

**GREEK IMPERIAL, ROMAN, BYZANTINE AND OTTOMAN  
COIN FINDS FROM CAPIDAVA (1966-2006)  
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More than 80 years of archaeological research at Capidava have provided an important number of coin finds, many from a precise archaeological context and some other being accidental finds from the banks of the Danube or the nearby village, which took the name of the ancient fortress. Most of the coins were taken to the Archaeology Museum in Constantza<sup>1</sup> through the care of Dr. Zaharia Covacef who has been supervising the research of an important sector of the fortress for the past thirty years. Coins from other sectors of the fortress were brought to Bucharest, to the Archaeological Institute<sup>2</sup> or to the National History Museum.

A thorough analysis of the coin circulation at Capidava during its existence under Roman rule is beyond the scope of this article. Nevertheless, some observations are required in order to understand the current structure of the coin finds. The archaeological excavations inside the fortress uncovered only the upper levels, corresponding to the Middle and Early Byzantine stages<sup>3</sup>. Consequently,

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<sup>1</sup> CUSTUREA, CLIANTE 2006, p. 419-434; OCHEȘEANU 2006, p. 78-80; CUSTUREA 2004-2005, p. 495, 507-508; CUSTUREA, VERTAN, TALMAȚCHI 1999, p. 351; Iidem 1998, p. 316-317; Iidem 1997, p. 376-378; VERTAN, CUSTUREA 1995-1996, p. 309-321; PAPASIMA, VERTAN 1995-1996, p. 272-273, 276; CUSTUREA 1995-1996, p. 301-307; VERTAN, CUSTUREA 1992, p. 384-386; Iidem 1988-1989, p. 378-380, 385; Iidem 1986, p. 298; CUSTUREA 1986, p. 277; VERTAN, CUSTUREA 1982, p. 282; Iidem, 1981, p. 335; Iidem 1980, p. 355; COVACEF 1980, p. 268-273; OCHEȘEANU, PAPUC 1976, p. 216, 218-219; DIACONU 1958, p. 238-244.

<sup>2</sup> POENARU-BORDEA 1976-1980, p. 247-251; POENARU-BORDEA 1983-1985, p. 169-176.

<sup>3</sup> OPRIȘ 2003; FLORESCU, COVACEF, OPRIȘ ET ALII 1983-1992 and 1993-2006; COVACEF 1999, p. 137-184; FLORESCU, COVACEF 1988-1989, p. 197-247; COVACEF 1988-1989, p. 187-196; Eadem 1983, p. 361-366; Eadem 1980, p. 269-271; Eadem 1979, p. 175-178; CHELUȚĂ-GEORGESCU 1978, p. 211-222; RĂDULESCU 1970, p.311-323; FLORESCU 1975, p.361-372; FLORESCU, CHELUȚĂ-GEORGESCU 1975, p.77-85; Iidem 1974, p.417-435; FLORESCU 1967, p.259-267; Iidem 1965, p.529-36; FLORESCU, FLORESCU, CEACALOPOL 1962, p.693-704; Iidem 1961, p.571-579; Florescu 1961, p.199-210; FLORESCU, FLORESCU 1959, p.617-627; FLORESCU, FLORESCU, DIACONU 1958; FLORESCU 1959, p.555-559; Iidem 1949, p.130-131; Iidem 1945-1947, p.209-220; Iidem 1946, p.325-343; Iidem 1937-1940,

the Early Roman phase is underrepresented in finds and will probably remain so until the excavations will reach the lower layers of the settlement.

A brief review of the published coin finds, including the ones in this article, shows that out of a total of 523 specimens, only<sup>4</sup> 42 coins can be described as early Roman/ Greek Imperial issues<sup>5</sup>, while 212 specimens are Late Roman (4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> c.), followed by 170 Early Byzantine coins (6<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> c.), 2 from the "Dark Age", a number of 92 specimens dated to the Middle-Byzantine period and finally 5 Ottoman coins from the 17<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> century. A statistical approach of the overall coin circulation at Capidava would be inappropriate until the archaeological research will progress to the earlier levels. As already intimated, the current situation provides an unbalanced ratio between Roman and Byzantine issues. Moreover, a large number of the early specimens were accidental finds, outside the walls of the fortress.

