

Wikidata for Classicalists:

The Example of Dura-Europos

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Item Discussion

Large Altar to Gods of Palmyra, Yale University Art Gallery, inv. 1929.385 (Q100299148)

YUAG 3522. Archeological object excavated in Dura-Europos by the Yale-French team, 1928-1937, Syria larhibol altar I altar to larhibol I Large Altar to the Palmyrene gods

Recon: Most relevant properties which are absent

In more languages

Language	Label	Description	Also known as
English	Large Altar to Gods of Palmyra, Yale University Art Gallery, inv. 1929.385	YUAG 3522. Archaeological object excavated in Dura-Europos by the Yale-French team, 1928-1937, Syria larhibol altar I altar to larhibol I Large Altar to the Palmyrene gods	
Arabic	معرض فنون جامعة بوليتكنيك دير الزور، سوريا رقم 3522. قطعة أثرية من عليها خاتم التلبيس في دور الأوربيس من قبل جامعة بوليتكنيك سوريا رقم الحجر 1929.385	معرض فنون جامعة بوليتكنيك دير الزور، سوريا رقم 3522. قطعة أثرية من عليها خاتم التلبيس في دور الأوربيس من قبل جامعة بوليتكنيك سوريا رقم الحجر 1929.385	اللارهيل 1928-1937، سوريا
German	No label defined	No description defined	
Spanish	No label defined	No description defined	
French	No label defined	No description defined	
Ancient Greek	No label defined	No description defined	
Italian	No label defined	No description defined	
Latin	No label defined	No description defined	
Serbian	No label defined	No description defined	

IIIF Presentation Manifest viewer provided by Project Mirador. Full view



Review of LOD: Triples + Related Wikidata Terms

- What is Linked Open Data (LOD)?
 - Semantic web
 - “Web of Knowledge”
- RDF “Triples”
 - Structured data
 - Subject → Predicate → Object
 - Ex: Specific artifact → excavated at → Dura-Europos

LOD the Wikidata Way

- Wikidata Terms:
 - Items (Q#s)
 - Properties (P#s)

Ex:

Large Altar to the Gods of Palmyra
→location of discovery→Dura-Europos

Q100299148 → P189 → Q464266

The screenshot shows the Wikidata item page for the Large Altar to the Gods of Palmyra. It includes a sidebar with navigation links like Main page, Community portal, and Help. The main content area displays the item's ID (Q100299148), its label in English ('Large Altar to Gods of Palmyra'), and its description in English ('YUAG 3522. Archaeological object excavated in Dura-Europos by the Yale-French team, 1928-1937, Syria'). Below this, there are sections for 'Also known as' (including 'tarbol star' and 'altar to Tarbos'), 'In more languages' (with tabs for English, Arabic, German, Spanish, French, Ancient Greek, Italian, Latin, and Serbian), and a 'Media' section showing a photograph of the artifact.

The screenshot shows the Mirador presentation manifest viewer displaying the artifact image. The inscription on the altar is clearly visible, showing text in Palmyrene Aramaic. The viewer interface includes a toolbar with various functions like zoom and rotate, and a status bar at the bottom.

The screenshot also shows a detailed view of the artifact's properties in the Mirador interface. The properties listed include:

- genre: > 1 reference
- inscription: > 1 reference
- creator: unknown value (object has role) anonymous
- made from material: limestone
- collection: Yale University Art Gallery (inventory number 1929.385)
- inventory number: 1929.385 (collection Yale University Art Gallery)
- location of discovery: Dura-Europos (location of discovery Tower 1, Dura-Europos)
- width: 36.83 centimetre
- height: 79.66 centimetre

What's the difference between Wikidata + Wikibase, and why does it matter?

- Wikidata IS Wikibase
 - Wikidata is the largest instance of Wikibase
- Hosting
 - Wikidata = hosted by the Wikimedia Foundation
 - Wikibase = self-hosted
- Editors
 - Wikidata = open editorial system
 - Wikibase = closed editorial system



An Intro to IDEA: The International (Digital) Dura-Europos Archive

Duraeuroposarchive.org

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1. digitally reassemble materials in separate collections worldwide
2. provide context
3. improve inequalities in access



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Chronology sketch



Dura-Europos 2012



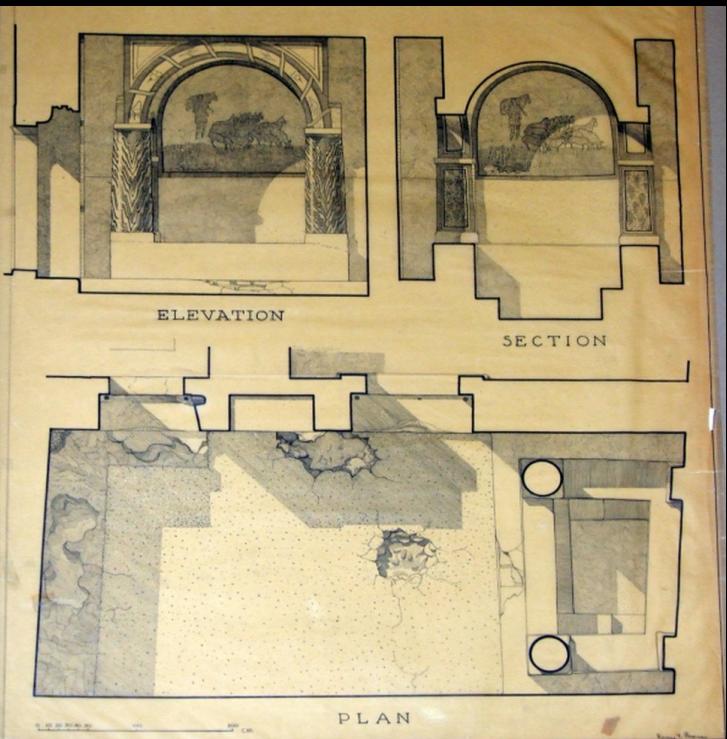
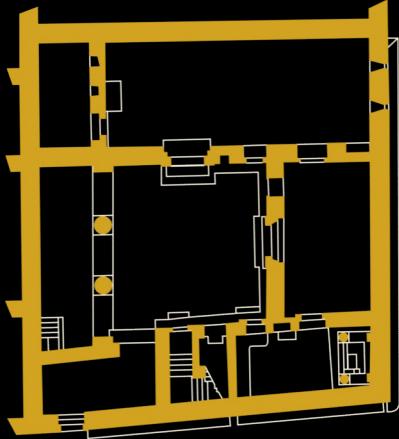
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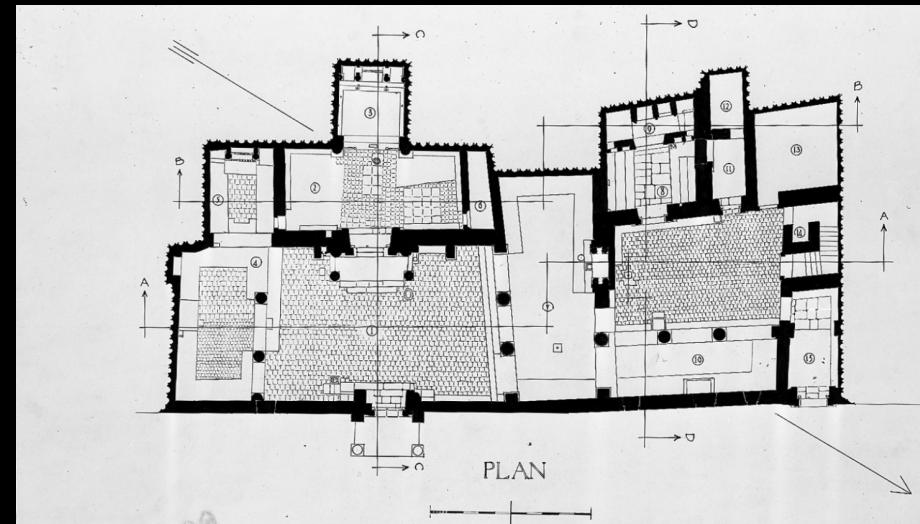




