

# The Abode of Islam is Philosophically Infertile Ground

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During the short time in which philosophy and science prospered in Muslim lands, it did so only *in spite of* Islam, not *because of it*. This is partly shown by the fact that the Arab hegemony, as it were, hardly ever produced any philosophers of its own. Most Muslim philosophers were Persian. Many others were Christians and other non-Muslims who happened to live and work within Muslim lands.