Conclusions of non-invasive examination of “Braided-hair lady” mummy by Egyptologist, Dr. Bob Brier
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Mummy dated to New Kingdom, 18th dynasty (1550-1069 B.C.)

Non-royal descent indicators include:
• Placement of arms over pubic area would indicate non-royal descent
• “Spotty mummification” process—brain matter, spleen, and liver found in body
• Varying types of linens used for wrappings, not only fine linens

Mummy to young to be the mother of Ramses III, aged early/mid 20s—indicators include:
• X-rays of partially-fused femur & tibia at knee joint
• Lower molars present in mouth

High status, not a laborer—indicators include:
• Henna-polished and well-manicured fingernails
• Moderate mineralization of bones
• Broad face and breast tissue

Samples taken in case of further lab testing include:
• Piece of material from mass in abdominal cavity
• Insect exoskeleton removed from hair
• Hair sample taken
• Linen sample taken