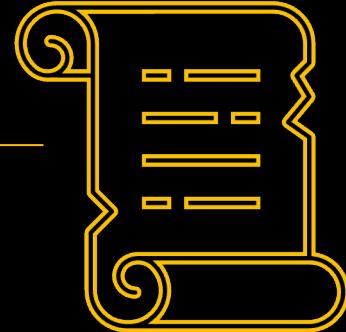
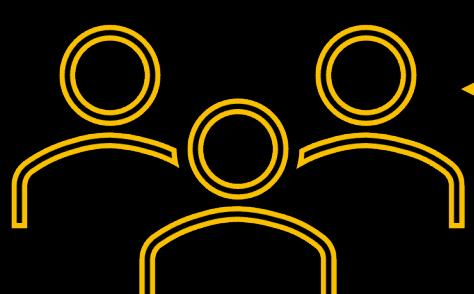
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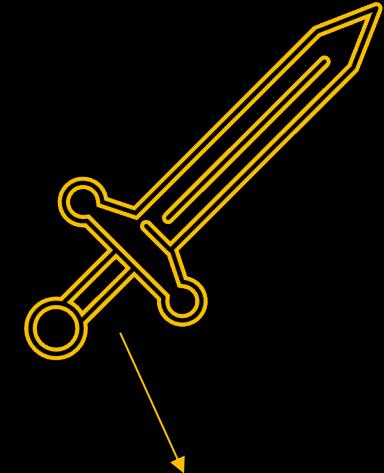
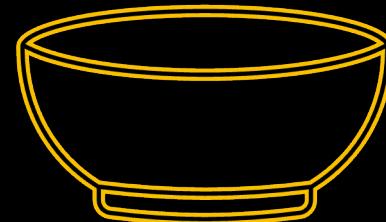
Synagogue, Dura-Europos



People



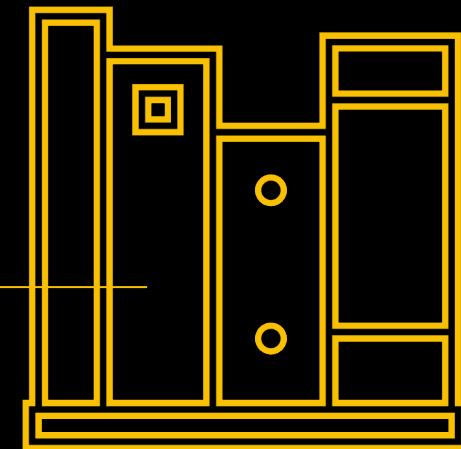
Artifacts



Archival Docs

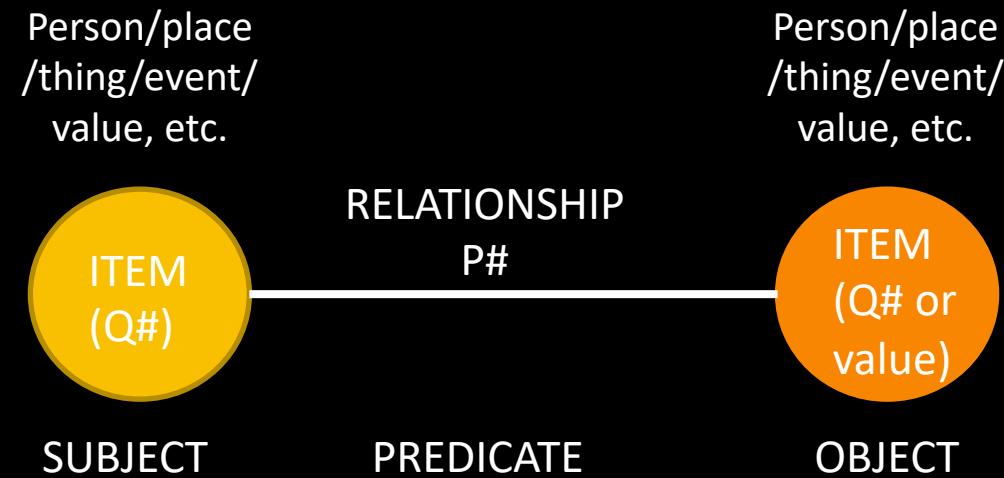


Places
Buildings/Features

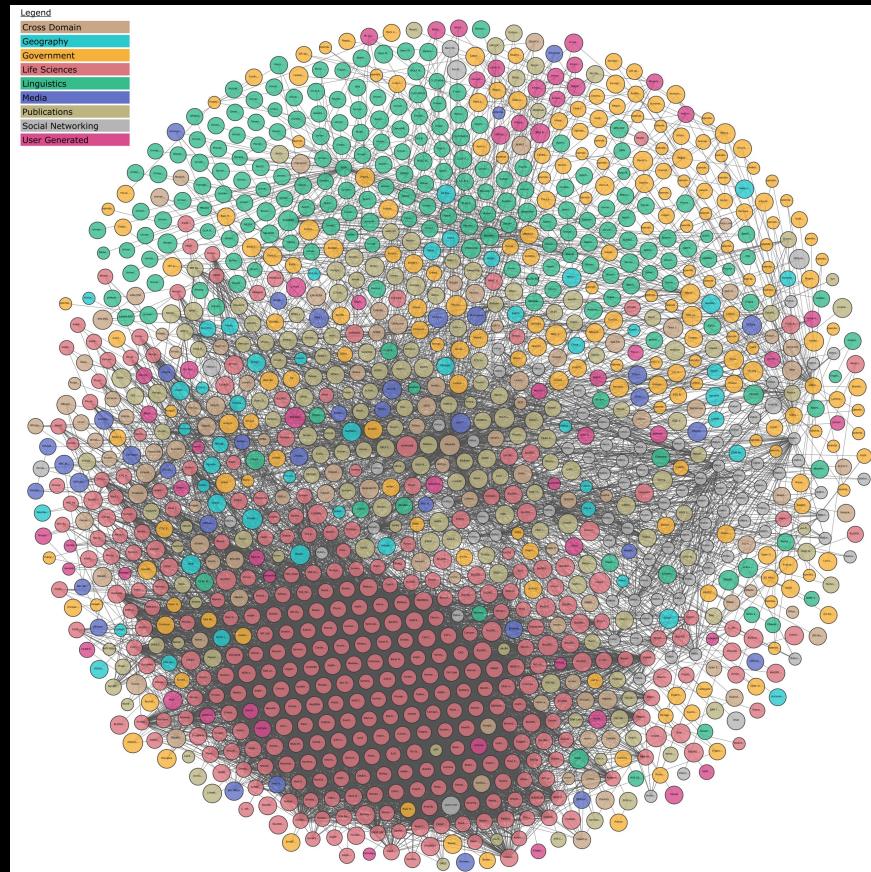


Publications

Wikidata as a microcosm with the “web of knowledge”



All statements backed by
“authority” data or other citation



Cultural heritage and ethics of access

NON-LOD Metadata

- Metadata and Multilingualism
 - cataloging language + site name in archival/collection records = subjectivities



Item Details
[PUBLIC](#)

Title
Temple of Bel, Tower entrance and Iarhibol altar
Temple of Bel/Palmyrene Gods

Date
Date of Photography: 1928-1929

Location
Creation Site: Dura Europos (Salahiye)

Description
Image source: Dura field photo
Image type: replacement negative
Condition of photo: intact

Repository
Yale University Art Gallery

Accession Number
1929.385
Negative number: dura-b55~01

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Item Details
[PUBLIC](#)

Title
Reed arrows, lamp and parchment
Main Gate (Palmyrene Gate)

Date
Date of Photography: 1928-1929

Location
Creation Site: Dura Europos (Salahiye)

Description
Image source: Dura field photo
Image type: film negative
Condition of photo: intact

Repository
Yale University Art Gallery

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Hercules and the Nemean Lion, Yale University Art Gallery, inv. 1938.5302 (Q60847719)

YUAG 2498. Archaeological artifact excavated in Dura-Europos by the Yale-French team, 1928-1937, Syria