The coins published in this study were found in the past forty years and cover a long period in the history of Capidava, with the earliest specimen being a denarius of Septimius Severus and the latest an Ottoman para of Selim III. As the Early Byzantine coins were recently given special attention<sup>6</sup>, only three specimens, recently uncovered in a box of uncleaned coins, are included in the catalogue. A whirlwind tour through the catalogue gives us the opportunity to notice new entries in the overall list of finds: the coins of Carcalla, Elagabal, Licinius II, Eudoxia, Leo I, Leo VI, Roman I, the Latin and Bulgarian imitations, Selim III and Mustafa III are the first recorded specimens at Capidava. As expected, the bulk is formed by late Roman coins, adding up to a total of 209 published specimens, which permits a new statistical approach for this period (table 1)<sup>7</sup>.

Doubtlessly, the most important additions are the two *folles* from the so-called "Dark Age", when the former Late Roman province of Scythia was left outside the borders of the Byzantine Empire. Given the scarcity of information for this period, the coins are an important criterion for assessing the relations between the Empire and its former possessions at the Lower Danube<sup>8</sup>. Although the Roman administration abandoned the Danube fortresses in Scythia early in the 7<sup>th</sup> century, fresh coins continued to arrive on these territories in the following centuries. Thus, a *follis* of Justinian II was retrieved from Topalu<sup>9</sup>, a few kilometres lower on the Danube and two *folles* attributed to Leo VI and Roman I were found and Hârşova (ancient Carsium)<sup>10</sup>, not far from Capidava.

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p.345-351; Idem 1935-1936, p.351-386; Idem 1927-1932, p.483-515.

<sup>4</sup> For a similar situation see: POENARU-BORDEA 2003, p.171, where only 10% of the coin finds were early imperial issues.

<sup>5</sup> Of which at least 28 specimens are dated to the 3<sup>rd</sup> century.

<sup>6</sup> GÂNDILĂ 2006-2007, forthcoming.

<sup>7</sup> For previous attempts to draw some statistical guiding marks on the late roman coin circulation at Capidava see: POENARU-BORDEA 1983-1985, p.174, table I.

<sup>8</sup> For 9<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> century coin finds in Dobroudja see: OBERLÄNDER-TÂRNOVEANU 1996, p.110-113 and fns. 67 and 92.

<sup>9</sup> POENARU-BORDEA, DONOIU 1981-1982, p.238, n. 6.

<sup>10</sup> CUSTUREA 1986, p.277, n. 10 and n. 12.

Unfortunately, the archaeological evidence of the cemetery<sup>11</sup> close to Capidava cannot provide relevant information regarding the life during the “dark” centuries. Nevertheless, the recent coin finds from Leo VI and Roman I are an important addition to our understanding of the economic relations between the former Roman centres and the Byzantine Empire. Settlements from the Black Sea shore provide a far larger number of specimens from the “Dark Age” due to the active presence of the Imperial fleet and it is possible that the few mentioned coins from the Danube coast to be ascribed to a rather indirect relation with the Empire through settlements on the seaside. One may also assume that the presence of the Danubian fleet of Emperor Leo VI, in the conflict with the Bulgarian Kingdom at the end of the 9<sup>th</sup> century, brought a significant number of coins in the region<sup>12</sup>.

The Latin and the Bulgarian imitations are also significant additions to the history of Capidava during the late Middle Byzantine age. Although these finds are not completely unknown in Dobroudja<sup>13</sup>, the specimens found at Capidava are particularly important. The coin finds inside the walls of the fortress end after 1055<sup>14</sup>, which led to the suggestion that Capidava was deserted soon after. Nevertheless, the strategic importance of the fortress, located at an important crossing point over the Danube, could not have been overlooked by the Byzantine Empire or its Northern enemies. Although the two imitations were not found in an archaeological context, they remain an important clue to the activities underwent in the area surrounding the former Byzantine town, in the eve of the Tatar invasion of 1241.

