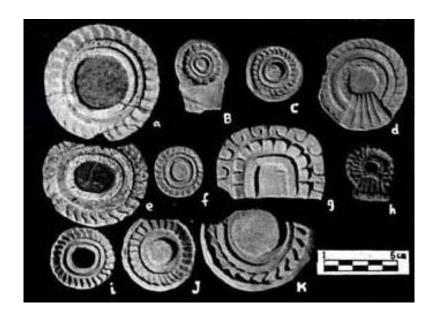
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# Censer Symbolism and the State Polity in Teotihuacán



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Site: Teotihuacán

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### Note on the Conventions Used for Captions

Considering this is a collection whose origin was a workshop fully dedicated to mold production, most pieces presented are molds and reproductions.

In those cases where only the mold could be recovered, and to obtain examples of the pieces involved, reproductions were made with the clay that modern potters from the village of San Sebastián Xolalpan nowadays use.

An alphabetical order was adopted for the reading of captions, making reference to what we have enunciated in the previous lines:

#### Therefore:

- A. Capital letters indicate: **Prehispanic Mold**.
- b. Small letters indicate: **Prehispanic Molded Reproduction**.
- <u>c</u>. Underlined small letters indicate: **Modern Reproduction Accomplished** with a Prehispanic Mold.

In the case of **Molded** pieces, they will be indicated throughout the text; to the effects of making comparisons of pieces between two photos, we have indicated: See Photo No....

## Example:

Photo No. 1.

B. **Mold**.

a, c, d, e, h, i. Prehispanic Molded Reproduction.

<u>f</u>, <u>g</u>. Modern Reproduction Made with a Prehispanic Mold.

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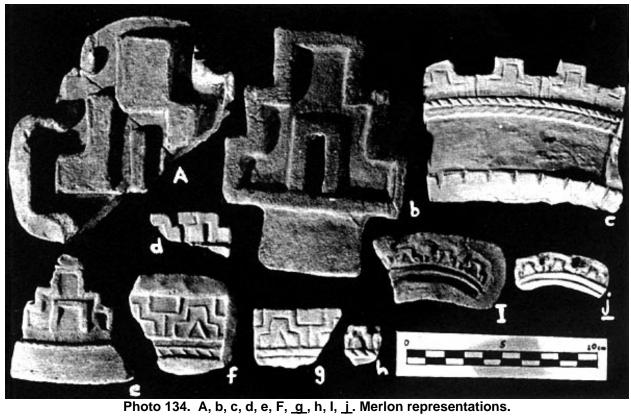
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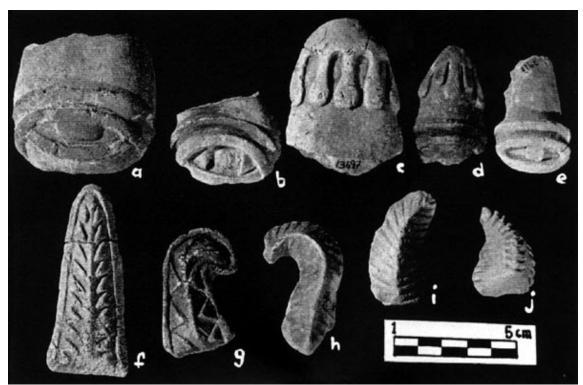


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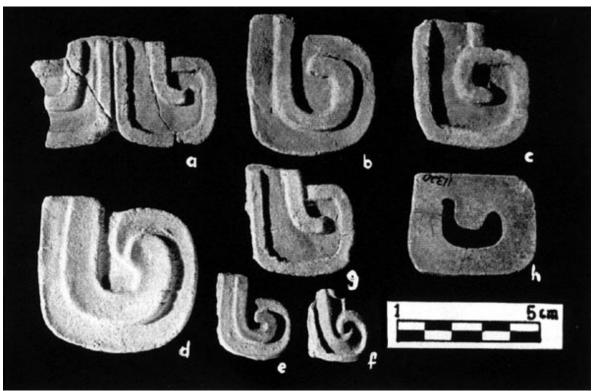


