

Center for Applied Isotope Studies

RADIOCARBON ANALYSIS REPORT

October 29, 2009

Hugo Miller 1215 Bryson Rd. Columbus, OH 43224-2009

Dear Mr. Miller

Enclosed please find the results of ^{14}C Radiocarbon analyses and Stable Isotope Ratio $\delta^{13}C$ and $\delta^{15}N$ analyses for the sample received by our laboratory on July 31, 2009.

UGAMS#	Sample I.D.	Material	δ ¹³ C (‰)	Radiocarbon 13C Corrected Age (YBP±1s)
04973a	P-T-1d	bioapatite	-3.1	24340±70
Sample ID	(Carbon content,%)	
P-S-1		0.78		
P-S-2		0.11		
P-S-3		0.32		

The bone was cleaned and washed, using ultrasonic bath. After cleaning, the dried bone was gently crushed to small fragments.

The crushed bone was treated with diluted 1N acetic acid to remove surface absorbed and secondary carbonates. Periodic evacuation insured that evolved carbon dioxide was removed from the interior of the sample fragments, and that fresh acid was allowed to reach even the interior micro-surfaces. The chemically cleaned sample was then reacted under vacuum with 1N HCl to dissolve the bone mineral and release carbon dioxide from bioapatite.

The crushed bone was treated with 1N HCl at 4°C for 24 hours. The residue was filtered, rinsed with deionized water and under slightly acid condition (pH=3) heated at 80°C for 6 hours to dissolve collagen and leave humic substances in the precipitate. The sample has got no collagen and was analyzed on bioapatite fraction.

The resulting carbon dioxide was cryogenically purified from the other reaction products and catalytically converted to graphite using the method of Vogel *et al.* (1984) Nuclear Instruments and Methods in Physics Research B5, 289-293. Graphite ¹⁴C/¹³C ratios were

measured using the CAIS 0.5 MeV accelerator mass spectrometer. The sample ratios were compared to the ratio measured from the Oxalic Acid I (NBS SRM 4990). The sample $^{13}\text{C}/^{12}\text{C}$ ratios were measured separately using a stable isotope ratio mass spectrometer and expressed as $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ with respect to PDB, with an error of less than 0.1‰.

The quoted uncalibrated dates have been given in radiocarbon years before 1950 (years BP), using the 14 C half-life of 5568 years. The error is quoted as one standard deviation and reflects both statistical and experimental errors. The date has been corrected for isotope fractionation. Use of the corrected date assumes the material originally had a δ^{13} C composition of -25‰.

The carbon content was measured on EA analyzer.

If the dates are to be published, please quote the UGAMS numbers, as it identifies our laboratory as having produced the dates.

If we can be of further assistance, or you wish to discuss these results, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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INVOICE

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Results To: Invoice To:

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Invoice Nos.: 9466

Description of Work: 1 Radiocarbon AMS (¹⁴C) analysis of charcoal @ \$525.00

1 bioapatite preparation @ \$50.00

1 Stable Isotope Ratio (δ^{13} C) analyses (included)

3 carbon content analyses @ \$20.00

Total Samples: 4 UGAMS 04973a.

Please Pay This Total AmountUS\$635.00

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Invoice Submitted by......Alexander Cherkinsky

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