

I. Editorial

Welcome to the last issue of the *BHA* for 2009. We are fortunate to run an interesting analysis of the history of archaeology in the People's Republic of China written by the eminent Chinese archaeologist Xingcan Chen, and a substantial contribution to the long-running theoretical debate on internalism and externalism in the history of archaeology from Oscar Moro Abadia. Both articles advance our understanding of the general and the particular in the history of archaeology.

Another substantial contribution, this from Matthew Goodrum, follows in our Notes section. Here Goodrum presents a comprehensive review of the role played by prehistoric societies across Europe in the foundation of the discipline of prehistoric archaeology there.

Following these are our usual sections with information about new research projects, reports of conferences and book reviews.

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