - 10.30

Ruth Noyes (Wesleyan University, Newbury, USA)

'Ex ea tam ingenti Reliquiarum translatione & collocatione factum est.' A historiography of scientific relic studies and their early modern origins

10.30 - 10.50

Eleanor Farber (Research Laboratory for Archaeology and the History of Art, Oxford, UK)

Proposing Standard Guidelines for the Scientific Assessment of Relics

10.50 - 11.10 Discussion

11.10 - 11.30 Coffee and tea

SESSION 2

Chair: Regula Schorta (Abegg-Stiftung, Riggisberg)

11.30 - 11.50

Caroline Polet (Royal Belgian Institute of Natural Sciences, Brussels, Belgium)

Multidisciplinary study of the reliquary contents attributed to the bishop Jacques de Vitry (12-13th

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C. AD)

11.50 - 12.10

Alexander Cherkinsky (University of Georgia, USA)

Does these bones belong to St. Auratianus?

12.10 - 12.30

Alexander Lehouck (Abbey Museum of the Dunes, Koksijde, Belgium)

The Idesbald relics of the Abbey of the Dunes revealed (Koksijde-Bruges, Belgium)

12.30 - 12.50 Discussion

12.50 - 13.50 Lunch

SESSION 3

Chair: Caroline Polet (Royal Belgian Institute of Natural Sciences, Brussels, Belgium)

13.50 - 14.10

Anthony J.T. Jull (University of Arizona, Tucson, USA)

Artifacts, Relics and Radiocarbon

14.10 - 14.30

Thomas Higham (University of Oxford, UK)

New AMS Radiocarbon Dates and aDNA Studies of St John the Baptist Relics

14.30 - 14.50

Raphaël Panhuysen (University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands)

Deconstructing the story of the miraculously recovered skeleton of Ailbertus of Antoing

14.50 - 15.10

Jamie Cameron (University of Oxford, UK)

3D Visualisation of Reliquaries via Photogrammetry

15.10 - 15.30 Discussion

15.30 - 17.00 Coffee and tea - Poster session

Friday 28 October

8.30 - 9.00 Registration with coffee and tea

SESSION 1

Chair: Georges Kazan (University of Oxford, UK)

9.00 - 9.20

Jussi-Pekka Taavitsainen (University of Turku, Finland)

Dating relics with AMS

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9.20 - 9.40

Ana Cabrera-Lafuente (Victoria and Albert Museum, UK)

Medieval Iberian Relics and their Woven Vessels: The Case of San Ramón del Monte (†1126)

Roda de Isábena Cathedral (Huesca, Aragón)

9.40 - 10.00

Anne Hedeager Krag (University of Southern Denmark)

New light on silks in the reliquary shrine of St. Canute in Odense Cathedral, Denmark

10.00 - 10.20

Anja Bayer and Regula Schorta (Abegg-Stiftung Riggisberg, Switserland)

The Textiles found in the Shrine of Saint Godehard in Hildesheim

10.20 - 10.40 Discussion

10.40 - 11.00 Coffee and tea

SESSION 2

Chair: Thomas Higham (University of Oxford, UK)

11.00 - 11.20

Jeroen Reyniers (KIK-IRPA, Brussels, Belgium)

What's inside the Thirteenth-Century Shrine of Saint Odilia? A Case of an Interdisciplinary Study

11.20 - 11.40

Anja Neskens and Katrien Houbey (Musea Maaseik, Belgium)

Saint Harlindis and Relindis

11.40 - 12.00

Raphaël Coipel (Conseil régional Hauts-de-France, France)

Project of St Aldegonde: analysis of a treasure

12.00 - 12.20

Maria Lahtinen (University of Turku, Finland)

Isotope analyses of the Turku cathedral skull relic and the reliquary fabrics

12.20 - 12.40 Discussion

12.40 - 13.40 Lunch

SESSION 3

Chair: Mark Van Strydonck (KIK-IRPA)

13.40 - 14.00

Ingela Wahlberg (University of Uppsala, Sweden)

Birgittine Reliquaries from Vadstena monastery: characteristic techniques and ornamentations by

the Birgittine nun's

14.00 - 14.20

Anique C. de Kruijf (Museum Catherijneconvent, Utrecht, The Netherlands) Preserved miraculously

14.20 - 14.40

Fanny Van Cleven (KIK-IRPA, Brussels, Belgium)

The Relic Treasure of Herkenrode: an online database

14.40 - 15.00 Closing discussion and further plans

15.00 – 17.00 Visit of the KIK-IRPA: Radiocarbon Laboratory, Textile Laboratory and Textile Conservation Studio

Poster presentations

- 1. Ian Andrews Considerations on the Dating and Design of Early Medieval Reliquaries and Book Covers
- 2. Aki Arponen and Ina Vanden Berghe Red Fabrics in the Turku Cathedral Relic Assemblage
- 3. Montserrat A. Baez Hernandez The corpi santi under the government of Pius VI, materiality as a sign of identity: first rapprochements to novohispanic cases
- 4. Jacek Bielak The Reliquary Chapel of Palazzo Pitti in Florence. The Art Collection and Religious Devotion of Maria Maddalena d'Absburgo in 17th Century
- 5. Mathieu Boudin An archaeological mystery revealed by radiocarbon dating of cross-flow nanofiltrated amino acids derived from bone collagen, silk, and hair: case study of the bishops Baldwin I and Radbot II from Noyon-Tournai
- 6. Ignace Bourgeois A box full of surprises. Archaeologists find an ancient relic in St Rumbold's Cathedral (Mechelen, Belgium)
- 7. Jamie Cameron An Unidentified Head of Hair at Romsey Abbey, UK: New Scientific Insights
- 8. Mathilde Daumas Behind the Saint Guidon shrine, a multidisciplinary approach of the relics
- 9. Guy De Mulder Deposition of human bones in settlement contexts during het Bronze ad Iron Ages. Some kind of protohistoric relics
- 10. Hans Geybels Medieval and early modern methods to authenticate relics
- 11. Kristof Haneca and Marjan Buyle The reliquary of Saint-Dymphna: dating wood and bones
- 12. Laura Hendriks Microscale radiocarbon dating from paintings to cultural heritage textiles
- 13. Georges Kazan and Jamie Cameron The Relics Cupboard of St Paul's Cathedral, Liège, Belgium: A Preliminary Survey
- 14. Friederike Leibe Medieval textiles from the tomb of the founder of the Tegernsee Monastery

- 15. Caroline Polet Study of the skull attributed to Saint Gerolphus (8th c. AD)
- 16. Gabriela Sanchez Reyes Sanctity through the light or science: radiographic images on ceroplastic reliquaries
- 17. Sabine Schrenk Turning tunics into relics
- 18. Annemarie Stauffer xxx
- 19. Fanny Van Cleven, Jeroen Reyniers and Anton Ervynck (eds.) "Met maagdelijke blik": presentation of the study and conservation of the reliquary of Herkenrode
- 20. Tine Van Osselaer and Leonardo Rossi Power in the blood. The material culture of non-approved cults (19th and 20th century)
- 21. Mark Van Strydonck Radiocarbon dating of local saints
- 22. Konstantin Voronin and Mariya Kabanova Interdisciplinary study of medieval 15th century Russian icons of the Our Lady Deksiokratusa "Milostivaja" (dendrochronological, radiocarbon, chemical-physical, historical and cultural studies)
- 23. Annemarieke Willemsen Inner Beauty: Looking for Relics in Excavated Medieval Jewellery

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