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Katerina Tsalapatis is Research Assistant at the Danish Institute for Mediterranean Studies (DIOMEDES), Copenhagen. She received her BA in 2001 in Classical Archaeology from the University of Copenhagen, Denmark and her MSc in 2010 in Human Osteology and Palaeopathology from the University of Bradford, United Kingdom.

Katerina is the project manager, osteologist and field archaeologist on a osteoarchaeological project at the South West Slope of the Athenian Akropolis, Athens, where she investigates the lives of past people from the human remains excavated from the graves in the area (Ca. 7th century B.C. - 4th century A.D.). This is achieved through analysis of patterns of skeletal health and activity combined with archaeological material and socio-historic evidence for an integrated bioarchaeological interpretation.

She is also a guest researcher at the Laboratory of Biological Anthropology, Department of Forensic Science, University of Copenhagen. Her research here focuses on reconstructing past lifeways (diet, health, disease, and trauma) based on the skeletal material from the Danish Medieval times using osteological and palaeopathological analyses.

Katerina Tsalapatis' research interests include osteoarchaeology, Greek funerary archaeology, interpretation of ancient burials and cemeteries from skeletal remains as well as ancient palaeodemography and epidemiology of ancient Greek populations from employing the science of human osteology and palaeopathology.

Besides working as an archaeologist at the South West Slopes of the Athenian Akropolis, she has worked as a field archaeologist, assistant osteologist at the Necropolis of Orthi Petra, Eleutherna on Crete and at the Prehistoric settlement on the Island of Gavdos and as an assisting field archaeologist at the Neolithic Museum of Diros, Peloponnese.