+ more languages

Category

Language	Label	Description	Also known as
English	Hercules and the Nemean Lion, Yale University Art Gallery, inv. 1938.5302	YUAG 2498. Archaeological artifact excavated in Dura-Europos by the Yale-French team, 1928-1937, Syria	
German	Herkulesstatue aus Dura Europos	YUAG 2498. Archäologische Fundstück aus Dura-Europos	
Spanish	No label defined	No description defined	
Traditional Chinese	No label defined	No description defined	

All entered languages

Statements

Instance of	status	edit
	+ 1 reference	edit
	archaeological artifact	edit



Yale art gallery 1938.5302.jpg

1,391 x 1,305; 263 KB

+0 references

+ add value

Image		edit
		edit
		edit

Inception	unknown value	edit
	earliest date	160
	latest date	256

+1 reference

+ add value

Location	New Haven	edit
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Based on	Labours of Hercules	edit
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Main subject	Hercules	edit
	*1 reference	+ add value

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Genre	sculpture	edit
	*1 reference	+ add value

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Creator	anonymous	edit
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archaeological artifact (Q220659)

something made by humans and of archaeological interest

artifact | archaeological artifact | artifact | archaeological artifact | archaeological artifact

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English	archaeological artifact	something made by humans and of archaeological interest	artifact

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eo | Artefakto (archeologio)

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et | Antikat

fa | آثار

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he | ארכיאטיקוֹת

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sh | Antikat

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sv | Antikat

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tl | Artefacto

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YUAG 2498. Archaeological artifact excavated in Dura-Europos by the Yale-French team, 1928-1937, Syria

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Herakles and the Nemean Lion - YDEA - 24948.jpg

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+ 0 references



Inception



unknown value

earliest date

160



latest date

256

+ 1 reference



Location



New Haven



+ 0 references



Based on



Labours of Hercules



+ 0 references



Main subject



Herakles



Nemean lion



+ 1 reference



Genre



sculpture



+ 1 reference



Creator



unknown value

object has role

anonymous



+ 1 reference



Item Discussion

Heracles (Q12245)

divine hero in Greek mythology, son of Zeus and Alcmene

Alcides I Alctores I Hercules I Herakles

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Wikidata Pros: Multilingual search/editing

The screenshot shows the Wikidata Query Service interface in English. A large yellow watermark "Query in English" is diagonally across the page. The interface includes a "Query Helper" sidebar with filters for "instance of" (archaeological artifact), "location of discovery" (Dura-Europos), and "depicts" (Heracles). The main area displays a SPARQL query:

```
1 SELECT ?archaeological_artifact ?archaeological_artifactLabel WHERE {  
2   SERVICE wikibase:label { bd:serviceParam wikibase:language "[AUTO_LANGUAGE],en". }  
3  
4  
5  
6   ?archaeological_artifact wdt:P31 wd:Q220659.  
7   ?archaeological_artifact wdt:P189 wd:Q464266.  
8   ?archaeological_artifact wdt:P180 wd:Q122248.  
9 }  
10 LIMIT 100
```

Below the query is a "Result preview" table with 19 rows, each listing an artifact ID and its label in English.

archaeological_artifact	archaeological_artifactLabel
wd:Q100300030	Relief of Herakles and lion, "Parthian Altar", Yale University Art Gallery, inv. 1930.321
wd:Q100301877	Relief of Herakles holding lion skin, Yale University Art Gallery, inv. 1931.420
wd:Q100307608	Relief of Herakles, reclining, Yale University Art Gallery, inv. 1935.49
wd:Q100307615	Relief of Herakles, standing, Yale University Art Gallery, inv. 1935.50
wd:Q100307622	Relief of Herakles, standing, Yale University Art Gallery, inv. 1935.51
wd:Q100309646	Relief of Herakles with lion skin and club, Yale University Art Gallery, inv. 1938.5329

The screenshot shows the Wikidata Query Service interface in Arabic. A large yellow watermark "Same Query in Arabic" is diagonally across the page. The interface is identical to the English version, with the same query and results. The results table is labeled "معلمات النتيجة" (Results details) and lists the same six relief artifacts with their labels in Arabic.

Label
Relief of Herakles and lion, "Parthian Altar", Yale University Art Gallery, inv. 1930.321
Relief of Herakles holding lion skin, Yale University Art Gallery, inv. 1931.420
Relief of Herakles, reclining, Yale University Art Gallery, inv. 1935.49
Relief of Herakles, standing, Yale University Art Gallery, inv. 1935.50
Relief of Herakles, standing, Yale University Art Gallery, inv. 1935.51
Relief of Herakles with lion skin and club, Yale University Art Gallery, inv. 1938.5329

Cultural heritage and ethics of access

NON-LOD Metadata

- Metadata and Multilingualism
 - cataloging language + site name in archival/collection records = subjectivities
- Collaborative Curation

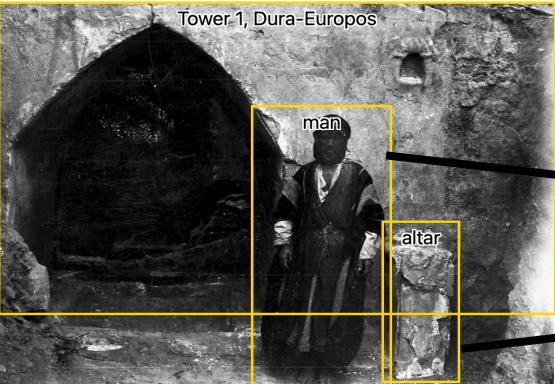


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Creation Site: Dura Europos (Salahiye)	
Description	
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1929.385 Negative number: dura-b55~01	



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Creation Site: Dura Europos (Salahiye)	
Description	
Image source: Dura field photo Image type: film negative Condition of photo: intact	
Repository	
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Location depicted (this new statement makes this photograph mappable)

Depicts an unknown man

Altar
(will add record ID# for the specific artifact)

Depicted, but with no region specified:

- Temple of Bel, Dura Europos [add region](#)



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Item Details [PUBLIC](#)

Title
Temple of Bel, Tower entrance and Iarhibol altar
Temple of Bel/Palmyrene Gods

Date
Date of Photography: 1928-1929

Location
Creation Site: Dura Europos (Salahiyeh)

Description
Image source: Dura field photo
Image type: replacement negative
Condition of photo: intact

Repository
Yale University Art Gallery

Accession Number
1929.385
Negative number: dura-b55~01

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built-in LOD image annotation for data enrichment/collaborative curation

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Dura-Europos archival photograph, YUAG Accession Number 1929.385, Negative number: dura-b55~01 (Q1087391)

photograph of male figure standing next to an altar outside the door to Tower 1, Temple of Bel, Dura-Europos (Syria)

+ 1 reference. Most relevant properties which are absent

Language: English Label: Description: Also known as

German: No label defined
Spanish: No label defined
French: No label defined
Italian: No label defined
Dutch: No label defined
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Statements

instance of: photograph + references + add reference

negative + references + add reference

image: YUAG Accession Number 1929.385, Negative number dura-b55~01.jpg + 1 reference + add value

depicts: Tower 1, Dura Europos relative position within Tower 1, Dura Europos pcdt:179678.0.559194.09.5649.82 + 1 reference

Temple of Bel, Dura Europos + 1 reference

altar: relative position within Tower 1, Dura Europos pcdt:1283.07.2689.15.3604.41.32 + 1 reference

man: relative position within Tower 1, Dura Europos pcdt:45.18.27.215.24.6505.71.284 + 1 reference + add reference

