

# PRODUCTION, CONSUMPTION AND DISPOSAL: A CONSIDERATION OF SPATIAL VARIATION IN FAUNAL DISTRIBUTIONS

## AT EARLY BRONZE III TELL ES-SAFI/GATH, ISRAEL

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### Distinctions between buildings and alley

**QUESTION:** Are there differences in food consumption between houses/households in early state societies, particularly within same neighborhood?

#### TAXONOMIC DIVERSITY

- Similar between buildings (slight differences in wild)
- Low taxa diversity
- Ovicaprines dominate, then cattle
- No pig
- Domestic dominate

#### BODY PART DISTR.

- Building 104311 different than all others
- Higher status? (stone floor)
- Thorax preferred
- Highest wild %

#### ALLEYWAY

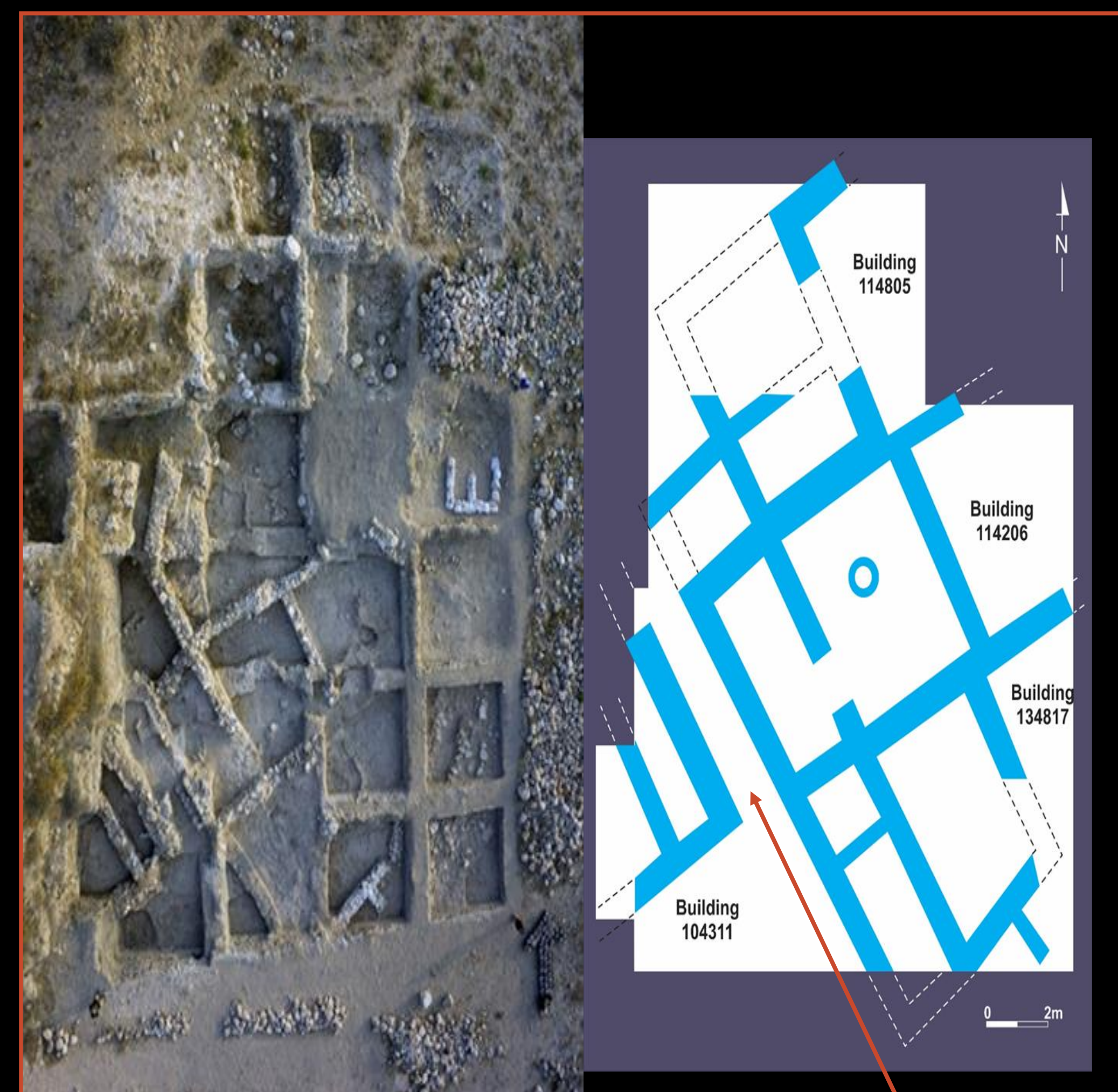
- Different than all buildings
- Dumping ground
- Generally low wild
- Highest domestic %
- Greater variety of distal limbs