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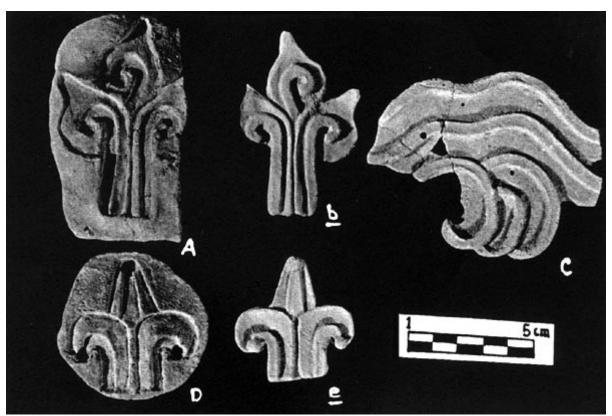


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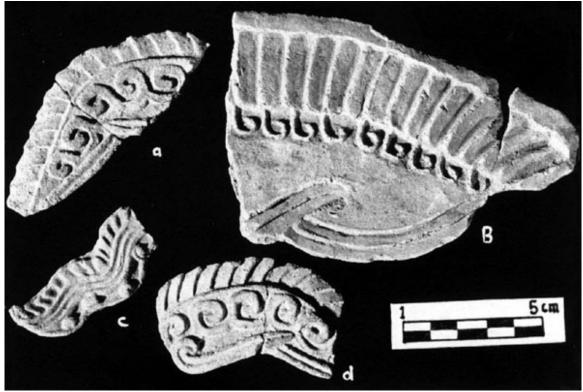


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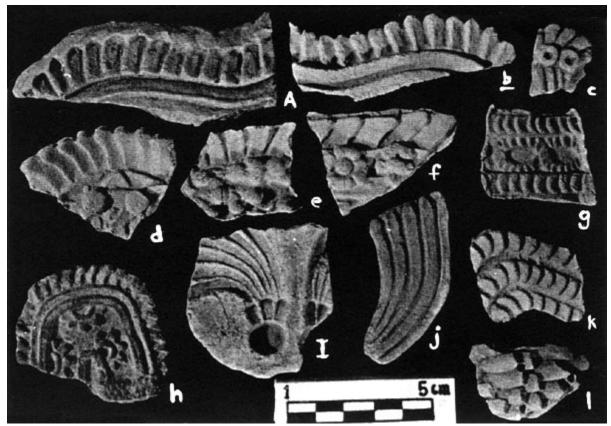


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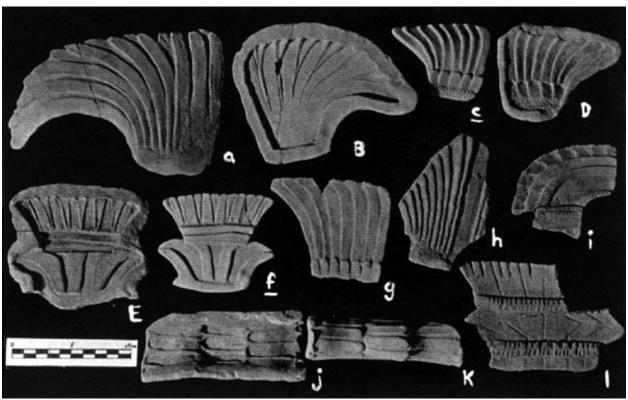


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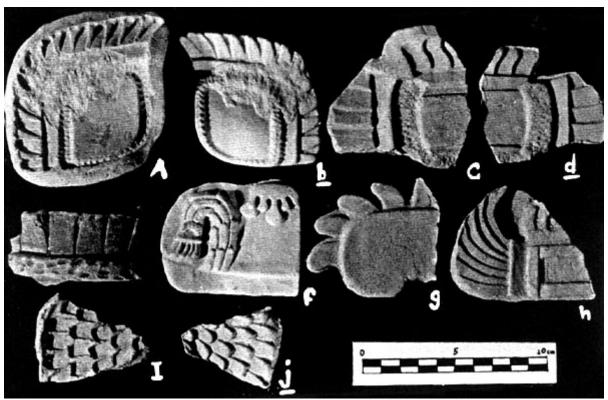


