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## Keywords

**Waleed AL-AS'AD*****Some tombs recently excavated at Palmyra***

In 2007–2010 an extensive program of tomb excavations was undertaken by the Palmyra Museum. As a result many structures (tower tombs, house and temple tombs, as well as hypogea) located in the Southwest, Northwest and Southeast Necropoleis were cleared, surveyed and duly restored. The paper reviews some of this work and the most important accompanying finds (paintings, sculpture, reliefs and sarcophagi).

Palmyra  
necropoleis  
tombs  
sarcophagi  
paintings  
banquet reliefs

**Olivier AURENCHÉ, Stefan K. KOZŁOWSKI*****Two Polish scholars in Palmyra (April 1926)***

The paper discusses the visit to Palmyra of two prominent Polish scholars, archaeologist Włodzimierz Antoniewicz and ethnologist Jan Bystron. The trip occurred during the international Congress on Syro-Palestinian Archaeology held in Beyrouth and Jerusalem in April 1926. The scholars took advantage of the opportunity to visit several ancient sites in Syria. Bystron's impressions of Palmyra, preserved in his memoirs, are presented in brief.

Palmyra  
Polish scholars  
Congress of Syro-  
Palestinian Archaeology

**Marek BARAŃSKI*****The first archaeologist of Palmyra***

Archaeological exploration of Palmyra started in the second half of the 19th century. Earlier travelers usually limited their trip to documenting monuments or obtaining epigraphic records. The first attempt at regular excavations was undertaken in 1870 by Captain Richard Burton, an experienced traveler in Oriental countries, who left quite a detailed record in a published account of the journey. The results of his pioneering endeavor in Palmyra are discussed briefly in the paper.

Palmyra  
digging  
Richard Burton  
Southwest Necropolis

**Christiane DELPLACE*****Research of the French archaeological mission to Palmyra***

In the last ten years the French mission's activity was directed at the publication of old excavations carried out during the French Mandate (1920–1943) and the development of new research. With regard to the former, we have published the Agora (in 2005) and we are now en-

Palmyra  
Agora  
house  
stucco