

**Catalog No.** 0208**Name** Mn seal impression from the reign of Narmer or Hor-Aha**Date (Period)** Dyn. 1**Date (King)** (Narmer-Aha)**Dated By** Archaeological context**Type** Seal (impression)**Method of Inscription** Impressed**Material** Clay**Region** Upper Egypt**Site** Abydos**Locality** Umm el-Qa'ab, Tomb B16 (Hor-Aha)**Depository** Ashmolean Museum ( Oxford )**Registration No.** Ashmolean Museum AN1896-1908 E.2865**Dimensions** 6.8 cm H, 11.7 cm L (object)**References:**

Petrie, 1901, RT II, p. 30, pl. XIV.100

Kaplony, 1963, IÄF, II: p. 1111, III: pl. 39, fig. 135

Dreyer et al., 2000, p. 91, n. 114,

J.-P. Pätznick, personal communication, 2017,

Engel, 2021, p. 59, p. 59

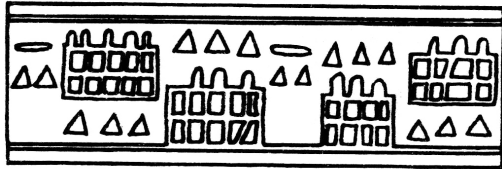
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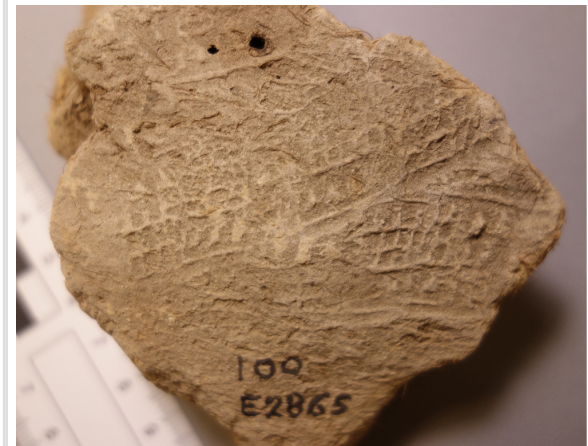
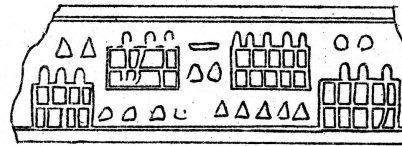
Petrie includes this in a group of "Sealings from King Aha-Mena", based on his belief that Aha was Menes. Kaplony describes this as the seal of a private individual, as does Pätznick (personal communication, 2017), who likewise does not see this as Menes. Engel (2021: 59) reads the personal name *mn.j* or *mnT.j*; she dates this to Narmer or Aha based on archaeological context.

Editor's Note: If Narmer was Menes, this could represent an argument for the sealing being from him.

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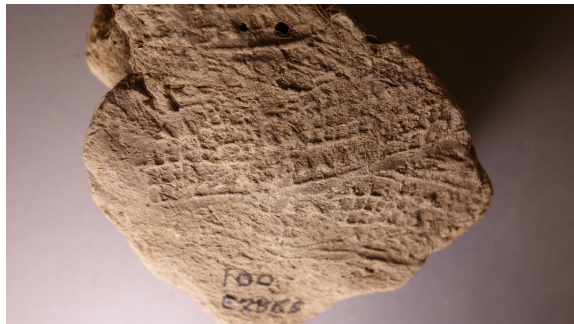


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