

E. Kopyass

+

HUNTED ANIMALS AT AŞIKLI AND THE ENVIRONMENT  
( Figs 1-6 , Pls. 1-2 )

Ufuk ESİN

1. INTRODUCTION

Professor Dr. "SANDOR BÖKÖNYI" was certainly one of the most well-known archaeo-zoologists with a broad knowledge in his field of research. His scientific work did not cover only the studies about the ancient mammals in Old Europe, but also included the animal world in Western Asia. He helped with his extensive researches to many Near Eastern and Anatolian archaeologists to understand and evaluate better a prehistoric culture of an excavated site in connection with its environment, ecology and with its subsistence economy based on his faunal studies ( Bökönyi 1974, 1982, 1983, 1993 ) .

I'm one of those lucky prehistorians who had the opportunity to collaborate with him and had so much respect for his scientific work. I'm also very much indebted to him for his work on faunal remains of Değirmentepe ( Malatya ) on the Euphrates in Eastern Turkey which has been excavated between 1978-85 and then after inundated by the waters of the artificial lake of the Karakaya-Dam ( Esin 1994 a ) (1).

Inspired by one of his articles about " Hunting at <sup>on</sup> the Arslantepe", this paper is here dedicated to him in hope to <sup>be</sup> make a small contribution to commemorate his valuable <sup>faunal data is</sup> scholarly work in Anatolia ( Bökönyi 1993 ). Although it is only one parameter in reconstructing <sup>the</sup> environment to use <sup>of faunal data</sup> available data of faunal remains <sup>for</sup> ancient sites, the aim of this paper is only to make an attempt to find out <sup>to explore</sup> tentatively the ecological conditions in Central Anatolia in the vicinity of Aşikli <sup>using the site's Early Holocene</sup> according to its faunal remains <sup>ca from approximately</sup> ten thousand years ago, during the Early Holocene. <sup>Following</sup> This goal in mind, after a brief description of the pre-pottery site <sup>at</sup> of Aşikli, its faunal remains will be presented <sup>and followed by the</sup> according to the same data the environment of the <sup>of faunal remains</sup> surrounding area of Aşikli will be discussed.

and with the reference to the same data the environment of the

- (1). Unfortunately he passed away before he published the animal bone data of Değirmentepe. Only a short report which has been sent by him with a list of game and domesticated animals of Değirmentepe has been published briefly with his kind permission in TÜBİTAK Arkeometri Ünitesi Bilimsel Toplantı Bildirileri VI ( 1985, Ankara ) pp.138-139 ( see Esin 1986 ).

## 2. THE PRE-POTTERY SITE OF AŞIKLI (Figs.1-6, <sup>Pl.</sup>Table 1)

Aşıklı Höyük is situated 25 km South-East of the province of Aksaray, 1.119.45 m above the sea level on the cappadocian part of central Anatolian Plateau

(fig.1). This part of Cappadocia has been formed by tufa cones, granite and andesite rock-hills due to the volcanic activities in the region and ~~due to~~ the eruptions of <sup>including</sup>

<sup>the</sup> volcanic Hasandağ and Melendiz mountains which ~~are placed~~ only 40 km South of the Aşıklı mound. The volcanic activities in this area started during the Neogene and continued also during the Pleistocene (Emre 1991, 182-193). ~~Because of the~~ <sup>It resulted</sup> ~~same activities~~ many obsidian sources have been formed in <sup>being</sup> ~~reachable distances in the neighbouring areas of Aşıklı~~ which have been exploited by its inhabitants for manufacturing the main part of their artefacts and weapons (Esin et al. 1991, 170-174, pls.12-16).

<sup>is located</sup> Aşıklı lies in <sup>the</sup> Kızılkaya village on a bank of Melendiz river which originates on the slopes between Hasandağ and Melendiz ranges. The river runs from South to the North-West direction where it cuts the famous, canyon-like <sup>This valley</sup> Ihlara-valley, which is full with cave-churches from the Early Christian period before it reaches the Kızılkaya village (fig.2, Esin et al. 1991, pls.1-3).

Today the climate is continental in the vicinity of <sup>with a few</sup> ~~Aşıklı and the narrow valley of Melendiz river, is almost the~~ <sup>mixed</sup> ~~only suitable area for agriculture and animal grazing with a~~ <sup>forests</sup> ~~few mixed woods nearby~~ (fig.2). <sup>nearby</sup>

<sup>It is almost the</sup> Because of the <sup>increase</sup> ~~raising of the~~ <sup>due to</sup> ~~water-level of the~~ artificial lake of Mamasın-dam built on a tributary of <sup>the</sup> Melendiz river, Aşıklı mound will be <sup>in</sup> ~~partly~~ doomed from its northern and western <sup>sides</sup> ~~profiles~~ in coming years (Esin et al. 1991, 159-160, pls.1-2). <sup>rescue</sup> ~~Therefore~~ Since 1989, salvage excavations <sup>have been</sup> ~~are~~ carried out on the mound by the Prehistory Section of the Faculty of Letters of the Istanbul University (Esin et al. 1991). The Biologisch-Archaeologisch Institute of the State University at Groningen joined the Aşıklı excavations with a project in order to undertake the archaeo-botanical, archaeo-zoological researches and 14-C dating of the site (2).

(2) For these researches I'm very much indebted to Prof. Dr. S. Bottema, Prof. Dr. W. van Zeist, Dr. H. Biutenhuis, Dr. H. Woldring, Dr. J. de Roller and for 14-C assessments to Dr. J. van der Plicht from the same university.

In the course of the excavations more than 3500 square meters are unearthed at Aşıklı (figs. 2-3). So far ~~has~~, a *section* part of the earliest habitation layer has been discovered directly on the ~~shore~~ <sup>bank</sup> of the Melendiz river, beneath of an alluvial deposit of 1.5 <sup>m</sup> height on the south, outside of the main mound which ~~it~~ was presumably connected with it during the earliest occupation phases (fig. 2, Esin 1995, 71, fig. 3).

On the mound, ~~from top to bottom~~ the cultural layer 2 has ~~been more extensively excavated~~ (figs. 2-3). ~~On the north of the site, in a step trench, so far dug, 8 subphases belonging to layer 2 have been encountered (fig. 3, trenches 4 G-H).~~ *So far, of layer 2 have been encountered in a step-trench on the north of the site*

Because of the architecture and of the small finds from the all subphases and habitation layers Aşıklı presents a homogeneous but ~~an~~ unique culture which has been dated to the 8-th Mill. B.C. according to a ~~large amount of~~ *great number* consistent and calibrated 14-C assessments (Esin 1995, 75-76, figs. 11-12).