In what concerns the Islamic finds, the two specimens published here are not the first such finds recorded at Capidava<sup>15</sup>. Still, the increase in coin finds from the Late Middle Ages in Dobroudja might reinforce the idea of a strong community gathered around the deserted ancient fortress on the Danube. It was most likely a Turkish community, but most significant is the continuity of living in an area with a long tradition, echoed by the medieval name of the village: Calakioi – “the village of the fortress”<sup>16</sup>.

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<sup>11</sup> CHELUȚĂ-GEORGESCU 1979, p.179-182.

<sup>12</sup> METCALF 1979, p.42.

<sup>13</sup> OBERLÄNDER-TÄRNOVEANU 2003, p.398-400, with the bibliography.

<sup>14</sup> CUSTUREA 1995-1996, p.307, n. 83-85.

<sup>15</sup> VERTAN, CUSTUREA 1988-1989, p.385, n. 1353, an AE mangâr from Suleyman II; VERTAN, CUSTUREA, TALMAȚCHI 1998, p.317, n. 1845, an AE mangâr from an uncertain ruler.

<sup>16</sup> POPOIU 2001, p.147; IONESCU-DOBROGIANU 1904, p.424.

STAGE	COINS	% OF TOTAL	COEFF. COINS/YEAR	% OF TOTAL COEFF.	POSITION
294-307	7	4.02	0.54	2.56	XIV
307-313	7	4.02	1.17	5.55	VII-VIII
313-318	5	2.87	1	4.74	IX-X
318-324	1	0.57	0.17	0.81	XVII
324-330	6	3.45	1	4.74	IX-X
330-335	11	6.32	2.2	10.43	III
335-341	17	9.77	2.83	13.41	II
341-348	14	8.05	2	9.48	IV
348-355	5	2.87	0.71	3.36	XI-XII
355-361	20	11.49	3.33	15.78	I
361-364	0	0	0	0	-
364-378	17	9.77	1.21	5.73	VI
378-383	0	0	0	0	-
383-395	14	8.05	1.17	5.55	VII-VIII
395-408	13	7.47	1	4.74	IX-X
408-425	7	4.02	0.41	1.94	XV
425-450	9	5.18	0.36	1.71	XVI
450-457	9	5.18	1.29	6.11	V
457-474	12	6.90	0.71	3.36	XI-XII
474-491	0	0	0	0	-
491-498	0	0	0	0	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>174</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>21.1</b>	<b>100</b>	

Table 1. Late Roman coins at Capidava

## CATALOGUE

## ROMAN/

## GREEK IMPERIAL:

## 1. Septimius Severus

AR ↓ 1.19g, 15.5mm

RIC IV, Rome

Broken

CAP 1987, Docks, S1

MNIR Inv. 317524.

## 2. Caracalla

AE ↑ 8.19g, 23mm

Thrace, Deultum

Moushmov 3531

CAP 2003, river bank

MNIR Inv. 317525.

## 3. Elagabal

AE ⚡ 2.30g, 20.5x16.5mm

Moesia Inferior, Markianopolis

CNGCop. 240

CAP 1974, *passim*

MNIR Inv. 317526.

## 4. Aurelian

AE ↓ 1.91g, 19.2mm,

CONCORDIA MILITVM

Cyzicus

RIC V/1, 343, period II

Broken, pierced

CAP 1968, BAS SII

MNIR Inv. 317527.