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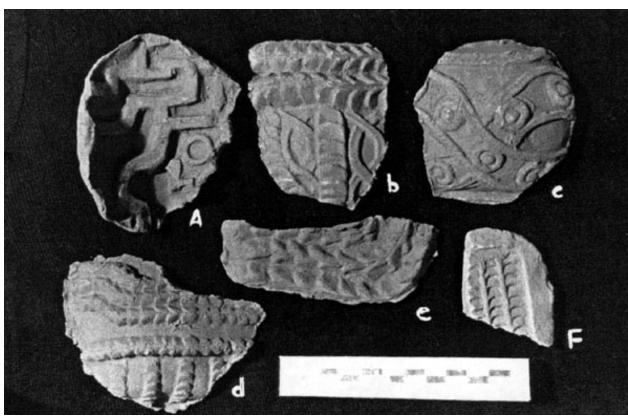


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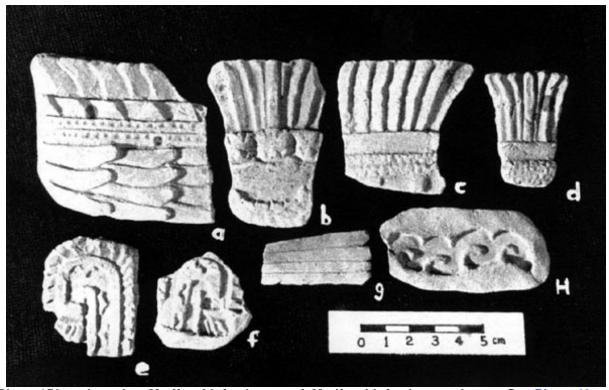


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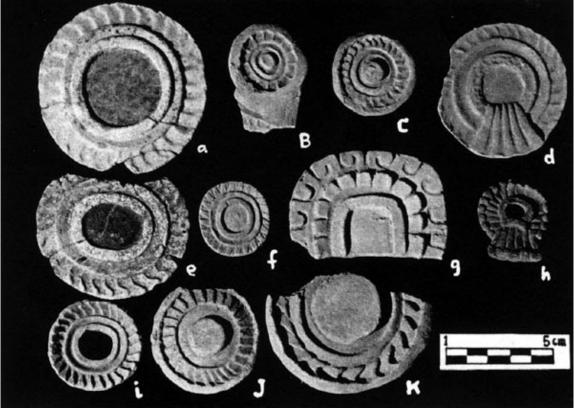


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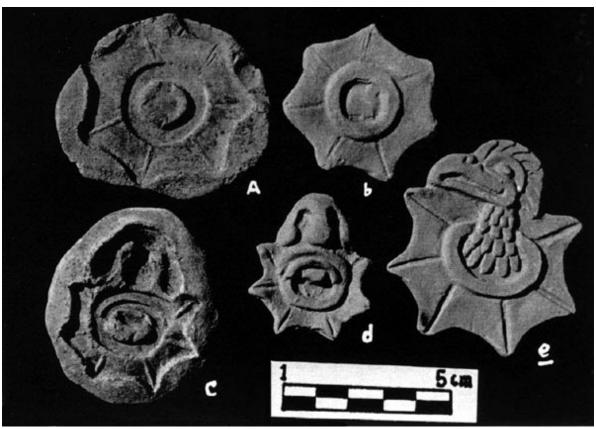


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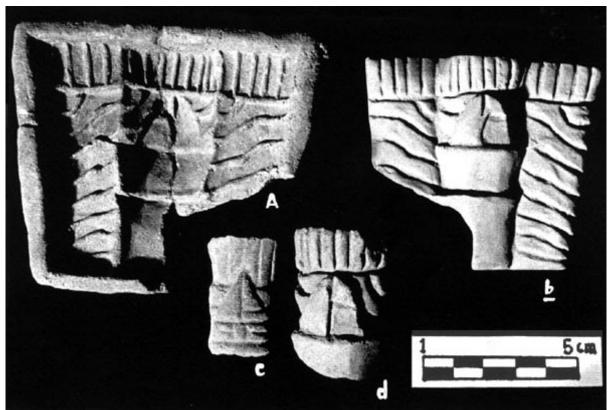


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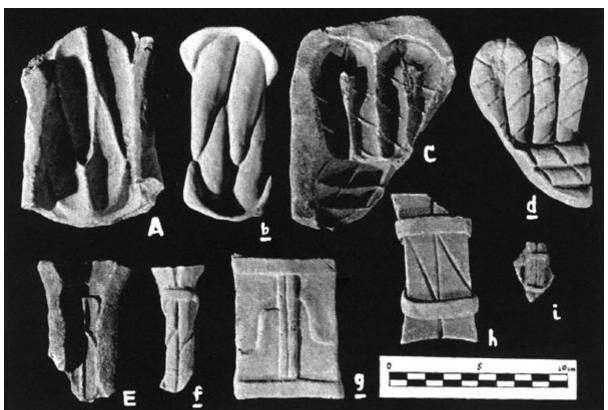


