

# Session A

Begins on Thursday, May 18, 2017 at 09:00 PDT

## Ancient Coins

### Greek



1. **ATHENS:** AR tetradrachm (17.11g), ND (ca. 440-404 BC), S-2526, head of Athena left // owl standing right, head facing, possibly an Eastern issue, NGC graded EF Strike: 4/5; Surface: 5/5 \$800 - 1,000



2. **ATTICA: Anonymous**, circa 165-142 BC, AR tetradrachm, Athens, New style coinage, Polyxarmo, Nikoge, and Phanokle, magistrates, struck 132/131 BC, head of Athena right, wearing triple-crested Attic helmet decorated with a palmette and griffin on the bowl // beside owl standing right, head facing, on amphora; winged caduceus to left, A on amphora, below, magistrates, all within wreath, Strike 5/5, Surface 3/5, NGC graded choice AU \$1,400 - 1,600



3. **MACEDONIAN KINGDOM: Alexander III, the Great**, 336-323 BC, AR tetradrachm (16.12g), early posthumous issue: Heracles right // seated Zeus, NGC graded choice VF Strike: 4/5, Surface: 3/5 \$250 - 350



4. **MACEDONIAN KINGDOM: Alexander III**, 336-323 BC, AR tetradrachm, Amphipolis, Price-108; Müller-369, early posthumous issue, circa 322-317 BC, struck under Philip III and Alexander IV: head of Heracles right, wearing lion skin headdress // Zeus Aëtrophoros seated left; cornucopiae in left field, Strike 5/5, Surface 4/5, NGC graded AU \$600 - 700



5. **MACEDONIAN KINGDOM:** AR tetradrachm (16.78g), ND (ca. 167-148 BC), Macedon under Rome, First Meris: Artemis on shield // club in oak wreath, thunderbolt at left, NGC graded choice VF Strike:4/5, Surface: 4/5 \$220 - 280



6. **ISTROS:** AR quarter stater (1.14g), S-1670var, inverted heads // sea-eagle on dolphin, A under dolphin, slab label notes denomination as "¼ drachm?", light iridescent tone, NGC graded choice VF Strike: 4/5, Surface: 3/5 \$100 - 150



7. **THASOS:** AR tetradrachm (16.96g), ND (2nd-1st Centuries BC), SNG Copenhagen 1039, bust of Dionysus right // Heracles standing slightly left, NGC graded EF Strike: 4/5, Surface: 3/5 \$220 - 280



8. **THEBES:** AR stater (12.06g), ND (ca. 395-338 BC), Hepworth-26, Boeotian shield // amphora with club above, in field, with below, NGC graded choice EF Strike: 4/5; Surface: 3/5 \$500 - 700

9. **ANCIENT GREECE:** LOT of 9 bronze coins of various sizes, different types, all but one without legends, and 1 silver litra (said to be from Messana, but probably not); an interesting research group, average VF, some very attractive; retail value \$500, lot of 10 pieces \$250 - 350

### Celtic



10. **GAUL: Anonymous**, circa 80-52 BC, AE15, cf. D&T 2638 (for style), stylized Alexandrian head right // YLLYCCV (?) around stylized eagle standing left; pentagram and pellets-in-annulets to right, Strike 5/5, Surface 5/5, NGC graded choice AU \$100 - 150

**Near East**



11. **BYBLOS: Ainel**, ca. 333 BC, AR shekel (12.86g), ND, S-6013var, galley and hippocamp // lion attacking bull, no *ankh* symbols beneath lion and bull, NGC graded EF Strike: 3/5, Surface: 3/5 \$350 - 450



12. **PHOENICIA: Anonymous**, AR shekel (tetradrachm), Tyre, year 89 (38/7 BC), laureate head of beardless Melqarth facing right // eagle standing left on beak of ship, carrying palm under right wing; to left, club and date; monogram behind eagle, Strike 4/5, Surface 2/5, NGC graded EF \$800 - 1,000

*Tyrian shekels, which in the Roman Empire took on an unusual role as the medium of payment for the Temple tax in Jerusalem, and subsequently gained notoriety as a likely mode of payment for Judas Iscariot.*



13. **SABAEAN: Anonymous**, 3rd-2nd century BC, AR 1/2 unit (2.00g), Huth-238/248, standard Athenian design (head of Athena / owl), with monogram between owl's feet and the Greek lovely VF \$150 - 250



14. **SYRIA: Palmyra, Pseudo-autonomous**, ca. 150-225, AE 1/2 unit (0.62g), Kryzyzanowska —, turreted bust of Tyche right // uncertain deity, perhaps Astarte, standing on galley, apparently unpublished type, F-VF, RRR \$350 - 425



15. **SYRIA: Palmyra, Pseudo-autonomous**, ca. 150-225, AE unit (1.62g), Kryzyzanowska —, radiate bust of Serapis or Baalshamin // unknown deity, running to the left, arms extended, holding undetermined objects, appears to be unpublished, VF, RRR \$400 - 500



16. **SYRIA: Palmyra, Pseudo-autonomous**, ca. 150-225, AE unit (1.18g), Kryzyzanowska type IV, draped bust of Atargatis, crescent behind & star before // radiate and draped bust of uncertain solar deity left, VF, RRR \$200 - 250



17. **ACHAEMENID: Darios I to Xerxes II**, circa 485-420 BC, AV daric, Sardes mint, Carradice-Type IIIb, Persian king or hero, wearing kidaris and kandys, quiver over shoulder, in kneeling-running stance right, holding spear in right hand, bow in left // incuse punch, NGC graded choice VF Strike: 4/5 Surface: 4/5 \$3,500 - 4,000



18. **PARTHIAN KINGDOM: Arsakes II**, c. 211-191 BC, AE dichalkon (2.93g) (Hekatompilos), Shore—, Sell-7.2, king's head left, wearing bashlyk // goddess standing facing, head left, holding wreath and palm, dark green patination, lightly scratched in reverse field, VF, RR \$170 - 200



19. **PARTHIAN KINGDOM: Mithradates II**, c. 123-88 BC, AR tetradrachm (15.71g), Seleucia on the Tigris, Sell-24, medium bearded bust left wearing diadem, pellet-ended torque; circular border of pellets // beardless archer wearing bashlyk and cloak seated right on omphalos, holding bow in right hand; no symbols, no border; square four-line Greek inscription, Strike 5/5, Surface 2/5, NGC graded choice EF \$800 - 900



20. **PARTHIAN KINGDOM: Phraates IV**, c. 38-2 BC, AR drachm (4.05g), bust of Phraates IV left, eagle with wreath // Arsaces I seated right holding bow with surrounding inscriptions, NGC graded Mint State, Strike: 5/5, Surface: 4/5 \$150 - 200



21. **PARTHIAN KINGDOM: Parthaspates**, fl. AD 116, AR drachm (3.78g), Ekbatana, Shore-423, king's bust left, wearing tiara with earflap // seated archer, choice VF \$110 - 150

22. **PARTHIAN KINGDOM: LOT of 9 Parthian coins** (8 silver, 1 copper); plus 3 Sasanian and 5 Byzantine: **Silver**, all common types: Oroder II (2 pcs), Artabanos II (1 pc), Vologases I (1 pc), Vologases III (3 pcs), and Vologases IV (1 pc), all VF, a couple nicer; and **Copper**: Mithradates (type Shore-109 with pegasus, VF with much porosity), retail value \$500, **lot of 9 pieces** \$280 - 330

23. **PARTHIAN & ABBASID: LOT of 3 silver drachms & 3 silver dirhams**: Parthian: Orodes II, Mithradatkart mint (Sellwood-47.29, choice VF); Vardanes I, Ekbatana mint (S-64.3, VF); and Pacorus (S-78.2, EF); and **Abbasid**: al-Rashid: Marw AH185 (A-219.9, VF); and al-Ma'mun: Samarqand 198 (A-223.3, Fine) and Samarqand 218 (A-223.6 VF) but chipped & with hornsilver; retail value \$280, **lot of 6 pieces** \$160 - 200

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24. **SASANIAN: Varahran I**, 273-276, AR drachm (4.00g), G-41, standard design, r. attendant w/ rayed headwear, VF, **S** \$200 - 250



25. **SASANIAN: Vishtahm**, 591-597, AR drachm (4.01g), RD (Rayy), year 5, G-205/06, nice even strike, choice VF, **R** \$300 - 400



26. **SASANIAN: Khusro II**, 591-628, AR drachm (4.09g), YZ ((Yazd), year 1, G-208, 1st issue, crown without wings, rare mint & date, VF-EF, **RR** \$150 - 200



27. **SASANIAN: Khusro II**, 591-628, AR drachm (4.18g), MY (Mishan), year 2, G-208, 1st issue, crown without wings, lovely portrait, choice EF, **R** \$150 - 200



28. **SASANIAN: Kavad II**, 628, AR drachm (4.10g), NY, year 2, G-223, mint name NY tentatively assigned to Nihawand, mount removed, VF, **RR** \$200 - 250



29. **SASANIAN: Ardashir III**, 628-630, AR drachm (3.96g), AY (Susa), year 2, G-226, 2nd series, crown with wings, AU \$80 - 100



30. **SASANIAN: Ardashir III**, 628-630, AR drachm (3.72g), WH (Veh-Ardashir), year 2, G-226, 2nd series, crown with wings, nice strike, AU \$80 - 100



31. **SASANIAN: Ardashir III**, 628-630, AR drachm (4.15g), YZ (Yazd), year 2, G-226, 2nd series, crown with wings, EF-AU \$80 - 100



32. **SASANIAN: Hormizd V**, 631-632, AR drachm (4.12g), WYHC (the Treasury mint), year 2, G-230, EF \$160 - 200



33. **SASANIAN: Hormizd V**, 631-632, AR drachm (4.06g), WYHC (the Treasury mint), year 2, G-230, EF \$160 - 200



34. **SASANIAN: Yazdigerd III**, 632-651, AR drachm (4.16g), BN (perhaps Bamm), year 12, G-235, the date on this type is sometimes misinterpreted as 32, AU \$80 - 100

*The BN mint is definitely within the Kirman province, a well-known mint for the local Kermani governors 'Abd al-Rahman b. Zayd and al-Hakam b. Abi'l-As. It is also found for 'Atiya b. al-Aswad after the initial letters KLMAN as is the standing for the Kirman provincial mints.*



35. **SASANIAN: Yazdigerd III**, 632-651, AR drachm (4.15g), BN (perhaps Bamm), year 12, G-235, the date on this type is sometimes misinterpreted as 32, AU \$80 - 100



36. **SASANIAN: Yazdigerd III**, 632-651, AR drachm (4.14g), BN (perhaps Bamm), year 12, G-235, the date on this type is sometimes misinterpreted as 32, AU \$80 - 100



37. **SASANIAN: Yazdigerd III**, 632-651, AR drachm (4.21g), NAR (Narmashir), year 13, G-235, choice EF, R \$200 - 280



38. **SASANIAN: Yazdigerd III**, 632-651, AR drachm (4.08g), GLM (Garm-Kirman), year 20, G-235, bold strike, EF, R \$180 - 220



39. **SASANIAN: Yazdigerd III**, 632-651, AR drachm (3.79g), BBA (the Court mint), year 20, G-235, some modest dark adhesions, EF, R \$100 - 120

40. **SASANIAN:** LOT of 32 silver coins and 1 copper coin: Ardashir I (copper, VG); Shahpur I (2 pcs, one fine silver, VF, the other debased silver, F-VF); Shahpur II (2 pcs, one Fine, the other VF); Varahran IV (1 pc, F-VF); Yazdigerd I (1 pc, VG-F), Varahran V (1 pc, VF), Yazdigerd II (1 pc, VF); Peroz (15 pcs, mostly VF); Kavard I (1 pc, scruffy Fine); Khusro I (3 pcs, all VF); Hormizd IV (1 pc, VF-EF); and Khusro II (4 pcs, all F-VF); all of the last 3 kings with legible mint & date, retail value \$1230; **lot of 33 pieces**, , ex Hans Mondorf Collection \$500 - 800

41. **SASANIAN:** LOT of 6 better quality Sasanian silver drachms: **Hormizd IV** (579-590): all of the GD mint (Jayy), years 9, 10, and 12, all EF condition with nice portraits; and **Khusro II** (591-628): ML (Marw) year 3 (VF), and two pieces of the rare mint DR (unlocated), both year 4 and both EF condition; retail value \$360, **lot of 6 pieces** \$220 - 260

42. **SASANIAN:** LOT of 1 silver and 7 copper coins: **Sasanian:** Hormizd IV (RD year 8, but struck in copper, 2.72g, VF and rare); Khusro II (small AE pashiz, mint off, nice VF); and Ardashir III (ART year 2, discolored VF); and **Byzantine:** Maurice Tiberius, 10 nummis, CAT mint (Catania, years 5, 6 and 20, all VF with much porosity); plus two common later folles (both VF); retail value \$400, **lot of 8 pieces** \$200 - 240



43. **ELYMAIS: Anonymous**, ca. 50-120, AE tetradrachm (15.51g), van't Haaff-10.4, crowned bearded bust, crescent & circle and anchor behind // degenerate bust with blundered text around, VF, ex Hans Mondorf Collection \$100 - 150

44. **ELYMAIS:** LOT of 4 copper tetradrachms assigned to the early Arsakid period, late 1st to early 2nd century AD: king's bust left, star-and-crescent & anchor behind // rudimentary royal bust, imitative legend around; all VF or better; retail value \$400, **lot of 4 pieces** \$200 - 300



45. **PERSIS KINGDOM: Vahbarz**, 3rd century BC, AR obol (0.86g), Alram-529, head right, wearing diadem and kyrbasia // fire temple of Ahura-Mazda; to left, trace of Aramaic legend, standard to right, VF \$120 - 160



46. **PERSIS KINGDOM: Vadfradad I (Autophradates)**, 3rd century BC, AR tetradrachm (16.66g), Alram-640/642, Sunrise-568/571, head right, with bear & moustance, wearing diadem & kyrbasia // fire temple, Ahura-Mazda above, king standing to left, holding bow, standard to right, legend around, overstruck on undetermined Greek tetradrachm, somewhat smoothed and cleaned, mainly on obverse, VF, R \$1,200 - 1,600



47. **PERSIS KINGDOM: Vadfradad I (Autophradates)**, 3rd century BC, AR tetradrachm (16.73g), Alram-640/642, Sunrise-568/571, head right, with bear & moustance, wearing diadem & kyrbasia // fire temple, Ahura-Mazda above, king standing to left, holding bow, standard to right, legend around, overstruck on undetermined Greek tetradrachm, somewhat smoothed and cleaned, mainly on obverse, bold VF, R \$1,200 - 1,600

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48. **ANCIENT PERSIA:** LOT of 27 coins: **Achaemenid:** 2 silver drachms, both VG-F; **Parthian:** all silver, including 2 tetradrachms (both Fine) and 15 drachms (average Fine, couple nicer, many with porosity or other damage); **Persis:** 1 common obol (F-VF); **Elymais:** 1 AE tetradrachm (VF, much corrosion), 3 AE drachms (average VG); **Sasanian:** 1 fourré drachm of Varahran II (F-VF); **Seleukid:** 1 common copper coin (F-VF); and **Axum:** 1 copper piece, Fair condition; retail value \$860, **lot of 27 pieces**, ex *Hans Mondorf Collection* \$350 - 550

