Marilyn Kelly-Buccellati

Urkesh and Akkadian Royal Seals

The discovery of the seal impressions of Tar'am-Agade in the Urkesh palace brings new insights into the Akkadian royal seals and sealings from the south. The sealings of Urkesh are the only well stratified body of evidence we have for these royal seals and their use. Contextual analysis of the Urkesh sealings with comparative evidence from the south sheds new light on the nature and function of Akkadian royal seals.