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The season began on March 1 and lasted four weeks. Fieldwork was followed by a few study days devoted to completing the documentation.¹

Excavations were concentrated in the area of the main necropolis located southwest of the city. Concurrently with this work, the mission undertook, in answer to a request made by Egyptian colleagues, the recording of monuments partly uncovered during earlier salvage excavations by the EAO.²

At the necropolis site work was carried out on the hypogeum T1GH. Moreover, two loculi in Tomb T1D were excavated, the mausoleum-hypogeum S6 continued to be uncovered, excavations proceeded in T7 and in the mausoleum-hypogeum T8. Also the exploration of the T10A construction started (see Fig. 1).

The hypogeum T1GH is located in the eastern part of the necropolis, i.e. closer to the city. In past seasons the vaulted corridor-staircase which led to the underground chamber was uncovered along with the hypogeum itself, provided with

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² This concerned two tombs uncovered in part by Mr. Abdel Aziz Shennawy.