#### CONCLUSIONS

- Differences in fauna between buildings - No dramatic in spite of architecture and special finds
- Taxa diversity - minimal
- Wild – slight differences
- Domestic – only rarer taxa differ

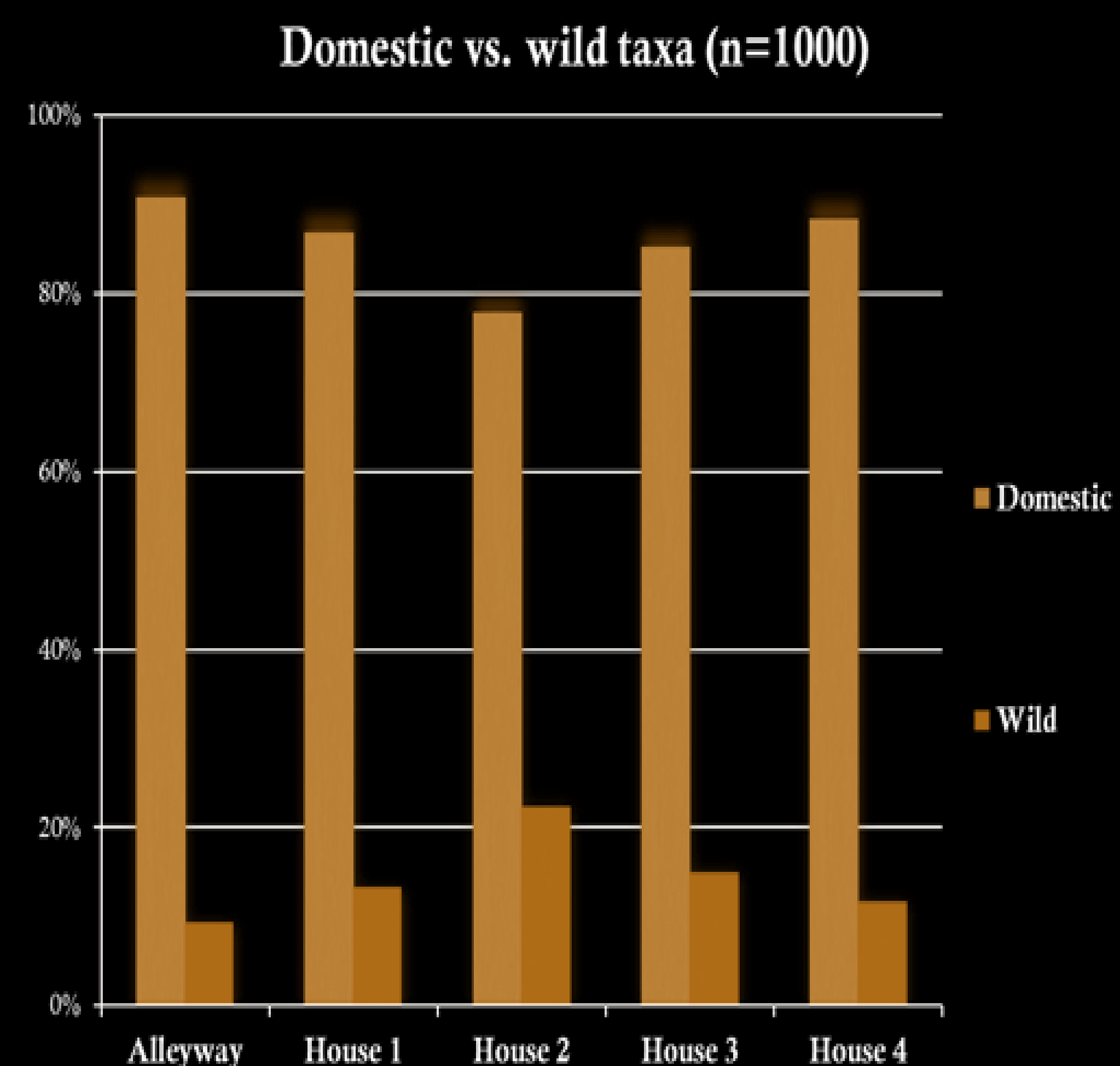
#### IMPLICATIONS

- Dietary differences - minimal between buildings
- Major difference between alley and buildings



#### DOMESTIC QUARTER:

- 4 buildings + alleyway
- Non-elite residential neighbourhood



#### RITUAL FINDS

- Donkey sacrificial burial in Building 114206



#### ADMINISTRATION

- Cylinder seal
- Building 114805



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