### Africa



49. **PTOLEMAIS: Ptolemy VI Philometor**, 180-145 BC, AR didrachm, Cyprus, SNG Copenhagen-552, dated year 106 of an uncertain era (157/6 BC), diademed head of Ptolemy I right, wearing aegis around neck // eagle standing left on thunderbolt; PE (date) on thunderbolt (barely visible), Strike 4/5, Surface 3/5, NGC graded EF \$500 - 600



50. **ZEUGITANIA: CARTHAGE: Anonymous**, ca. 200-190 BC, AE 43mm (85g), S-6533, head of Tanit left, wreathed in corn // horse standing, sun-disk between two uraeus-cobras above, some small corrosion spots, as normal on this massive bronze coin, F-VF, RR \$500 - 700

*This is the largest ancient copper coin struck outside of Egypt, introduced as part of a complex coinage reform after the Second Punic War.*

### Roman



51. **ROMAN REPUBLIC: Q. Minucius Rufus**, 122 BC, AR denarius (3.91g), Rome, Crawford-277/1, helmeted head of Roma right, X beneath chin, RVF behind // The Dioscuri riding right, Q MINV beneath horses, ROMA in exergue, VF-EF \$100 - 150



52. **ROMAN REPUBLIC: M. Lucilius Rufus**, 101 BC, AR denarius (3.71g), Rome, Crawford-324/1, helmeted head of Roma right, PV behind // RVF above Victory driving biga right, holding reins and goad, M LVCILI below, VF \$100 - 150



53. **ROMAN REPUBLIC: C. Vibius C.f. Pansa**, 90 BC, AR denarius (4.01g), Rome, Crawford-342/5, laureate head of Apollo right; PANSA downwards to left, E below chin // Minerva, holding [trophy] in right hand and reins and spear in left hand, driving galloping quadriga right; C VIBIVS C F in exergue, oblong planchet, EF-AU \$100 - 150



54. **ROMAN REPUBLIC: Ti. Claudius Ti.f. Ap.n.**, 79 BC, AR serrate denarius (3.92g), Rome, Crawford-383/1, draped bust of Diana right, with bow and quiver over shoulder; before, S C // Victory in biga right, holding reins, wreath and palm branch; below, control numeral A CV; in ex. TI CLAVD TI F / AP N, EF \$100 - 150

55. **ROMAN REPUBLIC: LOT of 18 Republican silver denarii**, nice starter set of all different types some serrated, average circulated condition, retail value \$1000, **lot of 18 coins** \$700 - 900

*Serrated denarii, also called serrati, which featured about 20 notched chisel marks on the edge, were produced to demonstrate the integrity of the coin. This effort was in vain, as examples of fourrée serrati attest.*



56. **ROMAN EMPIRE: Nero**, 54-68 AD, BI tetradrachm (13.21g), Alexandria, Egypt, laureate head right // Dikaiosyne (Aequitas) standing left, holding scales in right hand, left arm in peplos, attractive portrait, Fine \$75 - 100



57. **ROMAN EMPIRE: Galba**, 68-69 AD, AE as, cf. RIC-329, SER GALBA CAES AVG TR P, laureate head right // Aquila between two standards, flanked by S - C, likely struck at an Iberian mint, faint tooling in reverse field, VG-F \$100 - 150



58. **ROMAN EMPIRE: Faustina Junior, wife of Marcus Aurelius**, AR denarius (3.02g), contemporary imitation of type Sear-5268, INSTINIA AVGVSTAI (sic), bust left // VENVS GENETRIX (correctly spelled), Fine, RR \$100 - 120

*A similarly styled imitation of a Faustina Senior denarius hammered for \$575 in CNG Electronic Auction 300 (Lot 223) in April 2013.*



59. **ROMAN EMPIRE: Septimius Severus**, 193-211 AD, AR tetradrachm (13.24g), Antioch, Syria, BMC-347, struck 205-211 AD, AVT KAI CEOVHPOC CE-B, laureate, draped bust right // DHMARC EX UPA TO G, eagle standing facing, head left, wreath in its beak, star below, VF-EF \$150 - 250



60. **ROMAN EMPIRE: Macrinus**, 217-218 AD, AR denarius (3.10g), RIC-72, IMP C M OPEL SEV MACRINVS AVG, laureate cuirassed bust right // IOVI CONSERVATORI, Jupiter standing left, holding thunderbolt and long sceptre, Strike 5/5, Surface 2/5, NGC graded Choice EF \$250 - 300



61. **ROMAN EMPIRE: Pupienus**, 238 AD, AR denarius (4.46g), RIC-11b, IMP CAES M PVPIEN MAXIMVS AVG, radiate, draped & cuirassed bust right // PATRES SENATVS, clasped right hands, Strike 5/5, Surface 3/5, NGC graded Choice EF \$500 - 550



62. **ROMAN EMPIRE: Otacilia Severa**, 244-249, AE dupondius (10.33g), Rome, RIC-202d, wife of Philip I, OTACIL SEVERA AVG, diademed, draped bust right on crescent // SAECVLARES AVGG / S - C (in field), Cippus, two planchet cracks, bold strike, VF-EF \$100 - 150



63. **ROMAN EMPIRE: Valens**, 314 AD, AR heavy siliqua (2.70g), Constantinople, RIC-11, RSC-87, DN VALENS PF AVG, diademed, draped and cuirassed bust right // VOT V in wreath, CONSE below, Strike 5/5, Surface 3/5, NGC graded Choice AU, R \$800 - 900



64. **ROMAN EMPIRE: Valens**, 364-378 AD, AV solidus (4.40g), S—, RIC-23b, DN VALENS / PER F AVG, diademed bust left // VOTA PV-BLICA, Valens & Valentinian I seated on throne, 2 captives before, mint signature ANT + in exergue, several nicks both sides, and one scratch on reverse, VF, RR \$300 - 400



65. **ROMAN EMPIRE: Honorius**, 393-423 AD, AV solidus (4.27g), S-20902, helmeted & cuirassed bust // CONCORDIA AVG, emperor seated, holding scepter & Victory on globe, pierced and plugged with gold, VF \$200 - 250



66. **ROMAN EMPIRE: Theodosius II**, 402-450 AD, AV solidus (4.02g), Constantinople, S-21156, helmeted & cuirassed bust // VOT XX MVLT XXXX, Victory standing, holding large jeweled cross, officina , struck 423-424, VF \$350 - 450



67. **ROMAN EMPIRE: Leo I**, 457-474 AD, AV solidus (4.47g), RIC-X 605, DN LEO PE-RPET AVC, diademed, helmeted and cuirassed 3/4 facing bust, spear over shoulder // VICTORIA-A AVCC and officina letter I, Victory standing left with long cross, star in right field; mintmark CONOB, minor flan flaw, lustrous, Strike 4/5, Surface 5/5, NGC graded Mint State \$1,300 - 1,500



68. **ROMAN EMPIRE: Zeno**, 474-491 AD, AV solidus (3.87g), Constantinople, S-21514, helmeted & cuirassed bust // VICTORIA AVGGG followed by officina , Victory standing, holding large jeweled cross, many small nicks, mainly on obverse, VF-EF \$250 - 350

69. **ROMAN EMPIRE: LOT of 23 ancient coins:** **Roman:** AE as of Vespasian, AE sestertius of Hadrian, AR denarius of Antoninus Pius, plus one later AR antoninianus and 6 later small copper coins; also 3 colonial copper coins; mostly Fine, a few better, many with porosity, corrosion or other damage; **Byzantine:** AV histamenon of Romanus IV (clipped down to 2.71g, VG condition), one large AE follis of Justinian I (VF), 2 later folles and 4 trachys (average VF), and **Trebizond:** AR asper (2 pcs, at least VF); most with consignor's identification, retail value \$900, **lot of 23 pieces, ex Hans Mondorf Collection** \$400 - 600

70. **ROMAN EMPIRE: LOT of 238 coins**, very large and diverse lot of ancient coins including both silver and bronze issues covering Roman and Byzantine issues, most worked up in 2x2 holders with uncertain attributions, a very interesting group, average circulated condition, retail value \$1800, **lot of 238 coins** \$700 - 900

71. **ROMAN EMPIRE: LOT of 6 coins**, including silver denari; **1)** Julia Domna 193-217, IVLIA AVGVSTA, draped bust right / PIETAS PVBLICA, Pietas standing left, VF **2)** Julia Maesa 218-225, IVLIA MAESA AVG, draped bust right / SAECVLI FELICITAS, Felicitas standing left with long caduceus, sacrificing out of patera over lighted altar, star right, VF-EF **3)** Maximinus I 235-238, IMP MAXIMINVS PIVS AVG, laureate, draped bust right / FIDES MILITVM, Fides standing left, a standard in each hand, EF **4)** Geta 209-212, P SEPT GETA CAES PONT, bare-headed, draped & cuirassed bust right / FELICITAS PVBLICA, Felicitas standing left, holding caduceus & cornucopia, VF-EF **5-6)** two decent bronze coins of Constantine, retail value \$225, **lot of 6 coins** \$100 - 150

Byzantine



72. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Anastasius I**, 491-518, AV solidus (4.26g), S-5, helmeted & cuirassed bust // VICTORIA AVGGG followed by officina , Victory standing, holding long cross, F-VF \$300 - 350



73. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Justinian I**, 527-565, AV solidus (4.35g), Constantinople, S-139, helmeted & cuirassed bust // VICTORIA AVGGG followed by officina , Victory standing, holding long cross & globus cruciger, VF-EF \$300 - 350



74. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Justinian I**, 527-565, AV solidus (4.07g), Constantinople, S-139, helmeted & cuirassed bust // VICTORIA AVGGG followed by officina , Victory standing, holding long cross & globus cruciger, somewhat crude style, F-VF \$200 - 240



75. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Justinian I**, 527-565, AV solidus (4.41g), Constantinople, S-140, helmeted & cuirassed bust // VICTORIA AVGGG followed by officina , Victory standing, holding long cross with monogram & globus cruciger, soft strike, EF \$250 - 350



76. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Justinian I**, 527-565, AV solidus (4.41g), Constantinople, S-140, helmeted & cuirassed bust // VICTORIA AVGGG followed by officina , Victory standing, holding long cross with monogram & globus cruciger, soft strike, EF \$250 - 350



77. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Justinian I**, 527-565, AV semmissis (2.00g), Constantinople, S-143, diademed & cuirassed bust // Victory seated, inscribing numerals on shield resting on knee, lightly wavy surfaces, VF \$130 - 170



78. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Justinian I**, 527-565, AV solidus (3.98g), Carthage, S-251, helmeted & cuirassed bust // VICTORIA AVGGG followed by officina , Victory standing, holding long cross with monogram & globus cruciger, lightly uneven surfaces, clipped, VF, S \$200 - 250

79. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Justinian I**, 527-565, LOT of 3 gold solidi, Constantinople mint, standard type, helmeted & cuirassed bust // Victoria (Sear-139, 4.21g, 4.13g, 4.01g), all VF, but with some weakness and wavy surfaces \$600 - 800



80. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Justin II**, 565-578, AV solidus (4.39g), Constantinople, S-344, helmeted & cuirassed bust, short beard, holding Victory on globe & shield // Constantinopolis seated, holding spear & globus cruciger, officina , EF-AU \$350 - 450



81. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Justin II**, 565-578, AV solidus (4.40g), Constantinople, S-345, helmeted & cuirassed bust, beardless, holding Victory on globe & shield // Constantinopolis seated, holding spear & globus cruciger, officina , VF \$240 - 300



82. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Justin II**, 565-578, AV solidus (4.45g), Constantinople, S-350, helmeted & cuirassed bust, beardless, holding Victory on globe & shield // Constantinopolis seated, holding spear & globus cruciger, mint mark CONOBZ, officina , restruct over severely off-center strike, clearly noticeable on obverse, EF \$350 - 450



83. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Justin II**, 565-578, AV tremissis (1.48g), Constantinople, S-353, diademed & cuirassed bust right // Victory standing, holding wreath & globus cruciger, bold strike, choice EF \$150 - 200



84. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Tiberius II Constantine**, 578-582, AV solidus (4.44g), Constantinople, S-422, helmeted & cuirassed bust, holding globus cruciger & shield // cross potent atop 4 steps, officina unclear, VF \$200 - 280



85. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Tiberius II Constantine**, 578-582, AV tremissis (1.33g), Constantinople, S-425, diademed & cuirassed bust right // cross potent, lightly uneven surfaces, one scratch on obverse, VF \$110 - 150



86. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Phocas**, 602-610, AV solidus (4.29g), Constantinople, S-618, crowned & cuirassed bust, without pendillas, holding globus cruciger // Victory standing, holding staff & globus cruciger, officina , choice VF \$220 - 300

*DN before ruler's name crudely engraved.*



87. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Phocas**, 602-610, AV solidus (4.29g), Constantinople, S-620, crowned & cuirassed bust, without pendillas, holding globus cruciger // Victory standing, holding staff & globus cruciger, officina , some light scratches on reverse, F-VF \$200 - 250



88. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Heraclius**, 610-641, AV solidus (4.33g), Constantinople, S-732, crowned bust facing, wearing chlamys & holding globus cruciger // cross potent on steps, to right, officina , series I (610-613), EF-AU \$400 - 500



89. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Heraclius**, 610-641, AV solidus (4.22g), Constantinople, S-738, busts of emperor & son, simple crown, with small portrait of the son // cross on steps, plain field, officina , series II (619-629), VF \$250 - 350



90. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Heraclius**, 610-641, AV solidus (4.29g), Constantinople, S-738, busts of emperor & son, simple crown, tall portrait of the son // cross on steps, plain field, officina , series II (619-629), bold VF \$250 - 350



91. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Heraclius**, 610-641, AV solidus (4.46g), Constantinople, S-740, busts of emperor & son, simple crown // cross on steps, to right, officina , series II (619-629), VF-EF \$300 - 400



92. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Heraclius**, 610-641, AV solidus (4.45g), Constantinople, S-749, busts of emperor & son, Heraclius with long beard & wide moustache // cross on steps, plain field, officina , series III (629-631), struck from damaged reverse die, VF \$220 - 300



93. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Heraclius**, 610-641, AV solidus (4.37g), Constantinople, S-758, 3 standing figures, Heraclonas left, Heraclius center, Heraclius Constantine right, small figure left // cross potent on steps, monogram right, officina , series IVa (632-638), EF-AU \$325 - 425



94. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Heraclius**, 610-641, AV solidus (4.39g), Constantinople, S-758, 3 standing figures, Heraclonas left, Heraclius center, Heraclius Constantine right, small figure left // cross potent on steps, monogram right, officina , series IVa (632-638), EF-AU \$325 - 425



95. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Heraclius**, 610-641, AV solidus (4.22g), Constantinople, S-761, 3 standing figures, Heraclonas left, Heraclius center, Heraclius Constantine right // cross potent on steps, monogram left and right, officina (retrograde), series IVa (632-638), VF \$250 - 350



96. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Heraclius**, 610-641, AV solidus (4.35g), Constantinople, S-768, 3 standing figures, Heraclonas left, Heraclius center, Heraclius Constantine right, even height // cross potent on steps, monogram right and left, officina , series IVb (638-641), some die polishing on reverse, choice EF-AU \$350 - 450



