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Water management at Labraunda

This lecture is based on my master's thesis which aims to explore how water was managed and used in the sanctuary of Zeus at Labraunda, located in the region of Karia in what today is southwestern Turkey. My study is based on a largely unpublished material consisting of excavation diaries, drawings and photographs from the early Swedish excavations at Labraunda, conducted in six seasons between 1948 and 1960. One of the main goals of my thesis is to create and present a water map for Labraunda, including components of the water infrastructure such as delivery system with water pipes, water supply structures, bathing facilities and sewer system.

The management and use of water at Labraunda has not been studied previously. Water management at the sanctuary should, however, be reconstructed for two reasons. Firstly, early Swedish excavations at Labraunda uncovered many water related structures and water pipes at the site. While documented in excavation diaries, photographs and drawings, these finds remain essentially unpublished. Secondly, several water supply structures and bathing facilities have been excavated in the recent seasons at Labraunda. Considering limited publications from the early excavations and presence of the current excavations, my thesis will provide a more complete understanding of the water management network of Labraunda.

In order to give a more detailed image of the water system at Labraunda, I documented parts of the water infrastructure during the summer of 2018 with two aims. The first was to photograph and draw visible remains regarding water at Labraunda. The second aim was to compare the old documentation in the excavation diaries with the visible water features. The whole site was examined by documenting the remains of the water supply and management. This work together with an early version of my visual map for water management at Labraunda will be presented in this lecture.

Görkem Çimen is a master student in Classical Archaeology at Uppsala University. She is currently working on her master's thesis about the management and use of water at Labraunda which is a previously unstudied field (preliminary title *Water management at Labraunda*). She has been participating in the fieldwork at Labraunda since 2015, working in different projects such as excavations, survey, marble conservation and floor restoration.

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