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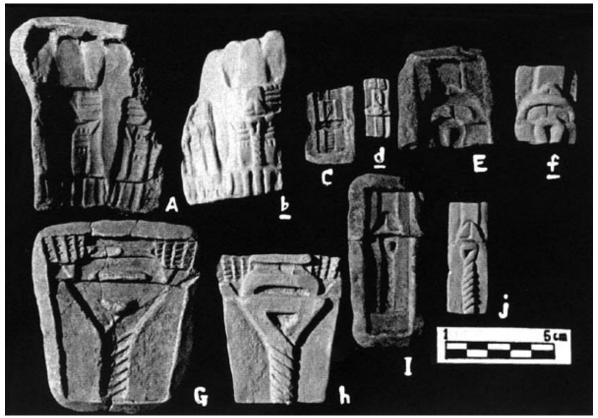


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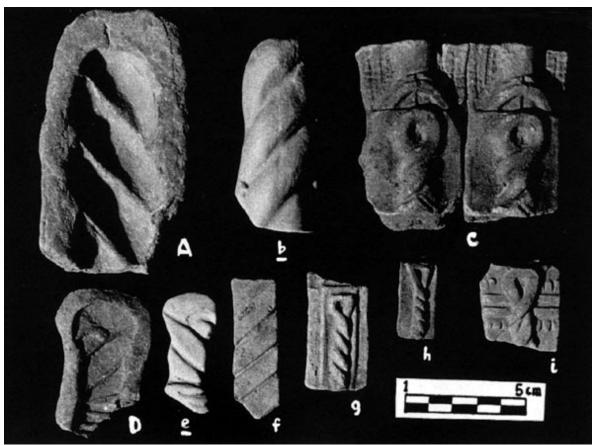


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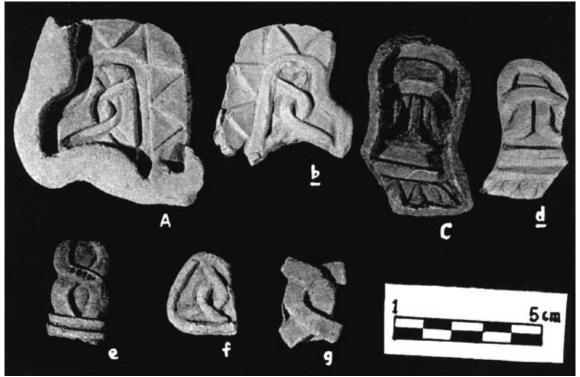


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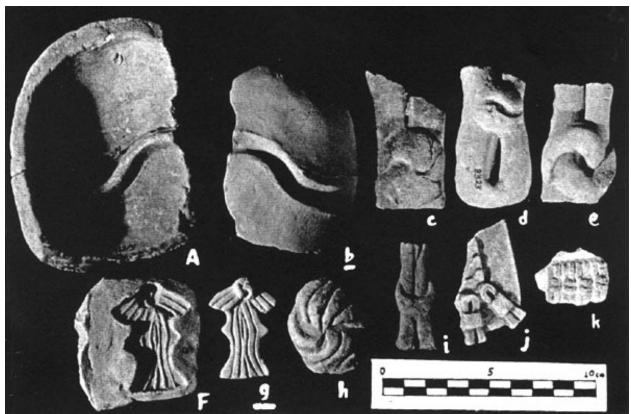


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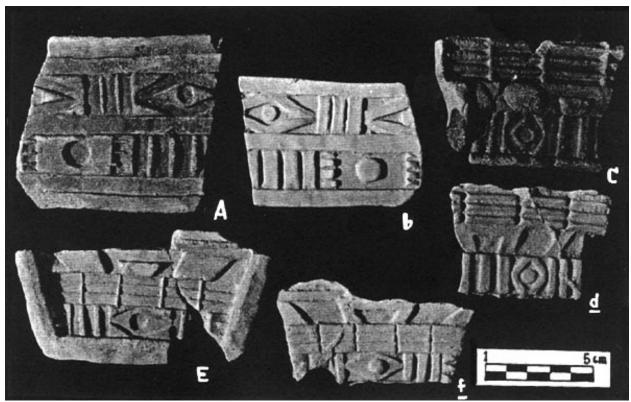