The architecture of the site was primarily ~~made of~~ *at this site* mud-brick which was mixed with a small amount of vegetal temper. The walls of the houses had usually no stone foundations except when they were strongly needed. Therefore in a few cases ~~few~~ rows of stone slabs made of tufa used as foundation walls under the mud-bricks of the walls of some buildings (figs. 3-4; Esin 1995, 70, fig. 2, 72, fig. 5). The mud-brick houses of the inhabitants are usually rectangular or trapezoidal in plan (figs. 3, 4). Sometimes one of their the walls is slightly curved or ~~projected in one end in order to fit into the space which has been left for its construction in a quarter~~ (figs. 3-4). Hearths, low partitions made of mud-bricks, small shallow post-holes surrounded by small pebble stones, or stone bases for wooden posts were also used in the houses (Esin et al. 1991, 166, pl. 8) *houses with* two or more room houses together were placed in row-housing system as quarters or insulae (fig. 3-4). The quarters ~~have been~~ were separated from each other by narrow passage-ways or small court-yards (figs. 3-4; Esin et al. 1991, 165, pl. 7/1-3). There are also large dumping areas between some of the quarters on the North and North-East of the mound where most probably the hunted animal ~~meat~~ was shared and consumed. It seems that the leftovers were thrown away and burnt which then <sup>after</sup> formed thin strata consisting of animal bones, obsidians and kernels of hack--berries (celtis; figs. 3, 5, trenches 4 H and 6-7 J-K).

*From the houses* there were ~~no accesses to the exterior from the houses~~ *nothing led*

*otherwise modified in order to fit into the space, which was left for its construction*

into the passage-ways, court-yards or rubbish areas. Only door-openings have <sup>were</sup> been left in partition walls between the rooms of two or more room houses. Therefore it has been assumed that the entrances into the houses should have been <sup>from above</sup> from the roof <sup>by</sup> using a mobile ladder.

Almost in the middle of the settlements <sup>in</sup> of all subphases there is a large street which <sup>running in a south-west to a north-east direction</sup> has been paved by pebble stones <sup>running</sup> from the South-West to the North-East.

direction and then it has been gabled into two narrow paths, one turning to the South and the other one reaching a small court-yard - paved also with pebble stones - on the North-East of the street (fig.3, Esin 1994 b, 125, fig. 1, pl. 9/1-2, pl.10; Esin 1995, 72, trench 6 -0 ). On the South-West of the main street there are two buildings which seem to <sup>have</sup> been used for other social functions (fig.3, Esin 1995, 72, fig.5, trenches 3-4 N-0 and 3-4 P-R ). One of them is a temple with its red painted floors and interior walls (fig.3; ibid.72, fig.5, trenches 3-4, P-R, building T).

The other one has a chest-wall system on its North and its function is still not clarified (fig.3, Esin 1994 b, 126-127, fig.1, pls 9/2-3, 10 ).

On the North - East of the mound there is another large street which has been <sup>also</sup> paved by pebble stones ( fig.3, trenches 11-12 J ). It has <sup>was</sup> been flanked by large buildings which seem to <sup>have</sup> consisted of many rooms ( fig. 3 ). The building to the South of the street has been dug more extensively than the others ( fig.3 ). It is framed on the North by rounded stone foundation walls and has a large stone paved floor (fig.3, Esin 1995, 71, fig.4 ). It is a multi-room building and its main room is connected with a magazine room and with small court-yards. <sup>were</sup> Its walls from the interior and its plastered floor have been painted in red. The magazine-room has six <sup>immobile</sup> storage containers made of unbaked clay (fig.3 ).

The burial customs seem to <sup>have</sup> been intramural at Aşıklı. The deaths were buried in earthen pits in hocker-position under the floors of some rooms ( Esin et al.1991, 167, pl.9 ).

Sometimes <sup>they</sup> were partly burnt and wrapped in rush mats or covered by mats. Necklaces or <sup>armings</sup> consisting of beads made of simple or semi-precious stones, of deer teeth, native copper, and of land snails or sea shells were usually left as grave goods with the burials ( Esin et al. 1991, 168, pl.10 ( AH.89-120 ); Esin 1995, 73, fig. 8, p.74, fig.10 ).

The Manufacturing <sup>of</sup> obsidian tools, weapons and bone/horn artefacts are the main industries at Aşıklı ( fig.6, Esin et

across

It was paved by pebble stones and bifurcated into two narrow paths one turning to the south, and the other reaching a small court-yard (also paved with pebble stones) on the north-east of the street

built-in under the dead

building remains as yet unclear

The interiors of

and placed

bracelets

antler

were



dens are often found on the border of marshes.

~~houses on its borders.~~

Contiguous dense forest with rich undergrowth is also a good habitat type for wild <sup>pig</sup> ~~swine~~, red deer (*Oervus elaphus*), <sup>as well as</sup> hare (*Lepus capensis*), brown bear, lion <sup>and</sup> wild cat. <sup>(Panthera leo)</sup>

<sup>(Felis sylvestris)</sup> Forest-steppes and steppes provide suitable habitats for wild horse (*Equus cf. spec*); grass <sup>land</sup> ~~steppes~~ and semi <sup>(Gazella sp)</sup> deserts are the <sup>preferred</sup> environmental types for gazelle, onager (*Hemionus*) and hyena (*Hyena sp*).

There is no special habitat preference for wolf (*Canis lupus*) and fox (*Vulpes vulpes*). They can <sup>survive</sup> live in any type of environmental type, except in centers of large deserts. <sup>(the middle)</sup>

Different landscapes which provide enough cover (bushes, forest <sup>edge</sup> ~~border~~ lines, forested spots on steppes, gardens etc.) with some water supply are suitable for weasel and hedgehog (*Erinaceus europeus*). <sup>(Sufficient)</sup>

Earth galleries, steppes, meadows, heaths, fields, cultivated lands of each kind are preferable for rodents, especially for mouse <sup>(type Microtus spec.)</sup> and <sup>(Mus mus)</sup> ~~Glis glis~~ likes to live <sup>fat dormouse</sup> rich in tree <sup>wooded</sup> and bushy landscapes.

