



ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

Une tombe disparue de Jiyeh/Porphyreon / A lost tomb in Jiyeh/Porphyreon

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Abstract

The site of Jiyeh/Porphyreon attracted the attention of E. Renan (1860), then was the subject of a first archaeological research led by G. Conteneau (1920). In 1975, the Lebanese archaeologist R. Saidah started an excavation program on behalf of the DGA, which was to be interrupted by the civil war. Since 1997, the Lebanese-Polish team of T. Waliszewski has taken over the excavation in cooperation with the DGA and published the results of its campaigns. In 2002, these archaeologists carried out a rescue operation in the necropolis area, prior to the installation of a seaside complex. The field work seems to have been interrupted again.

Between the forced abandonment of the excavation by Saidah and the intervention of Walizeswki, I was able to carry out myself in 1995 the survey of a tomb accidentally discovered by farmers who were then working the land of the ancient necropolis. It disappeared shortly after, due to the agricultural machinery that precipitated its collapse. I intend to present today these records and the painted and inscribed fragments that this hypogeum reserved. These documents will be examined in conjunction with the latest archaeological and iconographic studies published on the site of Jiyeh/Porphyreon and its necropolis.

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