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The unusually pristine conditions of the tombs afforded a unique opportunity for scrupulous excavation and indepth study. Presented here in 24 chapters, this report is exceptional in deploying an arsenal of archaeological science methods on a targeted area of the mound. It chronicles the architectural and artefactual finds and positions them within their broader temporal, spatial, and cultural contexts, offering fresh insights into the funerary practices and societal structures of their respective periods.

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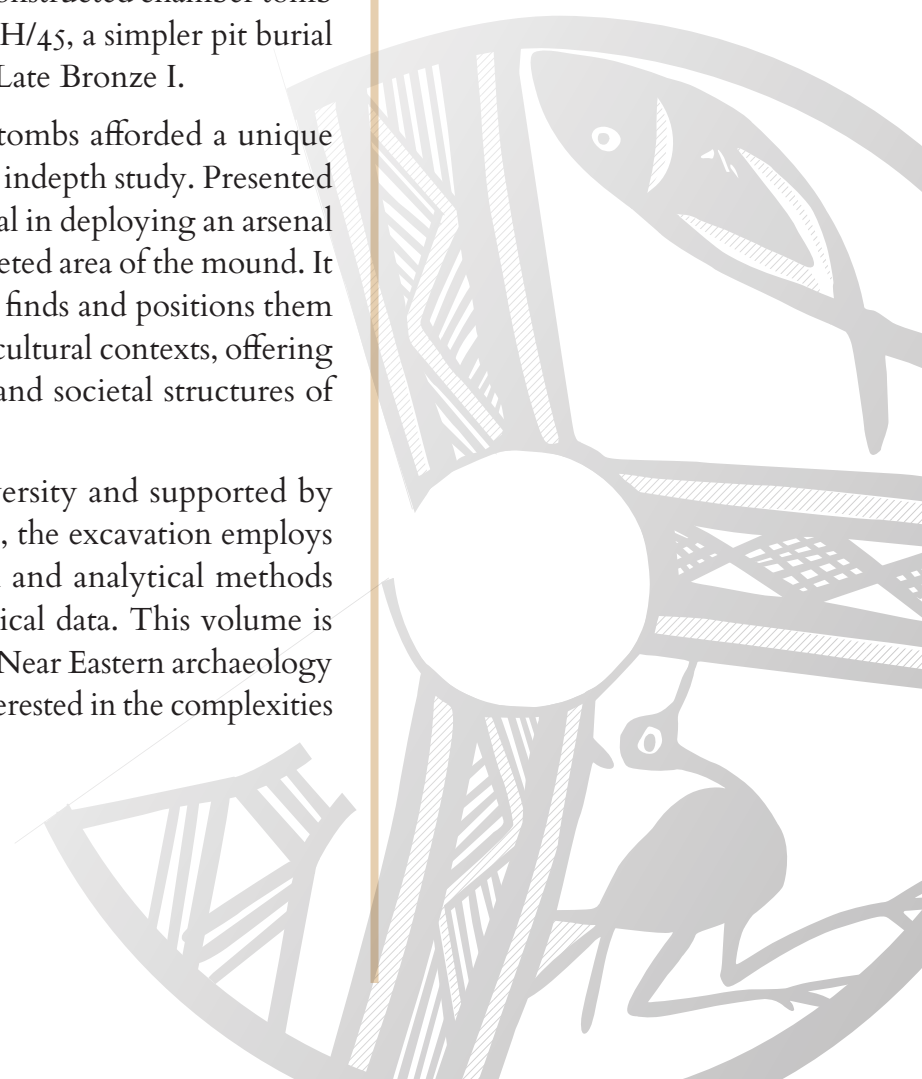
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