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ADD 851 i 18; *naphar* 7.KAM LÚ *a-ši-pu*.MEŠ total: seven exorcists VAS 15 1 i 8; slaves sold to PN LÚ *a-ši-pu* Camb. 384:9; dates issued to PN LÚ *a-ši-pu* VAS 6 72:12; barley received by PN A PN₂ LÚ.MAŠ.MAŠ ZA 3 150 No. 12:3; note also the writing LÚ.ME.ME (or LÚ.MAŠ.MAŠ) BRM 1 88:2, 5, 7, 12, and seal, also *ibid.* 99:44.

The parallelism in contexts indicates that LÚ.MAŠ.MAŠ represents the same person as the *āšipu*, and most likely is to be read as *āšipu*, except in a few literary texts where *mašmāšu* occurs as a learned word. It is to be noted, however, that in a few occs. (e.g., LKA 108, see usage d), MAŠ.MAŠ seems to refer to a person other than the also mentioned LÚ.MU₇.MU₇. If the latter is to be read *āšipu*, MAŠ.MAŠ would have to be read *mašmāšu*, or else the log. LÚ.MU₇.MU₇, very rare in Akk. contexts, must be given another reading.

E. Ritter, *Studies Landsberger* 299–321.

āšipu in **rab āšipi** s.; overseer of the exorcists; NA, NB*; wr. syll. and LÚ.GAL.MAŠ.MAŠ; cf. *āšipu*.

LÚ.GAL *a-ši-pi akī ša i-le-[-u ...]* the chief exorcist should [act] as best he knows (to avert the portent of the eclipse) ABL 1006:18 (NB let.); PN LÚ.GAL.MAŠ.MAŠ (as witness) ADD 444 r. 12, also (followed by LÚ.GAL.MAŠ.MAŠ *šá bīt mār šarri*) ADD 450 r. 2f.

āšipūtu s.; exorcism, craft, practice of the exorcist, corpus of texts of the exorcist; MA, SB, NA, NB; wr. syll. and MAŠ.MAŠ with phonetic complement; cf. *āšipu*.

a) in gen. — 1' beside *asūtu* medical practice: (various afflictions) *ša ina DÙ-ti A.ZU-ti u MAŠ.MAŠ-ú-ti iltazzazma* NU DU₈-ir which persist even after the (application of) medical and exorcistic rituals and cannot be dispelled Köcher BAM 228:17, also *ibid.* 229:11', cf. [*ina*] *ne-pil-ti* MAŠ.MAŠ-ti [*i*]ltazzazma NU DU₈ *ibid.* 225 r. 4; powders, [herbs?] and aromatics [*lu ina*] A.ZU-tim [... *lu ina*] MAŠ.MAŠ-tim K.12669:6f.; MAŠ.MAŠ-ti A.ZU-ti [pertaining to?] exorcism and medicine Köcher BAM 125:23; *ana epēš asūti u a-ši-pu-*

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ti ul išallim (see *asūtu* usage a-2') Boissier DA 11 i 8 (SB ext.).

2' in medical contexts: *a-ši-pu-us-su* DÙ.DÙ-*uš-ma* T[I-*u*] you perform the appropriate exorcistic ritual several times and he will recover Köcher BAM 174:4', also Labat TDP 196:69, wr. [MAŠ.MAŠ]-*su* *ibid.* 40:27; MAŠ.MAŠ-*su* DÙ-*uš u* ŠU.GUR(!).GUR(!)-*šú-ma* *iballu* you perform the appropriate exorcistic ritual and purify him, then he will recover Labat TDP 116 ii 6, also *ibid.* 70:2; UD.6.KAM MAŠ.MAŠ-*su* *teppu*š AMT 24,1:4, also, wr. *a-ši-pu-[us-su]* *ibid.* 8.

