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The Friendships of Achilles and the Killing of Lycaon

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Περίληψη ανακοίνωσης

Just before killing Priam’s son Lycaon, Achilles says: ‘So, friend, die you too; why are you making such a lament?’ (Iliad 21. 106).
This talk discusses the paradoxical usage of ‘friend’ (philos) in this powerful scene. It opposes the common view that Achilles shows here a softening of his hatred towards the Trojans, and feels pity for his victim in the light of a consciousness of a shared mortality; it argues instead that the use of philos indicates his acceptance of a social link to Lycaon through a previous acceptance of a supplication, but his speech and actions demonstrate that this makes no difference to his determination to kill Lycaon and feed him to the fish. The talk reaches this conclusion by considering in turn the meanings of philos, Achilles’ other ‘friendships’ and his developing emotions towards the Greek leaders, Patroclus and the sons of Priam, the values of supplication and hospitality, and the language of the scene.