

TIBERIAS EXCAVATIONS

2nd Season (2004)

The coins find catalogue

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All the coins are bronze unless otherwise mentioned.
The coins are listed chronologically, according to types.
To avoid repetitious listing of certain Islamic formulae legends,
each type has been assigned a letter (see 'Key', below).
Coins bearing an asterisk are illustrated (see plates I,II).

HERODIANS

1) Herod I

37- 4 B.C.E

Jerusalem,

Obv: [BACIA]

Anchor

Rev: Double cornucopia, between horns, caduceus
Reg. No.129b, B.? , L. 304, *prutah*, 13 mm., 1.40 gr.

Cf. *AJC* 2: 237, Nos. 17d-17g

2) Agrippa I

37- 44

Jerusalem,

Year six (=42)

Obv: [BAC]ΙΛΕWC ΑΓΡΙΠΠΑ

Canopy

Rev: Three ears of corn, issuing from between two leaves,
In field date: L ζ

Reg. No.124, B. 6267, L. 247, *prutah*, 15 mm., 2.15 gr.

AJC 2: 249, No. 11

THE JEWISH WAR AGAINST ROME

3) Anonymous

66-70

Jerusalem,

Year two (=67)

Obv: שנת שתיים

Amphora

Rev: חרת ציון

Vine leaf

Reg. No.141, B.6427, L. F248, *prutah*, 16 mm., 1.90 gr.

AJC 2: 260, No. 11

ROMAN PROVINCIAL

4*) Trajan

98-117

Tiberias

Year eighty one (=99/100)

Obv: AYTOK AIC NEP TPAIA [NOC CEB]

Bust r., laureate

Rev: TIBEPIEW N TKΛ [AYΔIO]

Tyche stg. to front on prow of galley head l.,

Wearing long chiton and peplos holding r.

rudder l. cornucopia in field: ET ΑΠ

Reg. No.140, B. 6428, ↑, 25 mm., 12.80 gr., Pl. I, No. 1.

Cf. *BMC (Pal.)*: 5/3

5) Same as No. 4

Obv: AYTOKAI NE TP [AIA NOC]

Bust r., laureate, undraped

Rev: [TIB] EPI KA [AYΔI]

Hygieia, seated r. on rock holding in r.

Serpent which feeds from phiale in her l.,

Graffiti across field

Reg. No.129a, B. ? L. 304, ↑, 24 mm., 6.75 gr., Pl. I, No. 2.

Cf. Rosenberger 1977: 64, No. 6

6*) Septimus Severus

193-211

Corinth

Undated

Obv: [ΑOV CEΠ] CEBH POC

Bust r., laureate

Rev: HAS / IA (ISTH MIA), within wreath and

Beneath palm branch

Reg. No.138, B. 6857, L. 274 ↑, 24 mm., 8.60 gr., Pl. I, No. 3.

Cf. *BMC (Corinth)* : Pl. XX, No. 3

ROMAN IMPERIAL

7*) Otacilia Severa

244-249

Roma

Obv: [MAR] CIA OTACIL SEVERA AVG

Bust r.

Rev: CONCORDIA AVGG

Concord seated l., holding patera and double

Cornucopia, in exergue SC.

Reg. No.135, B. 6353, L. 274, ↑, *Sestertius*, 29 mm., 17.10 gr., Pl. I, No. 4.

Cf. *RICIV(3)*: 94, 203a

ROMAN PROVINCIAL

8) Uncertain

3rd century

Obv: Bust r.

Rev: effaced

Reg. No.121, B. 6246, L. 241, 23 mm., 7.50 gr.

9) Same as No. 8

Reg. No.137, B. 6359, L. 274, 23 mm., 7.70 gr.

THE HOUSE OF CONSTANTINE

10) Urbs Roma

330-335

Mint missing

Obv: VRBS ROMA

Bust of Roma helmeted and cuirassed l.

Rev: She-wolf l., sucking the twins, above * *

Reg. No.125, B. 6275, L. 257, ↑, 15 mm., 1.40 gr., pl. I, No. 5.

Cf. *LRBCI*: 20, No. 838

11) Constantine I, the Great

335-337

Mint missing

Obv: CONSTAN [---] AVG

Bust r. pearl-diademed

Rev: GLORIA EXERCITVS

Two soldiers stg. each holding spear and leaning

On shield, between them one standard

Reg. No.112, B. 6180, L. 199, ↙, 15 mm., 1.40 gr.

