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The Sauropterygian *Ceresiosaurus calcagnii*, with a length of 2.30 m, from the lower Meride Formation is one of the most interesting fossils from the Middle Triassic of Monte San Giorgio. The thin bedded limestone contains another seven skeletons of 20 to 30 cm length from adult pachypleurosaurs *Neusticosaurus pusillus* (Foto Palaeontological Institut and Museum of University, Zürich).

#### Zum Titelbild

Der 2.30 m lange Paddelsaurier *Ceresiosaurus calcagnii* (Sauropterygia) aus der unteren Meride-Formation gehört zu den Hauptfunden aus der Mitteltrias des Monte San Giorgio. Im fein laminierten Kalk sind zusätzlich sieben 20 bis 30 cm lange Skelette von ausgewachsenen Pachypleurosauriern *Neusticosaurus pusillus* erhalten geblieben (Foto Paläontologisches Institut und Museum der Universität Zürich).

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#### Illustration de couverture

Squelette de *Ceresiosaurus calcagnii* (longueur 2,3 m). Ce sauroptérygien venant de la partie inférieure de la Formation de Meride est une des trouvailles les plus importantes faites dans le Trias moyen du Monte San Giorgio. Les calcaires finement lités renferment en outre sept squelettes du pachypleurosaur *Neusticosaurus pusillus*, des adultes d'une longueur de 20 à 30 cm. (Photo: Institut et Musée paléontologique de l'Université de Zurich).

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*Ceresiosaurus calcagnii* (lungo 2,3 m): questo sauropterigio appartiene ai ritrovamenti più importanti e spettacolari della Formazione di Meride (Triassico medio) del Monte San Giorgio. Negli strati calcarei finemente laminati sono conservati anche sette pachypleurosauri adulti (*Neusticosaurus pusillus*) lunghi da 20 a 30 cm (Foto Istituto e Museo paleontologico dell'Università di Zurigo).

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