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From: ORAU

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Subject: Re: Working Question

I am very sorry for the delay in replying to your email regarding the sample in this project.

We received the sample submission form from Andrew Lawler on the 4th March and the sample was logged in on the 5th March. We did indeed have some difficulties with the AMS machine which has resulted in an additional two month delay in some cases, to the already estimated turnaround time of 4months.

Only one sample was submitted which has a reference number of Ravne 5b (our laboratory reference number is P21846). There is no record of another sample being submitted. I have spoken to the laboratory manager and it appears that the sample appeared as mostly soil rather than wood. One piece was taken and burnt but there was not enough yield so pieces were combined and the burn has now been attempted x 3 times but still there is only a very small yield, and very low carbon, which may make a small graphite. This means it is unlikely to produce a very reliable date at all - if it is in fact, passed as being able to be dated at all. I am sorry not to be able to give you any better news.

Best wishes

Diane Baker

Admin Officer