
THE POTTERY COMPLEX FROM TEMENOS KAMEN RID

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One of the most researched archaeological sites that refer to the EIA (Early Iron Age) is the site near the area of Kamen rid in the archaeological reserve Sboryanovo (NE Bulgaria). The obtained during researches pottery is in considerable quantities. As a whole the pottery refers to the first phase of the epoch and this turns it into a crucial factor for the attempts to be worked out a chronological outline of the EIA in Ancient Thrace. The matter examines some leading shapes and decorations that mainly characterize the site pottery. There has been drawn a parallel to the well-explored necropolis next to the site Kamen rid. In this comparative analysis outstand some special features between the pottery of funeral monuments and those from settlements and cult centers. These differences could be explained by the different character of the both sites and/or the longer existence of the site Kamen rid in contrast to the researched necropolis.

The comparison between the site of Kamen rid with other researched sites in the area suggests that its outset is in the first phase of the EIA without the presence of the culture layer of the Babadag I. The pottery from the Kamen rid doesn't have the typical characteristics of the pottery of the Basarab type. Consequently it could be assumed that human activities of the site Kamen rid ends before the mid EIA. In exact time this spans the period between 10th and the end of the 9th centuries BC.