5. Aurelian  
AE ↑ 3.83g, 23.5x21mm  
ORIENS AVG, Rome, off. E  
RIC V/2, 64, period III  
Corroded  
CAP 1974, *passim*  
MNIR Inv. 317528.
6. Aurelian  
AE ↑ 2.09g, 23mm  
ORIENS AVG  
RIC V/2  
Bent  
CAP 1996, *passim*  
MNIR Inv. 317529.
7. Diocletian  
AE ↗ 3.3g, 21.5x20.5mm  
CONCORDIA MILITVM  
Heraclea, off. B  
RIC VI, 13, 295-296  
CAP 1974, *passim*  
MNIR Inv. 317530.
8. Maximianus  
AE ↑ 3.26g, 22.3x20.5mm  
CONCORDIA MILITVM  
Heraclea, off. Δ  
RIC VI, 14, y. 295-296  
CAP 2002, *passim*  
MNIR Inv. 317531.
9. Maximianus  
AE ↑ 2.77g, 21.2x20.5mm  
CONCORDIA MILITVM  
Cyzicus, off. Δ  
RIC VI, 15b, y. 295-299  
CAP 2005, S4, 1, -0.55m  
MNIR Inv. 317532.
10. Maximianus  
AE ↑ 5.66g, 27x26mm  
GENIO AVGVSTI  
Thessalonica, off. B  
RIC VI, 30a, y. 308-310  
CAP 1974, *passim*  
MNIR Inv. 317533.
11. Licinius I  
AE ↑ 3.37g, 23.1x21.7mm  
IOVI CONSERVATORI  
Thessalonica, off. Δ  
RIC VII, 59, y. 312-313  
CAP 2006, *passim*  
MNIR Inv. 315601.
12. Licinius II  
AE ↑ 1.82g, 19.3x17.5mm  
IOVI CONSERVATORI  
Heraclea  
RIC VII, 54, y. 321-324  
CAP 2004, *passim*  
MNIR Inv. 317534.
13. Constantine I  
AE ↑ 3.52g, 20.3x18.5mm  
PROVIDENTIAE AVGG  
Cyzicus, off. Δ  
LRBC 1158, y. 324-330  
CAP 2002, Docks  
MNIR Inv. 317535.
14. Constantine I  
AE ↓ 2.46g, 19x18.2mm  
GLORIA EXERCITVS  
Constantinople  
LRBC 1005, y. 330-335  
CAP 2001, III, Docks  
MNIR Inv. 317536.
15. Constantine I  
AE ↑ 1.34g, 16.5x14.5mm  
GLORIA EXERCITVS  
LRBC, y. 330-335  
Broken  
CAP 2005, *passim*  
MNIR Inv. 317537.
16. Constantine I  
AE 1.66g, 18x16.8mm  
GLORIA EXERCITVS (?)  
LRBC y. 330-337  
Burned, melted  
CAP 2005, *passim*  
MNIR Inv. 317538.

17. Constantine I  
AE ↓ 1.35g, 18mm  
Victoria? fragments  
CAP 1990, *passim*  
MNIR Inv. 317539.
18. Constantine I/ Constantius II  
AE ↗ 1.56g, 14.2x13.5mm  
VOT type  
LRBC, y. 341-346  
CAP 2005, *passim*  
MNIR Inv. 317540.
19. Constantine II  
AE ↑ 2.54g, 18x17.5mm  
GLORIA EXERCITVS  
Thessalonica, off. Γ (?)  
LRBC 836, y. 330-335  
CAP 2002, III T72  
MNIR Inv. 317541.
20. Constantinopolis  
AE ↓ 2.47g, 19.75x17.4mm  
CONSTANTINOPOLI  
Heraclea, off. Γ  
LRBC 908, y. 330-335  
CAP 1992, III Z73, 1  
MNIR Inv. 317542.
21. Constantius II/ Constans I  
AE ↑ 1.43g, 16x15.25mm  
VOT XX/ XXX  
Cyzicus, off. A  
RIC VIII, y. 547-548  
Burned, excoriated  
CAP 1993, III W73  
MNIR Inv. 317543.
22. Constantius II  
AE ↙ 3.55g, 21.5mm  
FEL TEMP REPARATIO  
RIC VIII, y. 348-351  
Excoriated  
CAP 2006, Tower I, small gate  
MNIR Inv. 315599.
23. Constantius II  
AE ↖ 2.72g, 16.5x15mm  
FEL TEMP REPARATIO  
RIC VIII, y. 551-555  
CAP 1974, *passim*  
MNIR Inv. 317544.
24. Constantius II  
AE ↑ 5.17g, 23.8x21.2  
FEL TEMP REPARATIO, Γ  
RIC VIII, y. 551-555  
Burned, melted  
CAP 1995, III, T-U 75, -0.5m  
MNIR Inv. 317545.
25. Constantius II  
AE ↓ 1.25g, 16x15.3mm  
FEL TEMP REPARATIO  
Cyzicus  
RIC VIII, 115, y. 355-361  
CAP 1974, BAS C5, -0.55m  
MNIR Inv. 317546.
26. Constantius II/ Julian II  
AE ↓ 1.16g, 15.5x12.7mm  
SPES REIPUBLICAE (?)  
LRBC, y. 355-361  
Broken  
CAP 1992, Docks SIII  
MNIR Inv. 317547.
27. Constantius II/ Julian II  
AE ↖ 1.81g, 12.5x12.1mm  
SPES REIPUBLICAE  
LRBC, y. 355-361  
CAP 2002, *passim*  
MNIR Inv. 317548.
28. Constantius II/ Julian II  
AE ↑ 0.77g, 13.5x12.5  
SPES REIPUBLICAE  
LRBC, y. 355-363  
CAP 1974, *passim*  
MNIR Inv. 317549.

