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CONTACT INFORMATION

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EDUCATION AND ACADEMIC DEGREE

2015 – 2020 PhD in History and Archaeology (H005) (Vilnius University).
Thesis title: “Agricultural development and settlement dynamics in 11th c. BC – 12th c. AD Lithuania (based on archaeobotanical evidence)”, supervisor – dr. G. Vėlius.
Research focus: archaeobotany; prehistoric settlement studies.

2011 – 2013 Durham University (UK), MA in Archaeology.
Dissertation title: “An examination of the role of burial monuments and their landscape setting in the Late Iron Age Britain”.
Research focus: Iron Age archaeology; GIS in archaeology.

2007 – 2011 Vilnius University, BA in Archaeology.
Dissertation title: “Late Iron Age stirrups in Lithuania”.
Research focus: Iron Age archaeology; artefact typology.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2022 11 – until now **Postdoctoral fellow**
Laboratory of Quaternary Research, Nature Research Centre

2022 06 – until now **Research fellow**
Institute of Baltic Region History and Archaeology, Klaipėda University

2020 09 – until now **Assistant professor, research fellow**
Department of Archaeology, Vilnius University

2020 04 – 2022 12 **Junior research fellow**
Department of Archaeology, Lithuanian Institute of History

2017 01 – 2017 12 **Junior research fellow**
Department of Archaeology, Lithuanian Institute of History

2015 10 – 2020 09 **Doctoral student**
Department of Archaeology, Vilnius University

2013 06 – 2014 11 **Field technician**
UAB „Kultūros vertybių paieška“

2013 03 – 2013 06 **Field technician**
Institute of Baltic Region History and Archaeology, Klaipėda University

2010 09 – 2010 12 **Laboratory technician**
Department of Archaeology, Vilnius University

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Research focus: archaeological studies of the prehistoric settlements, their environment, and economy in the Baltic Bronze Age and Iron Age; application of archaeobotany (plant macrofossil analysis, AMS ¹⁴C dating, light stable $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ and $\delta^{15}\text{N}$ isotope analysis) and GIS in Lithuanian

archaeology.

PUBLICATIONS

Scientific articles published in journals (books), indexed in „Clarivate Analytics Web of Science“ database (with citation index):

1. **Minkevičius K.**, Podėnas V., Urbonaitė-Ubė M., Ubis E., Kisieliene D. 2020. New evidence on the southeast Baltic Late Bronze Age agrarian intensification and the earliest AMS dates of *Lens culinaris* and *Vicia faba*. – *Vegetation History and Archaeobotany*, 29 (3): 327-338. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s00334-019-00745-2>.

Scientific articles published in journals (books), indexed in „Clarivate Analytics Web of Science“ database (without citation index):

1. Piličiauskas G., Vengalis R., **Minkevičius K.**, Skridlaitė G., Piličiauskienė G. 2022. Towards a better understanding of the economy and culture of the Late Bronze Age in the southeastern Baltic: Tarbiškės settlements. – *Archaeologia Baltica*, 29: 149-168
2. Vengalis R., **Minkevičius K.**, Valančius M., Piličiauskas G. 2022. Hidden landscapes of the Earliest Iron Age: Excavations at Kakliniškės 7 reveal an overlooked settlement phase in southern Lithuania. – *Archaeologia Baltica*, 29: 119-148
3. Micelicaite V., Piličiauskienė G., Podėnas V., **Minkevičius K.**, Damušytė A. 2022. Zooarchaeology of the Late Bronze Age Fortified Settlements in Lithuania. – *Heritage*, 6(1): 333-350.
4. Piličiauskas G., Vengalis R., **Minkevičius K.**, Kisieliene D., Ežerinskis Ž., Šapolaitė J., Skipitytė R., Robson H. K. 2022. The earliest evidence for crop cultivation during the Early Bronze Age in the southeastern Baltic. – *Journal of Archaeological Science: Reports*, 36. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s00334-019-00745-2>
5. Bliujienė A., Skipitytė R., Garbaras A., Miliauskienė Ž., Šapolaitė J., Ežerinskis Ž., Ceponkus J., Masiulienė I., Simčenka E., **Minkevičius K.**, Piličiauskienė G. 2020 The first data on the human diet in Late Roman and Early Migration Period western Lithuania: evidence from stable isotope, archaeobotanical and zooarchaeological analyses. – *Journal of Archaeological Science: Reports* 33. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jasrep.2020.102545>