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97. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Heraclius**, 610-641, AV solidus (4.46g), Constantinople, S-768, 3 standing figures, Heraclonas left, Heraclius center, Heraclius Constantine right, even height // cross potent on steps, monogram right and left, officina , series IVb (638-641), choice EF-AU \$300 - 400



98. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Heraclius**, 610-641, AV solidus (4.29g), Constantinople, S-768, 3 standing figures, Heraclonas left, Heraclius center, Heraclius Constantine right, even height // cross potent on steps, monogram right and left, officina , series IVb (638-641), choice VF \$250 - 350



99. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Heraclius**, 610-641, AV solidus (4.39g), Constantinople, S-770, 3 standing figures, Heraclonas left, Heraclius center, Heraclius Constantine right, even height // cross potent on steps, monogram right and left, officina , series IVb (638-641), bold VF-EF \$250 - 350



100. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Constans II**, 641-668, AV solidus (4.36g), Constantinople, S-936, very small facing bust, wearing chlamys & holding globus cruciger // cross potent on steps, scarce variety, some weakness on obverse, series I (641-647), choice EF-AU \$300 - 400



101. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Constans II**, 641-668, AV solidus (4.39g), Constantinople, S-942, bust with short beard, wearing chlamys & holding globus cruciger // cross potent on steps, to right (for regnal year 6), officina , series II (647-651), bold strike, EF \$300 - 400



102. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Constans II**, 641-668, AV solidus (4.47g), Constantinople, S-964, Constans helmeted & Constantine IV // Heraclius & Tiberius standing, cross potent on steps between, officina obscured by weak area on both sides, series VII (663-668), EF \$240 - 300



103. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Constans II**, 641-668, AV solidus (4.22g), Constantinople, S-972, Constans crowned & Constantine IV // Heraclius & Tiberius standing, cross potent on steps between, officina , series VI (661-663), EF \$280 - 350



104. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Constantine V Copronymus**, 741-775, AV solidus (3.89g), Constantinople, S-1551, facing busts of Constantine and his son Leo IV beardless, pellet between the heads // facing bust of Leo III (the emperor's deceased father), standard weight for this type, choice EF \$600 - 800



105. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Theophilus**, 829-842, AV solidus (4.36g), S-1653, Emperor's bust // busts of Michael II & his deceased son Constantine, lightly cleaned, EF \$450 - 550



106. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Basil I, the Macedonian**, 867-886, AV solidus (4.44g), S-1704, Christ enthroned facing // facing busts of Basil & Constantine, lovely bold strike, EF \$500 - 700



107. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Constantine VII Porphyrogenitus**, 913-959, AV solidus (4.37g), S-1745, Christ enthroned, facing, holding book of Gospels & raising other hand in benediction // facing busts of Romanus I & Christopher, lovely strike, choice VF \$350 - 450



108. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Romanus III Argyrus**, 1028-1034, AV histamenon (4.42g), S-1819, Christ enthroned, facing, holding book of Gospels & raising right hand in benediction // the Virgin crowning the emperor Romanus, VF-EF \$350 - 450



109. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Michael IV, the Paphlagonian,** 1034-1041, AV histamenon (4.33g), S-1819, bust of Christ // bust, wearing crown & loros, holding labarum & globus cruciger, *manus Dei* above, VF \$250 - 350



110. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Constantine IX Monomachus,** 1042-1055, AV histamenon (4.36g), S-1828, Christ enthroned // emperor's bust, wearing crown, loros & saccos, holding cruciform scepter & globus cruciger, scyphate, VF-EF \$250 - 350



111. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Constantine IX Monomachus,** 1042-1055, AV histamenon (4.36g), S-1829, Christ enthroned // emperor's bust, wearing crown, loros & saccos, holding labarum & globus cruciger, scyphate, nice strike, VF-EF \$250 - 350



112. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Constantine IX Monomachus,** 1042-1055, AV histamenon (4.13g), S-1830, bust of Christ // emperor's bust, wearing crown and loros, holding long cross & globus cruciger, scyphate, VF \$220 - 300



113. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Constantine X Ducas,** 1059-1067, AV histamenon (4.36g), S-1847, Christ seated on throne with upright arms // emperor standing, holding labarum & globus cruciger, EF \$200 - 300



114. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Constantine X Ducas,** 1059-1067, AV histamenon (4.44g), S-1847, Christ seated on throne with upright arms // emperor standing, holding labarum & globus cruciger, VF-EF \$180 - 260



115. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Constantine X Ducas,** 1059-1067, AV histamenon (4.44g), S-1847, Christ seated on throne with upright arms // emperor standing, holding labarum & globus cruciger, choice VF \$180 - 260



116. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Michael VII Doukas,** 1071-1078, AV histamenon (4.26g), S-1868, bust of Christ // emperor's bust, wearing crown & loros, holding ornate labarum & globus cruciger, with interesting Arabic graffiti in both obverse & reverse outer margins, bold VF \$180 - 260



117. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Nicephorus III Botaniates,** 1078-1081, electrum histamenon (4.37g), S-1881, Christ enthroned // emperor standing, holding labarum & globus cruciger, well-struck on both sides, bold VF-EF \$140 - 180



118. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Nicephorus III Botaniates,** 1078-1081, electrum histamenon (4.31g), S-1881, Christ enthroned // emperor standing, holding labarum & globus cruciger, decent strike both sides, very thin flan crack, VF-EF \$120 - 160

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119. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Nicephorus III Botaniates, 1078-1081**, electrum histamenon (4.31g), S-1881, Christ enthroned // emperor standing, holding laturum & globus cruciger, weakly struck obverse, VF-EF \$110 - 150



120. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Nicephorus III Botaniates, 1078-1081**, electrum histamenon (4.37g), S-1881, Christ enthroned // emperor standing, holding laturum & globus cruciger, one small flan crack, weak obverse, VF \$110 - 150

121. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Nicephorus III Botaniates, 1078-1081**, LOT of 10 electrum histamenon, standard type Sear-1881, Christ enthroned // emperor standing, average VF, a few EF, most with weakly struck obverse (3 pieces have decent obverse); all with one or two significant flan cracks, common for this type; retail value \$1500, **lot of 10 pieces** \$900 - 1,100

122. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Nicephorus III Botaniates, 1078-1081**, LOT of 6 electrum histamenon, standard type Sear-1881, Christ enthroned // emperor standing (5 pcs, average VF-EF, all with some obverse weakness and one modest flan crack), plus one hyperperon of Alexis I, Sear 1912, gigantic jewels (VF, crimped margin); retail value \$1000, **lot of 6 pieces** \$650 - 850



123. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Alexis I Comnenus, 1081-1118**, AV hyperpyron (4.33g), S-1912, Grierson-1036, Christ enthroned // emperor standing, wearing crown, divitision & chlamys, with normal jewels on chlamys, *minus Dei* above, EF \$250 - 350



124. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Alexis I Comnenus, 1081-1118**, AV hyperpyron (3.87g), Constantinople, S-1913, Grierson-1038, Christ enthroned // emperor standing, wearing crown, divitision & chlamys, with gigantic jewels on chlamys, *minus Dei* above, uneven surfaces in the margin, VF \$150 - 200



125. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Alexis I Comnenus, 1081-1118**, AV hyperpyron (4.22g), Thessalonica, S-1924, Grierson-1048, Christ enthroned // emperor standing, wearing crown, divitision & chlamys, with normal jewels on chlamys, *minus Dei* above, partly crimped around the margin, VF \$150 - 200



126. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Andronicus II and Michael IX, 1295-1320**, AV hyperpyron (4.04g), S-2396, bust of the Virgin, *orans*, within city walls, 4 towers // Christ standing in center, the emperors alongside, decent strike, EF \$170 - 210



127. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Andronicus II and Michael IX, 1295-1320**, AV hyperpyron (4.24g), S-2396, bust of the Virgin, *orans*, within city walls, 6 towers // Christ standing in center, the emperors alongside, decent strike, EF \$170 - 210



128. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Andronicus II and Michael IX, 1295-1320**, AV hyperpyron (4.14g), S-2396, bust of the Virgin, *orans*, within city walls, 4 towers // Christ standing in center, the emperors alongside, crude EF \$150 - 200



129. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Andronicus II and Michael IX, 1295-1320**, AV hyperpyron (4.05g), S-2396, bust of the Virgin, *orans*, within city walls, 6 towers // Christ standing in center, the emperors alongside, somewhat crude EF \$150 - 200

130. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: LOT of 3 gold solidi: Justin II: type Sear-347, clipped at edge (4.08g, VF); and Heraclius: Sear 747 (4.43g, VF, but heavily creased), and Sear 749 (4.16g, VF, some weakness, probably due to overstriking, interesting graffiti in reverse field), lot of 3 pieces** \$600 - 800

131. **ANCIENT:** LOT of 9 testmark and countermarked coins, **Egypt** Ptolemy II AR tetradrachms with small banker's test marks (6), **Roman** Severus Alexander AE26 of Caesarea, Cappadocia dated year 7 (= 228/229 AD) laureate, draped and cuirassed bust right // Mt. Argaeus surmounted by wreath, ETZ with uncertain countermark on obverse, **Hephthalite**, Unknown ruler AR drachm, "Hormizd IV" type, Sasanian style bust // fire altar between two cult attendants, with countermarked in Baktrian script, **Magadha**, AR karshapana, with five punchmarks, average circulated condition, a nice study group, retail value \$550, **lot of 9 coins, AU, R** \$350 - 450

132. **ANCIENT:** LOT of 17 miscellaneous Ancients: Parthian (Orodos I, drachm, VF); Seleukid (Demetrios I, drachm, VF); Yemen: Saba (AR unit, Good), and Himyarite (hemidrachm, VF); Roman (6th legion denarius, VF, offcenter); Palestine (2 small ancient Greek coins, one OK, VG, the other modern tourist copy); Nabathea (2 silver and 2 copper, average VG condition); India: Gandhara, AR bent bar (2 pcs, one long & thin, one short & thick, both VF); Arab-Sasanian, Ziyad b. Abi Sufyan, YZ (Yazd) AH52 (VF, broken), and al-Hajjaj b. Yusuf, BYSh (Bishapur) AH79 (VF, but severely polished); and Ancient China spade money: An Yi thick type (Hartill-3.8, VF, right foot chipped) and An Yang thin type (Hartill-3.183, VF-EF); retail value \$840, **lot of 17 pieces** \$350 - 550

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133. **CHACH:** **Anonymous**, early period, 4th-6th century, AE cash (2.95g), S&K-1.1, bust left, long hair, diademed // tamgha within uncertain text, F-VF, *ex Hans Mondorf Collection* \$100 - 150



134. **CHACH:** **Tardu**, ca. 710-730, AE cash (1.09g), S&K-9.1, ruler's name // tamgha & additional Sogdian text, Fine, **RR**, *ex Hans Mondorf Collection* \$120 - 160



135. **CHORESMIA:** **Ramik**, late 6th century, AR tetradrachm (7.19g), Vainberg-G1, Zeno-104915, crowned bust right // horseman, his name & title around in the Khwarizmian script, horseman's ribbons formed with dots, choice VF, *ex Hans Mondorf Collection* \$220 - 300



136. **CHORESMIA:** **Shram**, mid 7th century, AE unit (7.15g), Zeno-125741, king's head right, crowned // horseman, lovely portrait, VF, **S**, *ex Hans Mondorf Collection* \$100 - 120



137. **CHORESMIA:** **Azkaswar II**, ca. 770-800, AR drachm (3.15g), Vainberg type G6, Chorasmian style royal bust // armed horseman, with uncertain symbol above the rump, lovely example, choice VF, **R**, *ex Hans Mondorf Collection* \$200 - 300



138. **FARANKAT:** **Nirtanak**, ca. 700, AE cash (1.90g), S&K-group 4.4.6, head slightly right, without crown or any other symbol // tamgha, text around, VF, *ex Hans Mondorf Collection* \$120 - 160



139. **FERGHANA:** **Tutuks of Ferghana**, 7th-8th century, AE cash (1.31g), Smirnova-1445, Zeno-77707, Sogdian legend, Runic ash to right, uniface, VF, **RR**, *ex Hans Mondorf Collection* \$150 - 200



140. **FERGHANA:** **Anonymous**, probably 8th century, AE cash (1.16g), Smirnova-1377, citing only the title *khakhan* (Khaqan) // tamgha, VF, **RRR**, *ex Hans Mondorf Collection* \$150 - 200



141. **KABARNA:** **Anonymous**, 7th-8th century, AE cash (3.41g), S&K-2.4, two facing busts // tamgha, F-VF, *ex Hans Mondorf Collection* \$110 - 150



142. **KESH:** **Anonymous**, 7th-8th century, AE cash (2.14g), Zeno-3390, Rtv-39, bust left, with elaborate hair style // combat scene of the king spearing a lion standing on its hind legs, some minor adhesions on reverse, nice Fine, **R**, *ex Hans Mondorf Collection* \$120 - 160



143. **NAKHSHEB:** **Anonymous**, 7th-8th century, AE cash (1.53g), Zeno-18769, horse standing right, unread Sogdian word above, tamgha lover right, uniface, Fine, **RR**, *ex Hans Mondorf Collection* \$100 - 150

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144. **PENDJIKENT: Amukyan**, ca. 700, AE cash (5.32g), Smirnova-735ff, Sogdian legend // tamghas of Pendjikent and Panch, which was a local region near Pendjikent, Fine, **RRR**, ex *Hans Mondorf Collection* \$200 - 250



145. **PENDJIKENT: Lady Nana**, ca. 709-728, AE cash (1.61g), Smirnova-846ff, Zeno-81165, Sogdian text // tamgha of Pendjikent, F-VF, **R** \$130 - 170

*"Lady Nana" is regarded not as a ruler, but as the city goddess of Pendjikent.*



146. **PENDJIKENT: Lady Nana**, 709-722, AE cash (1.40g), cf. Zeno-77712, circular semi-italic Sogdian legend // tamgha of Pendjikent, Fine, ex *Hans Mondorf Collection* \$100 - 150



147. **PAIKENT: Anonymous**, ca. 640-710, AE cash (1.72g), Zeimal-15, Zeno-30858, 2 tamghas of Bukhara, "10" in Chinese below, Sogdian PNY ("money") above, uniface, VF, **RR**, ex *Hans Mondorf Collection* \$150 - 200



148. **SAMARKAND: Anonymous**, 5th/6th century, AE unit (4.17g), Smirnova-1, Zeno-1823, bust slightly to the left, long earrings from both ears, thick border // Samarkand tamgha, Fine, **R**, ex *Hans Mondorf Collection* \$120 - 160



149. **SAMARKAND: Shishpir**, ca. 630-645, AE cash (3.49g), Smirnova-359ff, Sogdian legend // 2 tamghas of Samarkand, VF, ex *Hans Mondorf Collection* \$140 - 180



150. **SAMARKAND: Shishpir**, ca. 630-645, AE cash (3.88g), Smirnova-48ff, cf. Zeno-6875, Samarkand & local tamgha // 2-line Sogdian legend, decent strike, F-VF \$130 - 170



151. **SAMARKAND: Shishpir**, ca. 630-645, AE cash (3.49g), Smirnova-48 ff, Sogdian legend // tamghas of Samarkand, F-VF, ex *Hans Mondorf Collection* \$100 - 150



