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The Sanctuary of Demeter and Kore: 
The Terracotta Sculpture

NANCY BOOKIDIS

The fifth part of the *Corinth* volume dedicated to the Sanctuary of Demeter and Kore publishes the large-scale terracotta sculpture found in the sanctuary. Ranging in date from the late 7th through the 4th century B.C., the sculpture consists of fragments from 132 to as many as 147 statues, from half- to nearly life-size. These are, for the most part, statues of young males, both draped and nude, although females and seated infants appear as well. Several introductory chapters discuss the types represented, the findspots and possible original placement of the sculptures, and the techniques involved in their construction. This volume greatly expands our knowledge of the history of Corinth, broadening our understanding both of cult practices at the site and of the manufacture of terracotta sculpture.

*Nancy Bookidis* is codirector of the excavations of the Sanctuary of Demeter and Kore, and coauthor, with Ronald Stroud, of the third part of this volume, *Topography and Architecture*.

The Early Bronze Age Village on 
Tsoungiza Hill

DANIEL J. PULLEN

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*Daniel J. Pullen* is Professor of Classics at Florida State University.
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YANNIS LOLOS

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BRICE L. ERICKSON

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Daniel J. Geagan is the author of The Athenian Constitution after Sulla (Hesperia Suppl. 12).
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JOHN MCK. CAMP II
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