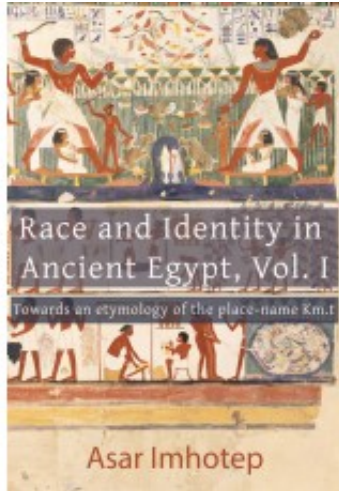


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**Volume 1**, *Towards an etymology of the place-name Km.t* (2023), critically assesses and engages a long-standing debate on the etymology, meaning, and application of the placename *Km.t* (Kemet), which was one of many names for ancient Egypt beginning around the XII dynastic period. In addition to the linguistic question of the name *Km.t*, *Race and identity in Ancient Egypt Volume 1* asks, "Was the name *Km.t* used to describe,

physically, the ancient Egyptians and what role did it play, if any, in their ethnic identity?" This treatment is the culmination of 23 years of research on this question and makes a major contribution to the advancement of the study of ancient Egyptian historical, linguistic, religious, and anthropological studies. This Volume will especially interest researchers in the fields of Egyptology, Africology, Historical Comparative Linguistics, Cultural Anthropology, African Art, and Comparative Religious Studies.

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