

Official statement from the Pontifical Custodian of the Shroud

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Once again, we are witnessing the launch of new “revelations” about the Shroud and its mysteries. Today, it is the hypothesis that the Shroud was not laid on the corpse of a man but on an artificial “model” that would reproduce the characteristics of the image.

The Pontifical Custodian of the Shroud has no reason to comment on hypotheses freely formulated by scientists of some degrees of credibility. The International Center for Studies on the Shroud of Turin, which provides its scientific support to the Custodian, has published a document analyzing in detail the method and results of this “discovery”.

While we cannot be too surprised by the hype that certain “news” whether true or plausible, new or old, can generate in a global and instantaneous media circuit, there remains concern about the superficiality of certain conclusions, which often do not stand up to careful examination of the work presented. And we must reiterate the invitation to never lose sight of the necessary critical attention to what is so easily published.

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