Nadine Moeller

From the beginning of October to mid-December 2010, Nadine Moeller directed the annual field season at Tell Edfu in southern Egypt. The new results of this season are described in detail in the Tell Edfu project report. In December she participated with Natasha Ayers (PhD candidate at NELC, University of Chicago) at the International Nubian Pottery Workshop, held in Cairo, which had been organized by the Austrian Archaeological Institute. The paper presented during this workshop is currently being prepared for publication. It focuses on the analysis of Nubian pottery from Tell Edfu dating to the late Middle Kingdom and Second Intermediate period.

In February she presented a paper on the latest results from Tell Edfu at the South Suburban Archaeology Society, which was well received. In March she was invited to two study days presenting latest research at Tell Edfu in the United Kingdom, one of which was organized by the Sussex Egyptology Society, at Worthing, and one in London by Ancient World Tours, held at University College.

The exceptional discovery of the seal impressions showing the cartouche of the Hyksos ruler Khayan was presented in collaboration with Gregory Marouard at the annual meeting of the American Research Center in Egypt, which was held in Chicago at the beginning of April. A detailed article about this discovery is currently being prepared by both authors, which will be submitted to the peer-reviewed journal Egypt and the Levant.

The substantial article on the results of the 2005–2009 seasons at Tell Edfu has been accepted for publication by the peer-reviewed Journal of the American Research Center in Egypt and is currently in press. During the past winter quarter, Nadine was granted a term of leave to focus on her current book project, entitled The Settlements of Ancient Egypt. The aim of this monograph is to provide a wide-ranging analysis of different types of settlements, offering a viable model for urbanism that will explain the role of towns and cities in ancient Egyptian civilization. Further work also continues on the Mendes archives with the help of two NELC graduate students, Jessica Henderson and Lindsey Miller. The entire collection of slides will be scanned by the end of the summer. They will then be ready to be stored in the archives of the Oriental Institute.