

22 January 2020

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South African Heritage Resources Agency
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Dear Ragna,

Re: Permit application for the thin-sectioning of Tortoise specimens from Langebaanweg.

After careful consideration, I grant permission to the applicants for the histological sectioning and analysis of the selected specimens from the Langebaanweg collections (list attached).

The applicants have requested to conduct thin-sectioning of the bone; amongst other non-destructive analytical methods. They have selected only complete specimens from this site. However, we have approved these based on the fact that there are 72 other elements of this kind in the collection. Their request to conduct destructive analysis has been thoroughly reviewed by us and this sample will not greatly affect the prospect of future research on the collection.

We also request that the applicants image all specimens before they are sectioned. Unused pieces of sampled specimens must also be properly labelled (with the relative catalogue numbers) so that these can be associated with the original specimens, on completion of their study.

Yours sincerely,



Mr Paul Tichmann
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Catalogue number	Preservation	Comment/histology
Langebaanweg		
PQL-72347	Complete	Midshaft section (all)
PQL-72348	Complete	
PQL-72349	Complete	
PQL-72350	Complete	
PQL-72351	Complete	
PQL-72352	Complete	
PQL-72353	Complete	
PQL-72354	Complete	
PQL-72355	Complete	
PQL-72356	Complete	