152. **SAMARKAND: Wuzurg**, ca. 645-650, AE cash (2.52g), Smirnova-78ff, Zeno-6875, Sogdian text, with MLKA at the top (found only for this ruler) // 2 tamghas, VF, ex *Hans Mondorf Collection* \$120 - 160



153. **SAMARKAND: Wuzurg**, ca. 645-650, AE cash (2.13g), Smirnova-78ff, Zeno-41895, 2 line Sogdian legend with MALKA at the top // 2 tamghas, VF, ex *Hans Mondorf Collection* \$120 - 160



154. **SAMARKAND: Warkhuman**, ca. 650-675, AE cash (3.11g), Smirnova-101ff, cf. Zeno-34948, Samarkand & local tamgha // 2-line Sogdian legend, F-VF \$130 - 170



155. **SAMARKAND: Urk Wartramuka**, ca. 675-696, AE cash (4.33g), Smirnova-657ff, cf. Zeno-37216, Samarkand & local tamgha // 2-line Sogdian legend, F-VF \$130 - 170



156. **SAMARKAND: Urk Wartramuka**, ca. 675-696, AE cash (5.01g), Smirnova-657 ff, cf. Zeno-37216, Sogdian legend // tamghas of Samarkand and the ruler, F-VF, ex *Hans Mondorf Collection* \$100 - 150



157. **SAMARKAND: Tukaspadak**, ca. 696-698, AE cash (1.66g), Smirnova-191ff, Zeno-121456, Sogdian script, clear // 2 tamghas, Fine, R, ex *Hans Mondorf Collection* \$120 - 160



158. **SAMARKAND: Turgar**, ca. 738-755, AE cash (1.81g), Smirnova-519ff, Sogdian legend // 2 tamghas of Samarkand + crescent at top, crude VF, ex *Hans Mondorf Collection* \$120 - 160



159. **SAMITAN: unknown ruler**, ca. 7th century, AE cash (1.19g), ca. Zeno-77708, unread Sogdian text // tamgha twice, Fine, R, ex *Hans Mondorf Collection* \$120 - 160



160. **SAMITAN: unknown ruler**, AE cash (1.46g), Zeno-77708, unread Sogdian text // local tamgha twice, VF, R \$160 - 200

*According to the Tangshu (Book of Tang), the location of the Samitan domain is identified generally as lying 50 li (25km) north from Samarqand.*



161. **SEMIRECH'E: Arslanid**, circa 8th century, AE cash (2.67g), Zeno-1742 & 144100, Kam-47, Sogdian legend // Runic symbols of undetermined meaning, F-VF, RR, ex *Hans Mondorf Collection* \$100 - 150



162. **SEMIRECH'E: Arslan Kul-Yirkin**, early 8th century, AE cash (5.08g), Kam-46, Zeno-121668, name of ruler in Sogdian // two tamghas of the Arslanid branch, small casting defect, VF, RR, ex *Hans Mondorf Collection* \$150 - 200



163. **SEMIRECH'E: Turgesh**, mid-8th century, AE cash (4.90g), Kamyshev-24, Zeno-6317, Sogdian legend // tamgha based around the central square hole, heavy version, bold VF-EF, ex *Hans Mondorf Collection* \$160 - 200



164. **SEMIRECH'E: Turgesh tribe**, 8th century, AE cash (5.16g), ca. Zeno-6317, Sogdian legend // tamgha based around the central square hole, heavy weight, VF, ex *Hans Mondorf Collection* \$130 - 170



165. **SEMIRECH'E: Malik Aram**, 10th century, AE cash (3.59g), A-1510P, Zeno-77470, Kam-49, Arabic text tentative reading Malik Aram Yinal Qinqi, blank reverse, F-VF, ex *Hans Mondorf Collection* \$120 - 160



166. **TURGESH: AE cash** (3.19g), ca. 8th century, Smirnova-1589, Sogdian legend // tamgha based around the central square hole, pleasing F-VF \$130 - 170



167. **WESTERN UYGHUR KHAGANATE: Aslandhan & successors**, 9th-12th century, AE cash (3.07g), XN-79/81, Zeno-19360, Uighur text *iduq yarliq yurisun* "circulating by order of the Iduq", some minor green adhesions, Fine, R \$130 - 170

*The opinion of François Thierry is that these coins were cast during the period of the end of the Chinese Five Dynasties and the early Song Dynasty. In Chinese references such coins are named Xizhou Huihu cash.*

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168. **ANCIENT CENTRAL ASIA:** LOT of 53 copper coins and 2 silver coins: **Copper:** Arslanid (2 pcs); Bukhara (3 pcs); Chach (6 pcs); Choresmia (9 pcs, including one VF silver obol); Farankat (1 pc); Ferghana (1 pc); Kabarna (1 pc); Kanka (3 pcs), "Khaqan" (1 pc, unlocated place of issue); Samarqand (6 pcs, including Afrig, Guark, Turgar [2 pcs], Urk Wartramaku, and Warkhuman); Samitan (1 pc), Semirech'ye (3 pcs); Tukhus (1 pc), Turgesh (3 pcs), Ushrushana (1 pc), and Xizhou Huihu (1 pc); and unidentified (13 pcs, including one silver in fair condition); average VG, some better, many with corrosion, porosity, flatness, etc.; retail value \$1000, **lot of 55 pieces**, ,  
*ex Hans Mondorf Collection* \$600 - 800
169. **ANCIENT CENTRAL ASIA:** LOT of 36 copper coins, mostly identified by region, a few with consignor's identification: Bukhara (2 pcs); Chach (13 pcs, some with S&K numbers); Choresmia (1 pc, Sapadbizes imitation); Farankat (5 pcs, part of the Chach series); Heliocles imitation, assigned to Choresmia (4 pcs, including 3 "tetradrachms" and 1 "drachm", all copper); Kabarna (2 pcs), Kanka (2 pcs), Samarkand (3 pcs: Wuzurg, Warkhuman, & Turgar); and unidentified (4 pcs); average VG condition, as expected for this series; retail value \$800, **lot of 36 pieces**, ,  
*ex Hans Mondorf Collection* \$350 - 550

### Turkic Central Asia



170. **ALCHON HUNS: Nezak Malka series**, 6th century, BI drachm (3.14g), G-234, bust right with single trident crown, large star to right // crudely engraved fire-altar & two attendants, traces of original silver wash, VF-EF, R,  
*ex Hans Mondorf Collection* \$150 - 200
171. **ALCHON HUNS:** LOT of 4 silver drachms: G-44, Khingila, ca. 440-490, tamgha to right of bust (Fine, scruffy); V-318 (generally), also Khingila, but wheel in front of bust (F-VF); G-79, Lakhana Udayaditya, ca. 490s, with Brahmi legend to right of bust (F-VF); and G-145, tentatively assigned to Mihirakula, ca. 515-542, altar in front of bust, partial Brahmi text above (Fine); retail value \$460, **lot of 4 pieces**, , *ex Hans Mondorf Collection* \$240 - 320
172. **ALCHON HUNS:** LOT of 10 copper drachms of King Narendraditya, ca. 540-580, bust of king right with double trident crown, holding vase with a bunch of plants, uniface, various styles, average VF, a few nicer; retail value \$650, **lot of 10 pieces**, ,  
*ex Hans Mondorf Collection* \$300 - 500
173. **ALCHON TURKS:** LOT of 8 debased billon drachms and 8 copper fractions, king's bust right with single or double trident crown // fire-altar & 2 attendants (some variations), many different types (mostly between Göbl 225 and 239, but most identified with Mitchner numbers, not always accurate), average Fine for the billon and VG for the copper, a couple nicer, retail value \$430, **lot of 16 pieces**, , *ex Hans Mondorf Collection* \$250 - 350
174. **ALCHON TURKS:** LOT of 10 billon drachms of the Nezak Malka series, with crown containing bull's head, various types including Göbl-198 and several other varieties, average F-VF; retail value \$280, **lot of 10 pieces**, , *ex Hans Mondorf Collection* \$120 - 180



175. **HEPHTHALITE: Tobazoni**, 5th century, AR drachm (3.80g), G-32var, similar to Vondrovec-32B, design derived from the Sasanian issues of Varahran IV (388-399), late style, probably struck after the more standard versions of the Tobazoni variants of type Göbl-32, probably unpublished, VF, RR,  
*ex Hans Mondorf Collection* \$220 - 300



176. **HEPHTHALITE: Anonymous**, ca. 6th century, AR drachm (3.46g), G-287, derived from prototype of the Sasanian king Peroz (456-484), with 4 pellets in obverse margin, and undeciphered Bactrian countermark #96 in the obverse margin (as on Göbl-287.5), VF, R \$120 - 160



177. **HEPHTHALITE: Anonymous**, ca. late 7th century, AR drachm (3.57g), G-295, Turk Yabghus of Tokharistan, based on Sasanian drachm of Khusro I, swastika to right on reverse, date (usually "25") replaced by the Sogdian word PRN to the left, without any countermark, VF, RR, *ex Hans Mondorf Collection* \$200 - 300
178. **HEPHTHALITE:** LOT of 5 silver coins: **Turk Yabghus:** Göbl-297F, based on Sasanian Hormizd IV, BLH (Balkh) year 11, with human head countermark (3 pcs, one without reverse countermark, two with Bactrian "PHROMO" on reverse, all about VF); **Northern Tokharistan:** Imitation of Sasanian Peroz drachm, one with ST mint mark & 2 countermarks on obverse, the other with DA mint mark & 2 different countermarks on obverse (both VF); retail value \$400, *ex Hans Mondorf Collection* \$200 - 300
179. **HEPHTHALITE:** LOT of 7 silver drachms: Countermarked Sasanian: Khusraw II, ST year 37 with 2 bird countermarks, and WYHC year 32 with 1 bird countermarks; Kushano-Sasanian: Varahran I, G-9 (EF, but chipped around); Sasanian imitations: Shahpur II type (2 pcs, one VG, the other choice VF), and Shahpur III (2 pcs, debased silver, one dirty Fine, the other scruffy VG); retail value \$280, *ex Hans Mondorf Collection* \$120 - 180
180. **HEPHTHALITE:** LOT of 13 silver drachms, all with the traditional four pellets in the obverse margin: G-287, no other symbols in the obverse and without any countermarks (4 pcs, three VF and one VG); G-287var, as last, but with one countermark, one with uncertain small countermark, the other with Bactrian long countermark (both F-VF); G-288, as #287, but with Bactrian word added at bottom of obverse margin (2 pcs, both VF, but one of them with some light adhesions); and G-288/289, similar but countermarked (5 pcs, average Fine); retail value \$850, **lot of 13 pieces**, *ex Hans Mondorf Collection* \$450 - 650
181. **TURK SHAHI KINGS:** LOT of 8 silver drachms, better types: G-208, Shahi Tegin, ca. 700+, king's bust 3/4 right // Anahita style facing bust, trilingual (Fine); G-212/216, Sri Vasudeva, 8th century, facing bust both sides, one with, one without lion countermark (both scruffy VG); G-244, Vakhu Deva, early 8th century, trilingual, all with 1 or 2 countermarks (3 pcs, one F-VF, the others Fine); and Zeno-16739, so-called "mug" issues of the central Sogdian lands, derived from the Sasanian Varahran V, 6th century (2 pcs, one with the trisces countermark, both VF); retail value \$750, **lot of 8 pieces**, ,  
*ex Hans Mondorf Collection* \$400 - 600



182. **WESTERN TURK: uncertain name**, late 6th century, AR drachm (4.02g), G-263, cf. Vondrovec p.428, portrait derived from Sasanian Khusro I, but with buffalo's head atop the crown, blundered name read by Vondrovec as KDY BG // standard Sasanian style reverse, blundered mint & date, assigned to the region of Bactria, eastern test marks in obverse margin, VF-EF, R \$220 - 300



186. **YABGHU OF TOKHARISTAN: "Hormizd IV" type**, 7th century, AR drachm (2.86g), G—, Zeno-162876, design based on standard drachm of Hormizd IV (579-590), his name coarsely written, bottom crescent replaced by pair of vertical crescents, "flying camel" and monogram countermarks in obverse margin // totally blundered mint & date on reverse, derived from BHL 11 (Balkh), with unread countermark in margin, VF, R \$140 - 180



183. **YABGHU OF TOKHARISTAN: "Hormizd IV" type**, 7th century, AR drachm (2.75g), G—, Zeno-83561var, design based on standard drachm of Hormizd IV (579-590), his name coarsely written, bottom crescent replaced by pair of vertical crescents, senmurg countermark in obverse margin // totally blundered mint & date on reverse, EF, R \$140 - 180



187. **YUEH CHI: Anonymous**, ca. 1st century BC, AR tetradrachm (8.96g), Mitch-2822, bust right with radiant headdress // Hercules seated on rectangular stool with 3 pellets inside, lightly rubbed on obverse, VF-EF, R, *ex Hans Mondorf Collection* \$300 - 350

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184. **YABGHU OF TOKHARISTAN: "Hormizd IV" type**, 7th century, AR drachm (2.82g), G—, Zeno-83561var, design based on standard drachm of Hormizd IV (579-590), his name coarsely written, bottom crescent replaced by pair of vertical crescents, senmurg countermark in obverse margin // totally blundered mint & date on reverse, EF, R \$140 - 180



188. **ARAB-SASANIAN: Yazdigerd type**, 652-660, AR drachm (4.06g), NAR (Narmashir), YE20 (frozen), A-2, with Arabic *jayyid* ("good") in 2nd quadrant of obverse margin, EF, RR \$200 - 300



185. **YABGHU OF TOKHARISTAN: "Hormizd IV" type**, 7th century, AR drachm (2.86g), G—, Zeno-83561var, design based on standard drachm of Hormizd IV (579-590), his name coarsely written, bottom crescent replaced by pair of vertical crescents, senmurg countermark in obverse margin // totally blundered mint & date on reverse, EF, R \$140 - 180



189. **ARAB-SASANIAN: Khusraw type**, ca. 653-670, AR drachm (4.05g), BYSh (Bishapur), YE35, A-4, attractive VF-EF, *ex Hans Mondorf Collection* \$140 - 180



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190. **ARAB-SASANIAN: Khusraw "liilâh" type**, ca. 656-670? AR drachm (3.83g), DA (Darabjird), YE25, A-A6, without the pellets left & right of the bottom star-and-crescent in the obverse margin, some obverse marginal hornsilver near the rim, not affecting the design, EF \$150 - 200



191. **ARAB-SASANIAN: Khusraw type**, 666, AR drachm (4.03g), BYSh (Bishapur), AH47, A-C6, with *bism Allah / malik* in obverse margin, with lion & senmurg countermarks in the obverse margin, lovely toning, rare with countermarks, EF, R, ex Hans Mondorf Collection \$180 - 220



192. **ARAB-SASANIAN: 'Abd Allah b. 'Amir**, ca. 661-664, AR drachm (3.21g), ART (Ardashir Khurra), AH43, A-7, citing the governor without his patronymic, used only at the beginning of his governorship, dark toning, VF, RR \$300 - 400



193. **ARAB-SASANIAN: 'Abd Allah b. 'Amir**, ca. 661-664, AR drachm (3.36g), BYSh (Bishapur), AH44, A-7, citing the governor with his patronymic, bold strike, EF \$250 - 300



