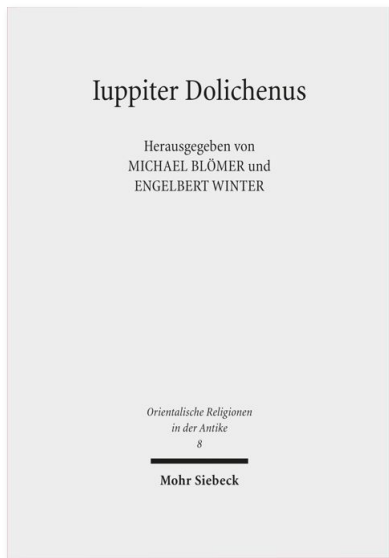


Jupiter Dolichenus

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Jupiter Dolichenus was the local god of the town of Doliche in Southeastern Turkey, and during the 2nd century AD his cult spread over large parts of the Roman Empire. The recent debate on oriental religions in the Roman Empire as well as the results of the ongoing excavations in the god's main sanctuary in Doliche have prompted a fresh look at Jupiter Dolichenus. In this book, eight contributions by historians and archaeologists examine various aspects of his religion. The topics range from the connection between Doliche and the Western cult, the ways in which the religion spread, the god's role in the Roman army and his female worshippers to a close examination of the architecture of his shrines, a presentation of the recently excavated Vindolanda Dolichenum and a description of the evidence from the Danube region.

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