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**Cucutenian clay stamps: markers of abortive cultural exchanges in the Southeastern European Chalcolithic?**

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### **Abstract**

The presence of clay stamps in the material culture of the Cucuteni civilisation presents a series of questions that have yet to be resolved. These artefacts are rare, are found only in specific layers, and seem to have not been fully integrated into the Cucutenian cultural-material world. Approaches with the potential to answer the issues raised can be found by applying evolutionary models to cultural-technological contexts. In the case of the clays stamps, the most plausible scenario is that of abortive contact exchanges between the Cucuteni culture and neighbouring cultures to the south.

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