## البحث الأول: مشترك

Goddess Hatmehyt in Dendara Temple	عنوان البحث
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Egyptian goddess, Hatmehyt was a minor fish-deity. Her cult	
was centered in the area around Djedet, a city in the Delta	الملخص
known to the Greeks as Mendes. In the Greco-Roman period,	
the cult of Hatmehyt grew and she gained popularity that allows	
her to appear alongside the great deities of the Egyptian	
pantheon.	
Different legends and several offerings scenes dedicated to	
Hatmehyt are realized in different locations in Dendera Temple	
complex, precisely in the parts dedicated principally to the god	
Osiris. Moreover a number of Hatmehyt's epithets which define	
different aspects and roles that the goddess plays in the Ancient	
Egyptian pantheon are connected to the city of Dendara and its	
temple. The numerous presences of the goddess in this place of	
cult and the different epithets of the goddess relating to Dendara	
prove that a special cult was devoted to the goddess Hatmehyt	
in this place.	
This research concludes that the main reason for the presence of	
a special cult devoted to the goddess Hatmehyt (a native deity	
of Lower Egypt) in Dendara temple (a great place of cult in	
Upper Egypt) returns to her relationship with god Osiris and his	
wife and sister goddess Isis. In mythology, Hatmehyt played a	
small but significant role in the myth of Osiris; she helped	
goddess Isis in her search for the dismembered god's body parts	
and became thus associated with her.	
Moreover, Hatmehyt assumed several epithets, which show that	
she has played the same role of Isis. Hatmehyt also played the	
role of the protector of Osiris; she was the one who helped him	
to get rid of his enemies. This confirms clearly that Hatmehyt in	
the temple of Dendara was regarded as the sister of Osiris,	
which means that she was manifested there as an aspect of Isis .	
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