29. Constantius II (?)  
AE 1.79g, 15.2x13.2mm  
GLORIA EXERCITVS  
LRBC, y. 335-341  
CAP 1996, III, T75  
MNIR Inv. 317550.
30. Constantius II (?)  
AE 4.31g, 17x16mm  
FEL TEMP REPARATIO (?)  
CAP 1974, *passim*  
MNIR Inv. 317551.
31. Constantius Gallus  
AE ↓ 3.94g, 19x17mm  
FEL TEMP REPARATIO  
Constantinople, off. Γ  
RIC VIII, 114, y. 351-355  
CAP 2006, BAS I, N52, 0.6m  
MNIR Inv. 315598.
32. Constantius Gallus  
AE ↑ 2.96g, 17.5x17mm  
FEL TEMP REPARATIO  
Cyzicus, off. A  
RIC VIII, 107, y. 351-354.  
CAP 2002, III T72  
MNIR Inv. 317552.
33. Julian II  
AE ↑ 1.55g, 16.5x16mm  
FEL TEMP REPARATIO, M  
RIC VIII, y. 355-361  
CAP 1974, *passim*  
MNIR Inv. 317553.
34. Valens  
AE ↑ 1.67g, 18.5x16.5mm  
GLORIA ROMANORVM  
Constantinople  
LRBC 2108, y. 367-375  
CAP 1974, *passim*  
MNIR Inv. 317554.
35. Valens (?)  
AE ↓ 1.22g, 15.9x14.75mm  
SECVRITAS REIPVBLICE  
CAP 1974, *passim*  
MNIR Inv. 317555.
36. Valens/ Valentinian I  
AE ↯ 1.40g, 16x15.5mm  
GLORIA ROMANORVM 8  
LRBC y. 367-375  
CAP 1992, Docks SIII  
MNIR Inv. 317556.
37. Valentinian I  
AE ↗ 2.28g, 18.5x16.75mm  
SECVRITAS REIPVBLICAE  
Siscia, LRBC y. 367-375  
Broken  
CAP 1993, V73, -1.43m  
MNIR Inv. 317557.
38. Valentinian II  
AE ↑ 1.11g, 13.8x12.4mm  
SALVS REIPVBLICAE  
Constantinople, off. A  
LRBC 2183, y. 383-392  
CAP 2002, *passim*  
MNIR Inv. 317558.
39. Valentinian II  
AE ↑ 1.03g, 13x12mm  
SALVS REIPVBLICAE  
LRBC 2183, y. 383-392  
CAP 2002, *passim*  
MNIR Inv. 317559.
40. Arcadius  
AE 0.65g, 13.5x12mm  
SALVS REIPVBLICAE,  
Constantinople  
LRBC 2185, y. 383-392  
Burned  
CAP 1997, III, T-T74, -0.7m  
MNIR Inv. 317560.

