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New Trier# 436

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Provenience: Polynesia, Hawaiian Islands

People or Culture: Hawaiians

Object: Knobbed pounder (pohaku Ku'i poi)

Material: basalt (close-grained)

Description: Knobbed puonder of close-grained basalt, beige color overall with small brown area on upper terminal knob and light brown on base. Knob resemebles a mushroom cap. Circular neck slopes down into shaft with enough length to form a good grip. Lower end flares outward markedly to provide a larger pounding surface for mashing Taro to make poi. Pounder show usage. (see Buck, Arts& Crafts of Hawaii, BPBMUS. spec. pub.45, 1957,pp 28-29)

Dimensions: (in cm.) Approx. Dia:11.4cm H: 18.8cm

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