Other reviewed scientific publications (books, books' chapters, collections of articles, articles, textbooks and etc.):

1. Čivilytė A., Podėnas V., **Minkevičius K.**, Luik H. 2023 New Insights on Bronze Age Metallurgy in the Eastern Baltic Region: Archeometallurgical Investigations Based on EDXRF and Lead-Isotope. – *Archaeology and Anthropology: Open Access* 4(4). <https://doi.org/10.31031/AAOA.2023.04.000608>
2. **Minkevičius K.** 2022. Landscape as Metaphor: Burial Monuments and 'Landscapes of Power' in Late Iron Age Britain. – In: Gyucha, A., Salisbury, R. (eds). *The Archaeology of Nucleation in the Old World: Spatiality, Community, and Identity*. Chapter 8: 173-185. ISBN 9781803270906
3. **Minkevičius K.** 2022. Grūdus bežarstant: ankstyvoji Lietuvos archeobotanikos istorija. – In: Vaitkevičius, V., Bliujienė, A. (eds). *Atrasti praeiti. Išaugoti ateičiai: Straipsniai, skirti Gintauto Zabelos 60-mečiui*. Chapter 5: 88-110. ISBN 978-609-481-141-8
4. Podėnas V., **Minkevičius K.**, Micelicaite V., Čivilytė A. 2022. Fortify to Develop Contacts? A Review of Late Bronze Age Defensive Systems in the East Baltic and New Data from Mineikiškės Fortified Settlement. – In: Vaitkevičius, V., Bliujienė, A. (eds). *Atrasti praeiti*.

Išsaugoti ateičiai: Straipsniai, skirti Gintauto Zabielos 60-mečiui. Chapter 11: 218-238. ISBN 978-609-481-141-8

5. Minkevičius K. 2019. Bilionių piliakalnio archeobotaninė medžiaga. – In: Zabiela, G. (ed.). Bilionių piliakalnis – nauji Žemaitijos istorijos faktai. Chapter 4: 18-27. ISBN 978-609-404-295-9

PARTICIPATION IN INTERNATIONAL AND NATIONAL SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMMES AND PROJECTS

- 2022 – 2024 **Postdoctoral fellow** in Lithuanian Research Council Postdoctoral Fellowship Programme project „Agrarian Landscape of the Roman Period: Interactions Between Agriculture and the Environment in the 1st – 4th c. AD Lithuania“ (supervisor: dr. Dalia Kisielienė, Nature Research Centre, Laboratory of Quaternary Research).
- 2022 – 2024 **Sub-investigator** in Lithuanian Research Council Lithuanian Studies Programme project „Local adaptation strategies of coastal communities in the Baltic region: a case study of Kukuliškiai settlement“ (supervisor: dr. Elena Pranckėnaitė, Klaipėda University, Institute of Baltic Region History and Archaeology).
- 2021 – 2024 **Co-investigator** in Lithuanian Research Council Researcher Groups Projects Programme project „Functional development of hill-forts – from the fortified settlement to the residence of the duke“ (supervisor: dr. Gintautas Vėlius, Vilnius University, Department of Archaeology).
- 2020 – 2022 **Co-investigator** in Lithuanian Research Council Researcher Groups Projects Programme project „Late bronze age (1100-500 BC) economy in the South-Eastern Baltic region: towards a new model“ (supervisor: dr. Agnė Čivilytė, Lithuanian Institute of History, Department of Archaeology).
- 2017 **Co-investigator** in Lithuanian Research Council Lithuanian Studies Programme project „First Indo-Europeans in Lithuania. Corded Ware culture 2900-2400 BC“ (supervisor: dr. Gytis Piličiauskas, Lithuanian Institute of History, Department of Archaeology).
- 2010 **Sub-investigator** in Lithuanian Research Council Development of Scientific and Experimental Activity Programme project „Development of the cultural landscape based on archaeological and natural science data“ (supervisor: dr. Valdemaras Šimėnas, Lithuanian Institute of History, Department of Archaeology).

