*Tubar(i)-: a divine epithet reflected in Luwic onomastics

This article extends and discusses a study by M. Valério (2015), which deals with several groups of personal names from southern Anatolia. It is proposed here to reconstruct one onomastic stem, *tubar(i)-, common to several names from different language corpora belonging to the Luwic sub-group (Luwian, Carian, Pisidian) and Greek epigraphic sources from southern Anatolia (from Caria to Cilicia). This prolific element is associated with various divine names or epithets in compounds, which suggests that it corresponded to a divine title. Its meaning can be reconstructed as "battle companion, comrade-in-arms", originally qualifying various deities whose role was to guard their protégé on the battlefield.

Keywords: Luwic languages; Anatolian languages; Luwian language; Lycian A language; Lycian B language; Carian language; Pisidian language; Greek language; onomastics; theophoric names; Anatolian religion.

1. Introduction

For a long time, the Lycian place-name Tyberissos has been associated with the name of a Lycian hero, Τούβερις, indirectly referenced in a local myth documented by Stephanus of Byzantium.¹ In a complementary study to the present article, I sought to ascertain the validity of this connection — whether Τούβερις was genuinely linked to the toponym or if it was a derivative form originating from it.² During this investigation, I uncovered an onomastic stem *tubar(i)- attested in numerous Luwic anthroponyms, which appear not only in Luwian-, Carian-, or Pisidian-language records, but also in Greek sources from southern Anatolia. The extensive scope of these forms precluded a comprehensive analysis within the previous article, primarily dedicated to the toponym Tyberissos. Hence, the primary goal of the current work is to delve into this deeper exploration.

The present contribution lists and analyses all the names containing the stem *tubar(i)- across various corpora from southern Anatolia (§ 2). It further proposes a correlation between this onomastic stem, on the one hand, and Carian names in °δυβρ-/°δύβρ- as well as °νδυβερι-/°νδο/(υ)βα/ε/ηρα- (in Greek transmission), on the other hand. While these names were dealt with separately in Valério 2015, it is argued that [d] in the latter group is an allophone of /t/ in the position after [n] or [r] (§ 3). After examining a few anthroponymic compounds where *tubar(i)- appears as the first member (§ 4), the paper provides an overview of all personal names formed using this morpheme, categorizing them based on the accompanying element.

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² For a discussion about the heronym and a full analysis of the toponym, I refer to Réveilhac forthc. a. The reader should be aware that sections 5, 6 and 7 of the present article are adaptations of passages already included in the article on Tyberissos. These paragraphs are, in fact, key points in the argumentation, which I feel justified in repeating for the sake of clarity.
It becomes apparent that, in the majority of instances, *tubar(i)*- is linked to a theonym or a divine epithet, possibly functioning itself as a substitute for a divine name (§ 5). The article endeavours to establish that this stem originally represented a divine title, later adopted as a divine hypostasis. This title might have initially meant “battle companion, comrade-in-arms”, referencing the protective roles of tutelary deities on the battlefield — a concept echoed in Hittite and Luwian texts concerning various deities (§ 6). The concluding section compares this interpretation with instances of Lyc. B tuburiz, mentioned three times on the Xanthos Stele, albeit within obscure contexts (§ 7).

2. The onomastic stem *tubar(i)*-

While the Lycian hero Τούβερις is only known from late Greek sources, the stem *tubar(i)*- is far better attested. Numerous personal names from southern Anatolia contain elements akin to the heronym conveyed by Stephanus of Byzantium. These potential candidates, found in various sources such as Hieroglyphic Luwian, Carian, Pisidian, and Greek inscriptions, are presented in Table 1. It is important to note that, at this stage, the comparison is purely formal and establishes an initial working hypothesis that needs further investigation.

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Table 1. Personal names potentially formed with the stem *tubar(i)*-

The name /TuPar(i)/- attested in Hattusa in hieroglyphic transmission might be a direct match of Τούβερις’s underlying name, but its isolated character hardly allows us to go any further. Another simple name, dating to the Roman period in Pisidian records, is Τ[β]ερι-?, although unfortunately incomplete. Its restauration, based on Cilician compounds of Greek transmission in Τβερ° (see Section 4 below), gains additional support from the Carian name Σαγγο-τβηρις. To progress further, it is imperative to examine compound names, primarily in Greek transmission, which tend to be more understandable than those from Carian sources.
The vocalism of ὀτοβοῦς in Ἑμμα-τοβοῦς reflects a specific evolution found in Lycian, also observable in the toponym Tuburehel(i)- contrasted with its Greek equivalent Τυβεριοσός. The latter is likely adapted from a more archaic dialectal form (as suggested by Réveilhac forthc. a). While the first element of Ἑμμα-τοβοῦς is easily identifiable as the name of the Moon-god Arma (cf. Erínne-neneli-, Ἀμμα-τιας etc.), that of Περτα-τοβοῦς is less apparent. However, the same base might be present in the Lycian place-name Παρταησσός and the probable Lycian title partitala- (TL 35.14 and 16) of uncertain meaning, which does not significantly aid in its comprehension. Should one accept the equivalence between the Lycian name Παρταησσός and the divine epithet CLuw. Parattašš(i)-, a title found twice for the Storm-god with a likely meaning of “of Impurity” (based on CLuw. paratt(a)- “impurity”), the hypothetical Lycian stem-form *paritta- might have been directly used to form compounds, similarly to Luw. /piha-/ “brightness, splendour” (Piḫa-muwa-, Piḫa-nani(-)) compared to *pihaššali- “of brightness, splendour” (Piḫašša-muwa-, Piḫašša-walwi-).

In the name Σαγγως and Σαγγος, a syncope in the second member’s first syllable is plausible, as it is well attested in Carian for unaccented vowels (Adiego 2007: 241–242). The isolated first element, Σαγγο-, is also found in the simple personal name Σαγγως (KPN § 1369; Halicarnassus, 5th c. BCE). Although its nature and meaning require further clarification, a speculative hypothesis can be put forward: if the theonym ᵃSalupiya- (van Gessel 1998: 370), documented once in a Hittite cult inventory, indeed corresponds to a compound (Satname?), the first element being the name of the Hurro-Hittite goddess ᵃSalu-, wife of Kumarbi (Laroche 1946: 57; van Gessel 1998: 370), then a similar analysis might apply to ᵃSanhupiya-, referring to a deity honoured in the northern regions of the Hittite Empire (van Gessel 1998: 371; Taracha 2009: 102). Thus, a hypothetical theonym ᵃSanh- could be inferred from ᵃSanhupiya- and linked to Σαγγως and Σαγγος-τβηςις.

In the Carian corpus, the identification of a similar element is supported by D-týbr-, where the first element can be traced back to “Ida-. This connection is evident in other Carian and Lycian forms such as Car. D-quoq → Ἰδα-γυγος or D-ušol-/Id-ušol- → Ἰδ-υσσωάλλος. Similarly, in Kša-týbr- one can isolate the stem Kša-, which is potentially linked to the group of Luw. “hassa- / “hearth” (inferred from CLuw. haššanitti(-) “hearth”), Hitt. ḫašša- “hearth” and Lyc. xaha- “id.”. An alternative hypothesis is to link it to the element found in the patronymic of Thales, Ἐξα-μύης, and in Ἐξα-βοας-/Ἀξα-βως. The combination of the element Ἐξα- with -μυης (→ muwa- “power, drive”) hints at a possible association with a deity, although a de-
finitive etymology remains uncertain at this stage. Regarding Kud-tubr-, the element Kud-might mirror Luw. */huda/- “haste, swiftness”, documented in Hittite as Glossenkeilwort in the form hüda- and as a derivational base in CLuw. hürtalانn(i)¬ and hutarli(ya),- and Lyc. *huda-“haste”, deduced from the agent noun xdda- “slave” and the personal names Xudalij(-je), Xudalijē- and Xudara- (Rieken & Sasseville 2022). However, accepting this link requires assuming an evolution PLuw. *h- > Car. ku, in addition to the established change into qu (e.g. *Tarhunt- > Trqut-, *huha- “grandfather” > quq-), which demands further supporting evidence. If this hypothesis were correct, Kud- might represent an epithet that is close in meaning to Hittite nuntar in nuntaras "LAMMA “Tutelary Deity of Swiftness” (see van Gessel 1998: 694 for the attestations).

