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*An exceptional fire temple from the
Sasanian period at Vigol in Central Iran*

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Archaeological work by the lecturer on the site of Vigol in the north of the Isfahan province has revealed two cities, each with an administrative residence. They appear to have been occupied from the period of the Sasanian empire well into the late medieval Islamic period up to the 13th century. As the site is relatively undisturbed, it may greatly enhance our knowledge on continuities and discontinuities of urban settlements in Iran from Late Antiquity to the Medieval.

The lecture will focus on the remains of a square building. It can be reconstructed with four cross-axial arches and a dome as a Zoroastrian fire temple. Yet questions are invoked by the fact that the temple is situated *intra muros* while other extant examples are outside or distant from a city.