



The Ethics Imperative in Egyptian Archaeological Excavations and Repatriation Discourse: A Theoretical Framework

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Abstract

The field of Egyptian archaeology is characterized by a complex interplay between academic research and public engagement, particularly concerning issues of repatriation and ethical considerations. No empirical data will be included as this is a theoretical framework piece focused on conceptual analysis and discussion of existing literature. The theoretical framework underscores the necessity for a balanced approach in archaeological practices that respects both scientific inquiry and communal values. Archaeologists should engage more proactively with local communities, incorporate ethical considerations into their methodologies, and advocate for stronger legal protections to ensure sustainable heritage management.

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