Fields, gardens and parks <sup>land</sup> are the habitats for tortoise (*Testudinae*). <sup>species</sup>

Forests, heaths, moor, tundra and steppes are usually homes for birds (*Aves*). Vulture (*Aegypidae unident.*) nests on trees, on high rocks, in plains or on high rocky mountain ranges. But <sup>Kestrel</sup> falcon (*Falco tinnunculus*) nests <sup>in the</sup> on in trees in <sup>culture</sup> wood rich cultivated landscapes, although red <sup>while</sup> falcon (*Circus aeruginosus*) prefers moors <sup>land</sup> with bushes surrounded by water for its nest. Bustard (*Otis tarda*) <sup>as nesting grounds</sup> nests also in cultivated large fields. <sup>the cultivated</sup>

<sup>even</sup> Forests on mountains and steppe-forest are <sup>the</sup> home <sup>land</sup> of great eagle owl (*Bubo bubo*) and its nest <sup>whose</sup> is usually <sup>may</sup> on trees in <sup>also be found</sup> fields, gardens and parks. <sup>typical</sup>

Gardens and parks are the habitat types of crow (*Corvus corone*). <sup>and</sup>

<sup>Coastal</sup> Bushes of lakes or rivers provide suitable environment for a variety of wild ducks (*Anatidae*)

Flat and rocky areas with grassland are <sup>inhabited</sup> homelands for <sup>by</sup> snails (*Gastropoda unident.*).

<sup>forested</sup> These habitat types <sup>can</sup> probably can be summarized as rocks, rocky hills, mountains with forest, forests or woods, steppe-forests, plains with some tree cover, grasslands, meadows, heaths and cultivated fields. All of those <sup>located</sup> They must also have been environmental types should have been situated also near to a water sources, <sup>(in the proximity of)</sup>

the previously described

#### 4. DISCUSSION (pls. 1-2)

According to these habitat types described above for the animal taxa discovered at Asikli it <sup>may</sup> be assumed that during the Early Holocene, forests or woods, steppes, plains, good grazing and arable lands should have been represented in the vicinity of the site, although the rocky landscape of western Cappadocia, a poor for plant growth vegetation covers large areas and <sup>has</sup> dominated its neighbourhood since prehistoric times.

On the other hand, among the animal species of Asikli owl such as wild boar, red deer, great eagle seem to be good indicators of forests or woods near to a water supply, namely near the Melendiz river. Wild horse, on the contrary, is an animal of steppes <sup>and</sup> forest-steppes. Bustard usually nests in cultivated fields and crows live on trees in fields, gardens and parks, like falcon which nests also on trees in cultivated lands (glis glis) prefers also to live in a landscape rich in tree and bushes. <sup>On the other hand</sup> (Such as kestrel)

The Melendiz river is not only a good water supply for all sorts of living <sup>animal</sup> species but its narrow valley is also a suitable with its fertile alluvial plain for the growth of where trees plants and trees. Some of the carbonized, small wood remains discovered at Asikli and collected as samples for <sup>sampled</sup> dendrochronology, <sup>have been determined</sup> as oak trees by Kuniholm (Personal communication with P.I. Kuniholm in 1995). Large <sup>numbers</sup> of carbonized Celtis (hackberry), seeds <sup>has been</sup> identified among other plant remains by W. van Zeist and de Roller, which belong either to cultivated cereals and pulses or to grasses <sup>from</sup> meadows and steppes (van Zeist and de Roller 1995, forthcoming, cf. Todd 1980, 116). <sup>The rest of the botanical finds are</sup>

Today in the Ihlara valley, nearby to Asikli, Celtis trees are still <sup>grow</sup> <sup>even</sup> <sup>growing</sup>. Some leftovers of the oak-woods are covering the slopes of Hasandağ and of Melendiz ranges which seem to be <sup>have</sup> destroyed by anthropogenic activities <sup>human</sup> since <sup>although</sup> during several millennia.

When all these data taken into consideration it can be suggested that the area in the vicinity of Asikli should <sup>must</sup> have been covered with more woods or forests than today.

Animal taxa from four aceramic sites in Central Anatolia are compared such as Can Hasan III, Suberde and Hacilar together with Asikli is given in pl. 2 for comparison (French 1972; Payne 1972 a and b; Perkins 1973; Perkins and Daly 1972, Mellaart 1970, 5, 246-247). <sup>this place</sup> It presents four different ecological niches during the Early Holocene. But some particular

Nevertheless

Meanwhile fat dormouse

Other plants grow

Among other plant remains

Hackberry

most of them

more forested

in Plate 2

In addition to Asikli they include

in the  
species, important for the nutrition of prehistoric human societies, such as Bos, <sup>and</sup> Ovis/Capra were present in the <sup>and (lepus)</sup> environment- neighbourhood of these four sites together with hare (pl.2). Wild pig, red and roe deer have been hunted at Asıklı, Can Hasan III and at Suberde. Fallow deer was also a game animal at Asıklı, Suberde and Hacilar (pl.2). have <sup>bulls of the</sup>

in the  
neighbouring  
areas  
These species which seem to provide the main animal protein diet of the inhabitants of those four sites indicate that the areas in the vicinity of them were covered not only by <sup>at the settlements</sup> with plains and grasslands near to the water source, but also at least some woods or forest-steppes must have been <sup>that</sup> represented in those different ecological niches. environments.

#### 5. CONCLUSION

identified at  
The animal taxa of Asıklı given in (pl.1) most probably indicate that during its occupation period in its vicinity there were a few <sup>types</sup> environmental types which have been represented by some woods or forest-steppes, plains, good grazing and arable lands in the Melendiz valley and also by the rocky landscape of Western Cappadocia nearby.

Istanbul, 1995

#### Aknowledgement:

The excavations at Asıklı and this work were supported by the General Directorate of Monuments and Museums of Ministry of Culture, by THE TURKISH ACADEMY OF SCIENCES (TUBA), and by The Research Fund of the University of Istanbul Project No.599/171193. Therefore I'm very much indebted to all these institutions.

