Special Issue

Application of Radiocarbon Dating in Conservation of Artwork and Heritage Materials

Message from the Guest Editor

This Special Issue aims to showcase an exchange of expertise, where researchers from different fields such as physics, chemistry, and material science work hand in hand with archeologists, art historians, museum experts, and conservators. The aim is to demonstrate the importance of collaborative/interdisciplinary work and to review the progress in radiocarbon dating of cultural heritage objects. Original research papers are welcome and may include, but are not limited to, the following topics:

- Multidisciplinary studies;
- Descriptions of novel methods and procedures for sample preparation, with a focus on conservation product removal or comparisons of cleaning methodologies;
- The implementation of orthogonal complementary analytical techniques for sample quality control prior-AMS analysis;
- The 14C dating of natural organic binder;
- The 14C dating of lead white pigment;
- New materials as 14C candidates:
- Case study reports.

We look forward to receiving your original research articles and reviews.

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