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Abstract

A single sample of flot residues was submitted for inspection. This contained no identifiable archaeometallurgical residues, being entirely of natural stone.

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Methods

All investigated materials were examined visually, using a low-powered binocular microscope where necessary. For microscopic residues a general statement of the nature of each assemblage was recorded (Table 1). As an evaluation, the materials were not subjected to any high-magnification optical inspection, nor to any other form of instrumental analysis. The identifications of materials in this report are therefore necessarily limited and must be regarded as provisional.

Results

Inspection of the sample revealed no evidence for archaeometallurgical residues. A single large, dark, iron oxide granule appeared entirely natural.

Evaluation of potential

This material requires no further investigation.

site	*sample*	*context*	*weight*	*no*	*notes*
e2356	185	229			natural stone, single shiny iron oxide granule

Table 1: summary catalogue

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