# SELECTED BIBLIOGRAPHY

## ABBREVIATIONS

- BÖKÖNYI, S. 1974 , History of Domestic Mammals in Central and Eastern Europe. Budapest. Akadémiai Kiadó.
- " " 1982 , "The Climatic Interpretation of Macrofaunal Assemblages in the Near East" in Paleoclimates, Paleoenvironments and Human Communities in the Eastern Mediterranean Region in Later Prehistory" (eds. J.L. Blin-liff and W. van Zeist) BAR International Ser. 133, Oxford, 149-169.
- " " 1983 , "Late Chalcolithic and Early Bronze I Animal Remains from Arslantepe", Origini XII/2, 581-598.
- " " 1993 , "Hunting in Arslantepe, Anatolia" in Between the Rivers and over the Mountains. Archaeologica Anatolica et Mesopotamica. Alba Palmieri Dedicata. (eds. M. Frangipane et al.), Università di Roma "La Sapienza", Roma 341-359.
- BUITENHUIS, H. 1994 a , " Archaeozoology of the Holocene in Anatolia. An Overview" in Archaeometry '94. 29-th International Symposium on Archaeometry. 9-14. May. 1994, Ankara, Turkey (forthcoming ).
- " " 1994 b " Aşıklı Höyük: a 'Protodomestication' Site" in the VII. International Conference of Archaeozoology. Konstanz, Germany (forthcoming )
- EMRE, Ö. 1991, Hasandağı-Keçidoyuran Dağı Yöresi Volkanizmasının Jeomorfolojisi. (Unpublished Ph.D. thesis, submitted to the Institute of Oceanography and Geography of the Istanbul University), Istanbul.
- ESİN, U. 1986 , "Değirmentepe (Malatya) Kazıları Arkeometrik Araştırmalarına Toplu Bakış " in Arkeometri Ünltesi Bilimsel Toplantı Bildirileri VI (1985), TÜBİTAK, Ankara, 131-153
- " " 1994 a, "The Functional Evidence of Seals and Sealings of Değirmentepe" in Archives Before Writing. Proceedings of the International Colloquium, Oriolo Romano, Oct. 23-25. 1991. (eds P. Ferioli et al.), Torino, 59-81.
- " " 1994 b "Zum Ursprung der Kastenbauweise in Anatolien", Istanbulur Mitteilungen 45



(1993) ,123-128.

ESİN, U. 1995 "Early Copper Metallurgy at the Pre-Pottery Site of Aşıklı" in Readings in Prehistory. Studies Presented to Halet Çambel. Istanbul Graphis, 61-77.

ESİN, U., et al. 1991 "Salvage Excavations at the Pre-Pottery Site of Aşıklı Höyük in Central Anatolia", *Anatolica* XVII, 123-174.

FRENCH, D. H. 1972 "Excavations at Can Hasan III, 1969-70" in *Papers in Economic Prehistory* (ed. E. S. Higgs), London, 181-190.

MELLAART, J. 1970, *Excavations at Hacilar*, vols. 1 and 2. The British Institute of Archaeology at Ankara, Edinburgh, University Press.

PAYNE, S. 1972a "On the Interpretation of Bone Samples from Archaeological Sites" in *Papers in Economic Prehistory* (ed. E. S. Higgs), London, 65-81.

1972b "Can Hasan III: The Anatolian Aceramic and the Greek Neolithic" in *Papers in Economic Prehistory* (ed. E. S. Higgs), London, 191-194.

PERKINS, D., Jr. 1973 "The Beginnings of Animal Domestication in the Near East" *American Journal of Archaeology* 77/3, 279-282.

PERKINS, D., Jr., and DALY, P. 1972 (1968), "A Hunters Village in Neolithic Turkey" in *Old World Archaeology: Foundations of Civilization. Readings from Scientific American* (ed. C. C. Lamberg-Karlovsky), San Francisco, 105-112.

TODD, I. 1980 *The Prehistory of Central Anatolia I. The Neolithic Period*. Studies in Mediterranean Archaeology LX. Göteborg, P. Aström.

van Zeist, W. and de ROLLER, J. 1995 "Some Notes on the Plant Husbandary of Aşıklı Höyük" in *Five Seasons of Fieldwork at Aşıklı Höyük* (forthcoming).

C A P T I O N S  
(LIST OF FIGURES AND PLATES)

- Fig.1. Map of the aceramic neolithic sites in Central Anatolia.
- " 2. Air view of Aşıklı Höyük on the bank of Melendiz river, seen from the West.
  - " 3. Schematic plan of layer 2 at Aşıklı Höyük.
  - " 4. Air view of a part of mud-brick architecture at Aşıklı. Seen from the North.
  - " 5. Large dumping pit and meat-sharing area on the North-East of Aşıklı.
  - " 6. Some tools made of animal bone and horn from Aşıklı.

- Plate 1. List of Animal Taxa of Aşıklı after Buitenhuis 1994 a and 1994 b
- " 2. Comparative list of animal taxa from the aceramic sites in Central Anatolia during the Early Holocene, ca 8./7.Millennium B.C.

## Plate 1

LIST OF ANIMAL TAXA OF ASIKLI  
( after Buitenhuis 1994 a and 1994 b )

Bos primigenius	auerochs	dev sigir	1738
Ovis ammon orientalis	wild sheep	yabani koyun	3808
Capra aegagrus	wild goat	" keci	665
Small ruminants (prob. O/O)	wild sheep/goat	" keci/koyun	12123
Sus scrofa	wild boar	" domuz	340
Cervidae, spec. unknown	cervids	geyik giller	59
Dama spec.	fallow deer	karaca	44
Cervus elaphus	red deer	kizil geyik	21
Capreolus capreolus	roe deer	alagaydi	9
Equus cf. spec.	wild horse	yabani at	216
Canis lupus	wolf	kurt	2
Canis lupus /familiaris	wolf/dog	kurt / kopele	2
Vulpes vulpes	fox	tilki	50
Rodentia, unident.	rodent	kemis guler	1
Microtus spec.	mouse-type	fare tipi	1
cf. Glis glis	mouse-type	" "	2
Lepus capensis	hare	tavşan	496
Erinaceus europaeus	hedgehog	kirpi	3
Castor fiber	beaver	kunduz	2
Aves, unident.	bird	kus	15
Anatidae, unident.	duck	ördege	7
Aegypidae, unident.	vulture	akbaba	5
Falconidae, unident.	falcon	atmaca (doğan, sahin)	1
Circus aeruginosus	red falcon	kurnuzi dogan	2
cf. Accipiter gentilis	hawk	sahin (atmaca, geyik)	1
Falco tinnuculis	falcon	dogan	3
Otis tarda	bustard	toy musu	2
Bubo bubo	great owl	Baykuş	3
Corvus corone	crow	karga	8
Corvus frugilegus	small crow	küçük karga	3
Testudinae	tortoise (Turtle)	kaplumbağa	15
Pisces	fish	balık	2
Gastropoda, unident.	snail	salyangoz	1