Yet, it is critical to examine the connection between the elements týbr- and tubr-, whose vocalism differs. To consider them as potential variants of the same morpheme, it is necessary to assume an effect of i-umlaut triggering the fronting of [u] > [y] in týbr-: PLuw. *[tubari-] > PCar. *[tyberi-] > Car. [tybr-]. Such a phenomenon is known in Carian (as well as Lycian) for other vowels, as seen in ted- “father” (cf. Lyc. tede/i-) vis-à-vis Luw. /tadi/¬ “id.” or in en- “mother” (cf. Lyc. ēne/i-) vis-à-vis Luw. /ann(i)/¬ “id.” (Adiego 2007: 259). Adiego (2007: 257) suggested that the same pattern accounts for the ethnic suffix -/ýbr/ (e.g. kbdyn- “Caunian”) derived from PLuw. *wanna/i- (cf. Luw. /‑wanna/i‑/, Lyc. B -wine/i-, Lyc. A -išeni-). Melchert (2021: 108) gives arguments against the conditioned fronting of [u] in [y] that can be countered: 1) ybt need not correspond to the preterite “(he) offered” (< *uboto, cf. Lyc. ubete), but could just as plausibly represent the present in *ti “(he) offers” (as already proposed by Adiego 2007: 259); 2) the analysis of týn as the infinitive of a form related to Luw. /tuwa-/ relies on the overall interpretation of the inscription C.Ha 1, which is not based on communis opinio (other hypotheses exist, see Adiego 2007: 283–284); 3) the final morpheme (better than “suffix”) eym- in Paraeym- probably represents a participial stem in *‑mna/i- subject to i-mutation, as suggested by the name Οριδ-ημος (vis-à-vis Αρτ-ημος), which would justify the fronting of [u] > [y].

Efforts have been taken to establish connections between the aforementioned names to other names from the Carian corpus and the Greek corpus in Asia Minor. The most comprehensive exploration on this subject, to the best of my knowledge, is found in Valério 2015, which builds upon earlier research concerning the Linear A du-pu-re and the Hittite tlabarna- (Valério 2007). In this context, several pages are devoted to Carian names in °DUbr-,13 Lycian names in °dβερι- and Cilician names in °dβo(ι)/βα/ε/ηρα- as well as Lycian Tubure/i-, °τοβορι- (Valério 2015: 333–339). Acknowledging the challenge posed by the interpretation of the personal names from the Carian sources, the paper eventually arrives at the conclusion that reducing all the concerned personal names to a singular and variable element °DUbr- is unfeasible. Valério 2015 suggests instead the stem *°/yβ(y)r-, associated with the alleged element °/vβερι- identified in Neumann 2007: 399. Following Neumann’s proposal, Valério cautiously attempts to link this virtual element with the group of Hitt. warri- “to help” and HLuw. /warri(ya)/- “id.”, albeit acknowledging a major phonetic challenge: such a hypothesis would require admitting not a proto-form *warri- but **uwari- > *uweri- (Valério 2015: 335). This sug-

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11 The development must have been as follows: °‑wanni (common gender direct case) > (*‑wni > °‑uni > °‑yn‑ (in the Egypto-Carian system)/‑yn). In addition to the rule [a] → [e] / (C)‑Ci[i], there would therefore also be [u] → [y] / (C)‑Ci[i] or, to subsume both, a more general phonological rule V[‑back] → [‑back] / (C)‑Ci[i].

12 It is tempting to see the element ym‑ to ημος / ημος as a cognate of the stem found in the Lycian personal names Luvōme/i- and Un‑uweme/i-: it would then represent the participle of a verb probably meaning “to look (favourably)” (CLuw. awa- “to see”; Lyc. A and B uwa- “to look favourably”; Lyd. ow- “id.”, according to Sasseville 2020: 289–290).

13 Where D = voiced or voiceless dental, and U = [u] or [y].
gestion is also based on the assumption that an intervocalic *w can be strengthened into [β]. However, similar to the situation in Lycian, there is a lack of such a phonetic process in Carian.14

One argument put forward to advocate the Carian anthroponymic (and lexical) stem *(y)b(y)r - is the existence of the simple personal name in the genitive Ybrsś (C.Hy 1, 7-8). Nevertheless, unlike the previous forms, it represents an s-stem. This anthroponym finds a plausible avatar in the name Oβoρις attested in Cilicia (LGPN 5b; Olba, 1st c. BCE), easily aligning with the larger group of personal names in uppara-/*o(υ)πρα-, *o(υ)βρα- (Howink ten Cate 1961: 162–164; Melchert 2013: 44). It is conceivable that the [y] might have arisen due to the i-mutation affecting the suffix *ansa/- (as seen in Oβoρις). After excluding Ybrsś from the equation, a Carian stem *(y)b- (with U = [u] or [y]) emerges, showing similarity to ṯoβορις/*oβρας/*oβρας, or even to the Luwian name /TuPar(i)/, and the Pisidian name T[β]e-or.-

The case of Car. Dybr- presents a more complex challenge. The initial (d) might have emerged from an interchange with (t), following the neutralization of the two underlying phonemes in the initial position, if one follows a plausible hypothesis that /d/ and /b/ may have undergone a devoicing in this position in Carian.15 Another possibility is that it could be secondarily derived from the allomorph ṯdybr- found after [n] or [r], as in Ar-dybr- (see Section 3 below). A third solution could be regarding this name as a compound D-ýbr-; where the element *ɪlda-, previously identified in D-týbr-, is associated with the stem *ybr- found in Ybrs-, which I propose to connect to the uppara-/*o(υ)πρα-/*o(υ)βρα- group. To explain the initial [y], one might refer to rarer forms where this same stem seems to have a final -i, such as the names Oβoρ le-/*Oβoρ le- (Pisidia). However, a caveat must be expressed: all the compounds in this group display the element uppara-/*o(υ)πρα-/*o(υ)βρα- as the first member, with the notable exception of Kινδυ-/*oρας/Kιδ-ουβορις. While this doesn’t necessarily refute this interpretation conclusively, additional unambiguous parallels would be required to reinforce it.

3. An allomorph after [n] and [r]

So far, I have intentionally omitted several names in ṯ(n)-DUb(V)r(a/i)-,16 due to their specific examination in Valério 2015. The names concerned are listed in Table 2.

This list does not include the Lycian name group Xitabure → Κενδεβορις/Κινδαβορις/Κενβορις, of which Καυδοβορις represents an additional variant with nasal reduction (see below, in this section) and vowel labialisation next to [b] or [β]. These forms mirror a compound Xitab-ure- (cf. Lyc. B xitaba- and Luw. /ura- “great”), similar to HLuw. MAGNUS.REX in structure and meaning (Yakubovich 2017: 46; Réveilhac 2018: 437).

14 The outcome of PAnat. *w in Carian is certainly not clear, but it is likely to produce [w] or [u] in certain sequences, e.g. maw- vis-à-vis Luw. /mawa/- “four” (Adiego 2019a: 18–20, 25–26; followed by Simon in Bauer et al. 2022) and kōus, if it reflects an earlier *hantaw-, as is reasonable to assume (see Simon 2022a for a detailed discussion). The data are more numerous for Lycian: PAnat. *arow- “freedom” > Lyc. araw-, PAnat. *gou- “ox” > Lyc. waou-, PAnat. *dawV- “to place” > Lyc. tuwe-. Pace Sasseville 2021: 177, it is methodologically problematic to rely on the Lycian B form xitaba- to demonstrate the strengthening of intervocalic *w into [β] in Lycian B given that its exact meaning and formation are unknown. It is on the basis of this argument that I reject the connection sometimes made between the name of Tyberissos and HLuw. /tuwaris(a)/ (Réveilhac forthc. a).

15 Cautiously in Adiego (2007: 246). However, this seems to be confirmed by the group of names based on the root *βe-, such as Pikre-, Pik(α)rmu- etc.

16 Here, U = rounded vowel going back to *u, and V = any vowel. The unorthodox notation of this sequence has a purely conventional and practical function, in order to group together different linguistic and graphic variants of the same stem.
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Table 2. Personal names in *(n)-ΔUb(V)r(a/i)-*

17 In the form Smδýbrs, which appears at the beginning of the inscription, the final -s can theoretically belong to the stem of the name (cf. Ybrsś in C.Hy 1a) or represent an inflectional suffix. The analysis depends closely on the interpretation of the inscription in which the form occurs and on the value of the s-case itself. On these thorny issues, see especially Adiego 2007: 283–284 and Melchert 2021: 111–112.