194. **ARAB-SASANIAN: 'Abd Allah b. 'Amir**, ca. 661-664, AR drachm (4.11g), BYSh (Bishapur), AH47, A-6, choice VF-EF, S, ex Hans Mondorf Collection \$200 - 250



195. **ARAB-SASANIAN: Ziyad b. Abi Sufyan**, 665-673, AR drachm (3.58g), BN, AH52, A-8, mint in Kirman province, tentatively identified as Bamm, excellent strike, rare mint, interesting graffiti in ObQ1, choice VF-EF \$200 - 250



196. **ARAB-SASANIAN: 'Ubayd Allah b. Ziyad**, 673-683, AR drachm (4.11g), DA (Darabjird), AH43 (frozen), A-12, EF \$120 - 160



197. **ARAB-SASANIAN: 'Abd Allah b. al-Zubayr**, 680-692, AR drachm (4.08g), DA (Darabjird), blundered date, A-16, coarse calligraphy, contemporary imitation, VF-EF \$100 - 140



198. **ARAB-SASANIAN: 'Abd Allah b. al-Zubayr**, 680-692, AR drachm (3.98g), ST (Istakhr), AH63, A-16, cleaned, VF-EF \$100 - 120



199. **ARAB-SASANIAN: Salm b. Ziyad**, ca. 680-685, AR drachm (3.25g), Marw & Anbir, AH65, A-18H, Gaube, p.29 (note 19), *bism Allah Allah / akbar* in ObQ2 & ObQ3, four outer circles on reverse, with city name *ombero* for Anbir in Bactrian script in RvQ5, with Bactrian countermark *zolado* (Göbl #40) twice in obverse margin, chipped though part of Arabic word *akbar*, VF, RRRR \$1,200 - 1,600

*The reverse bears the mint name (MLW) for Marw and the date 65 in the standard locations. Strictly speaking, this is a Hunnic or Hephthalite issue, either struck at Marw on behalf of the Huns, or more likely, struck at a Hunnic mint, presumably at Anbir. However, it is clearly an Islamic issue, and believed to be the first appearance of the slogan "Allah akbar" on a coin.*



200. **ARAB-SASANIAN: 'Abd al-Malik b. Marwan, 685-705,** AR drachm (3.94g), DA+P (Fasa), YE60, A-32, pleasing strike, VF \$160 - 200



201. **ARAB-SASANIAN: 'Abd al-Malik b. Marwan, 685-705,** AR drachm (3.83g), DA+P, YE60, A-32, pellet at 11h30 in reverse margin, some light adhesions in the margins, F-VF, ex Hans Mondorf Collection \$100 - 150



202. **ARAB-SASANIAN: 'Umar b. 'Ubayd Allah, 686-691,** AR drachm (3.79g), ART (Ardashir Khurra), AH70, A-21, countermarked *ja'iz* ("current") in obverse margin, some minor porosity in reverse margin, EF, R \$180 - 220



203. **ARAB-SASANIAN: 'Umar b. 'Ubayd Allah, 686-691,** AR drachm (4.07g), BYSh (Bishapur), AH70, A-21, bold EF \$100 - 150



204. **ARAB-SASANIAN: 'Umar b. 'Ubayd Allah, 686-691,** AR drachm (4.05g), BYSh (Bishapur), AH70, A-21, EF \$100 - 120



205. **ARAB-SASANIAN: 'Abd al-'Aziz b. 'Abd Allah, ca. 690-693,** AR drachm (2.63g), TART (Tawwaj), AH74, A-25K, clipped down to later standard, Fine, RR, ex Hans Mondorf Collection \$120 - 160

*The "4" of the date is the Pahlavi numeral, not the Pahlavi word, as is always the case for the issues of 'Abd al-'Aziz b. 'Abd Allah [b. Khalid].*



206. **ARAB-SASANIAN: al-Muhallab b. Abi Suфра, ca. 694-698,** AR drachm (3.70g), DA (Darabjird), AH76, A-31, with Pahlavi monogram in ObQ3, read by Malek as MN/-, VF \$110 - 150



207. **ARAB-SASANIAN: al-Hajjaj b. Yusuf, 694-713,** AR drachm (4.08g), ART (Ardashir Khurra), AH79, A-35.1, the full Sunni kalima in the obverse margin, Pahlavi letter G at 01h30 in reverse margin, superb strike, EF, RR \$1,200 - 1,400



208. **ARAB-SASANIAN: al-Hajjaj b. Yusuf, 694-713,** AR drachm (3.87g), BYSh (Bishapur), AH80, A-35.3, *lillah al-hamd* in ObQ2, lightly cleaned, VF \$100 - 150



209. **ARAB-SASANIAN: 'Ubayd Allah b. Abi Bakra, fl. 698-699,** AR dirham (4.04g), SK (Sijistan), AH79, A-37, bold EF \$140 - 180

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210. **ARAB-SASANIAN: 'Ubayd Allah b. Abi Bakra**, fl. 698-699, AR dirham (3.97g), SK (Sijistan), AH79, A-37, cleaned, VF-EF \$100 - 140



211. **ARAB-SASANIAN: 'Ubayd Allah b. Abi Bakra**, fl. 698-699, AR dirham (3.95g), SK (Sijistan), AH80, A-37, EF \$120 - 160



212. **ARAB-SASANIAN: 'Ubayd Allah b. Abi Bakra**, fl. 698-699, AR dirham (4.03g), SK (Sijistan), AH80, A-37, pellet after the mint initial SK, EF \$120 - 160

*The date is somewhat crudely engraved, though still legible. Many examples show a completed illegible date, but stylistically derived from the year 80. There is no evidence that 'Ubayd Allah remained in office after AH80, but it is conceivable that his supporters continued to produce drachms in his name, usually with a blundered date.*



213. **ARAB-SASANIAN: 'Abd al-Rahman b. Muhammad**, 700-703, AR dirham (3.90g), SK (Sijistan), AH81, A-38, lightly cleaned, EF \$120 - 160



214. **ARAB-SASANIAN: 'Abd al-Rahman b. Muhammad**, 700-703, AR dirham (3.83g), SK (Sijistan), AH81, A-38, lightly cleaned, EF \$120 - 160



215. **ARAB-SASANIAN: 'Abd al-Rahman b. Muhammad**, 700-703, AR dirham (3.88g), SK (Sijistan), AH82, A-38, date written as TLYNHShTAT, cleaned, better date, EF \$120 - 160



216. **ARAB-SASANIAN: 'Abd al-Rahman b. Muhammad**, 700-703, AR dirham (3.83g), SK (Sijistan), AH83, A-38, date written as SYHShTAT, lightly cleaned, rare date for this type & mint, EF \$180 - 220



217. **ARAB-SASANIAN: 'Abd al-Rahman b. Muhammad**, 700-703, AR drachm (3.94g), SK (Sijistan), AH84, A-38A, clear mint & date, just a trace of porosity, EF, RRR \$700 - 900

*Struck by 'Abd al-Rahman after his rebellion against al-Hajjaj b. Yusuf began in AH83, before he was killed later in AH84. While his year 80-82 are now only scarce and 83 moderately rare, drachms of 84 are extremely rare - none are recorded on CoinArchives.*



218. **ARAB-SASANIAN: 'Umara b. Tamim**, 703-704, AR dirham (3.97g), SK (Sijistan), AH84, A-C40, with Pahlavi NAWKW in the first quadrant of the obverse margin, lightly cleaned, bold strike, EF, R \$200 - 250



219. **ARAB-SASANIAN: 'Umara b. Tamim**, 703-704, AR dirham (4.11g), SK (Sijistan), AH84, A-C40, with Pahlavi NAWKW in the first quadrant of the obverse margin, modestly cleaned, EF, R \$180 - 220



220. **ARAB-SASANIAN: 'Umara b. Tamim**, 703-704, AR dirham (3.83g), SK (Sijistan), AH85, A-C40, blank first quadrant of the obverse margin, EF, R \$200 - 250

*It is now estimated that the recent hoard may have included 50 to 100 drachms of 'Umara b. Tamim, formerly extremely rare.*



221. **ARAB-SASANIAN: Khusro type**, ca. 700-720, AE fals (1.08g), NM, ND, A-N41, Gyselen-65, facing Khusro style bust, *bism Allah* in ObQ2 // bust of Anahita facing, Fine, R \$150 - 200



222. **ARAB-SASANIAN: Farrukhzad**, ca. 695-699, AE fals (2.49g), DShT, YE64, A-41A, mint at Dasht Barin in Fars Province, flan defect, Fine, RRR \$100 - 140



223. **ARAB-SASANIAN: Anonymous**, ca. 703-710, AE fals (2.42g), WYHC (Arrajan), AH83, A-A50.2, Janusoid bust // Sasanian style fire-altar & 2 attendants, clear mint & date, light porosity both sides, tiny piercing, F-VF, RRR \$400 - 500

224. **ARAB-SASANIAN: LOT of 2 silver drachms** of Ziyad b. Abi Sufyan: **Type A-5**: anonymous type with *bism Allah rabbi*, SK (Sijistan) year 48 (3.05g, VF, clipped down to post-reform standard); and **Type A-8**: in his name, DA (Darabjird), frozen year 43 (3.72g, VF); plus 1 copper **Arab-Byzantine** standing caliph fals: A3531, Tanukh mint, with Greek letter before the Arabic word *waf* in reverse field (3.14g, Fine, obverse cleaned); retail value \$230, **lot of 3 pieces** \$120 - 150

225. **ARAB-SASANIAN: LOT of 6 silver drachms** from the SK mint (Sijistan): **'Ubayd Allah b. Abi Bakra**: A-37, dated AH79 (2 pcs) and 80 (1 pc); **Anonymous Khusro type**: A-77A, blundered date as usual (2 pcs); and **Khusro DWM type**: A-75, blundered date as always (1 pc); average VF-EF condition, but all have been somewhat harshly cleaned; retail value \$650 **lot of 6 pieces** \$300 - 450

226. **ARAB-SASANIAN: LOT of 9 silver and 7 copper coins**: **Silver: Arab-Sasanian**: SK year 20 (type A-1), DA year 47 (A-12); BYSh dated AH67 (A-21), and BYSh 75 (A-31), average VF, the first three harshly cleaned, the last with scratch in reverse margin; **Tabaristan**: Farkhan (2 pcs, both VF-EF); Datburjmihir (VF-EF), Khurshid (EF), and Sulayman (scruffy VF); and **Copper: Arab-Sasanian**: type A-43A (2 Byzantine-style busts // cross-on-steps, Fine, some light porosity), and 6 unidentified pieces, average VG, all with some porosity or corrosion; retail value \$650; **lot of 16 pieces** \$300 - 400



227. **TABARISTAN: Khalid**, 766-771, AR ½ drachm (2.03g), Tabaristan, PYE115, A-54, Malek-55, choice EF-AU \$120 - 160



228. **TABARISTAN: Khalid**, 766-771, AR ½ drachm (2.03g), Tabaristan, PYE116, A-54, Malek-56, AU \$120 - 160



229. **TABARISTAN: Khalid**, 766-771, AR ½ drachm (1.88g), Tabaristan, PYE117, A-54, Malek-57, choice EF \$100 - 150



230. **TABARISTAN: Khalid**, 766-771, AR ½ drachm (2.03g), Tabaristan, PYE118, A-54, Malek-58, EF-AU \$120 - 160



231. **TABARISTAN: Khalid**, 766-771, AR ½ drachm (2.00g), Tabaristan, PYE119, A-54, Malek-59, AU \$120 - 160



232. **TABARISTAN: 'Umar**, 771-780, AR ½ dirham (1.96g), Tabaristan, PYE125, A-57, governor's name in Pahlavi before bust & in Arabic in margin, both also citing the patronymic, superb strike, AU \$150 - 200



233. **TABARISTAN: 'Umar**, 771-780, AR ½ dirham (1.99g), Tabaristan, PYE125, A-57, governor's name in Pahlavi before bust & in Arabic in margin, both also citing the patronymic, superb strike, AU \$150 - 200

234. **TABARISTAN:** LOT of 4 silver coins: **Tabaristan:** 'Umar b. al-'Ala: with the patronymic on obverse, dated PYE 125, type A-57 (2 pcs), both in choice AU condition; and **Hephthalite:** local imitation of the Sasanian Khusro I, stylized legends, each with the senmurg countermark in the obverse margin (2 pcs), both in EF condition; retail value \$500, **lot of 4 pieces** \$220 - 320
235. **TABARISTAN:** LOT of 4 silver half drachms of Khalid b. Barmak, 766-771, type A-54, dated PYE 116, 117, 118, and 119, all in EF condition, retail value \$480, **lot of 4 pieces** \$200 - 300



236. **EASTERN SISTAN: Anonymous**, ca. 690+, AR drachm (4.27g), SK (Sijistan), blundered date, A-75, with Pahlavi DWM in ObQ1, VF-EF \$120 - 160



237. **EASTERN SISTAN: Anonymous Khusro type**, 716-727, AR drachm (3.71g), SK (Sijistan), AH97, A-77, clear date HPTANWAT, margin crescents replaced by curlicues, VF-EF, RR \$200 - 300



238. **EASTERN SISTAN: Anonymous**, 716-727, AR drachm (3.95g), SK (Sijistan), AH102, A-78, with additional Arabic text in ObQ1, coarsely engraved and tentatively read as *bi-nasr Allah*, ("with assistance from God"), date fairly clear, two "holes", probably caused while striking of the coin, lovely VF-EF, RR \$150 - 200



239. **EASTERN SISTAN: Anonymous Khusro type**, ca. 725-750, AR drachm (3.98g), SK (Sijistan), blundered date, A-78, Pahlavi word in ObQ1 (tentatively read as GYWL), plus triplet of pellets after *bism Allah* and after *rabbi* // pellet to right of each of the 4 crescents on reverse, appears to be unpublished variety, choice EF, RR \$200 - 250

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240. **UMAYYAD: 'Abd al-Malik**, 685-705, AV dinar (4.24g), NM (Dimashq), AH78, A-125, graffiti in both obverse & reverse fields, bold VF \$700 - 800



241. **UMAYYAD: 'Abd al-Malik**, 685-705, AR dirham (2.82g), Maysan, AH79, A-126, Klat-628 (same obverse die), lovely bold strike, EF, RR \$1,100 - 1,500



242. **UMAYYAD: 'Abd al-Malik**, 685-705, AR dirham (2.6g), Dimashq, AH79, A-126, Klat-323b, evenly worn, F-VF \$120 - 160



243. **UMAYYAD: 'Abd al-Malik**, 685-705, AR dirham (2.76g), Surraq, AH80, A-126, Klat-461, attractive VF \$700 - 900



244. **UMAYYAD: 'Abd al-Malik**, 685-705, AR dirham (2.72g), al-Kufa, AH80, A-126, Klat-541, choice VF \$150 - 200



245. **UMAYYAD: 'Abd al-Malik**, 685-705, AR dirham (2.59g), Sabur, AH81, A-126, Klat-417a, final digit of date *wāhid* with long *alif*, one flan crack, VF \$120 - 180



246. **UMAYYAD: 'Abd al-Malik**, 685-705, AR dirham (2.61g), al-Kufa, AH81, A-126, Klat-542, interesting graffiti in obverse field, F-VF \$120 - 180



247. **UMAYYAD: 'Abd al-Malik**, 685-705, AR dirham (2.49g), al-Kufa, AH82, A-126, Klat-543, some faint scratches in reverse field, VF \$140 - 180