41. Eudoxia  
AE 1.81g, 16.5x15mm  
  
SALVS REIPVBLICAE  
RIC X, 101-105, y. 401-405  
CAP *passim*  
MNIR Inv. 317561.
42. Honorius  
AE ↓ 1.21g, 11x10mm  
VICTORIA AVGG  
Rome, y. 410-423  
RIC X, 1357=LRBC 828  
CAP 2002-2006, *passim*  
MNIR Inv. 317562.
43. Honorius/ Theodosius II  
AE 2.35g, 15.5x14.5mm  
GLORIA ROMANORVM  
RIC X, y. 408-423  
CAP, *passim*  
MNIR Inv. 317563
44. Honorius/ Theodosius II  
AE ↑ 1.52g, 16x14mm  
  
GLORIA ROMANORVM  
Constantinople, off. Γ (?)  
RIC X, 399-400, y. 408-423  
CAP, *passim*  
MNIR Inv. 317564
45. Theodosius II  
AE ↙ 2.02g, 15.75x14.75mm  
  
GLORIA ROMANORVM  
RIC X, y. 406-408  
CAP 1990, III, Z75, - 0.6 m  
MNIR Inv. 317565
46. Theodosius II  
AE ↑ 0.56g, 11x10mm  
CONCORDIA AVG  
Constantinople  
RIC X, 433, y. 425-435
- CAP 2002-2006, *passim*  
MNIR Inv. 317566
47. Theodosius II  
AE 0.71g, 9.2x8.7mm  
Cross in wreath (?),  
RIC X, y. 425-435  
CAP 1992, Docks, S III  
MNIR Inv. 317567
48. Theodosius II  
AE 0.34g, 10x9.25mm  
Cross in wreath (?)  
RIC X, y. 425-435  
CAP 1992, Docks, S III  
MNIR Inv. 317568.
49. Theodosius II  
AE ↓ 0.73g, 10.6x9.4mm  
Cross in wreath  
RIC X, y. 425-435  
CAP 1992, *passim*  
MNIR Inv. 317569.
50. Marcian  
AE 0.93g, 11x9.75mm  
Monogram  
RIC X, y. 450-457  
CAP 1992, III, T73-U73, -1m  
MNIR Inv. 317570.
51. Marcian  
AE 0.66g, 9.3x8.8mm  
Monogram  
RIC X, y. 450-457  
CAP 1996, III, *passim*  
MNIR Inv. 317571.
52. Marcian  
AE ↑ 0.79g, 8.5mm  
Monogram  
RIC X, y. 450-457  
CAP 2005, *passim*  
MNIR Inv. 317572.



MNIR Inv. 317578.

53. Marcian/ Anastasius I  
AE 0.39, 10x8.6mm

Monogram y. 450-457 or  
491-518  
CAP 1992, Docks, S III  
MNIR Inv. 317573.

54. Leo I  
AE 0.96g, 13.2x10.7mm  
Empress (?)  
RIC X, y.457-474  
CAP *passim*  
MNIR Inv. 317574.

55. Leo I  
AE 0.94g, 12.3x11.6mm  
Empress (?)  
RIC X, y.457-474  
CAP 1997, III, T 74-~~T~~74, -1.50 m  
MNIR Inv. 317575.

56. Leo I  
AE 0.95g, 9.6x8.8mm  
Empress (?)  
RIC X, y.457-474  
CAP 1995, III, T 74, -1.65 m  
MNIR Inv. 317576.

57. Leo I  
AE 0.87g, 10mm

Empress (?)  
RIC X, y.457-474  
CAP 1994, Docks, S III  
MNIR Inv. 317577.

58. Leo I  
AE  $\text{K}$  0.65g, 8.5mm

Empress (?)  
RIC X, y. 457-474  
CAP 2002-2006, *passim*

59. Leo I (?)  
AE 0.73g, 10mm  
Empress (?)  
RIC X, y.457-474  
CAP 02, III, Y72, floor  
MNIR Inv. 317579.

60. Leo I/ Zeno  
AE 1.51g, 13x11.75mm  
Victory (?), Chi-Rho  
RIC X, y. 457-491  
CAP 1995, III, T 74, -1.65 m  
MNIR Inv. 317580.

**BYZANTINE:**

61. Justin I  
AE  $\text{I}$  8.98g, 26.3x24.8mm  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  follis, Imitation  
MIBE, X11  
CAP 1974, C5, -0.7m  
MNIR Inv. 317581.

62. Justinian I  
AE  $\text{I}$  8.04g, 25.7x23.4mm  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  follis, Constantinople, off.  $\Gamma$   
MIBE, 90, y. 527-537  
CAP 2000, V72, -0.2/3m  
MNIR Inv. 317582.