18 Nominative Μανδουβιρος in LGPN 5b. But in view of the other occurrences in the region, one would rather expect a final -ας.
After refuting the existence of a *DUbr- stem in Carian, Valério (2015: 335–338) offered an alternative account. He suggested that the alleged stem *νδοβηρα-νδοβηρα- and its variants should be interpreted as a reflection of Lyc. *ñtuweriha-, which is inferred from the hapax ñtuweriha, found on one of the faces of the Xanthos Pillar (TL 44b.57): se=dewē : zxxaza : se ñtuweriha : ade “he made a gift to the fighters and ñt.”. The Lycian term is analysed as an adjective derived from a substantive *ñtuweri-, which consists of the prefix ñte- “in, within” and *weri- “help” (cf. Hitt. war- “to help”, HLuw. /warriya-), with e > u in contact with w. This etymology finds support in the Hittite expression anda warišša- “to come to one’s aid”. The concept of “assistance, help” (vel sim.) that emerges from this etymology fits well the context of the aforementioned Lycian passage and would not be unjustified in theophoric personal names such as Εμμενυνεμις/Εμμεννυνεμις, interpreted as possessive compounds “Who has the assistance of X”, where X represents a theonym like the Moon-god Arma. Without disputing the meaning of the Lycian lexeme, the details of its formation are of major importance for the present purpose. Ñtuweriha is an action noun derived from the verb *ñtuweriha-, which is structurally comparable to Hitt. (anda) warišša- (Sasseville 2023; contra Neumann 2007: 253–254): on this basis, it would be necessary to reconstruct ñtuweriha-(Lyc. A), *ñtuwerisa-(Lyc. B), or even *ñtuwarisa-(PLyc.) stems, which can hardly be aligned to the onomastic stem. Additionally, a significant phonetic challenge arises: the glide [w] is never rendered by a (β) in Greek onomastics, but rather surfaces as (v), as in Τάρκυμ-βιγρεμις and Τεωνάς-, or as a hiatus after u, as in Χωνατα-→ Κοστα (Réveilhac 2018: 360–361; Adiego 2020b: 51). Despite early fricativisation of Anatolian Greek [b] into [β] and then [v], potentially necessary to reconstruct ñtuweriha- would exclusively display a (β). As a result, the association between the alleged stem *νδοβηρα-νδοβηρα- etc. and Lyc. ñtuweriha- must be dismissed.

To elucidate these personal names, a more economical explanation might be proposed, suggesting their incorporation into the group of compounds having *tubar(i)- as their second member. In this scenario, the initial dental may have undergone voicing assimilation following the final nasal of the first member, a phenomenon observed, e.g., in Ταρκυμ-βιγρεμις and Πον(i)-βιγρεμις vs. Πιγραμις. Let us begin by interpreting the simpler compounds:

- Εμμα-δβερις/Εμμα-δβερις ← /Arman(t)-/ (Moon-god), thus a variant of Εμμα-τοβορις;
- Ταρκυμ-δβερις ← /Tarhun(t)-/ (Storm-god), with syncope of the initial vowel in the second member (as seen in Ρονδβερις below);
- Ρον-δβερις/Ρον-δβερις ← /Run(ta)-/ (Protective Stag-god).

The devil’s advocate could argue that the proposed segmentation in these theophoric compounds is unverifiable, given that all three theonymic stems end in -nt-. The case of Περπεννυνεμις might be, however, less ambiguous, if the first member indeed reflects Lyc. (A and B) perepní “further(more)” (perhaps to be understood as divine epithet), as in Περπεννυνεμις (vis-à-vis Νίνεις ← nènê/-i-) and Περπεννυνεμις (vis-à-vis Ονέμις).

This hypothesis could also shed light on the formation of other anthroponymic compounds, although the identification of their first member is not always straightforward. As for

19 See already the embarrassment of Schürr (2013: 28) to account for the formation of several Carian names.
20 This was the analysis adopted in Réveilhac 2018: 490–491. Compare with the numerous Anatolian compounds of the type X-μωω- “Who has the might of X” (Houwink ten Cate 1961: 166–169; Laroche 1966: 322–324; Melchert 2013: 33–34).
21 The Cilician data in -ας suggest that *tubara- replaced *tubar(i)- in Cilicia.
22 Another possibility, suggested to me by Ilya Yakubovich, would be to see in the first member the cognate of Car. armon “interpreter”, then perhaps used as a divine epithet.
Mīndūṁiḥar and its likely variant Mανdūbāṁar, the first member can receive two interpretations. One interpretation would be to regard Mνv- and Mαv- as variants of Mηn-, reflecting the name of the Moon-god Men, with one variant displaying iotaism — a common feature in the imperial period in Anatolia — and the other retaining the older vocalism (Sittig 1911: 153–155; Masson 1990: 327–328). The worship of Men is well-documented in certain Anatolian regions, particularly in Roman Pisidia, where Mīndūṁiḥar24 is attested. If this interpretation holds, Mīndūṁiḥar/Mανdūbāṁar could stem from a secondary adaptation of the group of Ἀκματοβῶρας/Ἀκμανδοβῶρας/Εκμανδὺβερις, substituting Men’s name for that of Arma, which is also a Moon-god. An alternate analysis would be to see the first member as a *mŅn- element, supported by other anthroponyms: Lyc. Mηn[-i]‑, Mενδις (LGPN 5b; Lycia, Olympus, 3rd c. AD)25, Mενδης (see KPN § 920)26, Mενδεσις (LGPN 5b; Cilicia, Kestros, 1st-2nd c. AD), or Mννόιων (LGPN 5b; Milyas, Soklai, 4th-5th c. AD). The stem of these names may be tentatively related to Lyc. miñtε(i)‑ (cf. Gk. μινδις, μενδιτής), denoting a local authority sometimes linked to deities (cf. mahāi miñtehi “of the gods of the miñte/i”– TL 58.5), or alternatively to Lyc. mēte‑ “damage, harm” (cf. Hitt.-Luw. mantalla/i— “poisonous, slanderous”, Lyd. mētr(i)-/mētl(i)- “harm”).

The first element of Ξανδυβερας and Ξανδοβηρας has been associated by Neumann (2007: 144–145) with Lyc. Λαξξάτα‑ (TL 44d, 44), potentially underlying the Greek name of the city of Ξανδας (otherwise called arīna‑ in Lycian A), although this remains uncertain. The same stem appears in the Pamphylian anthroponym Ξανδαροιζας (LGPN 5c; Kibyra Mikra, imp.), which can be segmented as Ξανδα‑φοιζας thanks to the comparison with Ρουζας (Cilicia)/Πουζος (Lycia)/Πουζις (Pisidia).27 Based on this, it is tempting to place the morpheme boundary between Ξαν‑, on the one hand, and‑φοιζας, on the other. However, factoring in Ἕρμαν‑/δυβερις/Ἐρμαν‑/δοβερις vis‑à‑vis Ἕρμανδας, Τακκυν‑/δεβερας vis‑à‑vis Τακκυνδας, and Ρων‑/δεβερας/Ρων‑/δεβερας vis‑à‑vis Ρωνδας, it is conceivable that the first element in Ξαν‑/δυβερις/Ξαν‑/δοβερις vis‑à‑vis Ξανδα‑φοιζας shows variation */ksanta‑/–/*ksanta‑. This stem might tentively correspond to HLuw. /hasa‑ “abundance”: it would reflect a derived possessive adjective *has‑ant(i)‑ “having abundance”, to be linked to the Palaic adjective hašāwant‑, used as a divine epithet of the Hattian deity Kamama (van Gessel 1998: 216),28 who belongs to the group of the protective 4KAL deities (Laroche 1973: 85–86). Also belonging to the 4KAL group, the Luwian god Runtiya is also presumably hidden behind Ρουζας: in the compound Ξανδα‑φοιζας, the Luwian protective deity too appears to be associated with abundance.