Plate II

COMPARATIVE LIST OF ANIMAL TAXA FROM ACERAMIC SITES  
IN CENTRAL ANATOLIA

	AŞIKLI	CAN HASAN III	SUBERDE	HACILAR
Bos primigenius (aurochs)	X	large bovid/bos	X	X
Ovis ammon orientalis (w. sheep)	X		X	
Capra aegagrus (w. goat)	X		X	
Ovis/Capra (sheep/goat)		X		X
Small ruminants (prob. O/C)	X			
Sus scrofa (w. pig)	X	X	X	
Cervidae spec. (deer)	X			
Dama spec. (fallow deer)	X		X	X
Cervus elaphus (red deer)	X	X	X	
Capreolus capreolus (roe deer)	X	X	X	
Equid (probably Equus hemionus, onager)		X		
Equus cf. spec. (w. horse)	X			
Bear			X	
Wild cat			X	
Jackal			X	
Marten			X	
Badger			X	
Canis		X		
Canis lupus (wolf)	X			
Canis lupus/ familiaris (wolf/dog)	X			
Canis familiaris (dog)			X	X
Vulpes vulpes (fox)	X	X	X	

## Plate 1

LIST OF ANIMAL TAXA OF ASIKLI  
( after Buitenhuis 1994 a and 1994 b )

<i>Bos primigenius</i>	auerochs	1738
<i>Ovis ammon orientalis</i>	wild sheep	3808
<i>Capra aegagrus</i>	wild goat	665
Small ruminants(prob.O/O)	wild sheep/goat	12123
<i>Sus scrofa</i>	wild boar	340
<i>Cervidae</i> , spec. unknown	cervids	59
<i>Dama</i> spec.	fallow deer	44
<i>Cervus elaphus</i>	red deer	21
<i>Capreolus capreolus</i>	roe deer	9
<i>Equus</i> cf.spec.	wild horse	216
<i>Canis lupus</i>	wolf	2
<i>Canis lupus /familiaris</i>	wolf/dog	2
<i>Vulpes vulpes</i>	fox	50
<i>Rodentia</i> , unident.	rodent	1
<i>Microtus</i> spec.	mouse-type	1
cf. <i>Glis glis</i>	mouse-type	2
<i>Lepus capensis</i>	hare	496
<i>Erinaceus europaeus</i>	hedgehog	3
<i>Castor fiber</i>	beaver	2
<i>Aves</i> , unident.	bird	15
<i>Anatidae</i> , unident.	duck	7
<i>Aegypidae</i> , unident.	vulture	5
<i>Falconidae</i> , unident.	falcon	1
<i>Circus aeruginosus</i>	red falcon	2
cf. <i>Accipiter gentilis</i>	hawk	1
<i>Falco tinnuculis</i>	falcon	3
<i>Otis tarda</i>	bustard	2
<i>Bubo bubo</i>	great owl	3
<i>Corvus corone</i>	crow	8
<i>Corvus frugilegus</i>	small crow	3
<i>Testudinae</i>	tortoise	15
<i>Pisces</i>	fish	2
<i>Gastropoda</i> , unident.	snail	1



PLATE II (continued)

	AŞIKLI	CAN HASAN III	SUBERDE	HACILAR
Erinaceus euro- peus (hedgehog)	X			
Hedgehog			X	
Rodentia, unident. (rodent)	X	X		
Rodentia (insecti- vora)		X		
Microtus spec. (mouse-type)	X			
cf. Glis glis (mouse-type)	X			
Lepus capensis (hare)	X	X	X	X
Castor fiber (beaver)	X			
Testudinae (tortoise)	X	X	X	
Ophidia (snake)		X		
Pisces (fish)	X	X	X	
Gastropoda, unident.	X			
Fresh water calm			X	
Amphibia		X		
Aves, unident. (bird)	X	X	X	
Anatidae (duck)	X			
Aegypidae (vulture)	X			
Falconidae (falcon)	X			
Circus aeruginosus (red falcon)	X			
cf. Accipiter gen- tilis (hawk)	X			
Falco tinnunculus (falcon)	X			
Otis tarda (bustard)	X			
Bubo bubo (great owl)	X			
Corvus corone (crow)	X			
Corvus frugilegus (small crow)	X			
Pelican			X	