3' other occs.: *aluzin minā tele'i a-ši-pu-ta kalama ana qātējama ul ušši aluzin kī a-ši-pu-ut-ka* O *aluzinnu*, what are you able to do? "None of the exorcist's art escapes me"—O *aluzinnu*, what is your performance as exorcist like? TuL p. 17:17ff.; *ina muḫḫi dulli ša šarru bēlī išpuranni dullu a-ši-pu-ti ... līpušu* as regards the ritual(s) which the king my lord wrote me about, they should perform the ritual(s) of exorcism ABL 553:9 (NA); uncert.: *a-ši-pu-ú-tu* (in broken context) ABL 1321 r. 10 (NB); GIŠ.ŠUB.BA. MEŠ-šú-nu *a-ši-pu-ú-tú* IGI *Anu Antum* (sale of) their prebends of exorcist before Anu and Antu BRM 2 16:3 (NB); *Šamaš šurbi a-ši-pu-tu* (vars. -*tú*, -*ti*) *ša apkal ilī ipušu* *Marduk* O *Šamaš*, magnify the exorcism which *Marduk*, sage among the gods, has performed AfO 18 294:84 (SB inc.).

b) referring to the patron gods of exorcism: *Asalluḫi* [E]N *a-ši-pu-[t]i ina šammē ša šadē šammē ša naqbi [lī]pašširkama* may *Asalluḫi*, patron god of exorcism, release you by means of the plants of the mountains and the plants of the deep Biggs Šaziga 17:15; KI.MIN (= *utammēki*) *Asalluḫi* EN *a-ši-pu-ti* I conjure you (*Lamaštu*) by *Asalluḫi*, god of exorcism 4R 56 ii 13; [*ina qibūt*] *Asalluḫi* EN *a-ši-pu-ti* at the command of *Asalluḫi*, god of exorcism Maqlu I 72, also [*ina qī*] *bīt Asalluḫi* EN MAŠ.MAŠ-ti PSBA 37 195 r. 1, cf. *Asalluḫi* EN *a-ši-pu-ti išpuran[ni]* Maqlu I 62, and *passim*; EN *a-ši-pu-[ti ...]* (incipit of a song) KAR 158 iv 5; *Ea u Asalluḫi ilī* MAŠ.MAŠ-ti OECT 6 pl. 6 K.2999:3.

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c) referring to the corpus of texts for use by the *āšipu*: SAG.MEŠ ÉŠ.GAR MAŠ.MAŠ-ti *ša ana iḫzi u tāmarti kunnu* the first lines of the corpus of texts for the exorcist which have been set for teaching and consulting KAR 44:1, also SAG.MEŠ ÉŠ.GAR MAŠ.MAŠ-ti *ša PN* *ibid.* r. 4 (both as headings), see W. G. Lambert, JCS 16 68; *napšalti ŠU.GIDIM.MA . . . niširti MAŠ.MAŠ-ti* salves against “hand of ghost” — secret of the exorcist’s craft AMT 94,2 ii 18, cf. *mēlu latku niširti MAŠ.MAŠ-[ti]* AMT 40,2:9, see Reiner, AfO 19 150, also, wr. *niširti LÚ.MAŠ.MAŠ* Köcher BAM 199:14, 6 *a-ši-pu-te* six texts of the exorcists’ corpus ADD 1053 ii 6, 6 *a-ši-pu-tú* ADD 944 ii 1, cf. 1 *si-ta-te MAŠ.MAŠ-tú* ADD 869 iii 4, also 1 *kispu MAŠ.MAŠ-tú* *ibid.* 13, iv 2, 980 i 5f. and iii 1; NAM.BÚR.BI *ma’dūte bīt rimki bīt salā mé nēpešē ša a-ši-pu-tú ÉR.ŠA.ḪUN.GÁ.MEŠ naq(a)bāte ša ṭupšarrūtu ussallimu etapšu* they have completely performed numerous namburbi-rituals, the Bath house ritual, the ritual for sprinkling the house, the rituals of the corpus of the exorcist, the lamentations, (all) belonging to the (corpus of) written rituals ABL 437:19 (NA); *liginna* (wr. IM.GÍD.DA) *ina libbi LÚ a-ši-pu-te ana mārišu iqṭibi UZU.MEŠ ibašši ša bārāte uktallimušu* he taught his son about the exorcist’s art (and) they indeed showed him the liver omens ABL 1245:7; *a-ši-pu-ta* (among texts carried off from Babylon by Tukulti-Ninurta) AfO 18 44 r. 5.

For writings KA.KÙ.GÁL-ú-tu, etc., see *kakugallūtu*.

W. G. Lambert, JCS 16 69f. n. 8.

aširtu A (*ešertu, iširtu, išertu*) s.; 1. sanctuary (as a general designation of a temple, originally, the cella), 2. a special small room in a private house for cultic purposes, 3. socle (in the form of a sanctuary, for images, symbols, etc.); from OB on; pl. *ašrāti, ešrēti*; wr. syll. (*ešertu* more often than *ašertu*, abbreviated to AŠ.MEŠ VAS 1 37 ii 7) and ZAG.GAR.RA (rarely É.DINGIR.MEŠ).