The names from Cilicia Ἰνδοβαρας and Ἰνδοβηρας contain a first element that can be linked to several simple names from the same region, namely Ἰνδας, Ἰνδης, or even Ἰνδους (see LGPN 5b: 213–214). These names have a root that resembles the Luwian adjective ina‑ “below”.29 This adverb is known in Cuneiform Luwian as an epithet of the Sun-god Tiwad, invoked in association with his celestial counterpart [sarr]i Tiwat‑, meaning “Tiwad above”.

23 See also the Pamphylian onomastic element Μεηνα‑, Μηνα‑ representing the name of Men (Brixhe 1976: 29 and 136).
24 On the cult of Men in Pisidia, see especially Labarre 2010. Note that the divine name may have been converted into a personal name in Pisidian, as indicated by several attestations of Μην‑ in the Pisidian corpus.
25 Despite the doubts expressed by Zgusta (KPN: 317, fn. 219), there is no need to resort to a Thracian interpretation of this name (as a variant of the well-known Brvdić).
26 Procopius of Caesarea, De bellis, 7.36.26, as the name of an Isaurian.
27 Perhaps Ξανδας, attested in an Athenian inscription (IG II² 7926, 2nd c. BCE) as the name of a Galatian from Ancyra, should also be added, but this remains uncertain (KPN § 1060).
28 See Sasseville 2022, for a discussion about the Palaic word, with references.
29 I thank Ilya Yakubovich, who suggested this connection.
(KUB 32.10+ obv. 12'; Yakubovich and Mouton 2023, vol. 1: 209). This duality between a solar deity “above” and a solar deity “below” is likely explained in KBo 29.3+ ii 25–26, where the Sun-god (of Heaven) is associated with the living, while the Sun-goddess of the Earth is associated with the dead (Mouton 2023: 128). The root InterruptedException- likely reflects the epithet “below”, which has replaced the divine onomastic sequence /inda Tiwada/. Therefore, InterruptedException/InterruptException/ is based on a formula meaning “(Tiwad) Below InterruptedException-”.

In the case of InterruptedException, one has to assume the disappearance of the preconsonantal nasal that triggered the voicing of [t] into [d]. Such an evolution is well documented, particularly in Greek adaptations of Anatolian names, such as InterruptedException vis-à-vis InterruptedException/InterruptedException (cf. Lyc. B xītaba-). The plausible first element of this compound might be traced in the name InterruptedException (Lycia), which may in turn result from the anthroponymic conversion of *z(e)n̥m̃n̥t(i) - < *zarmaant(i) -. As per Neumann (1976: 139–141), such a form could be based on the lexeme *zarma- < zalma- “protection”, identified in the Cilician names Τροκο-imonial, Πω-imonial and Ια-imonial (cf. Luwian personal names of the type /Tarhu-zalma-). *Z(e)n̥m̃n̥t(i) - might therefore represent a possessive adjective in -nt(i) - meaning “having protection”, unless it is the former participle of a verbal stem. In the latter scenario, considering the close association between the element *zarma- and divine names, *Z(e)n̥m̃n̥t(i) - might correspond to a divine epithet meaning “protecting”.

Carian documents also provide two names of more ambiguous interpretation: InterruptedException- and InterruptedException- (if this interpretation is favored over that of a stem InterruptedException-). Where the grapheme (InterruptedException) indicates the biphonemic sequence /nd/, like in the Storm-god’s name Trqδ/Trqδe (cf. Luw. /Tarhunt/-, Lyc. A Trqγ̃it-; see Adiego 2020a: 105). InterruptedException- might potentially be a compound with the name of the War-god Sanda, widespread in southern Anatolia, as first element. A specific relative chronology of sound changes is, however, required to justify the initial fricative [s] and the vocalism of the first member: */sanda tubari(i)-/ “Sanda  InterruptedException-” > */Sn̥t(InterruptedException) tubr̥- (syncope and apocope) > */Sn̥t(InterruptedException) dubr̥- (palatalization of the sibilant) > */Sn̥ndubr̥- / [Sn̥ndubr-] > /Sondubr- spelled InterruptedException-. The final stage would correspond to the phonologisation of the “excrecent” vowel derived from the syllabic nasal, a process recently highlighted by Adiego (2020a: 115–118), elucidating variants such as InterruptedException/InterruptedException (Schürr 2013: 28). The latter is documented on various votive stelae from Central Lycia, indicating one.

30 Pace Valério (2015: 335), who regards the pair InterruptedException/InterruptedException as a hint that there was a stem InterruptedException, possibly extended into InterruptedException, without however succeeding in offering a comprehensive explanation. Adiego (2019b: 147, fn. 2) prefers not to include the name InterruptedException in his study of names in -zarma-, -sarma-, -imonial.

31 The meaning of zalma- is inferred from the graphic alternation attested for the personal name lyarrazalma-/ lyarra-PAP- (Laroche 1966: nos. 430 and 433), since the sumerogram PAP/PAB is used in Hittite texts as the equivalent of pali- “to protect”.

32 Nevertheless, Adiego (2019b: 157–159) prefers to remain cautious about the origin of the stem -imonial, which could also reflect the Luwian contracted variant Sarma- of the divine name Sarruma-, following the analysis of Houwink ten Cate 1961: 134–136.

33 Indeed, it cannot be ruled out that the element zalma- is verbal, in which case all the names X-zalma- with X = divine name would be Satznamen meaning “X, protect (him)!”. Such an explanation would then shed light on forms such as HLuw. /Tarhu-zalma-/, Τροκο-imonial, or Πω-imonial, whose first element would correspond to the vocatives /Tarhu(n)/ and /Ru(n)/ (see Adiego 2022: 81–82).

34 Cf. fn. 17 above.

35 On the place of this divine name in southern Anatolian onomastics, see Houwink ten Cate 1961: 136–137.

or several places of worship dedicated to this deity. It has been suggested elsewhere (Réveilhac forthcoming c) that the divine name Σομενδις/Σουμενδις should be seen as an ancient epiclesis corresponding to CLuw. zamman(i)-/zammanat(i)-, also used as a Glossenkeilwort in Hittite contexts. Literally meaning “having the zam(ma)n-”, this adjective, mostly employed in ritual contexts, could convey the active meaning of “damaging” or the passive meaning of “damaged”, both possibly referring to the supernatural impact on the patient in purification rituals. The name Σεμενδής likely denotes a possessive derivative in *-assali-, implying “Belonging to Soumendis / the zamman(i)- deity”, 37 while Smδyb- might reflect the sequence *Zamman(i)- tubar(i)-.

Nevertheless, it is essential to exercise caution in the last two cases. If a second member *y/ýbr- is acknowledged in Car. Dybr- (see Section 2 above), then it could also potentially be found in Šoðubr- and Smδyb-. These two names, therefore, remain equivocal, although, as noted earlier, the prevalence of compounds with upp/theta as the first member makes the interpretation with *tubar(i)- more plausible in my perspective.

Moreover, the voicing of [t] into [d] extends beyond the position after [n(d)] and likely encompasses the position after [r], as observed in Lycian, evident in examples like Natr-bbijêmei-(→ Апоплл-дотос) compared to Mahane-π[ɛ][e]mei- → Μανα-τιμ[ι]ς and pijē- “to give” (Réveilhac 2021: 566). This pattern appears in variants of the same name, as depicted in Table 3 below.

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<th>Egypt (Carian)</th>
<th>Ardybr-</th>
<th>Memphis</th>
<th>7th–5th c. BCE</th>
<th>E.Me 52; Adiego 2007: 72</th>
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<tr>
<td>Caria (Greek)</td>
<td>Αρδύβερος</td>
<td>Halicarnassus</td>
<td>5th–4th c. BCE</td>
<td>SEG 43: 713C.2; 9; 36</td>
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Table 3. Two variants of a personal name in *r-dybVrali-

In the Carian name Ardybr- → Αρδύβερος, the first member can also be found in A[ɾ]bikarm- vis-à-vis Pik(α)rm-. This element is ambiguous and might correspond to: 1) an adverbial element meaning “high” (cf. Luw. /aru-); 38 2) the Carian appellative eri- “companion” and Lycian *eri- “id. (?)” (cf. Hitt. arā-); 39 3) a divine name, reflecting Ἄραλι- found in the Hittite documentation (KBo 52.56 ii 14; cf. van Gessel 1998: 45).