Place-Names as Subjectivities

Macro- and Micro- examples

1. Inconsistency
2. Coincidence

Macro=

settlement level

ex. Alexandria in Egypt vs. Alexandria in Pakistan

Micro=

names of buildings/features

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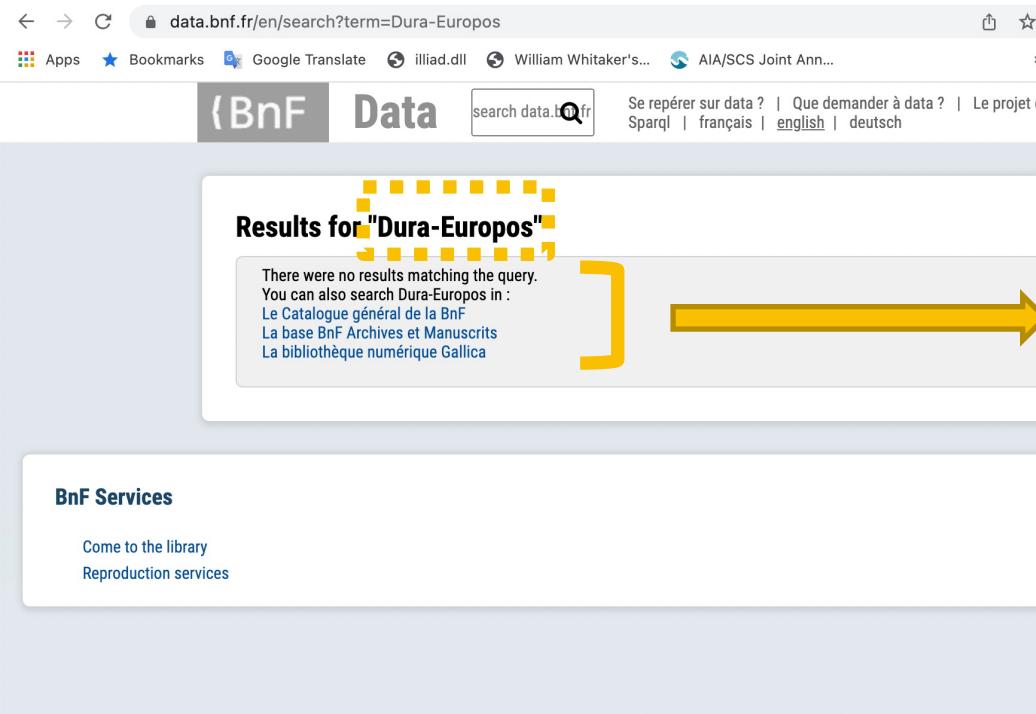
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Results for "Dura-Europos"

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No hits with Anglo-American spelling!

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Organisation
Works
Topic
Place

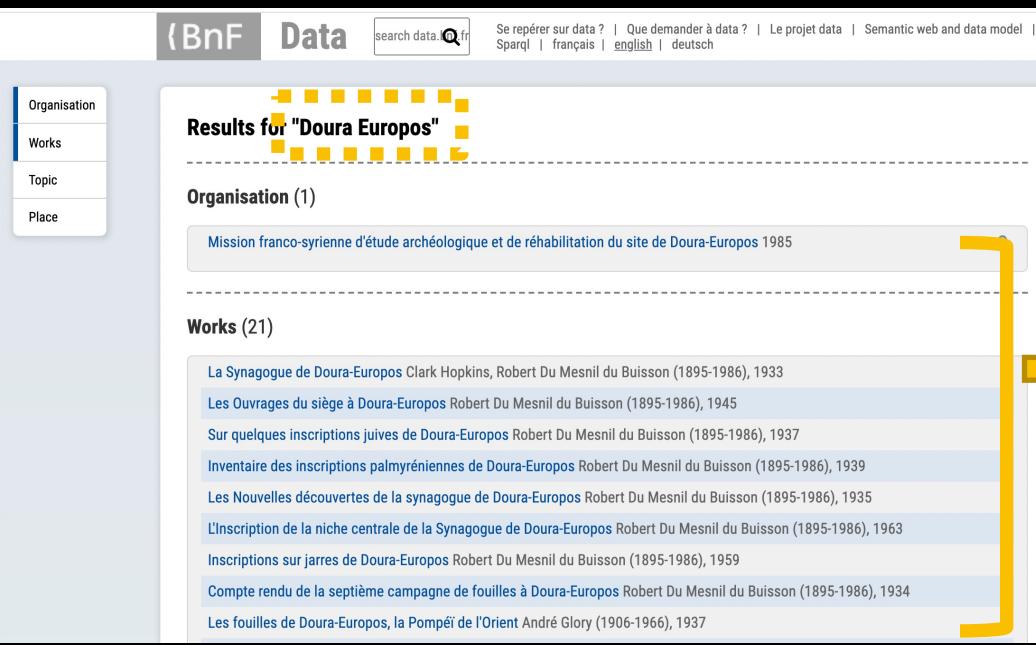
Results for "Doura Europos"

Organisation (1)

Mission franco-syrienne d'étude archéologique et de réhabilitation du site de Doura-Europos 1985

Works (21)

La Synagogue de Doura-Europos Clark Hopkins, Robert Du Mesnil du Buisson (1895-1986), 1933
Les Ouvrages du siège à Doura-Europos Robert Du Mesnil du Buisson (1895-1986), 1945
Sur quelques inscriptions juives de Doura-Europos Robert Du Mesnil du Buisson (1895-1986), 1937
Inventaire des inscriptions palmyréniennes de Doura-Europos Robert Du Mesnil du Buisson (1895-1986), 1939
Les Nouvelles découvertes de la synagogue de Doura-Europos Robert Du Mesnil du Buisson (1895-1986), 1935
L'Inscription de la niche centrale de la Synagogue de Doura-Europos Robert Du Mesnil du Buisson (1895-1986), 1963
Inscriptions sur jarres de Doura-Europos Robert Du Mesnil du Buisson (1895-1986), 1959
Compte rendu de la septième campagne de fouilles à Doura-Europos Robert Du Mesnil du Buisson (1895-1986), 1934
Les fouilles de Doura-Europos, la Pompéï de l'Orient André Glory (1906-1966), 1937



French spelling with 'O' = hits

Institution 1 Database:

Object 1 was found at **place Y-X**.

Institution 2 Database:

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Captions		Edit
English	Temple of Bel, Dura Europos	
Italiano: Dura Europos Tempio divinità orientali ()		
Photographer	Gianfranco Zazzatii	
Title	Italiano: Dura Europos Tempio divinità orientali	
Description	Italiano: Tempio divinità orientali a Dura Europos nelle mura cittadine English: Temple of the Oriental Gods near the city walls, Dura Europos in 2004	

Same location?

Discoverability: how easy is it to surface what you're after?

Item Details

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Title
Temple of Bel, looking NE from pronaos doorway
Temple of Bel/Palmyrene Gods

Date
Date of Photography: 1928-1929

Creation/Discovery Site
Dura Europos (Salhiyah)

Description
Image source: Dura field photo
Image type: glass negative
Condition of photo: intact

Repository
Yale University Art Gallery

Accession Number
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Subject
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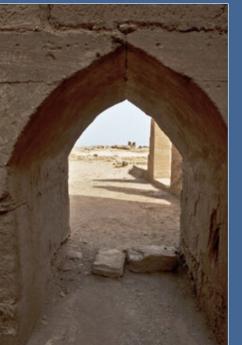
Collection
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Source
Data from Yale University



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Caption Dura Europos - northern military quarter - Temple of the Palmyrene Gods and tower T1 - Interior of tower			

1. Place-Name Inconsistency

a) Change over time:

Dura, Europos, Dura-Europos (macro)

Temple of the Palmyrene Gods/Temple of Bel (micro)

b) Multilinguality:

Dura, Doura, دورا أوروبوس, Дура-Европос, ドウラ・エウロポス (macro)

معبد بل، دوروا أوروبوس/Tempel des Baal
(micro)

c) Difference of interpretation:

Dura-Europos vs. Europos-Dura (macro)

Temple of Zeus/Temple of the Palmyrene

Gods/Temple of the Oriental Gods/Temple of Bel
(micro)



Local Traditions:

Dura-Europos=“The Wall” / السور

Palmyrene Gate=“Gate of the Air” / باب الهواء

2. Place-Name Coincidence

Macro:

 Alexandria
a Pleiades place resource

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The ancient port city in Egypt's Nile Delta, founded by Alexander the Great in 332/331 BCE.