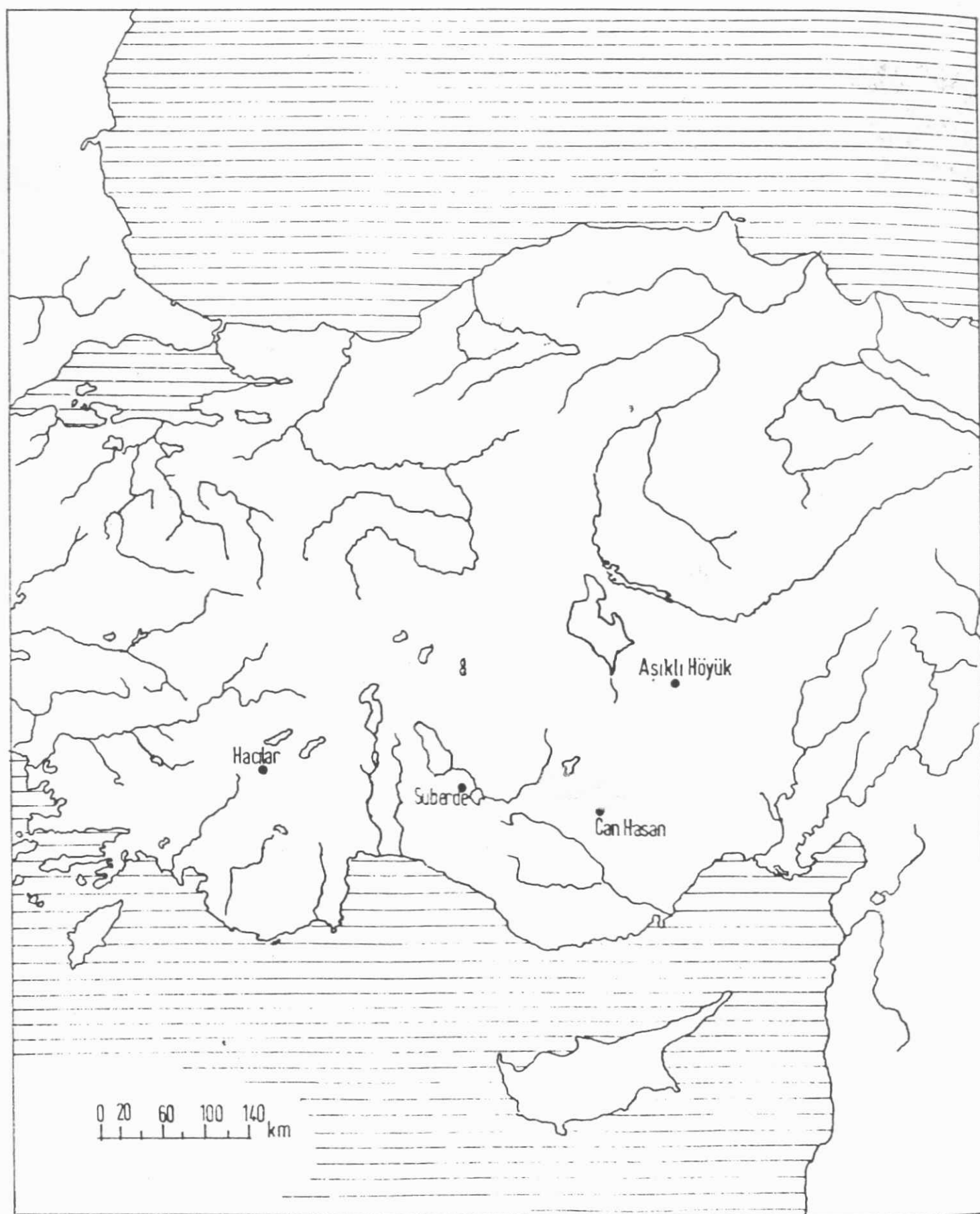
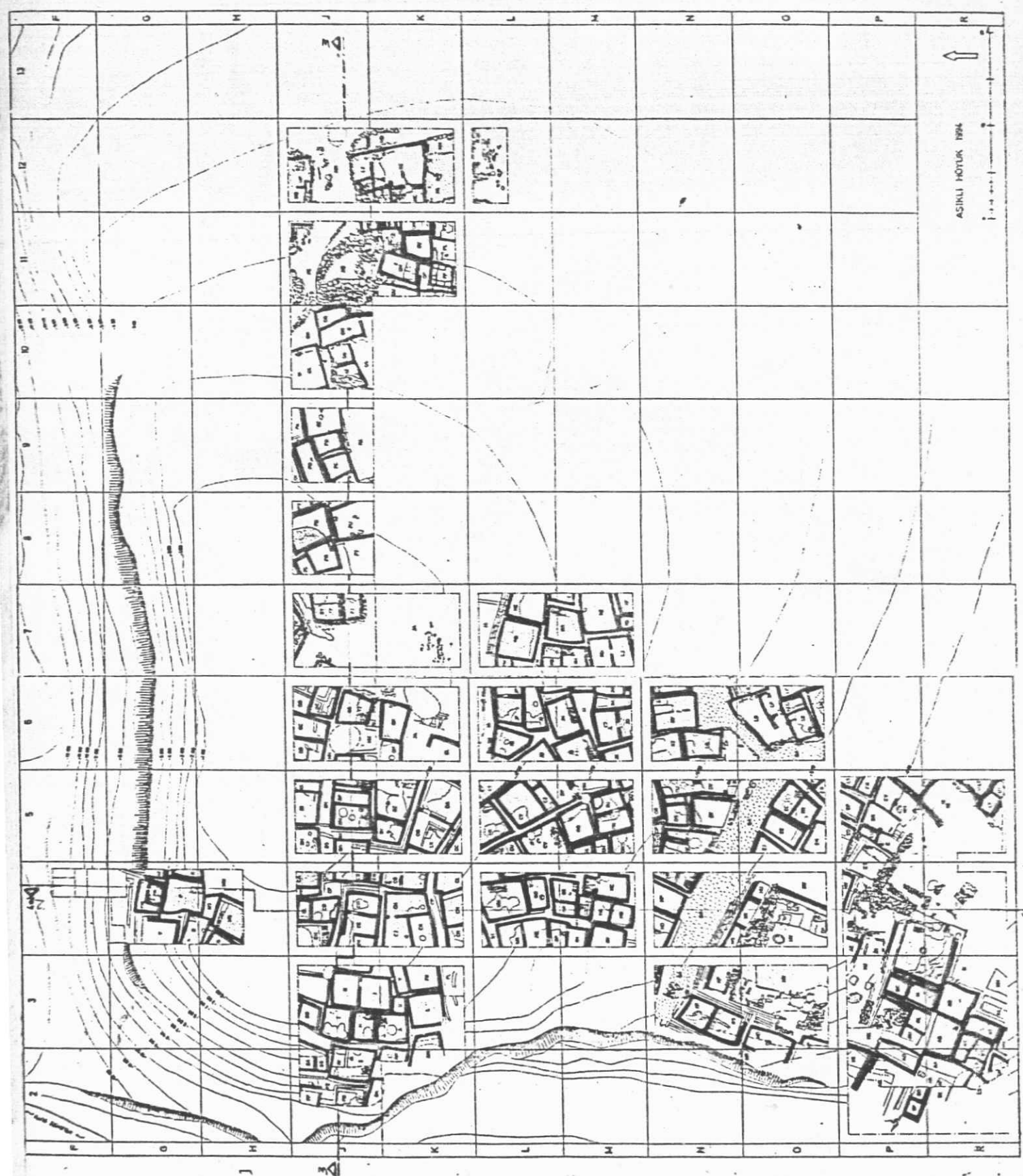