63. Justinian I  
AE  $\text{K}$  3.38g, 15.5x14mm  
 $\frac{1}{4}$  follis, Nicomedia  
MIBE, 118b, after 552  
CAP 2005, *passim*  
MNIR Inv. 317583.

64. Leo VI  
AE  $\text{V}$  4.63g, 25.2mm  
Burned, melted

Follis, Constantinople  
 DOC III/2, 8, class 3.  
 CAP 2002, *passim*  
 MNIR Inv. 317584.

65. Roman I  
 AE ↓ 5.38g, 27x23.5mm  
 Follis, Constantinople  
 DOC III/2, 25, y. 931-944  
 CAP 2002, *passim*  
 MNIR Inv. 317585.

66. Basile II and Constantine VIII  
 AE ↓ 14.00g, 32.5x27.8mm  
 Anonymous follis, class A  
 DOC III, 2, var. 48  
 CAP 2004, river bank  
 MNIR Inv. 317587.

67. Basile II and Constantine VIII  
 AE ↓ 10.7g, 28x26.5mm  
 Anonymous follis, class A  
 DOC III, 2, var. 24a  
 CAP 1966, BAS, SII  
 MNIR Inv. 317586.

68. Basile II and Constantine VIII  
 AE ↓ 7.07g, 29.5x26mm  
 Anonymous follis  
 DOC III, 2, class A  
 CAP 1974, *passim*  
 MNIR Inv. 317588.

69. Basile II and Constantine VIII  
 AE ↓ 8.33g, 29.5x27mm  
 Anonymous follis, class A  
 DOC III, 2, var. 39  
 CAP 1992, *passim*  
 MNIR Inv. 317589.

70. Roman III

AE ↓ 10.98g, 31x27.6mm  
 Anonymous follis  
 DOC III, 2, class B  
 CAP 2003, I, surface.  
 MNIR Inv. 317590.

71. Latin Imitation  
 Billon ↓ 2.19g, 28.35x20.7mm  
 Stamenon, Constantinople  
 Module type A  
 DOC IV/2, 30.1-30.22  
 CAP 2002, *passim*  
 MNIR Inv. 317591.

72. Bulgarian Imitation  
 Billon ↓ 3.50g, 24x23mm  
 Stamenon, type C  
 DOC IV/1, 3a.1-3f.2  
 CAP 2004, river bank  
 MNIR Inv. 317592.