248. **UMAYYAD: 'Abd al-Malik**, 685-705, AR dirham (2.27g), Shaqq al-Taymara, AH82, A-126, Klat-204.2, porous surfaces, slightly clipped, VF \$120 - 160



249. **UMAYYAD: 'Abd al-Malik**, 685-705, AR dirham (2.83g), Dabil, AH85, A-126, Klat-286, lovely bold strike, choice VF-EF, R \$700 - 900

*Dabil is Dvin, then the chief city of Armenia, about 35 km south of modern Yerevan.*



250. **UMAYYAD: al-Walid I**, 705-715, AV dinar (4.28g), NM (Dimashq), AH94, A-127, EF \$400 - 500



251. **UMAYYAD: al-Walid I**, 705-715, AV dinar (4.26g), NM (Dimashq), AH96, A-127, choice EF \$500 - 600



252. **UMAYYAD: al-Walid I**, 705-715, AV dinar (4.24g), NM (Dimashq), AH96, A-127, EF \$450 - 550



253. **UMAYYAD: al-Walid I**, 705-715, AR dirham (2.66g), Ramhurmuz, AH91, A-128, Klat-384, small chip, rare date for this only modestly scarce mint, F-VF, R \$100 - 150



254. **UMAYYAD: al-Walid I**, 705-715, AR dirham (2.91g), Sarakhs, AH92, A-128, Klat-452, some light adhesions towards the rim, EF \$180 - 220



255. **UMAYYAD: al-Walid I**, 705-715, AR dirham (2.67g), Sarakhs, AH95, A-128, Klat-455b, VF \$200 - 250



256. **UMAYYAD: al-Walid I**, 705-715, AR dirham (2.92g), al-Furat, AH96, A-128, Klat-508, lightly polished surfaces, VF \$180 - 220



257. **UMAYYAD: al-Walid I**, 705-715, AR dirham (2.77g), "Wasit", AH"94", A-"128", later imitation, circa 3rd or 4th century Hijri, possibly from Northern Syria or the Jazira region, VF, RR \$100 - 150



258. **UMAYYAD: Sulayman**, 715-717, AV dinar (4.24g), NM (Dimashq), AH97, A-130, choice EF \$500 - 600

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259. **UMAYYAD: Sulayman**, 715-717, AR dirham (2.50g), Khusraw Shadh Hurmuz, AH97, A-131, Klat-284, extremely rare Iraqi mint, slightly clipped and wavy surfaces, Fine, **RRR** \$1,000 - 1,200

*Extremely rare mint in central Iraq, active only for the Umayyads and only in the year AH97.*



260. **UMAYYAD: Sulayman**, 715-717, AR dirham (2.87g), al-Rayy, AH97, A-131, Klat-406, scarce date, choice VF-EF \$120 - 160



261. **UMAYYAD: Sulayman**, 715-717, AR dirham (2.78g), al-Rayy, AH97, A-131, Klat-406, scarce date, VF \$100 - 120



262. **UMAYYAD: Sulayman**, 715-717, AR dirham (2.61g), Arminiya, AH98, A-131, Klat-52, VF \$150 - 200



263. **UMAYYAD: Hisham**, 724-743, AR dirham (2.79g), al-Andalus, AH106, A-137, Klat-119, dark discoloration both sides, Fine \$250 - 300



264. **UMAYYAD: Hisham**, 724-743, AR dirham (2.84g), Madinat Balkh al-Baydā, AH111, A-137, Klat-116, choice VF, **R** \$350 - 450



265. **UMAYYAD: Hisham**, 724-743, AR dirham (2.76g), Ifriqiya, AH114, A-137, Klat-101, VF \$100 - 120



266. **UMAYYAD: Hisham**, 724-743, AR dirham (2.85g), al-Mubarakā (epithetical name for the city of Balkh), AH117, A-137, Klat-575, superb strike, choice EF \$150 - 200



267. **UMAYYAD: Hisham**, 724-743, AR dirham (2.96g), al-Mubarakā (=Balkh), AH118, A-137, Klat-576a, 3 annulets in obverse margin, superb strike, choice EF \$150 - 200



268. **UMAYYAD: Hisham**, 724-743, AR dirham (2.67g), al-Andalus, AH121, A-137, Klat-134, some minor adhesions, lightly cleaned, lovely strike, VF, **RR** \$1,000 - 1,200



269. **UMAYYAD: Marwan II**, 744-750, AR dirham (2.84g), al-Bab, AH128, A-142, Klat-154, al-Bab is now Derbent in the Russian province of Dagestan, VF, **R** \$700 - 900



270. **UMAYYAD: Marwan II**, 744-750, AR dirham (2.46g), al-Bab, AH128, A-142, Klat-154, much surface porosity, some adhesions towards the rim, F-VF, **R** \$200 - 300



271. **UMAYYAD: Anonymous**, ca. 710-720, AE fals (3.44g), 'Akka, ND, A-165, SNAT-403var, pleasing strike, VF \$120 - 160



272. **UMAYYAD: Anonymous**, ca. 710-720, AE fals (3.12g), Jerash, ND (circa 710-720), A-A180, SNAT-277 (same obverse die), very rare Palestinian mint, now on the east bank of the Jordan river (in Jordan), VF, RRR \$400 - 500



273. **UMAYYAD: Tanbala b. Marra**, dates unknown, AE fals (2.06g), NM, AH1x5, A-A204var, some light corrosion, appears to be unpublished governor for the late Umayyad or early Abbasid period, F-VF, RRR \$200 - 250

*The governor's name tambala is a tentative reading of the name, but the patronymis "Marra" is certain. It is known that circa 730s-740s a certain Rabid b. Marra was sent by the Sind governor Junayd b. 'Abd al-Rahman al-Marri to invade sections on the west coast of India, and it is likely that this ruler, however his name should be deciphered, was part of the same Marra family engaged in Sind.*



274. **UMAYYAD: Anonymous**, ca. 730s-740s, AE fals (1.83g), al-Mubarakah (=Balkh), ND, A-C204.3, with the denomination stated as *sittin bi-dirham*, "sixty to a dirham", VF, RRR \$150 - 200



275. **UMAYYAD: Anonymous**, ca. 730s-740s, AE fals (1.83g), Zaranj, AH117, A-A206, clear mint & date, light adhesions on both sides, F-VF, RR \$120 - 160

276. **UMAYYAD: Anonymous**, ca. 730s-740s, AE fals (1.83g), LOT of 30 copper fulus of the Hims mint, mixture of elephant obverse type (A-178.1, W-795) and jerboa obverse type (A-178.2, W-804), interesting research group, average grade F-VF, never cleaned; retail value \$500, lot of 30 pieces \$250 - 350

277. **UMAYYAD: Anonymous**, ca. 730s-740s, AE fals (1.83g), LOT of 30 copper fulus of the Hims mint, mixture of elephant obverse type (A-178.1, W-795) and jerboa obverse type (A-178.2, W-804), interesting research group, average grade F-VF, never cleaned; retail value \$500, lot of 30 pieces \$250 - 350



278. **UMAYYAD: Anonymous**, ca. 680-750, lead seal (12.71g), inscribed *darb hims* (as a single word) on obverse, the name *muhammad bin 'ubayda* on the reverse, fully clear legends on both sides, VF, RR \$200 - 300



279. **UMAYYAD OR ABBASID: Anonymous**, ca. 700-800, glass ring weight, ND, A-195G, Morton-529, inscribed only *al-wa- / -fa' lillah*, part of a ring-weight attached to a vessel containing food, drinks or spices, EF, R \$120 - 180

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280. **ABBASID REVOLUTION: Anonymous**, 744-751, AR dirham (2.82g), Jayy, AH128, A-206.1, Klat-269, VF \$150 - 200



281. **ABBASID REVOLUTION: Anonymous**, 744-751, AR dirham (2.29g), Jayy, AH130, A-206.1, Klat-271, very rare date for this mint & type, much adhesion and some corrosion, F-VF, RR \$300 - 400



282. **ABBASID REVOLUTION: Anonymous**, 744-751, AR dirham (2.19g), al-Rayy, AH128, A-206.1, Klat-408, very rare mint for this type, weight-loss likely due to having been buried in acidic soil for centuries, slightly clipped, F-VF, RR \$200 - 300



283. **ABBASID REVOLUTION: Anonymous**, 744-751, AR dirham (2.62g), al-Rayy, AH129, A-206.1, Klat-409, struck by partisans of 'Abd Allah b. Mu'awiya, much porosity, especially on reverse, VF, RR \$800 - 1,000



284. **ABBASID REVOLUTION: Khalid b. Ibrahim**, fl. 757-758, AE fals (1.25g), NM, ND, A-E209, Fine, RRR \$100 - 150

*Khalid was an 'Abbasid governor, but this coin is classified under the Revolution due to its Qur'anic verse. Could Khalid have rebelled against the 'Abbasid caliph?*



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285. **ABBASID: al-Saffah**, 749-754, AR dirham (2.52g), Dimashq, AH132, A-211, very rare date for this rare mint, chipped at one area, somewhat cleaned, VF, RRR \$300 - 400



286. **ABBASID: al-Saffah**, 749-754, AR dirham (2.85g), Ardashir Khurra, AH134, A-211 \$100 - 120



287. **ABBASID: al-Saffah**, 749-754, AR dirham (2.82g), Dimashq, AH135, A-211, interesting die-break on obverse, VF \$200 - 240



288. **ABBASID: al-Saffah**, 749-754, AR dirham (2.84g), Ardashir Khurra, AH135, A-211, lightly cleaned, deep bold strike, EF \$100 - 140



289. **ABBASID: al-Mansur**, 754-775, AV dinar (4.15g), NM, AH138, A-212, F-VF, ex Hans Mondorf Collection \$180 - 220



290. **ABBASID: al-Mansur**, 754-775, AV dinar (4.03g), NM, AH140, A-212, very slightly clipped, VF-EF \$200 - 240



291. **ABBASID: al-Mansur**, 754-775, AV dinar (4.25g), NM, AH145, A-212, 2 scratches in obverse field, EF \$240 - 28



292. **ABBASID: al-Mansur**, 754-775, AV dinar (4.23g), NM, AH147, A-212, lovely strike, EF-AU \$300 - 350



293. **ABBASID: al-Mansur**, 754-775, AV dinar (4.20g), NM, AH157, A-212, graffiti in lower portion of reverse field, EF \$240 - 300



294. **ABBASID: al-Mansur**, 754-775, AV dinar (4.21g), NM, AH158, A-212, graffiti in upper portion of reverse field, choice VF-EF \$240 - 300



295. **ABBASID: al-Mansur**, 754-775, AR dirham (2.71g), Marw, AH139, A-213.1, minor adhesions on reverse, VF, R \$100 - 120



296. **ABBASID: al-Mansur**, 754-775, AR dirham (2.80g), Arminiya, AH145, A-213.1, VF \$100 - 150



297. **ABBASID: al-Mahdi**, 775-785, AV dinar (4.16g), NM, AH162, A-214, triplet of pellets below reverse field, bold VF \$200 - 260



298. **ABBASID: al-Mahdi**, 775-785, AV dinar (4.19g), NM, AH168, A-214, light graffiti below reverse field, slightly wavy surfaces, VF \$180 - 220



299. **ABBASID: al-Mahdi**, 775-785, AR dirham (2.83g), Arran, AH168, A-215.1, Vardanyan-125, citing the governor Ibn Khuzaym atop the reverse field, very lightly creased, rare date, VF \$130 - 170



300. **ABBASID: al-Mahdi**, 775-785, AR dirham (2.81g), Qasr al-Salam, AH168, A-215.1, mint active only AH167-169, failed attempt to create a new administration center near Baghdad, Fine \$80 - 100



301. **ABBASID: al-Mahdi**, 775-785, AR dirham (2.90g), al-Yamama, AH168, A-215.1, with the city name Hajar below reverse field, and without any governor, VF, R \$300 - 400



302. **ABBASID: al-Mahdi**, 775-785, AR dirham (2.62g), Harunabad, AH169, A-215.1, citing the provincial name Arminiya above and the governor al-Hasan below the reverse field, VF-EF \$180 - 220



303. **ABBASID: al-Mahdi**, 775-785, AR dirham (1.67g), Ifriqiya, AH166, A-215.3, contemporary imitation, with somewhat coarse calligraphy and intriguing symbol below the reverse field, VF, RR \$120 - 160

*Imitative silver dirhams were struck by various North African groups during the political and religious turmoil from the AH160s to the 180s.*



304. **ABBASID: al-Mahdi**, 775-785, AR dirham (2.77g), Ifriqiya, AH168, A-215.3, citing Harun as heir apparent to the caliphate, choice VF \$120 - 160



305. **ABBASID: al-Hadi**, 785-786, AR dirham (2.92g), Jayy, AH170, A-217.1, citing the caliph as *al-khalifa musa*, eight fancy annulets in the obverse margin, bold VF-EF, R \$200 - 250



306. **ABBASID: al-Hadi**, 785-786, AR dirham (2.95g), Madinat al-Salam, AH169, A-217.2, rare variety with the letters *b.r.* above and 'ayn below the reverse field, bold AU \$200 - 250



307. **ABBASID: al-Hadi**, 785-786, AR dirham (2.85g), al-Haruniya, AH169, A-217.4, Vardanyan-190, citing Harun as heir to the caliphate and the governor Khuzayma b. Khazim, lovely VF-EF, RR \$220 - 300



308. **ABBASID: al-Hadi**, 785-786, AR dirham (2.88g), al-Haruniya, AH170, A-217.4, citing the provincial name Arminiya above and the governor Jarir below the reverse field, and Harun as *ibn amir al-mu'minin*, VF \$120 - 160



309. **ABBASID: al-Hadi**, 785-786, AR dirham (2.78g), Ifriqiya, AH170, A-217.4, citing Harun as *ibn amir al-mu'minin*, VF \$100 - 150

310. **ABBASID: al-Hadi**, 785-786, LOT of 4 silver dirhams: Madinat al-Salam 170 (3 pcs, all with Ibrahim cited on reverse); and al-Muhammadiya 170; average VF condition, retail value \$440, lot of 4 pieces \$250 - 350



311. **ABBASID: al-Rashid**, 786-809, AV dinar (3.56g), NM, AH178, A-218.2, without any names, probably struck at Madinat al-Salam, clipped down to later standard, Fine \$160 - 200

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312. **ABBASID: al-Rashid**, 786-809, AV dinar (4.04g), NM (Madinat al-Salam), AH185, A-218.3, citing al-Amin as heir apparent, clipped at one spot, couple scratches, VF \$170 - 210



313. **ABBASID: al-Rashid**, 786-809, AV dinar (4.15g), NM (Madinat al-Salam), AH190, A-218.4, with letter "H" below reverse field, VF-EF \$200 - 240



314. **ABBASID: al-Rashid**, 786-809, AV dinar (4.15g), NM (Egypt), AH171, A-218.6, one ding on reverse field, VF \$200 - 240



315. **ABBASID: al-Rashid**, 786-809, AV dinar (4.25g), NM (Madinat al-Salam), AH187, A-218.12, citing Khalid as governor, nice VF \$200 - 240



316. **ABBASID: al-Rashid**, 786-809, AR dirham (2.69g), al-Mubarak (in Tunisia), AH174, A-219.2a, citing Nasr, Fine, RR \$100 - 150



