

The Brook Madregot

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Jon Camfield said:

<Related question: are the distances in the Brook Madregot logarithmic? Have we ever come up with further references to Madregot than the kabbalistic ones? (remember, I'm new to the list and haven't completely read the archives, so if it's there, tell me to go RTFM and I'll nicely shut up and go do some reading)>

We've not often (ever?) talked much about the Brook beyond Briah, but I don't think such a brook is mentioned in the Kaballah. The universes in the Kaballah are usually parts of a "tree" and connected by "branches." But, the Brook Madregot is simply Severian's way of perceiving the corridors of time, and prolly looks differently for other people, like Master Ash and the Green Man.

And relating to the Brook Madregot, I think the stream on 8 Face Mound in Orson Scott Card's "Alvin Maker" series is a geographic, as opposed to temporal, variation on Wolfe's brook.

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