INTERNSHIP AND TRAINING

- 2021 04 „Teaching in online environments: An online introduction for university educators“ (Leon University, Spain, remote course)

PARTICIPATION IN SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCES

International scientific conferences:

1. **Minkevičius K.** 2022. Hillforts Revisited: Integrating Legacy Data into a Modern Archaeobotanical Research. – 28th EAA annual meeting “Reintegration”, August 31 – September 3, Budapest, Hungary. Abstract Book: 354. <https://www.e-a-a.org/ea2022>
2. **Minkevičius K.**, Piličiauskienė G., Podėnas V., Micelicaitytė V., Čivilytė A. 2022. Nature and Nurture: Exploring Approaches to Landscape Management in the Late Bronze Age Southeastern Baltic. – 28th EAA annual meeting “Reintegration”, August 31 – September 3, Budapest, Hungary. Abstract Book: 330. <https://www.e-a-a.org/ea2022>

3. Piličiauskienė G., Blaževičius P., **Minkevičius K.** 2022. Tasty and Expensive: Foreign Animals And Plants on the Kings' Table. Data From the 13th-17th c. Vilnius Lower Castle, Lithuania. – 28th EAA annual meeting “Reintegration”, August 31 – September 3, Budapest, Hungary. Abstract Book: 226. <https://www.e-a-a.org/ea2022>
4. Podėnas V., **Minkevičius K.**, Piličiauskienė G., Micelicaitė V., Čivilytė A. 2021. Fortify to Develop Contacts? Zooming into the Late Bronze Age Economic Landscapes of Fortified Settlements in the Eastern Baltic. – 27th EAA annual meeting “Widening Horizons”, September 6 – 11, Kiel, Germany. Abstract Book: 273. <https://www.e-a-a.org/ea2021>
5. Podėnas V., **Minkevičius K.**, Garbaras A., Šapolaitė J., Ežerinskis Ž. 2020. Agrarian intensification during the Bronze and Early Iron Ages in Lithuania: new isotopic evidence on shifting dietary practices. – 78th International Research Conference of the University of Latvia, February 21, Riga, Latvia.
6. **Minkevičius K.** 2019. From Hilltops to Hillforts: Archaeobotany of Prehistoric settlements in the South-East Baltic. – 18th IWGP conference, June 3 – 8, Lecce, Italy. <https://archaeobotany.org/event/iwgp-2019/>

National scientific conferences:

1. Urbonaitė-Ubė M., Pranckėnaitė E., **Minkevičius K.** 2023. Naujaisi vėlyvojo bronzos amžiaus Kukuliškių gyvenvietės tyrimai. 20th readings of Marija Gimbutas, March 16, Vilnius, Lietuva. <https://lnm.lt/renginiai/xx-marijos-gimbutienes-skaitymai/>
2. **Minkevičius K.** 2022. Augalų liekanos Kernavės piliakalniuose: bendruomenių raidos atspindžiai. – 19th readings of Marija Gimbutas, April 14, Vilnius, Lietuva. <https://lnm.lt/renginiai/xix-marijos-gimbutienes-skaitymai/>
3. **Minkevičius K.**, Podėnas V., Piličiauskienė G., Micelicaitė V., Čivilytė A. 2021. Naujaisi tyrinėjimai Mineikiškių piliakalnyje. 18th readings of Marija Gimbutas, May 13, Vilnius, Lietuva. <https://lnm.lt/renginiai/xviii-marijos-gimbutienes-skaitymai/>
4. Urbonaitė-Ubė M., **Minkevičius K.** 2019. Naujaisi archeologiniai tyrimai Kukuliškių piliakalnyje. 16th readings of Marija Gimbutas, March 27, Vilnius, Lietuva. <http://lad.lt/xvi-marijos-gimbutienes-skaitymai/>

OTHERS

1. Member of the Commission for Scientific Archaeology 2023 – 2026.