Cf. *LRBCI*: 24, No. 1025

12) Constantius II

341-346

Cyzicus

Obv: DN CONSTANTIVS PF AVG

Bust r. pearl-diademed

Rev: VOT / XX / MVLTVS / XXX

Within wreath, in exergue: SMKB

Reg. No.134, B. 6354, L. 292, ↑, 15 mm., 1.90 gr., pl. I, No. 6.

Cf. *LRBCI*: 29, No. 1312

13) Same as No. 12

350

[Thessalonica]

Obv: DN CONSTA [NTIVS PF AVG]

Bust r. pearl-diademed

Rev: VIRTVS EXERCI [TVM]

Emperor stg. facing, head r., in r. hand labarum
l. resting on shield

Reg. No.99, B. 10092, L. 1007, ↑, 14 mm., 1.60 gr.

Cf. *LRBC2*: 77, No. 1652

14) Same as No. 12

351-354

Mint missing

Obv: [---]

Bust r.

Rev: [FEL TEMP REPARATIO]

Virtus l. with shield on arm spearing falling horseman

Reg. No.144, B. 6371, L. F274, ↑, 16 mm., 2.40 gr.

Cf. *LRBC2*: 86, No. 2028

15) Julian, *Caesar*

355-361

Mint missing

Obv: [---] CAES

Bust r., bareheaded

Rev: Same as No. 13

Reg. No.111, B. 6159, L. 195, ↑, 15 mm., 1.70 gr., pl. I, No. 7.

Cf. *LRBC1*: 83, No. 1900

THE LATER ROMAN EMPIRE

16) Valentinian I

364-367

Mint missing

Obv: [---] Bust r.

Rev: GLORIA ROMANORVM

Emperor, with r. hand dragging captive r, and
holding labarum in l.

Reg. No.131, B. 6327, L. 269, ↑, 15 mm., 1.60 gr., pl. I, No. 8.

Cf. *LRBC2*: 100, No. 2653

17) Valens

364-367

Mint missing

Obv: DN VALENT [---]

Bust r.

Rev: SECVRITAS REIPVBLICAE

Victoria advancing l. holding wreath and palm branch

Reg. No.143, B. 6426, L. F268, ↑, 14 mm., 2.20 gr., Pl. I, No. 9.

Cf. *LRBC2*: 104, No. 2860

18) Theodosius I

383

Constantinople

Obv: DN THEODO [SIVS PF AVG]

Bust r.

Rev: VOT / X / MVLT / XX

Within wreath, in exergue: CO [-]

Reg. No.142, B. 6425, L. F280, ↑, 12 mm., 1.20 gr.

Cf. *LRBC2*: 89, No. 2156

19) Uncertain

394-395

Mint missing

Obv: [---] Bust r.

Rev: [SALVS REIPVBLICAE]

Victoria to l., trophy on shoulder, dragging captive

Reg. No.146a, B. 5190, L. 368, ↑, 12 mm., 1.70 gr.

Cf. *LRBC2*: 68, Nos. 1109-1111

20) Uncertain

End 4th century

Mint missing

Obv: [---] Bust r.

Rev: Effaced

Reg. No.130, B. 3027, L. 306, 13 mm., 1.60 gr.

BYZANTINE

21) Anastasius I

498-518

Constantinople

Obv: [---] Bust r.

Rev: large **K**, to l. cross

Reg. No.119, B. 6212, L.203,↙, *Half follis*, 22mm., 6.20 gr.

Cf. *DOCI*: 23, No. 24a

22) Same as No. 21

Obv: [---] Bust r.

Rev: large **E**, to r. upwards A [-]

Reg. No.120, B.?, L.198 (on top of W10), *pentanummium*, 12mm., 2.10 gr.

Cf. *DOCI*: 33, Nos. 49a-49d

23) Justin II

568/9

Nicomedia

Obv: IVS [---] NVS PP AVG

Justin and Sophia seated facing

Rev: large **K**, above cross, to l., A/N/N/O beneath, NI

To r. II/II

Reg. No.112, B. 6213, L.200, \surd , *Half follis*, 25mm., 6.20 gr., Pl. I, No. 10.

Cf. *DOCI*: 232, No. 106.I

24) Same as No. 23

574/5

Cyzicus

Obv: Same as No. 23

Rev: large **M**, above cross, to l., A/N/N/O beneath B

To r, X, in exergue KYZ

Reg. No.115, B. 5128, L.400, \surd , *follis*, 29mm., 13.20 gr., Pl. I, No. 11.