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Locations:
• Representative Locations:
◦ DARMC location 1090 (330 BC - AD 640)

Names:
• Geographic Names:
◦ *Alexandria ad Aegyptum* (Georgian; 540 BC - AD 640)
◦ *Alexandria* (Ancient Greek; 540 BC - AD 650)
◦ *Alexandria* (Latin; 540 BC - AD 226)
◦ *Alexandria* (330 BC - AD 640)
◦ *Alexandria* (German; 1548 BC - AD 2000)
◦ *Rakote* (Coptic; AD 300 - AD 640)
◦ *Phakotis* (Ancient Greek; 330 BC - AD 640)
◦ *al-Iskandariyya* (AD 1370 - AD 1501)
◦ *al-Iskandariyya* (Modern Standard Arabic; 2010 BC - AD 2000)
◦ *al-Iskandariyya* (AD 819 - AD 2000)

Alexandria makes connections with:
• Alexandria → capital of *Aegyptus* (Roman imperial province) (30 BC - AD 300)
• Alexandria → bounds → Libya Inferior (region) (AD 300 - AD 640)
• Alexandria → capital of → Ptolemaic Kingdom (330 BC - 30 BC)





 Alexandria/Rhambakia
a Pleiades place resource

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While on the road in 325 BC, Alexander arrived in Rhambakia, the chief village of the Oreitai. He ordered Hesphaistion to remain there and see to establishing a city.

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27.5, 67.5 

Locations:
• Representative Locations:
◦ Barrington Atlas location (330 BC - AD 640)

Names:
• Geographic Names:
◦ *Alexandria* (Latin; 330 BC - AD 300)
◦ *Alexandropolis* (AD 300 - AD 640)
◦ *Arbis* (30 BC - AD 300)
◦ *Poujouka* (Rhambakia; Ancient Greek; 330 BC - 30 BC)

Alexandria/Rhambakia makes connections with:
None

Alexandria/Rhambakia receives connections from:
None

Place type:
unlocated, settlement

References:
Evidence:
• *Arr. An. 6.21.5*



Alexandria (Egypt) vs. Alexandria (Pakistan)

2. Place-Name Coincidence

Micro:

Temple of Bel at Dura-Europos
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A temple building located on the northwest side of Dura-Europos.

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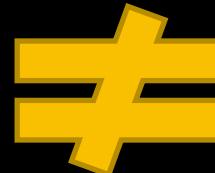
- Representative Locations:
 - Total Station Location of Temple of Bel (30 BC - AD 300)

Names:

- Geographic Names:
 - Temple of Bel (English, AD 1000 - AD 1999)
 - Temple of Palmyrene Bel (English, AD 1900 - AD 1999)
 - Temple of Zeus (English, AD 1900 - AD 1999)
 - Temple of the Oriental Gods (English, AD 1900 - AD 1999)
 - Temple of the Palmyrene Gods (English, AD 1900 - AD 1999)

Temple of Bel at Dura-Europos makes connections with:

- Temple of Bel at Dura-Europos — part of (physical/topyographical) —> Block J9 (unspecified date range)
- Temple of Bel at Dura-Europos — abuts —> City Wall of Dura-Europos (unspecified date range)
- Temple of Bel at Dura-Europos — located at —> Dura-Europos (unspecified date range)



Temple of Ba' al at Palmyra
a Pleiades place resource

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Temple of Ba' al (or Bel) in the ancient city of Palmyra.

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Locations:

- Representative Locations:
 - OSM location of بعل (30 BC - AD 640)

Names:

- None

Temple of Ba' al at Palmyra makes connections with:

- Temple of Ba' al at Palmyra — located at —> Palmyra (unspecified date range)

Temple of Ba' al at Palmyra receives connections from:

- None

Place type:
temple

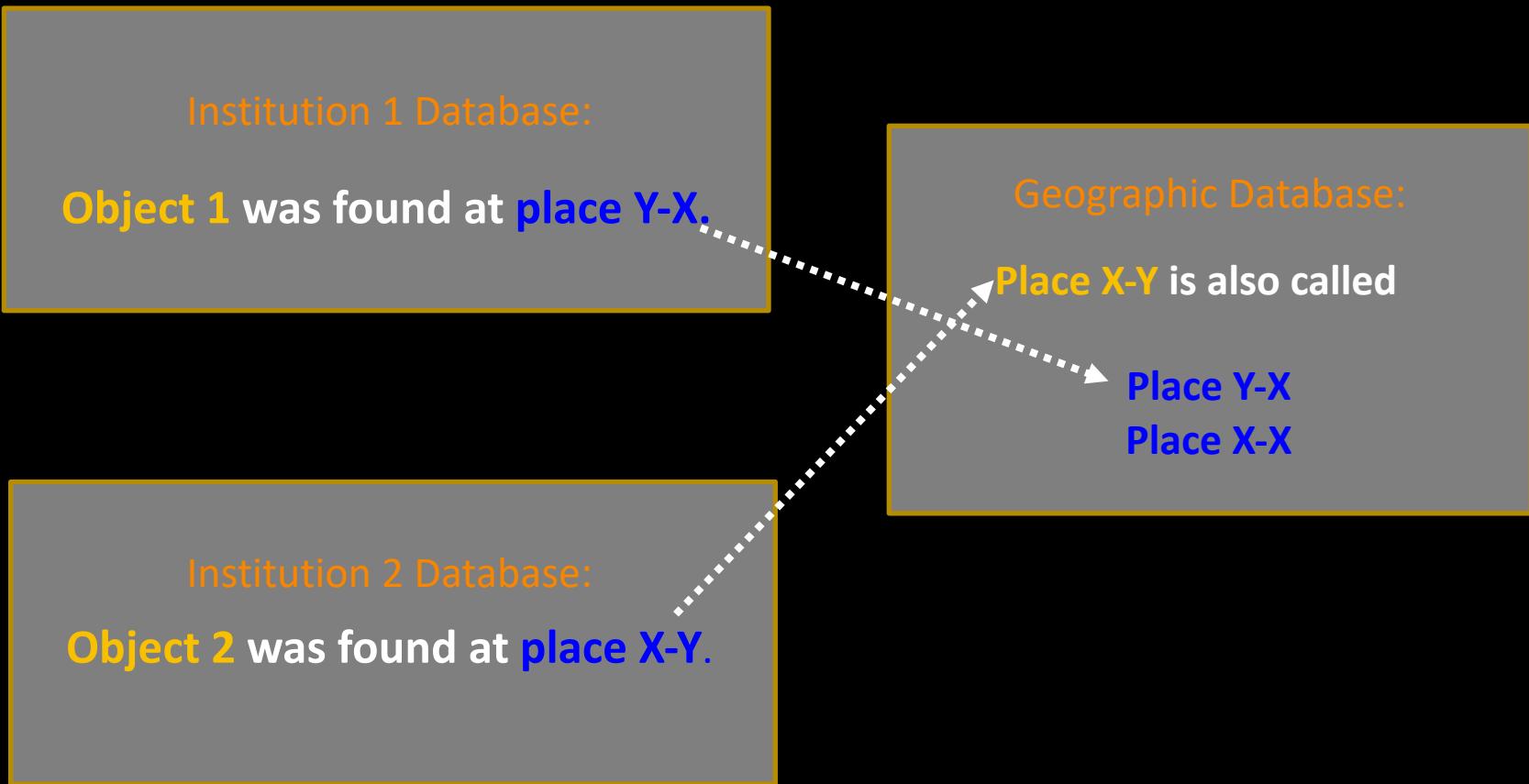
References:
See Further:

- Arachne 2106151: L100 Bel-Tempel Palmyra
- Arachne 8010205: Baal (Bel)-Heiligtum Palmyra



Temple of Bel (Dura) vs. Temple of Bel (Palmyra)

