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## **ABSTRACT SUBMISSION**

# Ubaid 2 - Mehmeh Deh Luran contact? The first excavation results at Tell Wajef, Southern Iraq

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#### **Abstract**

In 2024, the Iraqi-Russian archaeological mission carried out the first excavation season on Tell Wajef settlement in Maysan province of Southern Iraq. The settlement is located 5 km south of the state border between Iraq and Iran. The site has a maximum elevation of about 5 m above the surrounding plain, and an area of about 1 ha. During the excavations of 2024, a stratigraphic trench was dug on the northern slope of the tell. The excavations provided a preliminary understanding of the stratigraphy of the settlement. Its main cultural deposits are represented by accumulations of the Ceramic Neolithic period (about 5 m of accumulations) and Early Bronze Age (with a thickness of about 1 m). Judging by the analysis of the ceramics, the Neolithic deposits of the site are synchronous, mainly with the materials of the Mehmeh phase of the Deh Luran plain sequence, also they are contemporary with the materials of the 'Ubaid 2 (Hajji Muhammad) period of the Mesopotamia alluvial plain.

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