Cf. *DOCI*: 236, No. 123.C

ARAB-BYZANTINE

25) Anonymous

7th century

No mint

Obv: Imperial figure stg. facing

Rev: large **m**, around remains of illegible legend

Reg. No.118, B. 6214, on W72, *follis*, 18mm., 3.00 gr., Pl. I, No. 12.

UMAYYAD

26) Marwān b. Bashīr

c. 730-740

Hims

Obv: Within a circle, a jerboa, illegible legend around

Rev: Within a circle:

ما مر \ مروان بن \ بشير

Outer margin legend, type B

محمد رسول الله

Reg. No.114, B. 6183, L.200, *fals*, 15mm., 2.20 gr.

Cf. Walker 1956: 245, No. 804

27) Anonymous

Mid 8th century

Dimashq

Obv: In field: legend type A1

Rev: In field:

بدمشق \ ضرب , crescent in center

Reg. No.127, B. ?, L.252 on wall W6, *fals*, 16mm., 1.60 gr.

Cf. Walker 1956: 249, No. 819

28) As No. 27

Rev: In field:

ضرب \ بدمشق*, crescent in center

Reg. No.128, B. 3070, L.?, (Abbasid bulding), *fals*, 16mm., 3.20 gr., pl. I, No. 13.

Cf. Walker 1956: 251, No. 832

29) As No. 27

Rev: In field:

ضرب \ هذا الفلّس \ بدمشق

Reg. No.108, B. 5102, L.400, (the complete column base), *fals*, 14mm., 3.20 gr.

Cf. Walker 1956: 252, Nos. 833-34

30) Anonymous

Mid 8th century

Tabariya

Obv: In field: legend type A1

Rev: In field: legend type B1

To r. palm branch on base, marginal legend:

ضرب هذا بطيرية

Reg. No.105, B. 6129, L.188, *fals*, 17mm., 3.50 gr., pl. I, No. 14.

Cf. Walker 1956: 269, No. 896

31) Anonymous

8th century

Same as No. 30

Obv: In field: legend type A1

Rev: In field legend, palm branch beneath:

ضرب \ بطيرية

Reg. No.116, B. 5127, L.400, *fals*, 12mm., 1.60 gr.

Cf. Ilich 1993: 34, Nos. 353-56

32) Anonymous

8th century

No mint

Obv: In field: legend type A1

Rev: In field a pomegranate around legend type B

Reg. No.136, B. 5346, L.380, *fals*, 15mm., 4.20 gr., pl. I, No. 15.

Cf. Walker 1956: 203, No. 596

33) Same as No. 32

Reg. No.145, B. 6373, L. F.278, *fals*, 18mm., 4.50 gr.

34) Same as No. 32

Obv: In field: legend type A1

Rev: In field bird (Hawk) to l. around: legend type B

Reg. No.100b, B. 5101, L.400, *fals*, 17mm., 2.10 gr., pl. II, No. 16.

Cf. Walker 1956: 202, No. 590

35) Same as No. 32

Obv: In field plant stalk, around: legend type A

Rev: The same as on obverse, around: legend type B

Reg. No.100a, B. 5101, L.400, *fals*, 17mm., 3.50 gr., pl. II, No. 17.

Cf. Walker 1956: 206, No. 606

36) Same as No. 35

Reg. No.109a, B. 5105, L. 400, *fals*, 14mm., 2.70 gr.

37) Same as No. 35

Reg. No.133, B. 5321, L. 378, *fals*, 17mm., 2.10 gr., broken.

38) Same as No. 35

Reg. No.107, B. 5103, L. 400, *fals*, 17mm., 4.00 gr.

39) Same as No. 32

Obv: in field: legend type A1

Rev: in field: legend type B1

Reg. No.110, B. 6148, L.194, top of W40, *fals*, 16mm., 4.30 gr.

Cf. Walker 1956: 202, No. 590

40) Same as No. 39

Reg. No.100c, B. 5101, L. 400, *fals*, 13mm., 1.50 gr.

Cf. Walker 1956: 212, No. 659

41) Same as No. 40

Reg. No.132, B. 5293, L. 375, *fals*, 15mm., 3.20 gr.

42) Same as No. 40

Reg. No.109b, B. 5105, L. 400, *fals*, 12mm., 2.40 gr.