4. The stem *tubar(i)- as first member in compounds

Houwink ten Cate (1961: 159) proposed an interpretation of Τβερασητας, Τβερημωσις, Ρωνδβερρας, and Ταρκυνδβερρας, presenting them as compound names containing an element akin to Luw. *tapara- “ruler”. Nevertheless, Valério (2015: 342) rightfully dismissed this interpretation, based on the comparison with Luw. *uppara- which became O(υ)παρα- in Hellenistic forms, implying that one would expect *tupara- > **TVβα- . Valério suggested viewing the first member of Τβερασητας and Τβερημωσις as a reflection of a Proto-Anatolian element

37 Like in the Lyc. B personal name Masusali- “Belonging to the god(s)”.
38 See also Houwink ten Cate (1961: 172–173), where the adverbial element eri(i)- is identified in several names, although some of them actually display another adverbial element, hri, such as Αρμοας/Ερμοας, reflecting ὶρνουε- and having Σεμενδης as a Lycian B avatar (Réveilhac 2018: 486).
39 For the Carian form, see Simon 2016–2017. The Lycian *eri-, which is not assured, could be the second member of a possible compound tiderel- “lacteal”, with in the first member *tilde- “teat” (see Melchert 2004: 66; and Neumann 2007: 360–361, with discussion and references). Adiego (2022: 83) suggests interpreting the Cilician names Ταρκυνας and Τροκαρος as Satznamen reflecting a clause with a vocative *Tarhu, aris “Tarhunt, (be) his comrade”, but it could also be *Tarhu, ar “Tarhunt, raise (him)!”. 4
*Tubar(i):* a divine epithet reflected in Luwic onomastics

*d(ω)warā- “long-lasting” (< PIE * dweh₂-ró- “long”) or a Luwian adjective *tuwala- (cf. Hitt. tuwala- “distant”) > *t(u)warā- (Valério 2015: 344–345). While this proposal is ingenious, its foundation is tenuous due to the absence of additional lexical or anthroponymic data. Moreover, the semantic aspect is not as apparent as suggested by the author. The proposed translations “Man of long-lasting might” and “Long-lasting man” for Τβερημωσίς and Τβηρασητάς respectively are not conclusive, since compounds with a second member ᾰμωσίς- and ᾰασητάς are usually theophoric, which suggests the need for a divine element (name or epithet) as the first element.

The association of two Carian forms with this small group of names from Cilicia, Tbridbō-in Memphis (E.Me 42, 2; Adiego 2007: 66), and *Toβορόρας (gen. Toβοροροδ) from a Greek inscription in Halicarnassus (5th–4th c. BCE), suggests that the stem *tubar(i)- might serve as the first member of a compound. Although the integration of the first is provisional until the second virtual member is positively identified, *Toβορορος can be interpreted as derived from *Tubur-urali- meaning “Great(est) tubar(i)-” vel sim. This formation finds parallels, indicating the plausibility of the stem *tubar(i)- serving as a first member of a compound.

If one assumes a syncope of the vowel in the first syllable of the stem, as observed in Ἐγγυο-τβης, Ρων-δβερρας (next to Ρων-δοβέρρας), and Pis. Τ[β]έβορα- (see Section 2 above), then the stem Τβαρα-/Τβερη-/Τβαρα- documented in Cilicia (and possibly in Car. Tbr°) might be a variant of tubari(-). This phenomenon, quite widespread in names from Cilicia (as seen in Ρων-δβερρας), could either be a pan-Luwian or a regional (post-Luwian) feature. Consequently, the interpretation of these anthroponyms could be as follows:

- Τβαρα-μοτάς < */Tubara-muwaratta- “Tubari(-) (of) Conquest” or “Having the Might of tubari(-)” (cf. HLuw. /muwatta-);
- Τβερη-μωσίς < */Tubara-muwassa/i- “Mighty tubari(-)” or “Tubari(-) of Might” (cf. HLuw. /muwassa/i-);
- Τβερα-ασητάς < */Tubara-assatta-/ “Tubari(-) (of) Peace” or “Having the peace of Tubari(-)” (Luw. in Hittite transmission *aššatta).46

5. Synthesis on the compounds with *tubar(i)-

So far, I have endeavoured to demonstrate the existence of the stem *tubar(i)- in southern Anatolian onomastics. This stem, which has sometimes undergone phonetic variations, clearly appears in compounds as a second member after a first member ending in a vowel (e.g. Ἐγμα-

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40 The first hypothesis is suggested with caution, however, since “no direct descendant of P.-Anat. *dwarā- is attested among the Anatolian languages”.

41 Contrary to what has long been claimed, names in ᾰητάς do not correspond to Luwian compounds in *βαζ(ι)-/; but are actually in ᾰητάς. See fn. 46 below.

42 Better than *Toβορορος (SEG 43.713A; cf. LGPN 5b).

43 The second member could be related to the Lycian place-name Idebessos (Ιδβήσσος, Ιδβησσος, Ίδβησσος; see KON § 361).

44 Cf. Lyc. Χατάβουρε- → Κενίβουρα/Κενίβουρα/Κενβουρα. See Section 3 above.

45 For syncope in the languages of the Luwic subgroup, see Melchert 1994: 275–276 (Luwian, more limited than Lycian) and 318–321 (Lycian); Hajnal 1995: 175–188 (Lycian); Adiego 2007: 241–242 (Carian).

46 Contra Houwink ten Cate (1961:171–172), the names in ᾰητάς (Cilicia) or ᾰατάς (Pisidia) from Greek sources cannot correspond to Luwian compounds with *βαζ(ι)- “man” as second members for phonetic reasons (nature of the dental, vocalism of the stem). On this crucial issue, see now Réveilhac forthc. b, where a segmentation ᾰητάς/ (*.ασητάς) is proposed, and this element is analysed as the abstract noun “peace” (Luw. *aššatta-, Lyc. B asata-, Lyc. A ἀδατά-) used as a divine attribute.
τοβορις). I have argued that this same stem displays an allomorph with initial \[d\] when it comes after a first member ending in \[n\] (e.g. Ερμαν-δοβερις/Ερμαν-δυβερις) or \[r\] (e.g. Ar- dybyr-/Αρ-δυβερος). I have also suggested identifying *tubar(i)- as the first member of (rarer) compounds, in full form in Τοβορ-ορας (Caria), but with syncope in a few Cilician names (e.g. Τβαρα-μοτας). If one accepts this argumentation, it is possible to make use combinatorial analysis in order to interpret the meaning of the stem under discussion. Below one finds a summary of the compounds with *tubar(i)-, ordered according to the associated stem type.

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<td>Ida-</td>
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Table 4. Type 1, X-tubar(i)-, where X = divine name → “(Deity) tubar(i)-”

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<td>CLuw. paratt(a)-</td>
<td>Substantive: “impurity”</td>
<td>Παρατασα /παρατασσα/</td>
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<td>Σμδυβρ-</td>
<td>CLuw. zammant(i)-</td>
<td>Adjective: “damaging; damaged”</td>
<td>Divine name</td>
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Table 6. Type 3, *tubar(i)-X, where X = divine epithet → “([Deity +] divine epithet) tubar(i)-” (same as Type 2) or “[Deity+] *tubar(i)- (divine epithet)”

It quickly emerges that this stem is associated with various theonyms, but also with other lexemes belonging to different grammatical classes (nouns, adjectives or adverbs, when their identification is assured), used as likely divine epithets. On this basis, two hypotheses are conceivable:47

1) *Tubar(i)- is a theonym, as compounds of types 2 and 3 seem to suggest, and Τούβερις, indirectly attested as the name of a local hero or deity in Lycia, would reflect this theonym. In this case, type 1 compounds (theonym + *tubar(i)-) would be dvandvas combining two divine names, in line with what we already find in Anatolian onomastics:48 in cuneiform sources, e.g. *ŠIN-šU (Laroche 1966: no. 138) “Moon-god (and) Storm-god”; in Hieroglyphic Luwian, e.g. /Sanda-†tiwad(i)-/ (TÜNP 1.1; Hawkins 2000: 155) “War-god (and) Sun-god”; and in alphabetical documentation, e.g. Αρμαρωςας (LGPN 5b), “Moon-god (and) Protective Stag-god”. However, apart from Stephanus of Byzantium’s late and indirect attestation, there is no other testimony of this word as a theonym in the various corpora, suggesting rather a secondary use as a divine name. Furthermore, the only avatar of this stem in the lexicon of a Luwic language, that is Lyc. *tuburiz, is in all likelihood an appellative used in the plural (see Section 7 below).