[za-ag] ZAG = [a]-še-er-tum A VIII/4:17; [za-ag] ZAG = i-še-e[r-tum] S^a Voc. AE 20'; za-ag ZAG = a-šir-[tu] Idu I 159b; [zag] [za-a]k(?)-ki (pronunciation) = i-ši-ir-du KUB 3 113:5.

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zag.gar.ra = *a-šir-tu* (after zag.10 = *ešrētu* tithe) Igituh I 341; zag.gar.ra = *e-ši-ir-tum* A-tablet 487; [zag.gar.ra] = [a/e-ši-ir-t]um = (Hitt.) GIŠ.ZAG.GAR.RA-aš Izi Bogh. A 248; bár. zag.gar.ra = MIN (= *parakku*) *a-ši-ir-tum* throne of the sanctuary Izi J iii 6; giš.banšur.zag.gar.ra = *pa-áš-šur a-šir-ti* table of the sanctuary Hh. IV 199.

ZAG^u-suk^{AN} = *eš-re-e-tum*, zag.gar.ra = É.MEŠ DINGIR.MEŠ Antagal A 226f.

zag mu.un.šub.ba mu.un.da.ab.sa₄.e.ne : *mušaršidu eš-re-e-ti nābū šumēšun* he who establishes sanctuaries, giving them their names 4R 9:30f.; zag dingir.dingir.gal.[...] : *i-šir-ti* [...] OECT 6 pl. 26 K.3233:6f.; zag lil.lá ba.ni.in.ri : *unamme eš-re-e-ti* JRAS 1932 39 r. 1f., cf. zag.šè : *a-šir-tú* TCL 15 16:48; zag.meš hé.im.ma.an.ḫul.a : *mušalpit eš-re-e-ti* CT 16 3:80f.; note é.sag ki.túš.ba mi.ni.ib.dar. dar : *eš-ret*(var. *-re-ti*)-šū-nu *ina šubtišunu tuparrir* (var. *tušap[rir]*) you have smashed the sanctuaries in their emplacement BRM 4 9:52f., vars. from SBH p. 37 r. 8f.; dingir.bi zag.gu.la.bi mu.un.sikil : DINGIR šú *e-šer-ti-šu lilil* may the sanctuary of this god be purified RAcc. 24:15f. and dupl. K.10820.

ZAG.AN dÉ.a.ta nam.ba.gub.bu.dè : *ina eš-ret Ea la tattanzaz* do not loiter in the sanctuary of Ea CT 16 29:82f.

zag-gu(var. -ga), *i-gi-gi* = *i-ši-ir-tum* Malku I 278f., cf. zag-[gu], *a-ši-[i]-ra-tum* = [...] Explicit Malku II 166f., see *zaggu*; *eš-re-ti* = *a-la-ni* LTBA 2 1 iv 15 and dupl. 2:79; [a]-šir-tú = *bi-i-tú* LTBA 2 2:14.

eš-re-e-tú = É.MEŠ DINGIR.MEŠ Izbu Comm. 89, comm. on CT 27 1:20, see mng. 1b-3'; *i-ši-ir-ti* = [...] LKU 6:6' (Alu Comm.).

1. sanctuary (as a general designation of a temple) — a) *aširtu*: *ša a-šir-ti gigunāša . . . lūbutma* I will destroy the tower of the sanctuary Gössmann Era IV 117; the god who praises this song *ina a-šir-ti-šú liktam-mera ḫegallu* let abundance be heaped upon his sanctuary *ibid.* V 49; *šuharrurat a-šir-ti* (parallel *šuharrur sagēja*) STC 2 pl. 81:75, see Ebeling Handerhebung 134; *rē'ū aš-rra-a-ti* (Šamši-Adad) the shepherd of the sanctuaries 1R 29 i 27 (Šamši-Adad V); *muštēšir aš-rra-a-ti* he who brings the sanctuaries in order VAB 4 86 i 4 (Nbk.); a field UŠ.SA.DU *a-šir-tu* adjacent to the sanctuary(?) RA 19 86:5 (early NB); uncert.: *i-lu-ut-tu a-šir-tú dēqi* (everything) is fine with the gods(?) (and) the sanctuary Thompson Rep. 257 r. 3 (NA).