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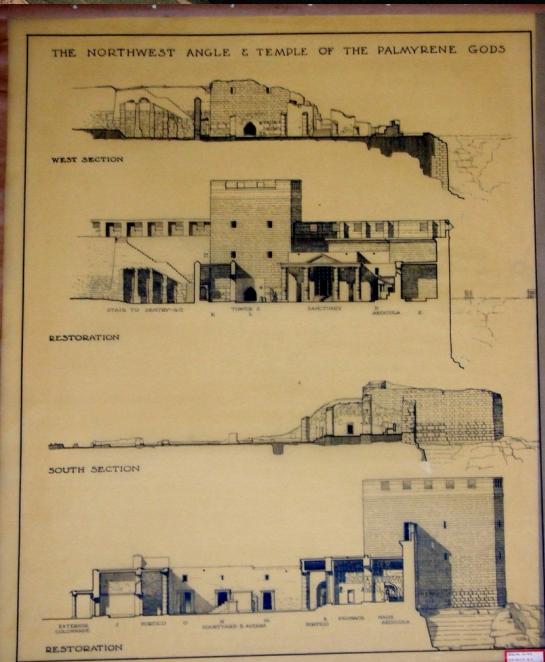
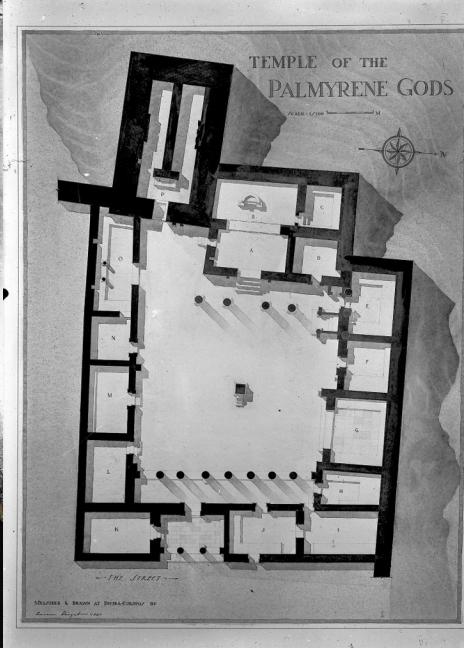
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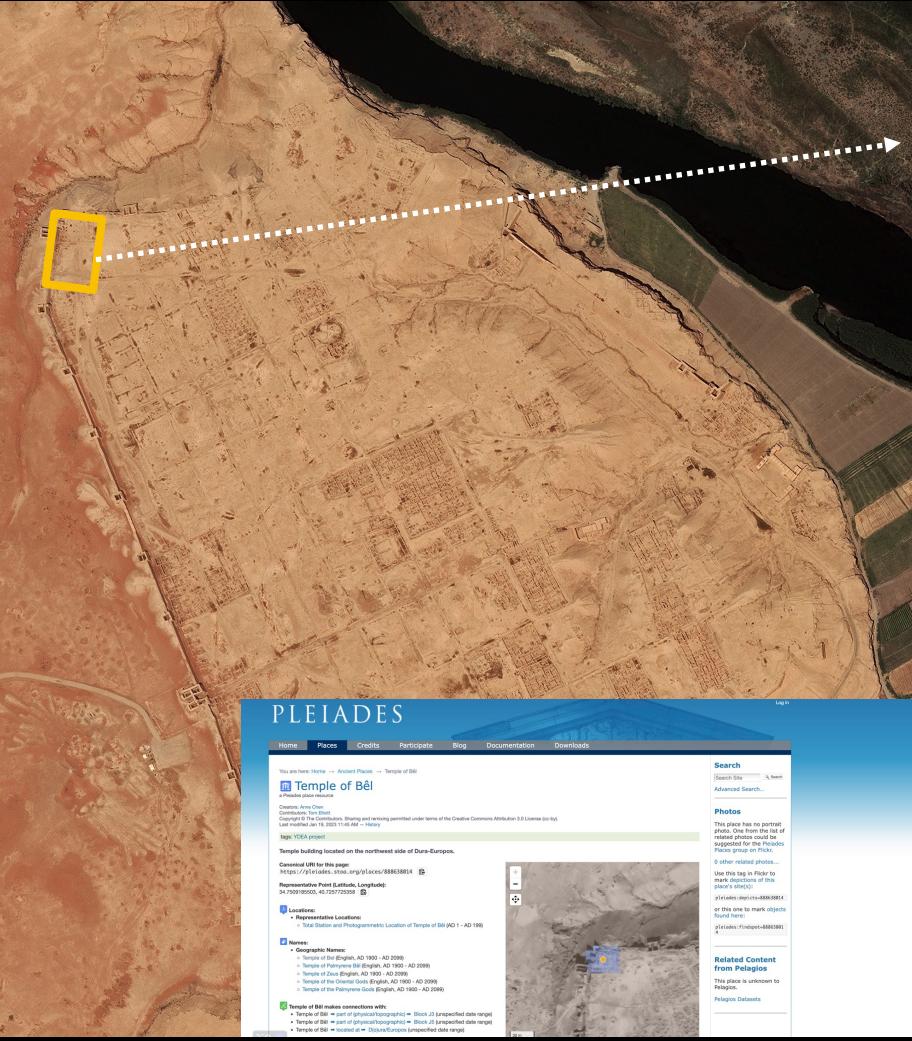
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Temple of Bel, Dura Europos

(Q283754)

Temple building located on the northwest side of Dura-Europos.

Temple of the Palmyrene Gods | Temple of Zeus | Temple of Palmyrene Bel | Temple of Bēl | Temple of Bel | Temple of the Oriental Gods

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Language	Label	Description	Also known as
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German	Tempel des Baal	Tempel in Syrien	Tempel der orientalischen Götter Tempel der Palmyren-Götter
Spanish	Templo de Bel	templo en Dura-Europos, Siria	Templo de los dioses palmyrenos Templo de los dioses orientales
French	temple de Béл de Doura Europos	temple de Doura Europos, Syrie	
Italian	Tempio di Bel	tempio di Doura Europos, Siria	
Serbian	Hram Bel	hram u Dura-Europos, Srbija	
Arabic	معبد بعل بارون (الطباطبى) فى دير الزور	معبد بعل بارون (الطباطبى) فى دير الزور	معبد الآلهة التعميرية معبد زوبوس معبد التعمير معبد بعل معبد الآلهة الشرقية
Egyptian Arabic	معبد بعل	No description defined	
Indonesian	Kuil Bel	kuil	Temple des dieux palmyriens Temple des dieux orientaux
Dutch	Tempel van de Palmyrene goden	heiligdom	Tempio degli dei palmyreni Tempio divinità orientali
			Hram bogova Palmire Hram orientalnih bogova

Statements

instance of

- temple
- + 1 reference

part of

- Dura-Europos
 - + 0 references

image

DuraEuropos-TempelBel.jpg
2.94M x 1.96c, 614.40B

+ 0 references

inception

- 50 CE (approximate latest date)
 - 50 CE (approximate latest date)
 - + 3 references

country

- Syria
 - + 0 references

located in the administrative territorial entity

- Al-Sa'liyah, Deir ez-Zor Governorate
 - + 0 references

location

- Dura Europos
 - + 0 references

coordinate location

34°14'45.9"N, 40°43'59"E
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significant event

