



## The "Chalcolithic Fine Ware" From Kataret es Samra, Jordan

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### *Pottery (Posters)*

Kataret es-Samra is strategically located on the interface of the ghor and the zor of the East Jordan Valley ca. 40 km. NW of Amman and ca. 5 km. north of the confluence of the Jordan River and the Wadi Zarqa (Biblical Jabbok). In 1985, as part of a larger project, I directed the excavation of a small (three-week) sounding on the Kataret es-Samra plateau that produced a decorated pottery that I described in the preliminary publications as a *7 \ U V \ ] h ] W . ] b Y K U F Y \ U b X ' g [ [ Y g Y X ' d c g g V Y V c b b Y W ] c b g k ] h ' h Y 5 a i e f D \ U g ' 8 E U b X ' other manifestations of the entity formerly known as Ubaid. This pottery is now housed at the Harvard Museum of the Ancient Near East (formerly, the Harvard Semitic Museum ) where I had been preparing it for integration into the HMANE catalogue system when the Covid-19 virus struck. After the campus reopens, I plan to continue that work with the goal of expanding access to the material and eventual publication. Specifically, following a review of the stratigraphy of the sounding, this poster will consider the definition of the Kataret es-Samra Fine Ware, as well as its chronology and the terminology used to describe it all k ] h ' U b ' Y m Y ' h c k U F X g f Y ] b f c X i V ] b [ ' h Y ' f Y g ' h g c Z U % , ) ' g c i b X ] b [ ' h c ' U & \$ \$ \$ g U X ] Y b W "*