

## PRESENTATION

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Graduated in 2013 at the University of Palermo in Demo-ethno-anthropological disciplines with a thesis entitled: “Man and/is the animal. An ethological analysis of man”

She is currently working on her master thesis about the study of the particular structure (A5\_S III) in the layer A5 in Grotta di Fumane, used for combustion but probably also for other activity tied to the hearth.

The purposes are to reconstruct and identify the key of reading of the composite structure of the hearth. At the same time, it will be possible to understand the use of such structure by the Neanderthal populations of 45,000 years ago that lived in the Grotta of Fumane, also considering the spatial placing of faunal and lithic remains, which surrounded the hearth.

She took part to excavations in Grotta of Fumane and in Grotta of Rio Secco in Friuli-Venezia Giulia in collaboration with the University of Ferrara.

### **KEY WORDS**

PERIOD: Middle Paleolithic

GEOGRAPHY: Northern Italy

CULTURE/TECHNO-COMPLEX: Mousterian

### **RESEARCH TASK AT FUMANE**

Study of the Structure A5\_SIII of layer A5