317. **ABBASID: al-Rashid**, 786-809, AR dirham (2.84g), Arminiya, AH179, A-219.2a, Vardanyan-45, citing the governor Yahya beneath the reverse field, VF, RR \$400 - 500

*Rare type, without any reference to the caliph or his heirs.*



318. **ABBASID: al-Rashid**, 786-809, AR dirham (2.90g), Ifriqiya, AH180, A-219.2a, citing the governor Harthama, lovely strike, VF \$120 - 160



319. **ABBASID: al-Rashid**, 786-809, AR dirham (2.85g), Arran, AH190, A-219.2a, Vardanyan-143, citing the governor Khuzayma, with the letter 'ayn' below the name, VF, R \$150 - 200



320. **ABBASID: al-Rashid**, 786-809, AR dirham (2.82g), Arran, AH190, A-219.2a, Vardanyan-141, citing the governor Khuzayma b. Khazim, one minor nick on reverse, bold VF, R \$150 - 200



321. **ABBASID: al-Rashid**, 786-809, AR dirham (1.32g), al-Mubarak (in Tunisia), AH179, A-219.3, citing the governor al-'Askar b. Salm, clipped down to later reduced standard, VF, RR \$100 - 150



322. **ABBASID: al-Rashid**, 786-809, AR dirham (2.60g), Sijistan, AH174, A-219.4, citing the governor Ibn Khuzaym, lightly cleaned, VF-EF \$100 - 120



323. **ABBASID: al-Rashid**, 786-809, AR dirham (2.77g), Zaranj, AH192, A-219.5, citing the governors Harthama & al-Hakim without their patronymics, both without patronymics, overstruck on undetermined host, VF \$120 - 140



324. **ABBASID: al-Rashid**, 786-809, AR dirham (2.69g), Madinat al-Salam, AH171, A-219.6a, citing the caliph as 'abd Allah harun amir al-mu'minin' in the inner reverse margin, lovely AU, S \$100 - 150



325. **ABBASID: al-Rashid**, 786-809, AR dirham (2.93g), Arran, AH186, A-219.7, Vardanyan-187, citing the governor Muhammad b. Yazid, choice VF \$220 - 260



326. **ABBASID: al-Rashid**, 786-809, AR dirham (2.76g), Arran, AH187, A-219.7, Vardanyan-135, citing the governor Muhammad b. Yazid, slightly creased, VF \$120 - 150



327. **ABBASID: al-Rashid**, 786-809, AR dirham (3.44g), "Madinat al-Salam", AH180, A-219.9, Lowick-1322, North African imitation, distinguished by the planchet, calligraphy, overall style, etc., superb example of this interesting variety, choice EF, R \$100 - 140



328. **ABBASID: al-Rashid**, 786-809, AR dirham (2.93g), al-Muhammadiya, AH184, A-219.9, with the words *da'ud* above and *sard* below the reverse field, VF \$110 - 150



329. **ABBASID: al-Rashid**, 786-809, AR dirham (2.88g), Arminiya, AH191, A-219.9a, Vardanyan-70, citing the governors al-Khuzayma b. Khazim & Nu'aym b. Bishâr, one scratch on obverse, choice EF, RR \$400 - 450

*The father of the secondary governor has been read as Bishâr by Vardanyan, but Yasâr by some others; Bishâr seems more likely.*

330. **ABBASID: al-Rashid**, 786-809, LOT of 24 silver dirhams: **Harun al-Rashid**: Balkh 182, 185, 186, 187, and 190; Bukhara 193; al-Shash 190, Madinat al-Salam 175, 181, 187, 188, 189, 190, and 192; al-Muhammadiya 175, 183, 184, 189, 190, and 191; al-Rafiqa 188, and 191; Samarqand 193; and Zaranj 186; a couple F-VF, the rest all VF or better; a nice selection, mainly the eastern mints, including a few scarce dates, retail value \$875, **lot of 24 pieces** \$500 - 700

331. **ABBASID: al-Rashid**, 786-809, LOT of 10 silver dirhams: **Harun al-Rashid**: Balkh 185, 186 (2 pcs), and 189 (2 pcs); Ma'dan al-Shash 190; Madinat al-Salam 175, 189, and 192; and al-Muhammadiya 189; average VF, retail value \$300, **lot of 10 pieces** \$180 - 240



332. **ABBASID: al-Amin**, 809-813, AV dinar (3.83g), NM, AH198, A-220.6, Bernardi-80, with *rabbi Allah* above and the caliph's name *al-Amin* below the reverse field, slightly clipped, VF, RRR \$850 - 1,150

*Bernardi know of only three examples of this type, all dated AH197, and this appears to be the first reported example dated 198, the final year of al-Amin's failed attempt to retain the caliphate.*

333. **ABBASID: al-Amin**, 809-813, LOT of 16 silver dirhams: Balkh 194 (3 pcs); Madinat al-Salam 193, 195 (3 pcs), and 196 (3 pcs); Nishapur 194; and Samarqand 194 (5 pcs, including one without the name al-Fadl); average VF, nice group for this caliph; retail value \$600, **lot of 16 pieces** \$300 - 500



334. **ABBASID: al-Ma'mun**, 810-833, AV dinar (4.24g), Arminiya, AH198, A-222.4, citing the caliph and the governor al-Muttalib, scarce one-year type, choice EF-AU \$400 - 500



335. **ABBASID: al-Ma'mun**, 810-833, AV dinar (3.58g), NM (Misr), AH206, A-222.9, citing the governor 'Ubayd Allah b. al-Sari, clipped down, Fine \$150 - 180



336. **ABBASID: al-Ma'mun**, 810-833, AV dinar (4.10g), NM (Misr), AH209, A-222.9, citing the governor 'Ubayd Allah b. al-Sari, a few nicks on obverse, EF \$200 - 250



337. **ABBASID: al-Ma'mun**, 810-833, AR dirham (2.75g), Madinat Nishapur, AH195, A-223.4, citing Isma'il below obverse and al-Fadl below reverse, pleasing VF, R \$150 - 200

*Nishapur was the only mint to strike this anonymous type in AH195 - it was adopted at numerous mints in the following year, 196.*



338. **ABBASID: al-Ma'mun**, 810-833, AR dirham (2.84g), al-Kufa, AH201, A-223.4, with unreported 2 letters *mim 'ayn* below reverse, unrecorded by Lowick, VF, RR \$300 - 400

*The meaning of the two letters below the reverse has not been determined - a mystery for further research.*

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339. **ABBASID: al-Ma'mun**, 810-833, AR dirham (2.88g), Zaranij, AH205, A-223.4, citing Ghassan and Ayan b. Harthama, bold strike, EF, R \$200 - 280



340. **ABBASID: al-Ma'mun**, 810-833, AR dirham (2.87g), Arminiya, AH215, A-223.4, Vardanyan-84, citing the governors Khalid b. Yazid & Ibrahim b. 'Attab, struck from deteriorating dies, slightly wavy surfaces, VF, R \$140 - 180

*Struck with the same reverse die as the specimen illustrated by Vardanyan, but after both dies had lost some sections.*



341. **ABBASID: al-Ma'mun**, 810-833, AR dirham (2.94g), Arminiya, AH217, A-223.4, Vardanyan-85 (same dies), citing the caliphal prince as *al-'abbas bin / amir al-mu'minin* on the reverse field, VF, RR \$400 - 500



342. **ABBASID: al-Ma'mun**, 810-833, AR dirham (2.77g), al-Basra, AH204, A-223.5, minor graffiti below reverse field, lovely VF-EF \$200 - 250



343. **ABBASID: al-Ma'mun**, 810-833, AR dirham (2.85g), al-Kufa, AH204, A-223.5, some adhesions on the reverse, VF \$160 - 200



344. **ABBASID: al-Ma'mun**, 810-833, AR dirham (2.94g), Madinat al-Salam, AH205, A-223.5, scarce date for a common mint, EF \$140 - 180



345. **ABBASID: al-Ma'mun**, 810-833, AR dirham (2.73g), al-Muhammadiya, AH208, A-223.5, VF, R \$150 - 180



346. **ABBASID: al-Ma'mun**, 810-833, AR dirham (3.14g), al-Rafiqa, AH209, A-223.6, revised calligraphy, only year of this type for al-Rafiqa mint, possibly once clasped, VF, RR \$250 - 300



347. **ABBASID: al-Ma'mun**, 810-833, AR dirham (2.91g), Madinat al-Salam, AH210, A-223.6, EF-AU \$140 - 180



348. **ABBASID: al-Ma'mun**, 810-833, AR dirham (3.34g), Dimashq, AH214, A-223.6, unusually heavy for this series, some weakness, attractive VF, RR \$200 - 250



349. **ABBASID: al-Ma'mun**, 810-833, AR dirham (2.80g), al-Muhammadiya, AH218, A-223.6, some light adhesions towards the rim, VF, R \$120 - 140



350. **ABBASID: al-Ma'mun**, 810-833, AR dirham (2.89g), Misr, AH210, A-223.7, with *al-maghrrib* ("the west") below the obverse field and the governor's name 'Ubayd Allah b. al-Sari in the obverse center, few minor nicks, F-VF, RR \$140 - 180



351. **ABBASID: al-Ma'mun**, 810-833, AR dirham (2.84g), Misr, AH214, A-223.7, citing the caliph as just *il-khalifa al-ma'mun*, somewhat wavy surfaces & one long flan crack, VF, **RR** \$200 - 300

*Very rare type used only AH214-215 at Misr.*



352. **ABBASID: al-Ma'mun**, 810-833, AR dirham (4.08g), Nishapur (Naysabur), AH202, A-224, 'Ali b. Musa al-Rida, Imam of the Shi'ite faction, was named heir to the caliphate as part of a failed attempt to reconcile the Sunni and Shi'ite branches of Islam, superb strike, choice EF, **RRRR** \$2,500 - 3,000

*This is first known example of the Nishapur mint dated AH202 - only 203 has previously been reported, and still one of the rarest mints for this type (only Isbahan, al-Muhammadiya and Samarqand are relatively common).*

353. **ABBASID: al-Ma'mun**, 810-833, LOT of 25 silver dirhams: **al-Ma'mun**: Balkh 195, Isbahan 196, 198, 199, 200, 201, 205, 207, 208, and 209; Madinat al-Salam 198, 199, 200, 205, 207, 216, 217, and 218; Marw 217; and Samarqand 198, 199, 203, 217, and 218 (2 pcs, one with and one without *madinat*); nearly all VF and several better; retail value \$1100, **lot of 25 pieces** \$600 - 850

354. **ABBASID: al-Ma'mun**, 810-833, LOT of 25 silver dirhams: **al-Ma'mun**: Isbahan 196, 198, 199, 200 (2 pcs), 205 (2 pcs), 207, and 208; Madinat al-Salam 198 (3 pcs), 199 (3 pcs), 205, and 217 (2 pcs); and Samarqand 203, 217 (5 pcs), and 218; mostly VF, a few better; retail value \$875, **lot of 25 pieces** \$400 - 600

355. **ABBASID: al Mu'tasim**, 833-842, LOT of 20 silver dirhams: **al-Mu'tasim**: Fars 219, and 224; Isbahan 219, and 221; Madinat al-Salam 219, 220, 224, 225, and 226; Marw 220, 223, and 225; al-Muhammadiya 221, and 223; Samarqand 220, and 221; and al-Shash 220, 223, 224, and 226; mostly VF or better (a few with some weakness), several EF, especially of Madinat al-Salam; an unusual opportunity to acquire a nice set representing the scarce ruler al-Mu'tasim; retail value \$1200, **lot of 20 pieces** \$700 - 900

*From a recent hoard with terminal date AH237. See also lots 356, 357 and 358 below.*

356. **ABBASID: al Mu'tasim**, 833-842, LOT of 13 silver dirhams: **al-Mu'tasim**: Isfahan 221, Madinat al-Salam 219, 220, 224, 225, and 226; Marw 220, 223, and 225; Samarqand 220, and 221; and al-Shash 220, and 223; mostly VF, a few with some weakness, a few nicer; retail value \$650, **lot of 13 pieces** \$350 - 500

357. **ABBASID: al Mu'tasim**, 833-842, LOT of 10 silver dirhams: **al-Mu'tasim**: 10 examples of Madinat al-Salam AH225, mostly EF condition; retail value \$600, **lot of 10 pieces** \$300 - 500

358. **ABBASID: al Mu'tasim**, 833-842, LOT of 13 silver dirhams: **al-Mu'tasim**: Madinat al-Salam 219 (2 pcs), 224, 225 (4 pcs), 226 (4 pcs); Marw 223; and Samarqand 220; mostly VF or better (several Madinat al-Salam are EF); retail value \$550, **lot of 13 pieces** \$300 - 450



359. **ABBASID: al Wathiq**, 842-847, AR dirham (2.87g), Madinat al-Salam, AH229, A-228, choice EF, **R** \$100 - 140



360. **ABBASID: al Wathiq**, 842-847, lead seal (5.49g), ND, inscribed only with the caliph's name, *al-wathiq / billah*, VF, **RR** \$200 - 250

361. **ABBASID: al Wathiq**, 842-847, LOT of 21 silver dirhams: **al-Wathiq**: Fars 227, and 231; Isbahan 227, and 228; Madinat al-Salam 227, 229, 230, 231, and 232; Marw 227, and 231; al-Muhammadiya 232; Samarqand 227, and 231; al-Shash 227, and 228; and Surra man Ra'a 228, 229, 230, 231, and 232; mostly VF, but often with slight weakness or minor unevenness, with the Madinat al-Salam mostly VF-EF; a wonderful chance to obtain a nice selection of al-Wathiq's dirhams, which will again become rare once the present hoard is dispersed; retail value \$1400, **lot of 21 pieces** \$800 - 1,100

*From a recent hoard with terminal date AH237. See also lots 362, 363 and 365 below.*

362. **ABBASID: al Wathiq**, 842-847, LOT of 12 silver dirhams: **al-Wathiq**: Madinat al-Salam 227 (3 pcs), 229 (2 pcs), 230 (4 pcs), and 232 (1 pc); also Marw 231 and Surra man Ra'a 231; average VF, some of the Madinat al-Salam nicer; retail value \$650, **lot of 12 pieces** \$375 - 525

363. **ABBASID: al Wathiq**, 842-847, LOT of 8 different silver dirhams: **al-Wathiq**: Madinat al-Salam 227, 229, 230, and 232; Marw 227, and 231; Surra man Ra'a 231, and 232; average VF, nice starter group for this reign; retail value \$400, **lot of 8 pieces** \$250 - 325



364. **ABBASID: al-Mutawakkil**, 847-861, AV dinar (4.06g), Misr, AH239, A-229.2, citing the heir Abu 'Abd Allah, Fine \$180 - 220



365. **ABBASID: al-Mutawakkil**, 847-861, AR dirham (3.50g), Mah al-Kufa, AH237, A-230.2, excellent strike with just a little weakness towards the rim, bold mint & date, much original luster, AU, **S** \$150 - 200



366. **ABBASID: al-Mutawakkil**, 847-861, AR dirham (2.85g), Dimashq, AH245, A-230.3, citing the heir apparent al-Mu'tazz, slightly rough surfaces, VF \$110 - 150



