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Reigate, Surrey - Human Bone Report

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The skeletal remains from an inhumation burial from Reigate, Surrey were examined. The bone was found to be in very poor condition with only about a quarter of the skeleton preserved. Most of the material came from the lower extremities although fragments of the right arm, thoracic and lumbar vertebrae and pelvis were present.

The individual was assessed as an adult, possibly a female (on pelvic and femoral bone morphology) with a stature estimate of 1.63m (c.5'4") (the assumption of a female was made for this). There were no cranial, dental or post-cranial metric or morphologic data available for analysis. There was no evidence for any pathology or abnormality of any kind but it must be emphasized that the bones had undergone a considerable degree of post-mortem erosion and that there was only a small proportion of the skeleton present for analysis.

Reference (for stature):

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Personal Identification in Mass Disasters, Washington, National Museum
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