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## Daily Materiality, Memory and Social Reproduction in South Andean Formative Households and Communities

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Abstract:

Homes, and the rich social memory associated with them, are shaped by daily practices, and are embedded in material culture. Daily practices can include living among the household dead; food processing, storage, and consumption; preparing farm lots; planting of crops; and feasting in several areas of the village. The particular histories, repeated actions and interactions with persons and material objects in a specific spatial setting can link human action and the body with memory and knowledge. In this presentation we look at first millennium A.D. homemaking within houses, how this varies within communities, and how this is related to farming practices the Tafi Valley of North-western Andes of Argentina. To understand household organization we reflect upon about the construction of Formative residential buildings, the ways in which domestic and functional space was defined, household autonomy, and the contrastive development of long-term social practices over almost ten centuries. The aim of this work is to address the role of household objects, in collective constitution, especially in the reproduction of social logics that allowed and constrained practices.