

## TELL ARBID

## SYRIA

## SUMMARY

The results of the ninth season of work by a joint Polish-Syrian expedition on Tell Arbid have contributed to the stratigraphical analyses of settlement on the site in the 3rd millennium BC. Despite evident continuity in settlement pattern between Ninevite 5 and Early Dynastic III cities, it is now clear that some general changes took place in the organization of residential quarters. It also seems tenable to suggest

that, at least in the Early Jezirah III period, each of the districts surrounding the center of the town with its alleged acropolis must have stood on its own small, separate tell. Confirming this concept are the streets presently discovered in Area "SD", which sloped to the north, toward the outer perimeter of the town. Further in-depth studies are necessary to interpret the two strange structures discovered in Area "SD".