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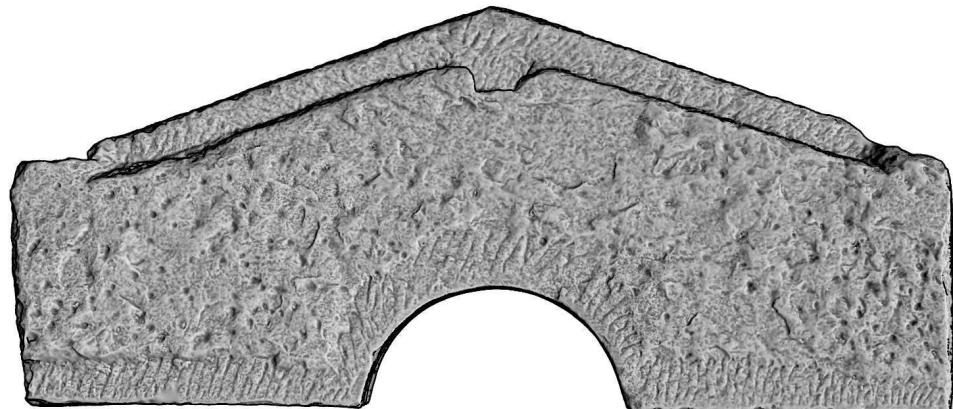
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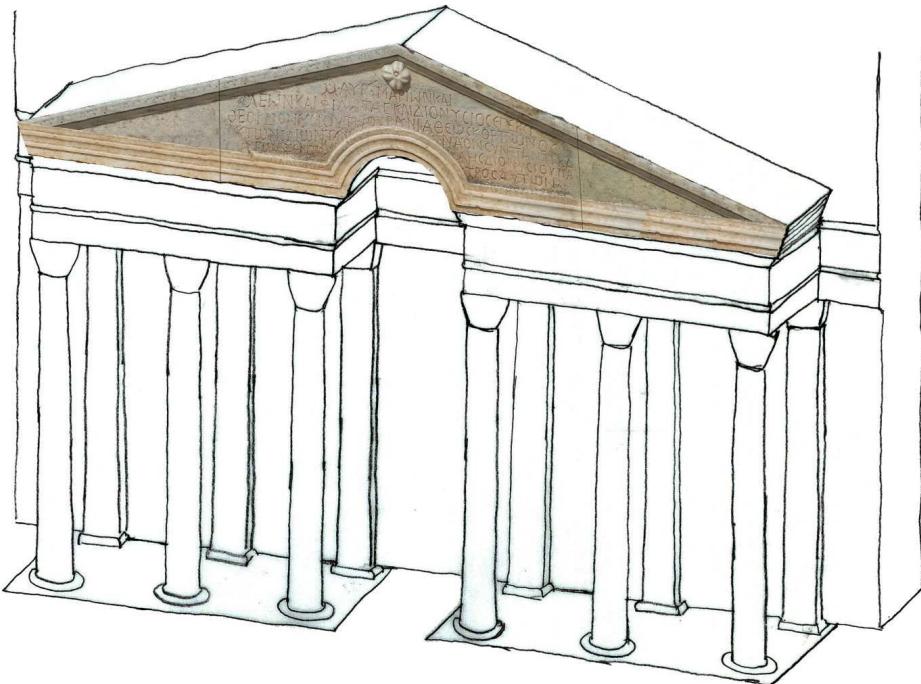
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ABSTRACTS

An inscribed marble gable found near the ancient city center of Ascalon (modern Ashkelon) is published. The inscription (of AD 220) records the erection and dedication of a temple in honor of the goddess “Ourania of Skorpon”. Ourania Aphrodite was a resident deity in Ascalon and this appears to be the first tangible piece of evidence confirming the ancient ties linking her to the city. The word *egersitheos*, revivifier of a deity, in this inscription is otherwise unattested.

Publication d'un fronton en marbre trouvé près du centre de l'ancienne ville d'Ascalon (aujourd'hui Ashkelon). L'inscription (datée de 220 ap.J.-C.) évoque la construction et la dédicace d'un temple en l'honneur de la déesse “Ourania de Skorpon”. Aphrodite Ourania était une divinité locale à Ascalon, et ce fragment semble bien être la première attestation matérielle confirmant les liens anciens entre la déesse et la ville. Le mot *egersitheos*, « celui qui revivifie une divinité », n'est pas attesté ailleurs.

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