#### OTTOMAN EMPIRE

73. Mustafa III  
 AR 0.38g, 15mm  
 Para, Islambol, y. 14  
 NP 639  
 CAP 2001, river bank  
 MNIR Inv. 317593.

74. Selim III  
 AR 0.46g, 16.5mm  
 Para, Qostantinyeh  
 NP 713  
 CAP 2001, river bank  
 MNIR Inv. 317594.

75. Selim III  
 AR 0.38g, 15mm  
 Para, Misr  
 NP 717  
 CAP 2001, river bank  
 MNIR Inv. 317595.

#### ROMAN/ GREEK IMPERIAL UNCERTAIN

76. Severan dynasty  
AE ↓ 1.98g, 16.5x15.7mm  
Thrace, Nicopolis ad Istrum  
Burned, excoriated  
CAP, river bank  
MNIR Inv. 317596.
77. 3<sup>rd</sup> century  
AE ↗ 1.26g, 17.5x15.2mm  
Markianopolis (?)  
CAP 1987, Docks  
MNIR Inv. 317597.
78. Theodosian dynasty  
AE ↑ 1.50g, 12.5mm  
SALVS REIPVBLICAE  
LRBC 2183-85, y. 383-392  
CAP 2005, *passim*  
MNIR Inv. 317598.
79. Theodosian dynasty  
AE 0.58g, 12mm  
SALVS REIPVBLICAE (?)  
CAP 2002, *passim*  
MNIR Inv. 3176599.
80. Theodosian dynasty  
AE 1.35g, 13.5x12.8mm  
SALVS REIPVBLICAE (?)  
LRBC y. 383-392  
CAP 1996, *passim*  
MNIR Inv. 317600.
81. 4<sup>th</sup> century  
AE ↖ 0.97g, 15.6x13.6mm  
SECVRITAS REIPVBLICAE  
RIC IX, y. 364-378  
CAP 2005, *passim*  
MNIR Inv. 317601.
82. 4<sup>th</sup> century  
AE ↓ 0.88g, 15.15x13.15mm  
VOT type  
CAP 1974, *passim*  
MNIR Inv. 317602.
83. 4<sup>th</sup> century  
AE 0.35g  
VOT type, fragment  
CAP 1996, *passim*  
MNIR Inv. 317603.
84. 4<sup>th</sup> century  
AE 1.09g, 14.75x14mm  
FEL TEMP REPARATIO (?)  
CAP 1995, III, T75, -1.15m  
MNIR Inv. 317604.
85. 4<sup>th</sup> century  
AE 1.87g, 18.5x17.5mm  
FEL TEMP REPARATIO (?)  
Burned, excoriated  
CAP 1993, III, W73  
MNIR Inv. 317605.
86. 4<sup>th</sup> century  
AE 1.32g, 15.5x15mm  
Burned, melted  
CAP 1995, III, T74, -0.65m  
MNIR Inv. 317606.
87. 4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> century  
AE ↓ 1.52g, 11.5mm  
CAP 2006, SI  
MNIR Inv. 315600.
88. 4<sup>th</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> century  
AE ↑ 0.84, 13.4x12.6mm  
VIRTVS EXERCITI (?)  
CAP 1996, *passim*  
MNIR Inv. 317607.
89. 4<sup>th</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> century  
AE 0.58g, 12.3x11mm  
Broken  
CAP 1996, *passim*  
MNIR Inv. 317608.
90. 4<sup>th</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> century  
Fragments  
CAP 1970, BAS, -0.80m

- MNIR Inv. 317609. AE 0.27g, 7mm  
CAP 1992, Docks, S III  
MNIR Inv. 317617.
91. 5<sup>th</sup> century  
AE 0.48g, 8.75x8mm  
Monogram  
CAP 1992, III, V73-1  
MNIR Inv. 317610.
92. 5<sup>th</sup> century  
AE 0.47g, 10x7.5mm  
Monogram  
CAP 1996, III, *passim*  
MNIR Inv. 317611.
93. 5<sup>th</sup> century  
AE 0.68g, 8.5mm  
Monogram in wreath (?)  
CAP 1974, *passim*  
MNIR Inv. 317612.
94. 5<sup>th</sup> century  
AE 0.88g, 10mm  
Monogram (?)  
CAP 1992, Docks, S III  
MNIR Inv. 317613.
95. 5<sup>th</sup> century  
AE 0.62g, 9mm  
Monogram/ cross in wreath  
  
CAP 2002-2006, *passim*  
MNIR Inv. 317614.
96. 5<sup>th</sup> century  
AE 0.48g, 8.5mm, burned  
Monogram  
CAP 1996, III, *passim*.  
MNIR Inv. 317615.
97. 5<sup>th</sup> century  
AE ← 0.64g, 10.5x8.7mm  
Monogram  
CAP 1996, III, T-U73, -1.00m  
MNIR Inv. 317616.
98. 5<sup>th</sup> century
99. 5<sup>th</sup> century  
AE 0.49g, 17.8mm  
Fragment  
CAP 1992, Docks, S III  
MNIR Inv. 317618.
100. 5<sup>th</sup> century  
AE ↗ 1.44g, 12x10.7mm  
  
CAP 2002-2006, *passim*  
MNIR Inv. 317619.
101. 425-518  
AE 0.40g, 8.5mm  
CAP 2002-2006, *passim*  
MNIR Inv. 317620.
102. 425-518  
AE 0.27g, 6.5mm  
CAP 1992, Docks, S III  
MNIR Inv. 317621.
103. 425-518  
AE 0.91g, 11mm  
CAP 1974, *passim*  
MNIR Inv. 317622.
104. ?  
AE 0.3g  
CAP 1987, Docks  
MNIR Inv. 317623.

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