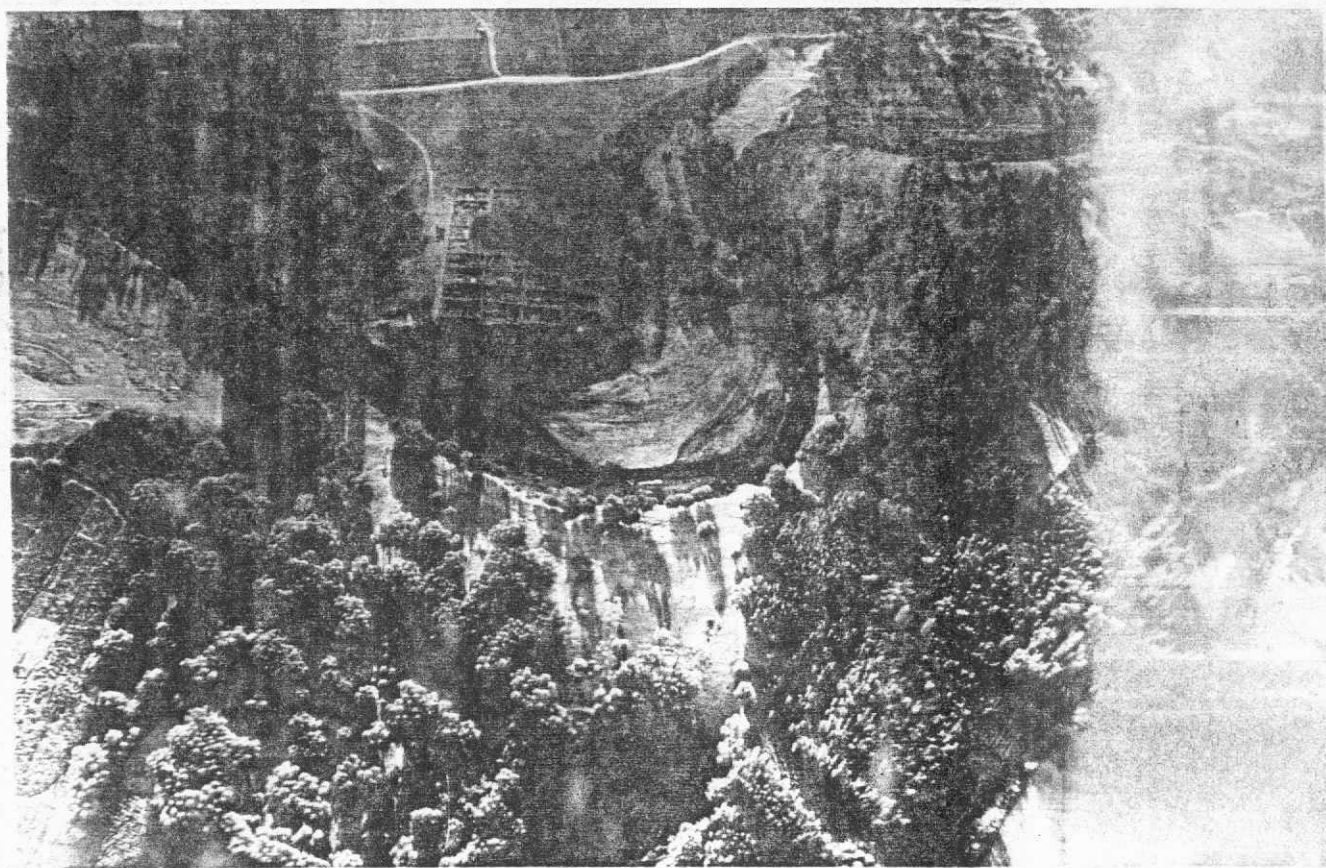
Fig. 84 — Distribution des gisements en Anatolie centrale.

115.3  
115.3



ASINLI HÖYÜK 1994

2



AH-94 SB # 18/31 FIG. 2  
Balon

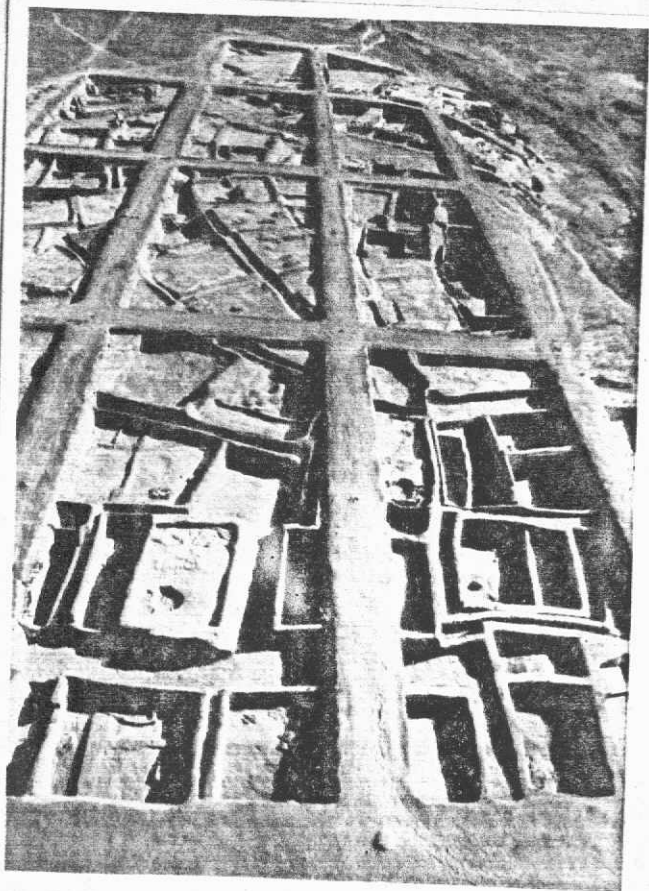
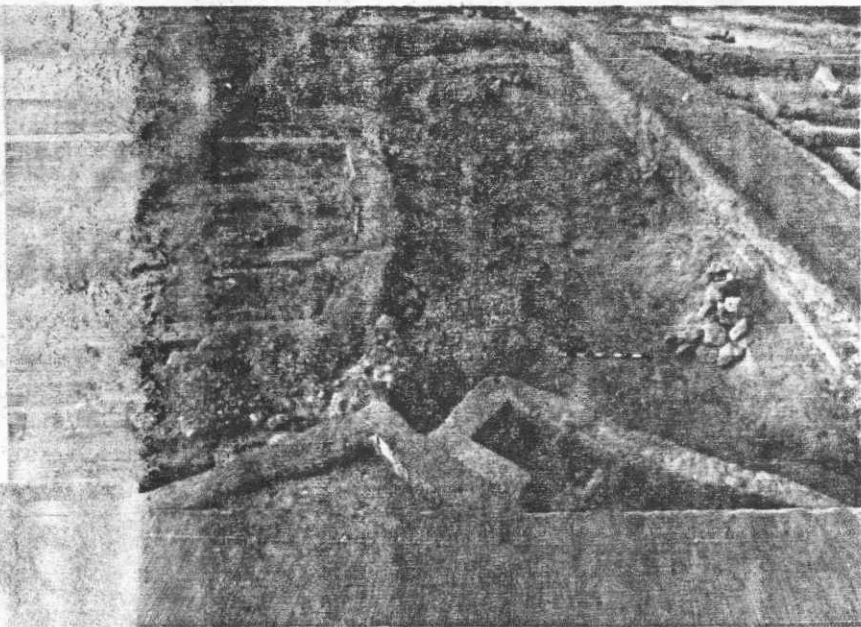


