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## **ABSTRACT SUBMISSION**

# The third generation - well-trodden paths or new ways of researching ancient Tamassos

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#### **Abstract**

After the extensive investigations and excavations of the late 19th century by Max Ohnefalsch-Richter in Tamassos remained largely unpublished, Olivier Masson in particular urged in the 1960s that the archive material available in the Berlin museums should be analysed. This led to a second phase of archaeological research in Tamassos under Hans-Günter Buchholz, who also intensively documented the material distributed to museums around the world. However, his excavations from 1970-1980 are also largely unpublished; the first volume of the excavation publication only appeared in 2010. In the meantime, the third generation is working on the various old excavations, especially in the city excavation, the various necropolises and the extra-urban sanctuaries at Pediaios and Frangissa, in some cases combined with new excavations. New digital and scientific methods like 3D-Scanning or P-XRF defining workshops now make it possible to go far beyond what would have been considered possible just a short time ago, even on the basis of old material. The lecture is intended to illustrate the opportunities to deal with this material from various points of view and to show perspectives despite the poor starting position, and in particular to discuss the results of the latest research and its methodological basis.

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