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The Results of an Audit Research of Western Herzegovinian Sites with Stećci Tombstones

Summary

This paper seeks to synthesise data obtained by a site audit of locations of *stećci* tombstones in the territory of western Herzegovina. Due to a lack of material assets, we undertook hodological work - specifically a multiannual audit in the field - with the aim of collecting empirical data based on literature verification, site recording, necropolis mapping and the unification of the geographical area of western Herzegovina into a single unit. The achieved results and observed differences have completed the current picture within the present unified geographical area and point to a diffusion of ideas and varied cultural parameters during the Middle Ages.

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