‘ABBASIDS

Governors of the Wests

43) ‘Abd-Allah b. Tahir and Mu‘ad

AH 205-207 / 820-822 CE

Tabariya

Obv: center: legend type A3

Around:

مما امر به عبد الله بن طاهر ابقاه الله [---]

Rev: center:

الله \ محمد \ رسول \ الله \ معاذ

Reg. No.107a, B. 5103, L.400, *fals*, 16mm., 1.70 gr., pl. II, No. 18.

Cf. Ilisch 1993: 34, Nos. 381-82

44) Anonymous

9th century

No mint

Obv: In field legend, beneath two pellets:

لا اله \ الا الله وحده \ لا شريك له

Rev: In field legend, above star:

محمد \ رسول \ الله \ نصر؟

Reg. No.?, B. 5189, L.373, *fals*, 18mm., 1.00 gr.

45) Same as No. 44

Reg. No.146b, B. 190, L. 368, casted *fals*, 14mm., 0.90 gr.

BYZANTINE

46*) Anonymous

976 (?) - c. 1030

Constantinople

Obv: Bust of Christ facing with nimbus cross having two
Pellets in each arm, holding Gospel Book

Rev: + Ihsus / XRISTUS / BASILU / BASILE

Reg. No.126, B. 5166, L.2009, *folles*, class A2, 27mm., 10.40 gr., pl. II, No. 19.

Cf. *DOCIII* (2): 672, No. 47.11

FĀTIMIDS

47*) Al-Mansūr Abū Alī al-Hākīm

AH 386-411 / 996-1021 CE

Mint and date missing

Obv: center:

الحاكم بامر الله \ امير المؤمنين

Rev: center:

محمد رسول الله \ علي ولي الله (Remains of legend around)

Reg. No.104, B. 5055, L.364, fraction of silver *dirham*, 12mm., 0.57 gr.,
Pl. II, No. 20.

48*) Ma'ad Abū Tamīm al-Mustansir

AH 427-487 / 1036-1094 CE

Mint and date missing

Obv: center:

معد \ عبد الله ووليه علي \ الامام ابو تميم \

المستنصر بالله \ امير المؤمنين

Rev: center:

لا الله الا الله \ محمد رسول الله \ [---]

Reg. No.123, B. 5214, L.373, fraction of silver *dirham*, 16mm., 1.75 gr.,

Pl. II, No. 21.

49) Same as No. 48

Reg. No.102, B. 5066, L. 347, silver *dirham*, 18mm., 2.20 gr.

50) Same as No. 48

Reg. No.101, B. 5067, L. 347, fraction of silver *dirham*, 16mm., 1.20 gr.

51) Same as No. 48

Obv: center:

معد \ الامام ابو تميم \
المستنصر بالله \ امير المؤمنين

Rev: center:

لا الله الا الله \ محمد رسول الله \ علي ولي الله

Reg. No.113, B. 6182, L.200, fraction of silver *dirham*, 15mm., 1.18 gr., pl. II, No. 22.

52) Same as No. 48, legend illegible on both sides

Reg. No.103, B. 5065, L.344, silver *dirham*, 18mm., 2.50 gr.

MAMLŪKS

53) Al-Mansūr Hajji II Salah al-Dīn, 1st reign

AH 783-784 / 1382 CE

Dimashq

AH. 783 (=1382)

Obv: within circle:

حاجي

Rev: within circle fleur de-lis, around:

[---] ضرب بدمشق

Reg. No.109c, B. 5105, L.400, *fals*, 16mm., 1.75 gr., pl. II, No. 23.

Balog 1964: 243, No. 524

Key: The Islamic formulae types and their assigned letters

A لا اله الا الله وحده

There is No God except Allah Alone

A1 لا اله \ الا الله \ وحده

A2 لا اله الا الله وحده لا شريك له

There is No God but Allah, He has no partner

A3 لا اله \ الا الله \ وحده \ لا شريك له

B محمد رسول الله

Muhammad Is the Apostle of Allah

B1 محمد \ رسول \ الله

B2 الله \ محمد \ رسول \ الله

To Allah, Muhammad Is the Apostle of Allah

B3 محمد رسول الله ارسله بالهدى

Muhammad Is the Apostle of Allah, whom He sent with guidance

C الله احد الله \ الصمد لم يلد \ ولم يولد

Allah is One, Allah is Etenal, He begets not, neither is He begotten.

C1 الله احد الله \ الصمد

Allah is One, Allah is Etenal

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