



# Ethics and Repatriation in Egyptian Archaeology from an African Perspective

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## Abstract

Egyptian archaeology has long been criticized for its lack of consultation with local communities and inadequate handling of artifacts, leading to ethical concerns. The study employs a qualitative analysis of existing literature and interviews with archaeologists and community representatives. Artifacts often remain in museums for decades after excavation, leading to significant controversy over their long-term storage and potential loss or damage. There is a need for greater transparency and consultation between archaeologists and local communities during the repatriation process. Archaeological institutions should implement more transparent policies regarding artifact handling and share more information with the public.

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