

*Variations in repeated and/or opisthographic inscriptions in pre-Roman and Roman Italy*

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Pre-Roman and Roman epigraphy of ancient Italy shows a considerable number of texts, which are repeated or distributed either in both sides of the same material or in different materials. Frequently these facts evidence for remarkable variations concerning both synchronic and diachronic aspects of language and/or orthography and, occasionally, language contacts. Particularly synchronic variants in their sociolinguistic involvements are focused also in the perspective of the (re)use of a text pattern in epigraphic practices of pre-Roman and Republican Roman period.