

Comment on the Southern Profile Trench A135

The southern profile of Trench A135 is dominated by very pure and homogeneous layers, without any indication of building activities and only little evidence for human activities.

The only clear anthropogenic structure is grave M3.

This little evidence for human impact is puzzling, because the location of the trench is approximately in the northern center of the settlement.

Yet, it might be suggested – given the evidence of the eastern profile in this trench – that layer 8 was a huge clay plastered open (public?) space. Building activities just on top of the natural soil are attested in the eastern profile, too.

Without knowing the findings, it is impossible to decide where the modern sediments stop. Layer 1 and 2 might be both of modern age.