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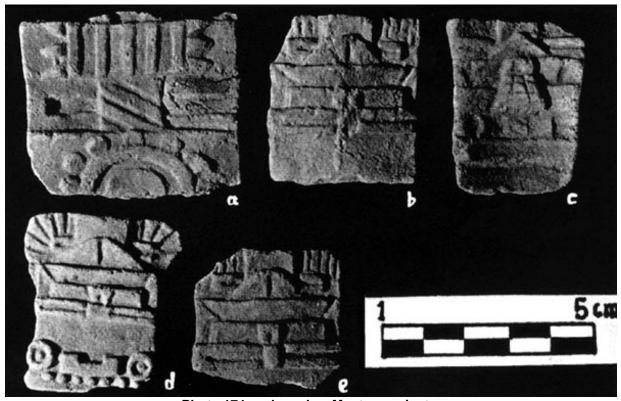


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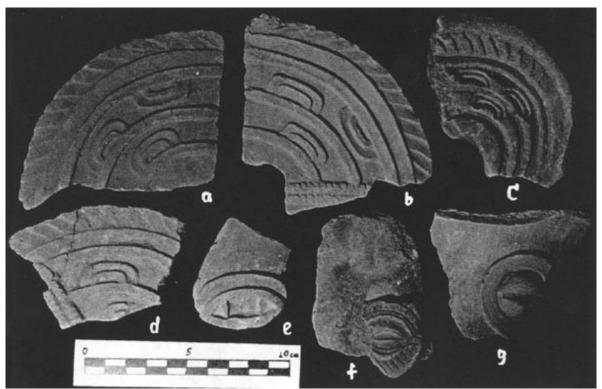


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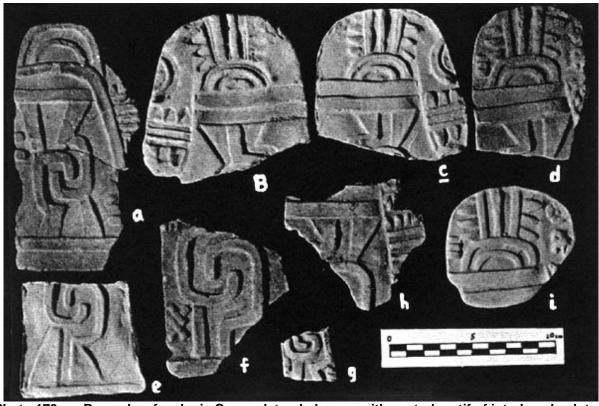


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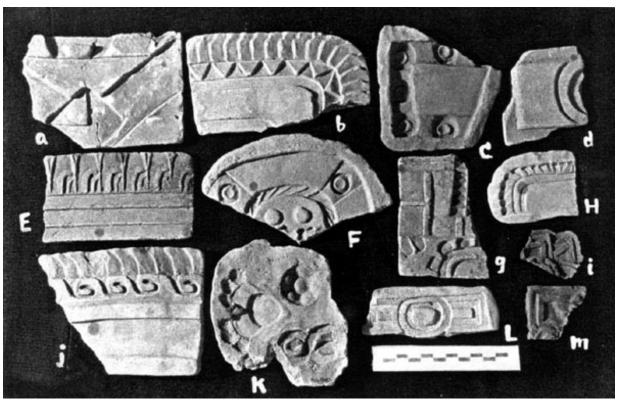


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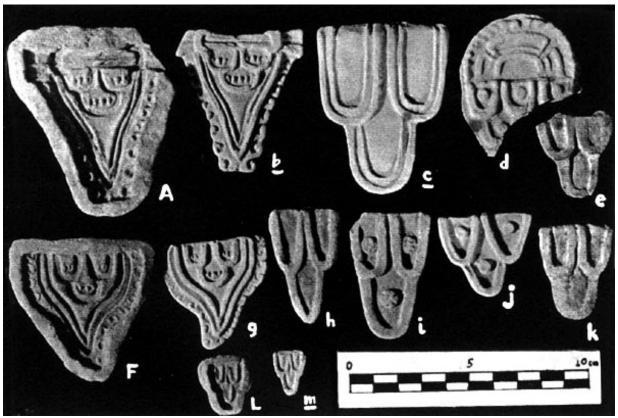