2) *Tubar(i)- is originally a divine epithet, associated with various deities in compounds of type 1. In type 2, therefore, the divine epithet used as first element would be a hypostasis, i.e., it would replace a divine onomastic sequence theonym + epithet. A similar process is frequently attested elsewhere, cf. *pihašasă/i- “luminous; (subst.) lightning”, first used as a characteristic of the Storm-god (van Gessel 1998: 791) before constituting a hypostasis (e.g. *pihašasă-muwa- “Having the Might of [the Storm-god of] Lightning”) or Lyc. *xttbile/i- “destroyer” (cf. *xtta(i)- “to harm, to damage”), associated with the Moon-god in anthroponymic compounds (e.g. *Εφιμε-κτιβελις/Εφιμα-κτιβελος/Εφιμα-κτυβελις), to finally replace the whole divine onomastic formula in the personal name Κτιβίλας “(Moon-god) The Destroyer” (Adiego 2022: 84-86). In type 3, finally, the elements are reversed in relation to type 2, since *tubar(i)- is used as first member, in association with another epithet: either the meaning of such a compound is equivalent

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47 The claim that the stem tubar(i)- refers to a deity finds independent support in the fact that it serves as the base for the place name Tyberissos, according to a mode of formation that finds parallels in Anatolia: see Réveilhac forthcoming.

48 On these personal names, see in particular Laroche 1966: 282; Zehnder 2010: 58–59; Melchert 2013: 36; Yakubovich 2013: 103–104.
to type 2 or, which seems more likely to me, *tubar(i)- is to be interpreted here as a hypostasis and stands in for a formula theonym + *tubar(i)-. This would then constitute the intermediate stage between its use as an epithet and its use as a divine name, which is attested later in Lycia in the form Τούβερις.

6. A warlike epithet?

The only attestation of the stem under discussion in the lexicon comes from Lycian B, in the form tuburiz, unfortunately mentioned in passages that are far from clear. As a result, it is necessary first to consider the semantics of the anthroponymic compounds listed in the previous section before attempting an etymological analysis of *tubar(i)-.

The association of *tubar(i)- with elements of such diverse nature suggests that it must not be a specific divine epithet: the underlying lexeme rather represents some kind of generic divine title or designates a quality compatible with different deities. In this respect, the previously listed names can be compared with the numerous Luwian and Lycian compounds having nan(n)(i)- “lord, leader” as second member, particularly as several of these compounds have an identical first member: Ερμα‑τοβορις/Ερμαν‑δοβερις/Ερμαν‑δυβερις vs. Hier. /Arma‑nan(n)(i)/, Lyc. Ernemeneli‑ → Ερμε‑νηνις etc.; Τακκυν‑δβερις vs. Cun. ᵃᵐU‑ŠEŠ, Hier. TONITRUS‑FRATER/ /Tarhu(nta)‑nan(n)(i)/; Περπε‑δυβερις vs. Περπε‑νηνις (← Lyc. *Perepñ‑nēn/i‑).

In order to precisely define the meaning to *tubar(i)‑, it is beneficial to compare it with the matching lexical items and attempt a morphological analysis. The relevance of a Luwic lexical group containing the seme [STRIKE] becomes immediately apparent:

- HLuw. /tub(a)‑/ “to strike down”; /tub(a)i‑/ “to strike repeatedly”; /tubas‑/ or /tubassa‑/ “battle”;
- CLuw. dūpi‑/dūpai‑ “to strike, touch, punish”;
- Lyc. A and B tub(e)i‑ “to strike down”; tube‑ “attack, battle (?)”.

These words, which are based on a Proto-Anatolian stem going back to the PIE root *(s)teup‑ “to strike”, reflect two types of semantic development (see Sasseville et al. 2023):

1) [STRIKE] > [PUNISH; DESTROY]. This semantic value is attested in Luwian and Lycian in the context of curse formulae to designate the divine punishment to which any desecrator is exposed. Thus, in Hieroglyphic Luwian:

KULULU 5 (= Hawkins 2000, p. 485–486):

§ 4 za‑ti‑za‑pa DOMUS‑na‑zá kwali‑sá a‑ra/i‑na CUM‑ni i‑zi‑i‑ri+i

[…]  
§ 8 wali‑tu‑ta za‑zi DEUS‑ni‑zi wali‑la “PES”‑tu

§ 9 wali‑na tu‑pa‑tu

§ 10 wali‑tu‑u [a‑la/i‑ma‑za ARHA] DELERE‑nû‑tu‑u

“(he) who will cause ARA(NA) to these houses, [...] for him may these gods come mortally! Let them strike him down, let them destroy his name…”

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49 On this noun, see the discussion in Oreshko 2014. Contra Réveilhac (2018: 479–480), the translation by “lord, leader” on the basis of the connection with CLuw. nana‑ “to lead” (compare Latin dux) seems now plausible to me. It is also implicitly adopted in Adiego (2019b: 158). Nevertheless, the precise connection between this noun and the name of the “brother” poses a challenging issue that cannot be addressed within the scope of this present paper.
In this passage, the formula *wa/i-na tu-pa-tu /w=an tubantu/ “let them strike him” is integrated into a network of divine threats. Similar formulae can also be found in Lycian epitaphs. Here are a few examples:

TL 72.2+3-4 (bilingual):
*mêne mahâi : tubēti : nele[z[i]
“the gods of the agora will destroy him”
oi θεοι | ἄπολεσεναυ : oi ἄγορασσαι
“may the gods of the agora destroy (him)”

TL 80.3-4 :
mêne | [Trq]as tubidi se Malija hriyuwama
“Trqqnt and Malia the Supervisor will destroy him”

TL 93.3 :
mêne Trqas tubidi se mûhâi huwèdri :
“Trqqnt and all the gods will destroy him”

2) [STRIKE] > [ATTACK; FIGHT]. This meaning is admittedly less certain than the previous one, since it is generally inferred from the warlike context for both Lyc. A *tube-* (TL 29.10; TL 44b.56) and HLuw. *tû-pa-sao-ti /tubas(s)adi/, which is a hapax:

TOPADA § 17-18 (= Hawkins 2000: 451-461) :
\[\text{wal}⁰-i-mî-sa] × DOMINUS-mî-sa (DEUS)TONITRUS-zîl/a-sa8 (DEUS)SARMA-sa0 (DEUS)L198-sa0 (DEUS)BOS.L206.PANIS-sa0-8 PRAE-na L179-i-a-ta, \[\text{wal}⁰-i-mî-ta, tû-pa-sa0-ti \text{wal}⁰-sû-ha
“my lord Tarhunt, Sarruma, Ea and (god) X ran before me, and I succeeded by battle”

The form of the noun here is ambiguous, since it could theoretically correspond to a neutral stem /tubas/- derived from the verb or to an adjective /tubassa/i/- derived from of a PANat. stem *tub(a)- “strike, attack”.

To this little dossier one can add Toubāsosioç, a Carian divine name of Greek transmission, which could originally be an epithet equivalent to the Luwian form. If the latter is indeed to be assigned to the stem /tubassa/i/-, as argued in Simon 2016, who believes that Toubāsosioç can be interpreted as “(God) of Smiting” or “(God) of Fighting”. A similar semantic ambiguity exists for a related Luwian term known from Hittite sources, namely the abstract *dupattar-(gen. adj. acc. dupattamaššin), only used as an epithet of the Storm-god: does the epithet designate a god who strikes with lightning, one who fights, or even one who protects from smiting? All are theoretically possible. Indeed, on the one hand, the *Annals of Muršili II* relate how the Storm-god defeated the king’s enemy by striking the land of Arzawa with his lightning; on the other, it is common for gods to assist their protégé in battle. This applies not only to the Storm-god, but to all protective deities, as is shown clearly in the *Annals of Hattušili I,*

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51 See the full discussion, with references, in Simon 2022b.

where the Sun-goddess of Arinna is reported to have “run before” (p[el]ran ḫuwaša) the king on the battlefield, thus ensuring the surrender of the enemies. The common motif of the deity “running before” on the battlefield is also found in the hieroglyphic Luwian inscription from TOPADA mentioned above.