- siege of Dura Europos
 - + 0 references

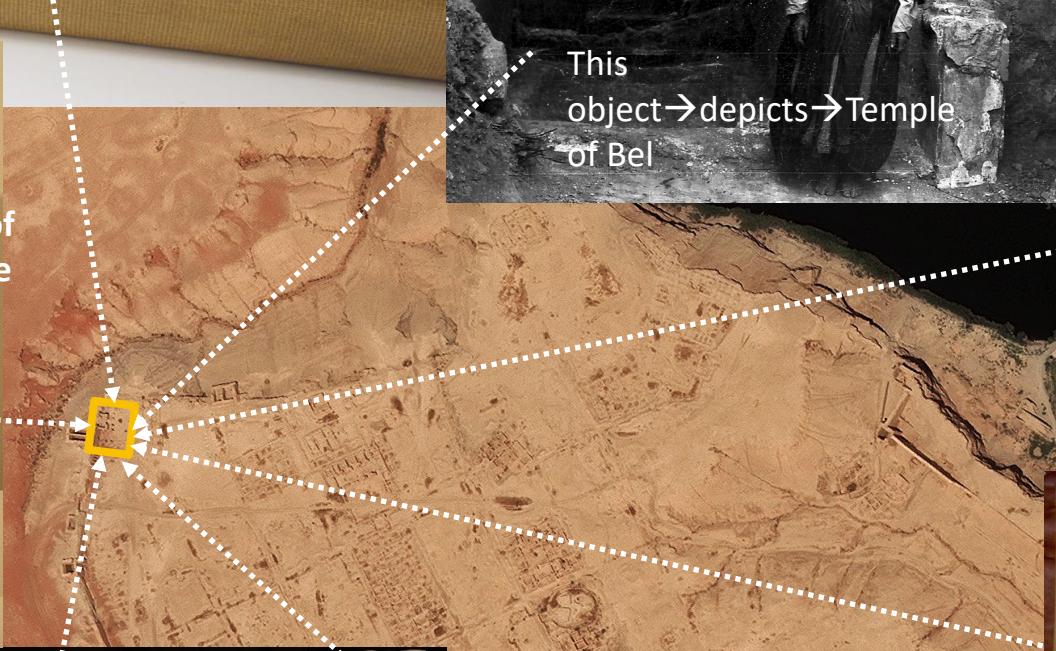
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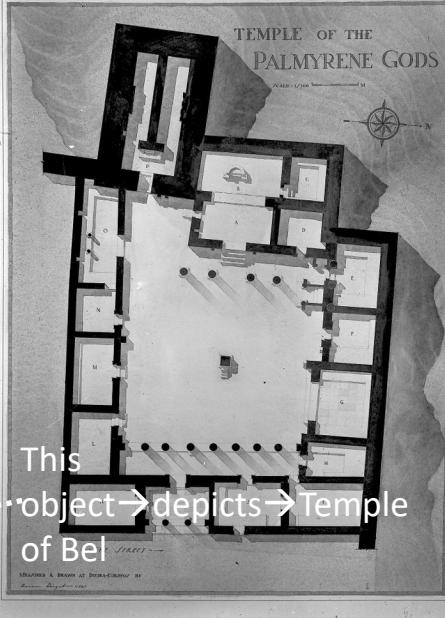
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- Tower 1, Dura Europos
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This object → depicts → Temple of Bel



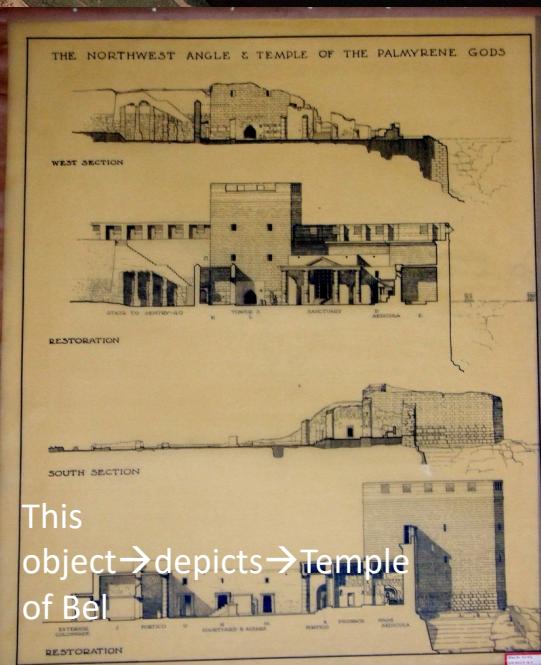
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This object → depicts → Temple of Bel



This object → depicts → Temple of Bel

collection

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	▶ 1 reference	+ add value

location of discovery	Dura-Europos	edit
	▶ 1 reference	
	Temple of Bel, Dura Europos	edit
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▶ 1 reference

Wall0001, Pronaos, Temple of Bel

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instance of ▾ archaeological artifact ✖

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coordinate location ✖

image ✖

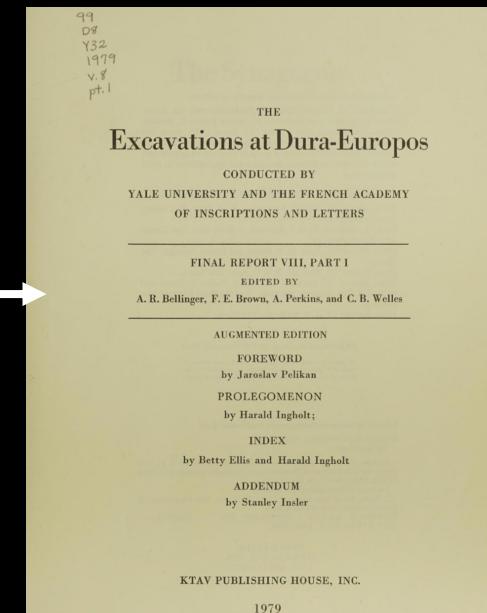
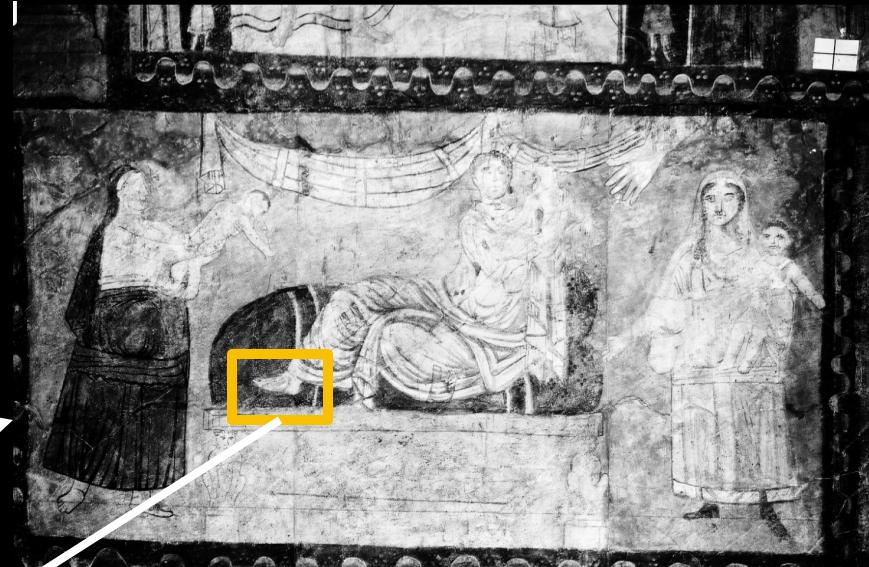
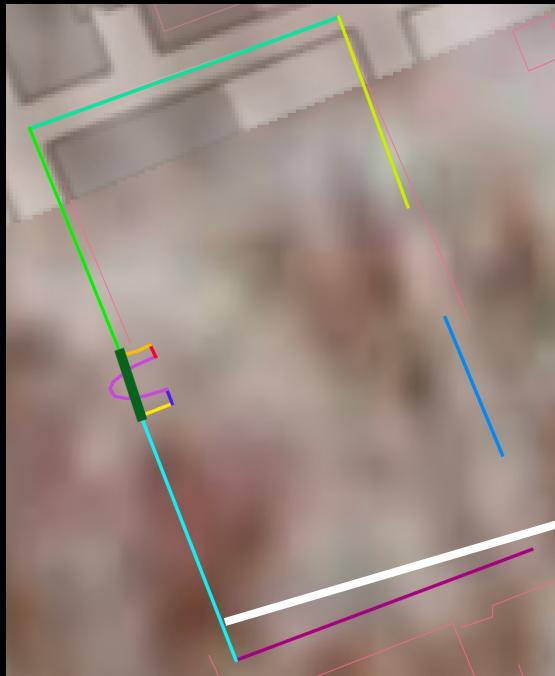
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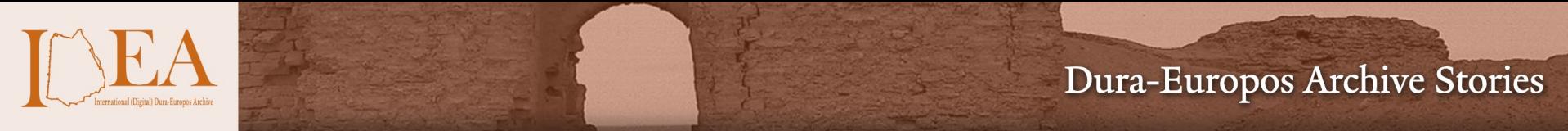
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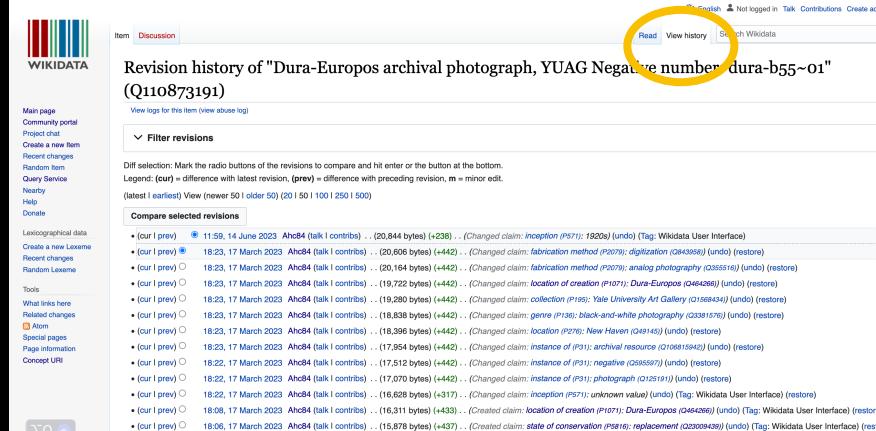