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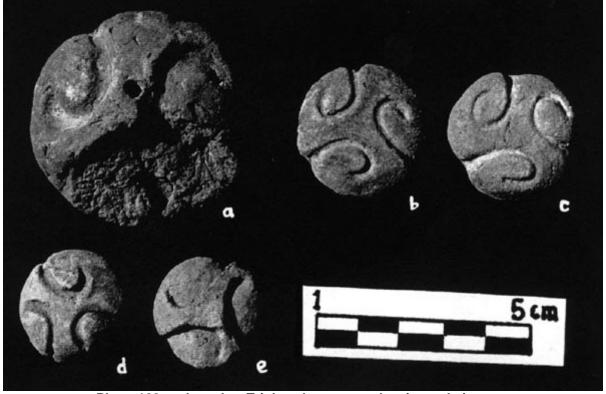


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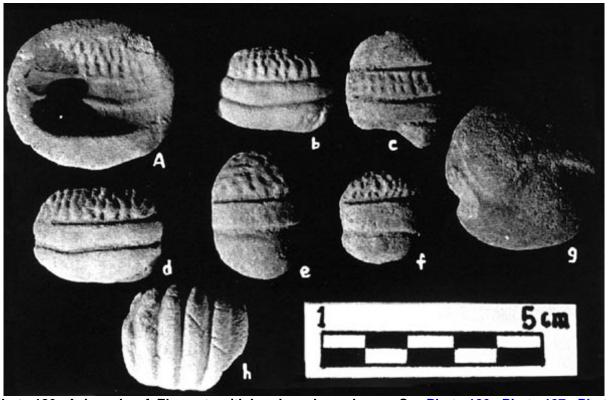


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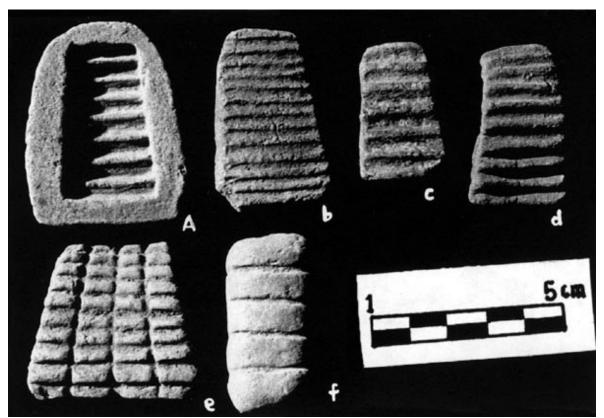


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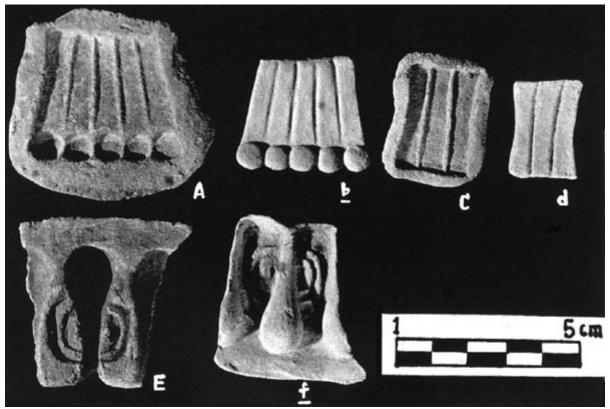


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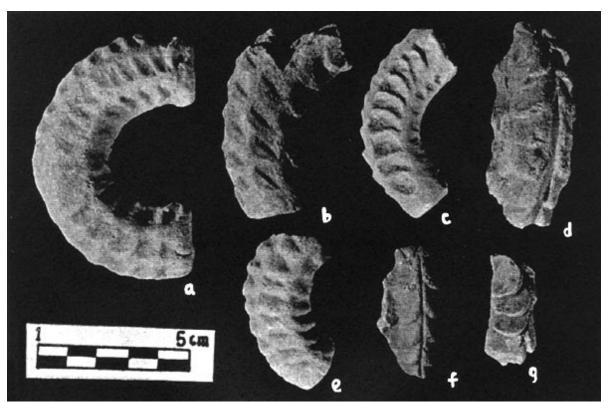


