
Islands in the Stream: (geo)archaeology of river- and seascapes

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Résumé

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Islands are tangles in networks which bring together ancient communities on land-, river- and seaways. Even if the ancient people did not have precise words in order to distinguish between islands and peninsulas, they were aware of the implications of insularity, which played a crucial role in the Greek "colonization" as well as in the Roman expansion. The ancient Greeks are the ones who created the principles of the *isolario*, by listing the big islands of the Internal Seas at the end of their periplous. The insular spaces, however, are so complex that their study requires methods from a whole range of disciplines, starting with Classics (philology, history, epigraphy, numismatics) and continuing with archaeology and archaeometry as well as with geosciences (geophysics, geomorphology, hydrology) and biosciences (paleobotanics, palynology). More than the hinterland, the ancient islands are fragile environments, under the influence of sea-level changes, tectonics (subduction and uplifting), erosion and sedimentation. Only by combining data from prospections, drilling and excavations, we can identify and explain the evolution of some lived spaces on islands, both natural or artificial. In this panel, we present some of the new archaeological and geo-bio-archaeological data, ranging from the Black Sea to the Eastern and Western Mediterranean,

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and illustrating actual trends in insular and peninsular archaeology.

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