Interdisciplinary scientific seminar with international participation "archaeobiological studies in Bolgar and the Settlements of the Golden Horde: Issues and prospects"

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Abstract

© 2019 Tatarstan Academy of Sciences (TAS). The paper contains information on the conduct of the interdisciplinary seminar "Archaeobiological Studies in Bolgar and in the Settlements of the Golden Horde: Issues and Prospects". The seminar was held on April 10-14, 2019 at the International Center for Archaeological Research of the Institute of Archaeology named after A.Kh. Khalikov of the Tatarstan Academy of Sciences in Bolgar (Spassky District, Republic of Tatarstan). The event was attended by over 30 archaeologists and archaeobiologists from Russia, Moldova and Romania. The purpose of the event was to demonstrate the new possibilities of using archaeobiological materials as an archaeological source for the reconstruction of human development of natural resources and the specific features of life subsistence systems using the example of the Bolgar town and other settlement monuments of the Golden Horde. The seminar featured 16 reports within the framework of 5 thematic sessions: archaeobotany, palynology, archaeological wood research, archaeozoology and paleoanthropology. The event resulted was the establishment of productive cooperation of archaeobiologists from all fields of expertise with each other, as well as with archaeologists. For the first time in Russia, the participants familiarized with and discussed the results of archaeobiological studies in the chronological and territorial aspects of a single cultural and historical community, in this case a large medieval state of the Golden Horde.

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