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 - Watchlists
 - Schemas for automating review of edits



The screenshot shows the Wikidata item page for "Dura-Europos archival photograph, YUAG Negative number dura-b55~01" (Q110873191). The page includes a sidebar with navigation links like Main page, Community portal, Project chat, Create a new item, Recent changes, Random item, Query Service, Nearby, Help, and Donate. The main content area displays the revision history, which lists several edits made by user Ah084. The revisions are timestamped and show changes to claims such as 'inception', 'fabrication method', 'location of creation', and 'instance of'. The 'Read' button is circled in yellow in the top right corner.

Sample workflows

DATA EMBEDDED IN TEXT (old publications, field notebooks, etc.)

1. Inscriptions on the South Wall of the Passage.

D. 1. μνησθῆ Ναοβιαρίβωλος.

0.36 m. long, 0.06 m. high. Average height of letters 0.02 m. Graffito. Roman period. The first element of this name has not been explained; the rest is the ordinary Greek transcription of the Palmyrene divine name *Yarhibôl* (יָרְחִיבָּל), as Dr. Albright pointed out.

D. 2. Αχατακη

0.30 m. long. Average height of letters 0.045 m. The strokes reproduced are deeply cut. I can suggest no more complete reading.

D. 3. μνησθῆ Σηλαῖος Βαρνάιου E.

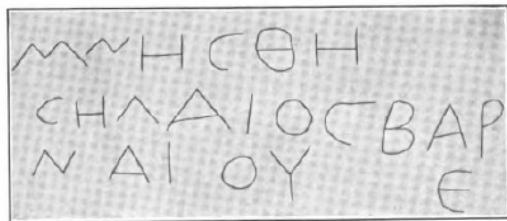


Fig. 5.

0.48 m. long, 0.16 m. high. Average height of letters 0.045 m. Roman period. The letters are deeply cut, but the stone has weathered badly. The same individual is represented, under several different spellings, in

STEP 1:

Plain language pseudo-statement

SUBJECT – PREDICATE – OBJECT

(ie. ITEM – RELATIONSHIP – ITEM/VALUE)

Example pseudo-statements:

Inscription D1 — was discovered — on the
Palmyrene Gate

Inscription D1 — has a measurement —
0.36 m long

Inscription D1 — has a measurement —
0.06 m high

Inscription D1 — is written in — ancient
Greek

DATA EMBEDDED IN TEXT

(old publications, field notebooks, etc.)

STEP 2:

Find the Q#s and P#s that correspond to your pseudo-statement

SUBJECT – PREDICATE – OBJECT

(ie. ITEM – RELATIONSHIP – ITEM/VALUE)

Example pseudo-statements:

Inscription D1 — was discovered — on the Palmyrene Gate



(new item) — location of discovery (P189) — Palmyrene Gate (Q98930725)

Inscription D1 — has a measurement — 0.36 m long



(same new item) — length (P189) — 0.36 meters

Helpful tips

- Tool to look up WD properties: [SQID](#)
- To look up Q#s: [Wikidata Query Service](#) / [Query Builder](#) OR search bar in upper right
- Use analogous items as templates
- Querying [tutorial](#)

The screenshot shows the SQID homepage. At the top, there's a search bar with the placeholder "Search item" and a magnifying glass icon. Below the search bar, there are links for "Start", "Properties", "Classes", "Rules", "About", and "Logout". The main content area has a title "A fresh look at Wikidata" with a small icon of a brain and cables. It describes SQID as a fast way to browse and query Wikidata. Below this, there's a section titled "Example pages" with a list of items like "Johann Sebastian Bach", "volcano", "galaxy", "sex or gender", "instrument", and "Wikidata property". Further down, there's a section about "Properties" and "Classes", followed by a note about data being pre-computed from weekly dumps. At the bottom, it says "Statistics based on data dump 1/2/2023 (details)" and "Powered by Wikidata Toolkit & Wikidata SPARQL Query".

The screenshot shows the Wikidata Query Service interface. At the top, there's a header with the service name and links for "Examples", "Help", "More tools", and "Query builder". A yellow arrow points from the text "Query Helper" in the list below the header to the "Query builder" link in the header. The main area has a text input field labeled "(Input a SPARQL query or choose a query example)". On the left, there's a sidebar with icons for "Filter", "Show", and "Limit 100".

The screenshot shows the Wikidata Query Builder interface. At the top, it says "WIKIDATA QUERY BUILDER". Below that, there's a section titled "About this tool" with a brief description of what the tool does. The main area is titled "Query" and has a "Find all items..." input field. Below it, there are two tabs: "With" and "Without". The "With" tab is selected, and there's an input field "Enter a property" with "matching" selected in a dropdown. There's also a dropdown for "References" with "with and without references" selected. At the bottom, there are sections for "Add condition" and "Settings", and a checkbox for "Limit the number of results to 100".

TABULAR DATA

- Export from static database
 - Web scrape
 - Manually collected from analog resources

SampleUploads_ArtStor_Web_Scrape														
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2	7305	Discovery of larhibol altar in Temple of Bel at entrance of Tower 1	https://library.art.org/iiif/fbx/ssl_scor.org/iiif/asset/ps://7730479/39SS7730479_77_06514_fpxfull/130479_108709_024/0/default.jp	81	1929.385	dura-b54~01	Dura field photo	glass negative	larhibol altar, Temple of Bel		Yale University Art Gallery	intact	Date of Photography: 1928-1929	Dura Europos (Sal
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AZ1	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L
	Label	Alias	Description (both USEP and WD)	Instance of (P31)	Language of work or name (P407)	Writing system (P262)	Genre	Type of object	Material used (P186)	Height (P2048)	Unit qualifier	Width (P2048)
1	PR2D1	D1	Remembrance graffiti of Nebianibolos.	archaeological find (Q1095001),archeological artifact (Q202699),cultural property (Q2095738),inscription (Q1640284),archaeological graffiti (Q2957529),architectural element (Q291414),dedication (Q1782010)	Ancient Greek (Q35497)		Dedication	Architectural element	limestone (Q23757)	6	centimetre	36
2	PR2D2	D2	Short graffiti of uncertain reading.	archaeological find (Q1095001),archeological artifact (Q202699)cultural property (Q2095738),inscription (Q1640284),archaeological graffiti (Q2957529),architectural element (Q291414),dedication (Q1782010)	Ancient Greek (Q35497)		Dedication	Architectural element	limestone (Q23757)		centimetre	30
3	PR2D3	D3	Remembrance graffiti of Selaios son of Barneios.	archaeological find (Q1095001),archeological artifact (Q202699),cultural property (Q2095738),inscription (Q1640284),archaeological graffiti (Q2957529),architectural element (Q291414),dedication (Q1782010)	Ancient Greek (Q35497)		Dedication	Architectural element	limestone (Q23757)	16	centimetre	48
4	PR2D4	D4		archaeological find (Q1095001),archeological artifact (Q202699),cultural property (Q2095738),inscription	Ancient Greek (Q35497)		Dedication	Architectural element	limestone (Q23757)	32	centimetre	