In the case of tubar(i)-, the semantics of the stem *tub(i)- is also ambiguous, but can possibly be clarified by its formation. There are two possibilities:

1) either an adjectival derivation in -rali- <*ro- on a reconstructed stem *tub- “strike” or “battle”, but this type of nominal formation seems unproductive in the synchrony of the Anatolian languages, although it does exist;

2) or a compound *tub-ar(i)- “companion of tuba”-, with the second member *ar(i)-, virtual Luwian equivalent of Hitt. ara- c. “friend, companion”. Such a formation would then be comparable to Lyc. A tidere/i- “collacteus/-a, foster brother/sister”, whith *tide- “teat, breast” (cf. Hitt. tēta(n)-, CLuw. ťita/n- < PIE *dēh₁-; “to suckle”) as first member. For such a compound, the meaning “battle, fight” is then much more relevant than “strike”, so *tub-ar(i)- would designate the “battle companion, ally (σύμμαχος), comrade-in-arms”.

From a semantic perspective, this second hypothesis sheds light on the numerous uses of the epiclesis alongside various deities, each representing distinct entities tasked with accompanying a protégé in warfare. It has been observed that the intercession of tutelary deities is mentioned several times in Hittite and Luwian texts. This suggests that anthropomimic compounds containing *tubar(i)- resonate with this divine function, encompassing both a martial and protective role.

A typological parallel is possible with the Greek texts, where warlike epicleses are not exclusive to Athena or Ares, as illustrated by some inscriptions. For example, the votive inscription from the Cyrenaean Paniskos I.Pan du desert: 3 (Wadi Bir el-Aîn, Egypt, Ptolemaic period) displays a coherent network of warlike epicleses applied to several deities (Mother of Gods, Ares, Zeus, and Pan), who are asked by the dedicatar to take part in the military expedition he is about to lead (see Bonnet & Galoppin 2021: 7–11).

It is not rare to find military or political titles used as divine epithets in Anatolian and Near Eastern languages. In some instances, these titles even replaced the original theonym. The transformation of the epithet tubar(i)- into a divine name is suggested by anthropomorphic compounds of type 3 (as discussed in section 5 above), where the stem is used as the first

[53] CTH 4.II : LUGAL.GAL Tabarnaš NARĀM °UTU URRU Arinna nu=me=su=kàn a[nda ginsaša=ša][š hališiš]ra’ nu=mu kešša[tša harte]’ n=š=mu ME-ya p[el]ran ḫuwaša nu INA URRU Ninašša ME-ya pašša nu=mu mabšan LI[N]MEŠ URRU Ni- našša menahšanda aue ra (KÂ.GAL,) EGIS-pa heššir (KBo 10.2 i 27–32; Imparati 1965: 46–47; Melchert 1978: 8–9)

“The Great King, the Tabarna, beloved of the Sun-goddess of Arinna — she placed him on her lap — she took me by the hand and ran before me in battle. In the city of Ninašša I went to battle, and when the men of Ninašša saw me facing them, they reopened the city gates.”

[54] Note the possible existence of a *ro- derivation in the Hittite hapax stupram (c/n. acc.) “Herzklöpfen (?)” (Oettinger 2001: 461, fn. 15), which could reflect a primary PIE derivation *(s)to-ro- “striking” (cf. lat. stuprum “disgrace, violation etc.”).

[55] A similar analysis is cautiously proposed by Billing 2023 for the Lyc. A hapax tuweri (TL 84.5), whose meaning is unclear. According to the author of the eDiAna entry — and quite convincingly, in my opinion — it could be a compound *tuw-eri- litt. “companion of the offering” (cf. Lyc. B tuweri- “offering” and *eri- “companion”, perhaps in tidere/i-)

[56] The reader can find a survey of well-known examples (such as Bel “Lord” first associated with the Babylonian god Marduk, before he became the object of a specific cult until Late Antiquity) in Yakubovich 2021: 239–240, which also convincingly suggests that the theonym Eunašša constitutes a borrowing from a Lydian epiclesis Eunušša- to be reconciled with the Hittite (probably borrowed from Luwian) annau/annali- “co-ranked, peer, colleague”.

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member along with a divine epithet. Additionally, indirect evidence for this evolution comes from the mention of Τούβερις as a local hero or deity in Lycia by Stephanus of Byzantium.

7. Lyc. B tuburiz

In the Lycian B lexicon, a direct reflection of *tubar(i)‑ is evidenced by the term tuburiz, occurring three times in the poem from the Xanthos Pillar (TL 44c.53; c.57; d.31–32), engraved on the funerary monument of a ruler of Xanthos (TL 44c.32–d.71). This text, flanked by a lengthy Lycian A inscription (TL 44b.1–c.19) and a Greek epigram (TL 44c.20–31), remains the most cryptic one among the three inscriptions due to the scarce attestation of Lycian B: beyond it, only one other text, the poem of Antiphellos (TL 55), is known in this language. Despite multiple studies dedicated to TL 44c.32–d.71, the precise content of this text remains ambiguous, making it unrealistic to use it alone as definitive evidence for the proposed hypothesis. However, it is crucial to ensure that the context in which tuburiz appears is compatible with the proposed meaning.

Prior research has primarily associated tuburiz with the toponym Tubureheli‑/Τυβεριας‑, with limited advance beyond this link, as noted in Neumann 2007: 385. Among recent contributions, there exist two conflicting interpretations. Schürr (2016: 174, 190–191), inspired by a suggestion by Zimmermann (2003: 293), draws a parallel between the poetic formula trn̂miliz : tbipl : trplẽ : tuburiz (TL 44c.51–52) and the relationship between the mythical figures Τούβερις and Τερμερις indirectly reported by Stephanus of Byzantium. This connection leads Schürr to conclude that tubur(i)‑ refers to Tyberissos as an ethnonym. Nevertheless, the association between trn̂miliz and Τερμερις, forming the basis of this parallel, is approximate and, thus, fragile.

Offering an alternative perspective, Sasseville 2021 proposes to identify a lexical network in the poem associated with offerings made by the ruler to appease enraged deities. By considering context and etymological parallels, Sasseville suggests three offerings: waxssa‑“bread” (cf. Hitt. NINDAwageššar “bread bites”), mur(i)‑ “bunch” (cf. Hitt. muri‑ “bunch, grape”) and tubur(i)‑ “vine” (cf. HLuw. /tuwaris‑/ “vineyard”). While this proposal provides a comprehensive and coherent interpretation supported by etymology, it remains challenging in a context where circular arguments can arise. The analysis leans heavily on the assumption that waxssa‑ designates the “bread”, which is contentious and, in my opinion, highly uncertain. Additionally, the link between tubur(i)‑ and HLuw. /tuwaris(a)‑ is, in my view, phonologically unacceptable (see fn. 14 above). Overall, the interpretation remains open to alternative viewpoints.

Addressing all the issues raised by this text is unfeasible at the present stage. Instead, it is possible to offer a few hypotheses regarding the occurrences of tuburiz. As observed, the Xanthos poem is part of a coherent text group lauding the military deeds and piety of a ruler, likely Gergis-Xeriga. Notably, the Greek epigram connects the king’s achievements closely with the divine world, attributing his conquests to Athena “destroyer of cities”, acknowledging divine rewards, offering numerous tributes to Zeus, and culminating with the erection of a stele in dedication to the Twelve Gods. The Lycian A section also implies a votive inscription, mentioning several identifiable deities. One can make an educated guess that the Lycian B poem

57 Apud Neumann, ibid., V. Ševoroškin points out to the similarity of tubur(i)‑ with the supposed second member of anthroponyms of Greek transmission such as Αρδυβερις, Ερματοβορις or Περπενδυβερις, without, however, making the connection explicit.
addresses a comparable subject, which is supported by the use of theonyms (e.g. Natri-, Trqqñt-), heronyms (Zrppedun-), and military terms (e.g. laxa- “military campaign”) within the text.

Regarding tubur(i)-, it solely appears in the plural form tuburiz (nominative or accusative): a) trn̤mīliz: tbiplē: trpplē: tuburiz: pduradi: xuzruwētiz (TL 44c.52-53); b) murēnedi : tuburiz : uples≤iz (TL 44c.57); c) niqriniz ḫtutwētiz: uplesiz waxssadiz: tuburiz (TL 44d.29-31).

