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Whether or not the Baghdad Battery was ever used to produce electricity, it has already generated something far more powerful: ideas. It has sparked classroom experiments, scholarly ...

Many have explained the use of the Baghdad Battery, saying that the Greeks and Romans used certain species of electric fish to treat pain. They'd stand on a live electric eel until their ...

OverviewExperimentsPhysical description and datingComparable findsElectric battery theoryProblems with the electrical interpretationSee alsoExternal linksAfter the publication of a sensationalist article describing the jar in the March 1939 edition of *Astounding Science-Fiction*, electrical engineer Willard F. M. Gray at the General Electric plant in Pittsfield, Massachusetts made a reconstruction. Gray chose to test it with copper (II) sulphate solution as the electrolyte. He reported that this "worked quite well for a short time." Arne Eggebrecht, a past director of the Roemer- und Pelizaeus-Museum Hildesheim, claimed to have ...

The jar was found in Khujut Rabu just outside Baghdad and is composed of a clay jar with a stopper made of asphalt. Sticking through the asphalt is an iron rod surrounded by a copper cylinder.

The Baghdad Battery is a genuine archaeological artifact discovered during excavations near Baghdad in 1936. It consists of a clay vessel housing a copper cylinder and iron rod, leading to ...

This process requires a direct current and acidic solution, which the Baghdad Battery could theoretically provide. Experiments have shown this is technically feasible, though extremely ...

On the 29th episode (23 March 2005) of Discovery Channel program *MythBusters*, the build team made ten hand-made replica terracotta jars fitted to act as batteries.

The suggestion that the "Baghdad battery" was secretly two or more ancient batteries, wired in series like modern torch cells, sounds neat.

While the Baghdad Battery can function as a primitive electrochemical cell under modern reconstruction, the leap to conclude that this was its original purpose is problematic.

After World War II, engineer Willard Gray took a replica of the Baghdad Battery, filled it with grape juice, and was able to produce 1.5-2 volts of electricity.

Fill the jar with an acidic liquid, such as vinegar or fermented grape juice, and you have yourself a battery capable of generating a small current. The acidic liquid permits a flow of electrons from the ...



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