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CERTIFICATE

STAG SHAPED RHYTON

IRAN (Late 2nd - Early 1st Millenium BC)

MATERIAL AND TECHNIQUE: ritual vessel made of a smooth orange terracotta. The body composed of two conjoined spheres with a semi-circular handle at back. The vessel resting on two tubular fore-leg, with a long cylindrical neck terminating in a stag's head with the pouring hole emerging from the end of the muzzle. The stag has punched circular eyes and the mouth of the vessel is rising with a short cylindrical neck from the back of the stag.

Very fine condition. Possible some ancient repair.

ORIGIN: Iran-Persia. Rhytons were vessels exclusively dedicated to ceremonial libations. It seems their origin belongs to the prehistoric times of Eurasia, but from the 2nd Millenium onward it is the Greek and the populations of the Mediterranean area that created most of them. Those from Iran are among the most refined and particular. **DIMENSIONS:** Height: 20,5cm/7.87''

TEST: supplied with a thermoluminescent test n° N115b25 by oxford laboratory

PROVENANCE: Private collection Switzerland - European collection UK formed in the 70s.

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