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Alişar Höyük and the Anatolian Culture of Archaeology

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Hybrid

Alişar Höyük in Yozgat holds a pivotal point in the progression of scientific research in the archaeology of Anatolia and its neighboring regions. Discovered by Hans Henning von der Osten, who led the Anatolian-Hittite Expedition between 1926 and 1932 on behalf of the Oriental Institute (today's Institute for the Study of Ancient Cultures) of the University of Chicago, Alişar Höyük was excavated between 1927 and 1932 by the Oriental Institute with archaeologists who were pioneers in Anatolian and West Asian archaeology. The site provided a deep chronology, spanning from at least late antiquity to the Chalcolithic. A recent exhibit at the Anatolian Civilizations Museum in Ankara brought together scholars who began a painstaking analysis of the Alişar material housed in the Museum's depots for almost a century. Emerged as part of this project, this presentation discusses the impact of Alişar excavations on the development of archaeology in the early Republic period of Türkiye.

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