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Digging the storeroom: the case of Athienou-Bamboulari tis Koukounninas

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Abstract

As archaeologists, digging is an essential part of our discipline. However, excavated materials sometimes are not promptly published or remain unpublished, stored understudied (and sometimes forgotten) in museums' storerooms. Thus, studying old collections and legacy materials becomes more imperative to avoid losing unrecoverable information. The paper addresses this topic by presenting a renewed study on Athienou-Bamboulari tis Koukounninas. Between 1971 and 1972, an Israeli mission dug at Athienou, uncovering a key site to understand the Cypriot hinterland during the Late Bronze Age. The final publication of the excavations showcases a brief overview of the stratigraphy, architectural remains, and a selection of the material culture. However, much material and archaeological information remains widely unpublished. To unlock the importance of this legacy material, I will discuss the preliminary re-analysis of the small-sized ceramic corpus and excavation archives and how they can contribute to a refreshed view of the site.

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