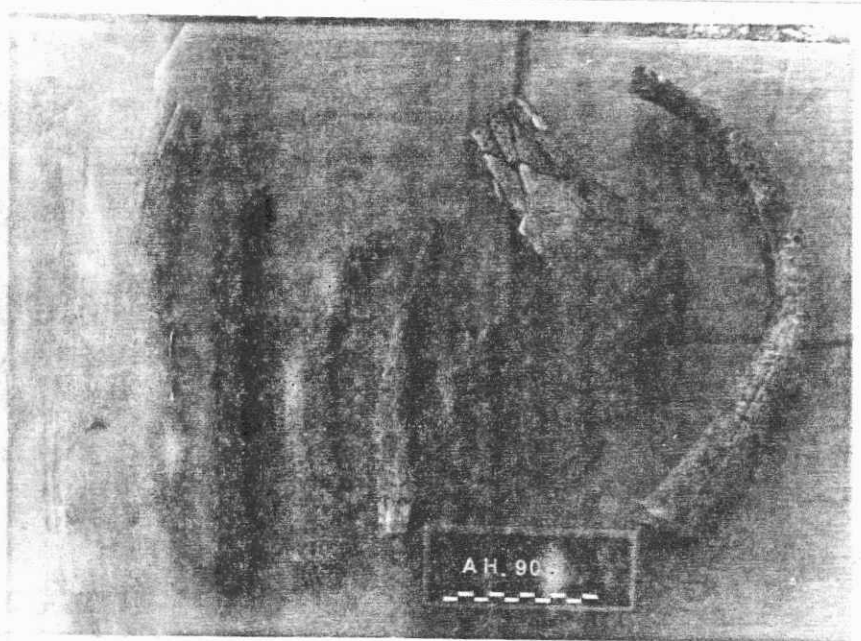
fig. 4

AH-93 A-25/15





AH.92 A.8/18  
7 J-K K-G. FIG.5



AH.90 A.13/14  
FIG.6



Table 1. Preliminary faunalist from Asikli Höyük (excavation: 1989-93).  
NISP = number of identified specimen

Phase	2G	2F	2E	2D	2B	2A	2?	P/R	TOT
species:									
Erinaceus europeus hedgehog.	.	.	3	.	.	.	.	.	3
Canis lupus wolf	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	1	2
Canis lupus/familiaris wolf/dog	.	.	1	.	1	.	.	.	2
Vulpes vulpes fox	4	1	6	13	7	1	22	.	50
Equus cf. hydruntinus spec	24	24	30	4	11	1	133	13	216 = horse/a
Sus scrofa wild boar	55	28	56	61	10	5	175	5	340
Cervidae, spec. unknown deer?	4	2	13	9	3	1	23	8	59
Dama spec. fallow deer	2	1	5	2	8	5	22	1	44
Cervus elaphus red deer	1	.	.	.	1	2	17	1	21
Capreolus capreolus roe deer	1	1	.	1	2	.	5	.	9
Bos primigenius auroch	48	39	103	105	326	84	854	227	1738
Capra aegagrus goat	29	39	90	63	134	63	334	63	665
Ovis ammon orientalis sheep	267	143	549	380	632	177	1727	200	3808
small ruminants (prob. O/C)	548	351	1757	1055	2386	887	5074	613	12123
rodentia, unident. rodent	1	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	1
Microtus spec. mouse-type	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	1
cf. Glis glis "	.	.	.	.	.	.	2	.	2
Lepus capensis hare	16	5	120	51	64	19	231	6	496
Aves, unident.	2	.	4	.	1	2	8	.	15
Anatidae, unident. Duck	.	.	2	1	1	.	3	.	7
Aegypidae, unident. VULTURE	.	.	1	.	1	.	3	.	5
Falconidae, unident. FALCON	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	1
Circus aeruginosus	.	.	1	.	.	.	1	.	2
cf. Accipiter gentilis hawk	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	1
Falco tinnunculus falcon	.	.	2	.	.	.	1	.	3
Otis tarda bustard	.	.	.	.	.	.	2	.	2
Bubo bubo Great owl	.	.	.	1	.	.	2	.	3
Corvus corone crow	.	.	.	4	1	.	2	.	8
Corvus frugilegus small crow	.	.	.	1	.	.	2	.	3
Testudinae TORTOISE	1	.	2	1	3	8	.	1	15
Pisces FISH	.	1	.	.	1	.	.	.	2
Gastropoda, unident. SNAIL	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	1
+ sea urch - Easter fish Meadow collected -									
Total	1003	636	2745	1752	3595	1255	8645	1140	19648

# DIE VERTEILUNG DER JAGDTIERARTEN IN AŞIKLI

NAME DES TIERES	ZAHL DER TIERE	PROZENTZAHL
CANIS spec. ( WOLF)	1	-
VULPES vulpes (FUCHS)	8	-
EQUUS hominus (ONAGER)	166	0.9
SUS scrofa (WILDSCHWEIN)	371	2.2
CERVIDAE (PAARHUFERFAM.)	60	0.3
DAMA spec. (DAMHIRSCH)	17	-
CERVUS elaphus (ROTHIRSCH)	9	-
CAPREOLUS capreolus (REH)	13	-
BOS primigenius (AUROCHS/UR)	1464	8.5
CAPRA aegagrus (WILDZIEGE)	506	2.9
OVIS orientalis (WILDSCHAF)	2870	16.8
KLEINE RUMINANTEN (WIEDERKAUER)	11610	67.8
RODENTIA (NAGETIERE)	1	-
LEPUS europe <sup>ae</sup> us (HASE)	10	-

AVES  
PISCES

VÖGEL  
FISCH

(NACH H.BUITENHUIS 1994)