In each instance, tuburiz is associated with adjectives such as trn̤mīliz/i- “Lycian” and xuzruwāt(i)- “who has xuzr-”. Both in b) and c) uplesēli- appears: this possessive adjective has not yet found a satisfactory translation but its stem is well rooted in local onomastics, as illustrated by the names ᪷πλα (Lycia, Kibyratis and particularly Pisidia), ᪷πλεος (Cabalis, Pisidia), ᪷πλεουανός (Pisidia), ᪷πλανλις (Kibyratis), ᪷ρπμ-ｵφλης (Cabalis), and ᪷ανμ-ｵφλης (Kibyratis, Pisidia).58 The other terms remain equally obscure: the noun waxssa- in c), here in the ablative-instrumental (as murēnedi and perhaps pduradi), is also a well-known element used in the regional onomastics: Lyc. Waxssæpammiz/-, Waxsebe/-; Car. Uksmu/-Waksmu-, Uksi-/Uksi-; ᪺αξαΣμουας/ՕαξαΣμως (Isauria, Cilicia), ᪺αξαις (Isauria).

Comparing a) (extended to the following lines) to a passage in Lycian A is allowed by common place-names displayed in both sections:

Lyc. A (TL 44b.47-56)


He has left peace60 in the precinct of Peace and to the gods of Peace in Xanthos, in Tymnessos, in Kerdithi, in Kandyba. (There) a temple is a building: Lycia had not (yet) made them. Everywhere he erected sanctuaries to the local Trqqñti (Storm-god) (and) to his twelve personal celestial gods, sanctuaries in Aphrodision (?) in Xanthos, Tymnesian sanctuaries, Kandybian sanctuaries and in Kerthi he made a monument to Handa (War-god) of Battle for his family and his lihbeze.

Lyc. B (TL 44c.51-54)


The mention of three cities, Tymnessos (Lyc. B Tuminesi; A Tuminehi), Kandyba (Lyc. B Xāzbib) and Kerthi (Lyc. B Kridesi; A Kerθ̱θi) in both passages justifies a comparison, although their contents are not identical.61 Despite a lack of comprehension for several terms, I propose the provisional translation:

58 This form probably reflects the anthroponymic conversion of the genitival adjective uplesēli-.
59 KPN § 1097. The exact references of the anthroponyms are listed in LGPN 5b (Lycia) and 5c (Kibyratis-Cabalis, Pisidia). Note also the strong presence of Greco-Anatolian nouns d’assonance based on the similarity of the indigenous stem with Greek names: e.g. ᪷πλα (73 individuals in southern Anatolia vs. 10 in the rest of the Greek world covered by the LGPN), ᪷πλεος (Pisidia), ᪷πλεος (Pisidia), ᪷πλεος / ᪷πλεος (Pisidia). On the question of Greco-Anatolian nouns d’assonance, see most recently Réveilhac in press.
60 The meaning “peace” for Lyc. A alata- and Lyc. B asata- has recently been challenged by Melchert forthc., suggesting “good fortune” instead. However, the traditional meaning is defended in Réveilhac forthc. b.
61 According to Craig Melchert (pers. comm.), the division of the sequence must be considered. Indeed, the symbol ∼ likely serves to separate prosodic units, making it unclear whether the three toponyms should be linked.
Three times in the country he pre- twelve (divine) protectors during the expedition and he carries (?) as utakija- of the designated properties Lycian tubur(i)-s xuzruwêti-s in double, in triple in Kandyba, in Tymnessos (and) a statue of the god Handa in Kerthhi.

The formula qınatbisu [...] zërêni “twelve times... a divine protector” might be understood as a poetic expression akin to Lyc. A qınâkbâ: xrsêni: elbi “to his twelve personal gods”, thus indicating the Twelve Gods protecting the king, hence a translation “twelve divine protectors”. As for the group Trîmlîz: [...] tuburîz [...] xuzrwêtit, it might correspond to another poetic periphrase referring to the same deities, i.e. literally “the Lycian (divine) allies who have xuzr-”. Syntactically, this group would be on the same level as hîta(u) (acc. sg.), likely derived from the Lycian theonym Hâta- (< Sanda-), which would therefore exceptionally retain the initial aspirate typical of Lycian A (in order not to distort the divine name), with the -wa- suffix (< -wo- + *-h2-)62 and therefore literally meaning “that which is like Handa”, a poetic turn corresponding to Lyc. A tukedri [...] Hâtahe “statue of Handa”.

Overall, while subject to speculation, this analysis attempts to unify tuburiz within both martial and religious themes, showcasing its relevance in varying contexts.

8. Conclusions

The study yields several significant conclusions. Firstly, the existence of a Proto-Luwic stem *tubar(i)- is affirmed through personal onomastics, indirectly evidenced in the place names Tuburehe(/i)-/Τυβερισ(σ)ός and the divine name or heronym Τούβερις. This stem manifests diversely in various languages, with variations such as /TuPar(i)-/ in Hieroglyphic Luwian, °tubr-/°týbr- in Carian, τ[β]ερι- in Pisidian, °τοβορις in Greek from Lycia, °τουβαρις in Greek from Pisidia, and °τβηρις in Greek from Caria.

Moreover, a broader range of personal names reveals alternative forms of this onomastic stem: in Carian names as °δubr-/°δýbr- and °δybyr- and in Greek-transmitted names as °δυβερι-/δο(υ)βα/ε/ηρα and °δυβερος. The initial dental of *tubar(i)- undergoes voicing assimilation when in contact with the final [n] or [r] of the first member in these instances. This comprehensive explanation unifies and interprets multiple personal names that were previously explained through distinct and sometimes speculative processes.

Furthermore, the element *tubar(i)- appears as the first member in some compounds, albeit less frequently and often in syncopated forms: Tbr° and Τοβορ° in Caria, Τβερ°, Τβαρα° and Τβερη° in Cilicia.

An overview of these occurrences, detailed in Sections 2 to 4, reveals that this stem is consistently associated with a theonym or a divine epithet. Through the combinations in anthroponymy, it is suggested that *tubar(i)- represents a divine title, which evolved into a divine hypostasis and then into a divine name or heronym, as implied by Stephanus of Byzantium’s account about Toûbeçis.
Etymologically, *tubari*—likely relates to the Luwian /tub(a)/—“to strike” and Lycian *tube-*“battle”. It might be a compound /tub-ar(i)/—meaning “battle companion, comrade-in-arms”. This concept echoes Hittite and Luwian texts describing deities engaging in battles alongside their protégés.

Finally, *tubari*—finds a direct avatar in the Lycian B lexicon, with *tuburiz*. This word potentially holds the meaning of “(divine) allies” in the poem on the Xanthos Pillar, considering the martial and religious context, although this interpretation remains uncertain.

The prominence of *tubari*—in Luvic onomastics suggests its use in defining and designating deities, evident in personal names across Luwian, Lycian, Carian, and Pisidian collections, Greek inscriptions from southern Anatolia, the heronym Τοῦβεψις from indirect sources, and the place name Tyberissos (see Réveilhac forthc. a).

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"Tubar(i)" - a divine epithet reflected in Luwic onomastics


Флориан Ревеяк. Божественный эпитет *tubar(i)*- в лувийской ономастике.

Отправной точкой данной статьи является исследование М. Валерно (2015), посвященное нескольким группам личных имен из южной Anatolii. Здесь предлагается восстановить одну ономастическую базу, *tubar(i)*-, общую для нескольких имен из различных языковых корпусов, принадлежащих к лувийской подгруппе (лувийский, карийский, писидийский) и греческим эпиграфическим источникам из южной Anatolii (от Кари до Киликии). Данный продуктивный элемент ассоциируется с многочисленными божественными именами или эпитетами в составе композитов, что указывает на то, что мы имеем дело с божественным титулом. Его значение можно восстановить как “боевой спутник, соратник”, изначально характеризовавший различных богов, чья роль заключалась в защите своих протеже на поле боя.

Ключевые слова: лувийские языки; анатолийские языки; лувийский язык; ликийский A язык; ликийский B язык; карийский язык; писидийский язык; греческий язык; ономастика; теофорные имена; анатолийская религия.