

6. "BOOK OF THE DEAD" PROJECT

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Known from many manuscripts and in different recensions, the Book of the Dead is one of the important sources for the understanding of the Egyptian ideas about the afterlife. The Oriental Institute possesses two manuscripts of the text which will be published in facsimile and translation, with critical notes and comparative materials. The work is now nearing completion.