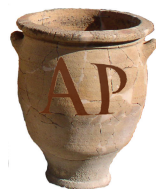


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This our fourth volume is unusually rich and varied in content. Geographically the articles range from Sicily via Greece to Anatolia and the Near East, while chronologically they extend from the Bronze Age to the Ottoman era. Thematically we have a set of papers in landscape studies which include agricultural history, settlement geography, regional comparisons; articles on material culture which encompass metallurgy, ceramics, the links between language and artefacts, and production and trade; papers on aspects of human social science such as palaeopathology and deformity, gender studies and the representation of the supernatural; historical perspectives are finally represented by articles on fortifications and Islamisation. A special treat is a lengthy presentation of the survey and excavation at the recently-discovered Mycenaean palace in the Sparta Valley. Our review section is even broader, running from the Palaeolithic through to aspects of presentday heritage studies, and covering an equally wide field of topics.

We are saddened to learn that one of our authors, Anastasios Oulkeroglou, has just passed away. He gave us a fascinating piece in JGA volume 2 on Dion, and now with co-authors a major study on Philippi. A sad loss in the field of his innovative work on ancient technology.

We would like to see more contributions on Art, any period, and the Post-Medieval centuries, please for future issues, following the numerous significant papers on these themes that we have published in volumes 1 – 3!

John Bintliff
General Editor