

Turin, May 4th, 2 Official statement of the Papal Custodian of the Holy Shroud,

Mons. Cesare Nosiglia

Referring to the news about the release of the volume “The Mystery of the Shroud” by Rizzoli, written by Giulio Fanti and Saverio Gaeta, supposedly dealing with research carried out on Shroud material, the Papal Custodian of the Holy Shroud, Mons. Cesare Nosiglia, confirms the statements of his predecessors, Card. Giovanni Saldarini and Card. Severino Poletto. The statements about “*experiments and analysis concerning the Holy Shroud*” to which Mons. Cesare Nosiglia refers, were made by Cardinal Giovanni Saldarini in September 1995 and Cardinal Severino Poletto on May 4th, 2009 when analogous research was attempted on material supposedly belonging to the Shroud.

More specifically, Mons. Cesare Nosiglia underlines that, as it is not possible to be certain that the analysed material was taken from the fabric of the Shroud, the Holy See and the Papal Custodian declare that no serious value can be recognized to the results of such experiments.

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