The design of spa resorts and baths in Roman and Islamic times (A comparative study)

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Abstract:

The research deals with the correlation of the development of hospital facilities throughout the ages with the culture and religion of the societies in which these buildings for environmental hospitalization were established within them by shedding light on the concept of hospital tourism and studying the beginning of the emergence of the hospital spa concept and its historical development throughout the ages with a focus on hospital buildings (baths) In the Roman and Islamic periods and to study the influence of specific Islamic values on the culture of Islamic society, traditional Hammamet public buildings are considered to be ancient buildings that represented a distinct social and urban trend. It represented a place for hospitalization, relaxation, and physical hygiene for the general public. Those buildings, despite their historical and architectural value in most Islamic cities, were neglected after they lost their job and became vulnerable to extinction, so it became necessary to study these buildings and discover the aspects of uniqueness and privacy in their architectural elements compared to their counterparts in Other civilizations, especially (Roman civilization) with a view to preserving it as a cultural heritage, and to benefit from it in designing hospital resorts. The problem of this research lies in neglecting the design considerations and Islamic values of historical hospital facilities when designing modern hospital resorts, as it aims to achieve the human dimension and psychological comfort and achieve privacy for hospital resorts through Islamic values in the interior design and architecture of hospital resorts, and It is assumed that the consideration of functional and design components, elements of communication, movement and Islamic intellectual values in the interior design of the tourist hospital resort has a positive effect in stimulating healing, and the research followed the descriptive analytical approach and pain Comparative approaches.

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