

Egyptian Gold Smiths

■ Hier ein passender [Originalmodul](#) aus dem Hyperscript "Defects"

■ Here is a picture (a relief, actually) from a mastaba in **Sakkara**, the necropolis of the early (and later) pharaohs and their underlings. It is about **4500** years old and shows how to raise the temperature of a fire.

- It is a bit blurry, because it is dark in there and flashes are not allowed. In consequence, three out of the roughly ten words every Egyptian custodian or guardian seems to know are: "Flash no problem" - always uttered with a stretched out hand (palm up). However, being a scientist who knows what light can do to pigments over time, I kept my money and tried to live with highly sensitive film (another triumph of point defect and crystal engineering) and long exposure times.
- This picture was originally painted; but only traces of the colors are left by now.