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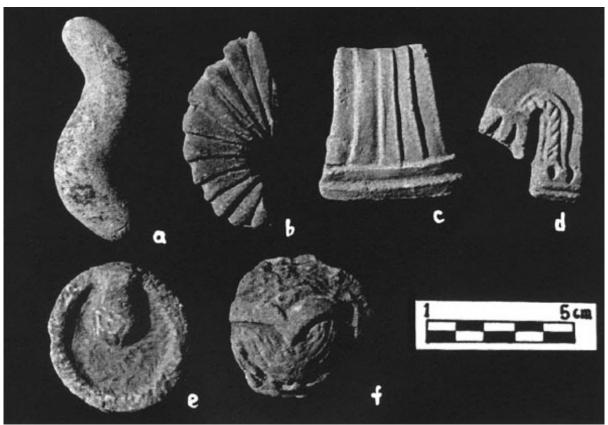


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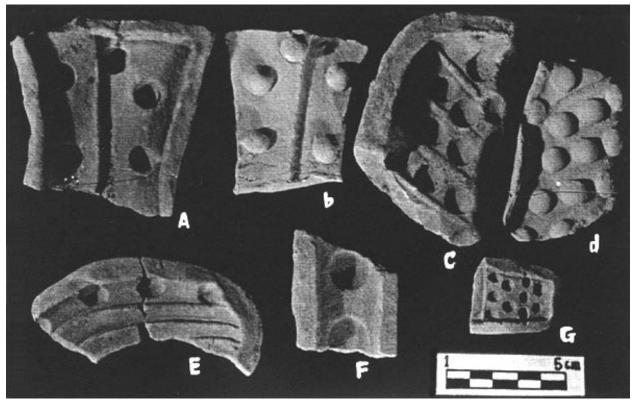


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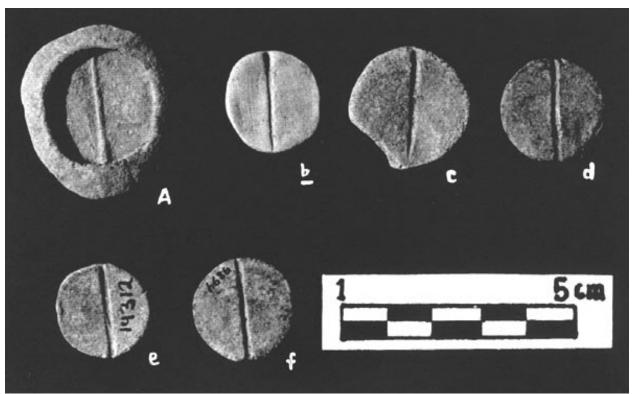


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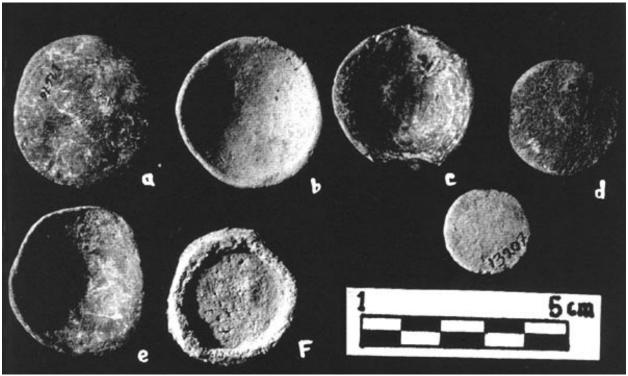


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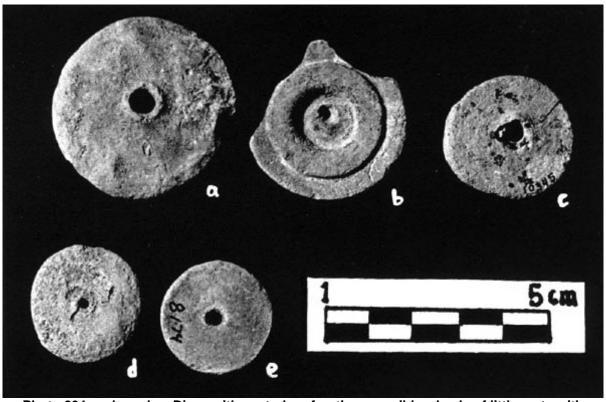


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