367. **ABBASID: al-Mutawakkil**, 847-861, AR dirham (2.94g), al-Mutawakkiliya, AH247, A-230.4, thick narrow flan, citing heir al-Mu'tazz, mint name assigned in honor of the caliph al-Mutawakkil, but used only in AH247, VF \$100 - 140

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368. **ABBASID: al-Mutawakkil**, 847-861, AR dirham (2.77g), Dimashq, AH247, A-230.4, thick narrow flan, minor adhesion on reverse only, bold strike, VF-EF \$150 - 200
369. **ABBASID: al-Mutawakkil**, 847-861, LOT of 20 silver dirhams: **al-Mutawakkil**: al-Basra 235; Fars 235, 236, and 237; Isbahan 233, 234, and 237; Madinat al-Salam 233, 234, 235, and 236; Mah al-Kufa 237; Marw 233, 234, and 237; Samarqand 234 (2 pcs, Imperial type and local type); al-Shash 233, and 234; and Surra man Ra'a 233; average VF-EF, with many EF, some with a little weakness typical of this period; retail value \$1400, **lot of 20 pieces** \$800 - 1,200

*From a recent hoard with terminal date AH237. Dirhams of 233-235 lack the name of the heir-apparent, 236-237 cite the heir as Abu 'Abd Allah. See also lots 370 and 371 below.*

370. **ABBASID: al-Mutawakkil**, 847-861, LOT of 19 silver dirhams: **al-Mutawakkil**: Isbahan 234, and 237 (2 pcs); Madinat al-Salam 233 (4 pcs); Mah al-Kufa 237; Marw 233 (3 pcs), 234, and 237; Samarqand 234 (2 pcs); and al-Shash 233 (2 pcs), and 234 (2 pcs); average VF-EF, many with the usual weakness; retail value \$950, **lot of 19 pieces** \$550 - 750
371. **ABBASID: al-Mutawakkil**, 847-861, LOT of 14 silver dirhams: **al-Mutawakkil**: al-Basra 235; Fars 236; Isbahan 234, and 237; Madinat al-Salam 233; Mah al-Kufa 237; Marw 233, 234, and 237; Samarqand 234 (2 pcs, one imperial type, the other local type); al-Shash 233, and 234; and Surra man Ra'a 233; average VF-EF, many with the usual weakness of this period, all with clear mint & date; retail value \$775, **lot of 14 pieces** \$450 - 600
372. **ABBASID: al-Mutawakkil**, 847-861, LOT of 5 silver dirhams: **al-Mutawakkil**: Fars 234; Marw 233; Samarqand 234; and al-Shash 233, and 234, all of the **local style**, mostly EF but some with central weakness as seems to be typical of the local issue; retail value \$500, **lot of 5 pieces** \$300 - 400

*The "local" style different from the standard "imperial" style by much broader dies and a clearly distinctive calligraphy, and is restricted to the eastern mints, which were then normally under control of the Tahirid ruler Tahir II (AH230-248). The reason for the local issues is unknown, but since all the dates are also known from imperial style, it seems logical that something interfered with the delivery of standard dies from Iraq, so a local engraver was called to action to supply needed dies. From a recent hoard with terminal date AH237.*



373. **ABBASID: al-Muhtadi**, 869-870, AR dirham (2.95g), Wasit, AH255, A-238, struck from worn dies, as is normal for this short reign, F-VF, R \$150 - 200



374. **ABBASID: al-Mu'tamid**, 870-892, AV dinar (4.15g), Madinat al-Salam, AH258, A-239.1, citing Ja'far below obverse field, Fine \$180 - 200



375. **ABBASID: al-Mu'tadid**, 892-902, AR dirham (3.87g), Madinat al-Salam, AH285, A-242, heavy weight, superb strike, lovely VF-EF \$110 - 150



376. **ABBASID: al-Mu'tadid**, 892-902, AE "½ dirham" (1.00g), NM, AH280, A-242Bvar, copper pattern or off-metal strike of the half dirham donative, possibly intended as a "donative" fals, but without any denomination, as is also the case for the silver half dirham donative of al-Mu'tadid, VF, RR \$200 - 300



377. **ABBASID: al-Muqtafi**, 902-908, AV dinar (3.40g), Mah al-Kufa, AH292, A-243.1, Bernardi-226Mr, very rare mint in gold for this reign, appears to have been removed from a mount, only 1 example noted by Bernardi, F-VF, RR \$700 - 900



378. **ABBASID: al-Muqtadir**, 908-932, AV dinar (4.13g), Misr, AH297, A-245.2, Bernardi-242De, but the date 297 is not listed by Bernardi for Misr mint, bold VF, RR \$350 - 450



379. **ABBASID: al-Muqtadir**, 908-932, AV dinar (4.21g), Misr, AH301, A-245.2, several light scratches on reverse, otherwise very attractive bold strike, EF \$180 - 260



380. **ABBASID: al-Muqtadir**, 908-932, AV dinar (4.37g), Madinat al-Salam, AH310, A-245.2, lovely bold strike, choice AU \$450 - 500



381. **ABBASID: al-Muqtadir**, 908-932, AV dinar (4.18g), Madinat al-Salam, AH310, A-245.2, pellet below reverse field, lustrous AU \$400 - 450



382. **ABBASID: al-Muqtadir**, 908-932, AV dinar (4.10g), Madinat al-Salam, AH311, A-245.2, minimal surface waviness, VF-EF \$280 - 340



383. **ABBASID: al-Muqtadir**, 908-932, AV dinar (4.15g), Madinat al-Salam, AH317, A-245.2, lovely bold strike, lustrous AU \$450 - 500



384. **ABBASID: al-Muqtadir**, 908-932, AV dinar (4.19g), Madinat al-Salam, AH317, A-245.2, pellet below reverse field, interesting die-break on reverse, lustrous AU \$400 - 450



385. **ABBASID: al-Muqtadir**, 908-932, AV dinar (3.53g), Ardabil, AH318, A-245.2, Vardaniyan-95 nice strike, two small symbols below obverse field, none below reverse field, EF, R \$800 - 1,000

*This is actually an issue of the Sajid ruler Muflih al-Yusufi before he dared to glorify the coinage with his own name, hence classified as purely Abbasid.*



386. **ABBASID: al-Muqtadir**, 908-932, AR dirham (2.44g), Dimashq, AH303, A-246.2, mount removed, Fine, R \$100 - 120



387. **ABBASID: al-Muqtadir**, 908-932, AR dirham (2.91g), Misr, AH307, A-246.2, rare mint in silver, choice VF, R \$200 - 280



388. **ABBASID: al-Muqtadir**, 908-932, AR dirham (2.69g), Tarsus, AH318, A-246.2, slightly weak strike, as usual for this rare mint, fully clear mint & date, VF, R \$160 - 200



389. **ABBASID: al-Muqtadir**, 908-932, AR donative dirham (2.95g), Madinat al-Salam, AH310, A-246A, lightly crimped at edge where a mount has been removed, VF-EF, R \$400 - 500



390. **ABBASID: al-Muqtadir**, 908-932, AR donative dirham (2.87g), al-Mawsil, AH318, A-246A, very broad flan with wide outer blank margin, as is normal for the Madinat al-Salam donative dirhams of al-Muqtadir, some weakness of strike (common for regular issues of this mint), VF, RRRR \$600 - 800

*This is the first example of this type we have encountered from a mint other than Madinat al-Salam, the capital.*



391. **ABBASID: al-Qahir**, 932-934, AV dinar (3.99g), Madinat al-Salam, AH321, A-250.2, lovely bold strike, lustrous AU \$450 - 500



392. **ABBASID: al-Nasir**, 1180-1225, AV dinar (5.11g), Madinat al-Salam, AH606, A-268, slight weakness in the margins, EF \$300 - 350



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393. **ABBASID: al-Musta'sim**, 1242-1258, AV dinar (6.23g), Madinat al-Salam, AH642, A-275, superb strike, without any weakness, beautifully centered, choice EF \$600 - 800



394. **ABBASID: al-Musta'sim**, 1242-1258, AR 1/3 dirham (0.77g), Madinat al-Salam, A-277A, clear mint name, first 2 letters of *khams* and the last 4 letters of *arba'in* are clear, thus confirming the date as AH645, some weakness & porosity, Fine, RRR \$150 - 200

*First known example of type with mint & date, almost certainly unique.*



395. **ABBASID: AE cast fals** (3.23g), al-'Abbasiya, AH166, A-280, crudely cast, with crescent below both sides, mint reading tentative but likely, VF, RR \$100 - 140



396. **ABBASID: 'Abd Allah b. Salih**, ca. 780s, AE fals (1.81g), Khunansir, ND, A-A290, extremely rare mint city near Homs in Syria, Fine, RRR \$130 - 170



397. **ABBASID: AE fals** (1.10g), al-Kufa, AH155, A-306, unpublished date, bold strike, lovely patination, EF, RR \$140 - 180



398. **ABBASID: AE fals** (4.14g), Makka, AH(20)4, A-M308, citing Muhammad (b. Ifriqi) in the reverse field, the city name Makka beneath the obverse field, date in reverse margin (final digit clear), Fine, RRRR \$600 - 800

*Mint and date are not complete on this piece, but can be confirmed by a fals on Zeno (#182499), different dies but very similar.*



399. **ABBASID: AE heavy fals** (7.87g), Sinjar, ND, A-M313, in the name of the governors Tamima b. (Abyas?) and 'Ali b. Sulayman, of which the latter name is virtually entire off flan or obscured by weakness, F-VF, RRR \$120 - 160



400. **ABBASID: AE fals** (2.35g), Bukhara, AH151, A-320, citing the governor al-Junayd b. Khalid and al-Mahdi as the heir to the caliphate, with floral ornament in reverse center, VF \$100 - 150



401. **ABBASID: AE fals** (1.90g), Istakhr, AH159, A-325, Lowick-724, citing the governor al-Rabi' b. al-Khatir, very rare date for this relatively common mint, VF, RR \$100 - 150



402. **ABBASID: AE fals** (3.90g), Sabur, AH155, A-333, anonymous, rare date for this mint, F-VF, R \$100 - 150



403. **ABBASID: Anonymous**, c. 745-775, AE fals (3.26g) (al-Saghaniyan), ND, A-A334, obverse text *la ilah illa Allah ni'ma al-qadir Allah wa sittin bi-dirham*, some weakness, typical for cast Central Asian coppers, Fine \$100 - 150

*All known examples, including this piece, have been found at Saghaniyan, as described for Zeno-143186. This type should be dated either to the Abbasid Revolution or very early Abbasid period.*



404. **ABBASID: AE fals** (3.96g), Tawwaj, ND, A-337H, countermarked *tawwaj* on an anonymous fals of Sabur AH156 (type A-333), VF, RRR \$120 - 160



405. **ABBASID: al-Hakim b. Taymur**, 8th or 9th century, glass jeton (1.87g), A-338U, B—, Morton—, unidentified governor or other official, either early Abbasid or Tulunid period in Egypt, white with some dark blue-turquoise spots, much glistening iridescent luster, opaque, EF, RRR \$200 - 300



406. **ABBASID: 'Abd al-Rahman b. Yazid**, governor, 759-769, glass vessel stamp (11.51g), ND, B-448/451, for sealing a vessel containing ¼ qist of an unnamed liquid, VF \$600 - 800

*The term qist derived from the Greek word , and can refer to different weights for different substances, but according to A.H. Morton should represent an amount between a half litre and a full litre.*



407. **ABBASID: Abu'l-Hazan**, glass jeton (6.62g), Morton-374, only his name on obverse, blank reverse as always for this type, green with few tiny white inclusions, translucent, EF, R \$150 - 200

*The actual dating of this type has never been determined, with arguments suggesting everything from the 8th to the 14th century.*

408. **ABBASID: LOT of 12 Abbasid dirhams and 1 Qarlughid tanka: Abbasid: al-Mansur: al-Rayy 147 and 148; al-Mahdi: Jayy 162; al-Rashid: Madinat al-Salam 187, and Marw 185; al-Amin: Bukhara 194; and al-Ma'mun: Balkh 197, Isbahan 205 and 208, and Samarqand 199 (2 pcs, one with mount removed) and 209 (actually Tahirid issue); and Qarlughid: Hasan, caliph al-Mustansir, date off flan; all VF, a couple nicer; retail value \$625, lot of 13 pieces \$350 - 450**

409. **ABBASID: LOT of 14 silver dirhams: al-Saffah: al-Basra 134 & 135; and al-Kufa 132, 133, 134 & 135; al-Mansur: al-Basra 138 and Madinat al-Salam 154 & 158; and al-Mahdi: al-Basra 160 & 164, Madinat al-Salam 163 & 166; and al-Muhammadiya 167; nice coins average VF, retail value \$560, lot of 14 pieces \$300 - 450**

410. **ABBASID: LOT of 10 silver dirhams: al-Saffah: al-Basra 134 (3 pcs) & 135; and al-Kufa 132 (3 pcs), 133 & 134; and al-Mansur: al-Basra 138; average VF, retail value \$450, lot of 10 pieces \$240 - 300**

411. **ABBASID: LOT of 9 better quality silver dirham: al-Hadi, 785-786: type A-217.2: al-Muhammadiya AH170 (VF); al-Rashid, 786-809: A-219.12: al-Muhammadiya 180 (VF); al-Mu'tasim, 833-842: A-226: Surra man Ra'a 226 (EF); al-Wathiq, 842-847: A-228: Madinat al-Salam 230 (EF) and 231 (EF), and al-Shash 228 (VF); and al-Mutawakkil, 847-861: A-230.1: al-Shash 233 (EF) and 234 (EF-AU); and Tahirid: Tahir I, 821-822: A-1391A, Herat 206 (citing al-Shukr b. Ibrahim, VF); retail value \$1000, lot of 9 pieces \$500 - 700**

412. **ABBASID: LOT of 19 Abbasid dirhams & 1 Umayyad dirham or Kirman 92 (holed), including Ardashir Khurra, Balkh, Herat, Madinat al-Salam (5 pcs); Madinat al-Shash, al-Muhammadiya, al-Mutawakkiliya, al-Rayy, Samarqand (5 pcs), Sijistan, and Zaranj, average F-VF, many pierced or damaged; retail value \$500, lot of 20 pieces \$200 - 300**

413. **ABBASID: LOT of 16 Abbasid & 2 Umayyad dirhams: Abbasid: Balkh 188; al-Basra 134; Bukhara 194 (of al-Amin); al-Kufa 138, 146; Ma'dan al-Shash 190; Madinat al-Salam 160, 170 (al-Rashid, with al-'Ala), 179, 193: al-Muhammadiya 170 (al-Rashid), 181; and Samarqand 193 (al-Rashid) and 198; and one with mint missing 236; and Umayyad: Wasit 124 (2 pcs); average VF but several with adhesions; retail value \$400, lot of 18 pieces, ex Hans Mondorf Collection \$220 - 300**
414. **ABBASID: LOT of 14 copper fulus of Istakhr dated AH167 (A-325), mostly VF and decent strikes; retail value \$480, lot of 14 pieces \$200 - 300**
415. **ABBASID: LOT of 6 copper fulus: Dimashq AH222 (Fine); Junday Sabur (1)74 (Fine, rare); Jurjan 1xx (Good); Madinat al-Salam 157 (VF); Nasibin 181 (VG); and al-Rafiq 189 (VF, some green spots); retail value \$270, lot of 6 pieces \$140 - 200**

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