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Roman baths of Forum Traiani

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■ The outer building considered a Nymphaeum

Just about 20m East of the Baths building, almost on an axis with its southern front, you have a small structure (figs. 1-2) built in *opus vittatum mixtum* (fig. 4).

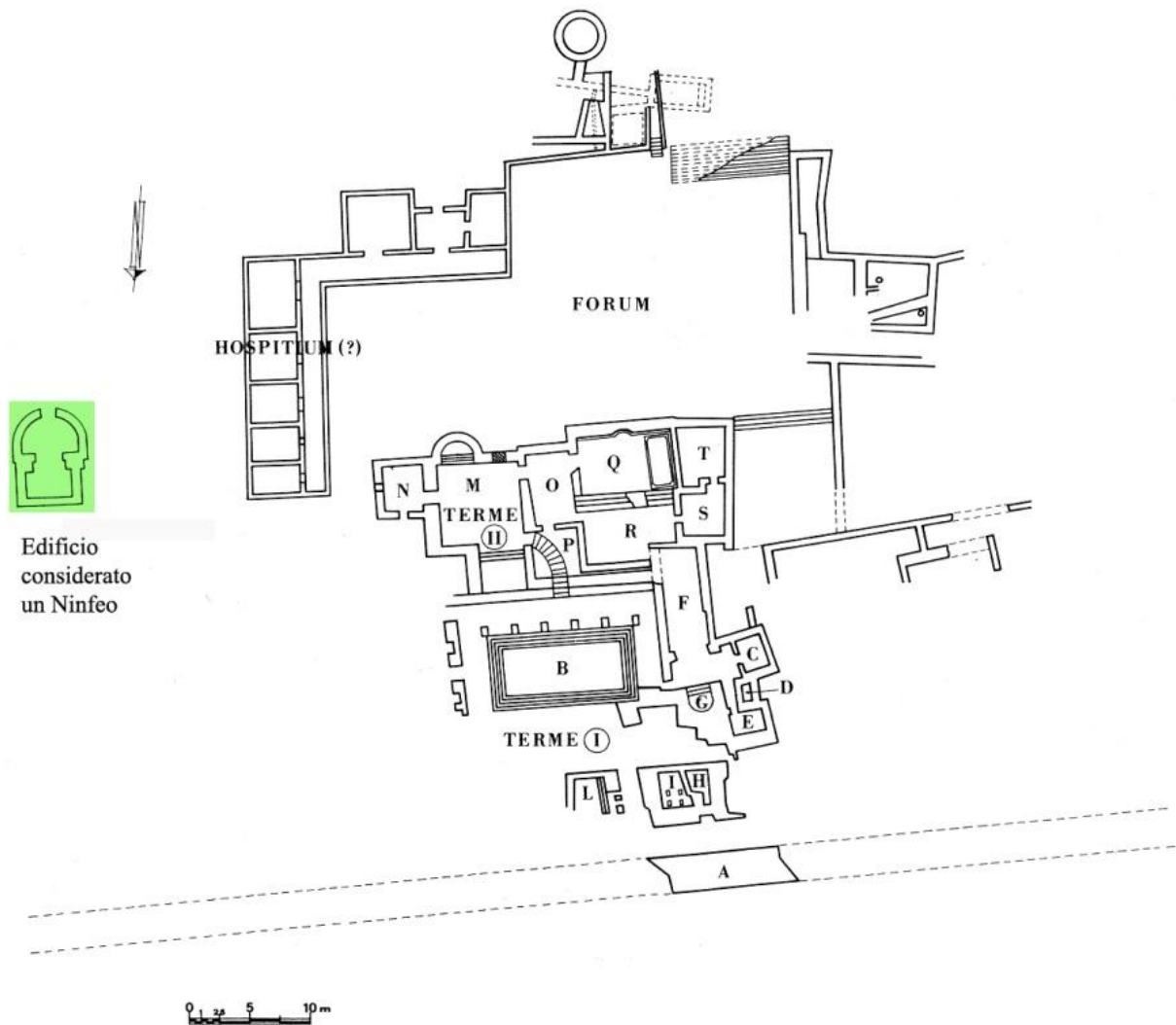


Fig. 1 - The building considered a Nymphaeum in green (from Zucca 1986, re-worked by C. Tronchetti).



Fig. 2 - Building considered a Nymphaeum, restructured until modern times (photo by Unicity S.p.A.)

The area is rectangular with a small apse (fig. 3) on the South side, and has a small bath.



Fig. 3 - View of the building from the South, showing the apsidal room (photo by Unicity S.p.A.)



Fig. 4 - Detail of the *opus vittatum mixtum* building technique (photo by Unicity S.p.A.)

Before finding the Nymphaeum next to the *natatio* this structure was considered the Nymphaeum. But this is no longer considered the case and its function still needs to be clarified. With no dig data and considering the considerable restructuring done on the part up until modern times, the only element enabling us to date it is the building technique used placing it alongside the Baths II chronologically.

■ Credits

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