Session A

Begins at 09:00 PDT on Thursday, May 23, 2019

Ancient Coins

Greek



1. **APOLLONIA PONTIKA:** AR drachm, ND [450-400 BC], S-1655var, anchor with “A” to left and crayfish to right // gorgoneion, NGC graded EF $100 - 150



2. **ATHENS:** ca. 4th century BC, AR drachm (4.22g), cf. Sear-2538 for the generic type, head of Athena // owl, crude style, said to be contemporary imitation from the region of Phoenicia, VF $100 - 150



3. **BRETTIAN LEAGUE:** ca. 215-205 BC, AE sextans (14.79g), S-701var, head of Ares left, wearing crested Corinthian helmet // Nike standing left, holding palm & crowning trophy, caduceus between, some light porosity, VF $100 - 120



4. **BRUTTIUM: Anonymous**, ca. 350-300 BC, AR nomos (7.55g), Kroton, ANS-369, eagle standing left on a hare, with head raised and wings displayed; to lower left, AI monogram // KPO at right, tripod with legs ending in lion’s feet; to right, heron standing left, Fine $125 - 175



5. **CELTIC (EAST EUROPE):** ca. 200-100 BC, AR “tetradrachm” (6.97g), OTA-303, stylized laureate head of Zeus right // stylized horse advancing left, VF-EF $120 - 160

6. **CELTIC (EAST EUROPE):** LOT of 3 East European Celtic imitations of Macedonian drachms, one in the name of Alexander III (3.61g, EF), another in the name of Philip III (4.47g, VF), and one without any name (3,94g, VF), all of the same design: head of Herakles, wearing lion-skin // Zeus seated, holding eagle, retail value $400, **lot of 3 pieces** $220 - 300



7. **CRETE: Anonymous**, ca. 98-94 BC, AR drachm (3.35g), Gortyna, diademed head of Zeus right // warrior standing left, holding shield and spear; A to left, EF**, R** $300 - 400



8. **LUCANIA: Anonymous**, ca. 400-340 BC, AR nomos (7.76g), Metapontion, Noë-486, head of Demeter right // Barley ear of seven grains, leaf to right; palmette above leaf, VF $100 - 150



9. **LUCANIA: Anonymous**, ca. 340-330 BC, AR stater (7.52g), Metapontion, wreathed head of Demeter right // grain ear with leaf to right, META to left, Fine $100 - 150



10. **LUCANIA: Anonymous**, ca. 334-300 BC, AR stater (7.05g), Velia, BMC-88, head of Athena left, wearing Phrygian helmet decorated with centauress // lion left, tearing at prey, below, VG-F $100 - 150



11. **LYCIAN DYNASTS: Wekhssere II**, after 400 BC, AR tetrobol (3.01g), S-5218, ruler at Antiphellos: lion’s scalp facing // triskeles, ruler’s name around in the Lycian alphabet, lovely VF-EF $120 - 160



12. **LYCIAN DYNASTS: Perikle**, ca. 380-362 BC, AR tetrobol (2.81g), S-5241, ruler at Antiphellos; lion’s scalp facing // triskeles, with ruler’s name around in the Lycian alphabet, VF-EF $90 - 110

An Attractive Lydian Gold Stater



13. **LYDIA: Time of Kroisos**, 561-546 BC or later, AV stater (10.72g), Sardes mint, S-3411, Boston MFA-2068; Carradice, pl. X, 2; Dewing-2426, heavy series, confronted foreparts of lion facing right and bull facing left, both with straight legs // two square incuse punches of different sizes, VF**, RR**, *ex Classical Numismatic Group Mail Bid Sale 60, lot 769* $5,000 - 7,000



14. **MACEDONIA: Alexander III, the Great**, posthumous, ca. 2nd century BC, AR tetradrachm (16.70g), S-6713 ff, head of Herakles right, wearing lion skin // Zeus seated left, legs crossed, holding eagle and scepter, and monogram t left, wall below, VF**, R** $260 - 350



15. **MACEDONIA: Alexander III, the Great**, 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 Herakles right, wearing lion skin headdress // Zeus seated left; cornucopiae in left field, NGC graded Choice EF $350 - 450



16. **MACEDONIA: Alexander III, the Great**, 336-323 BC, AR tetradrachm (16.58g), Babylon, S-6713 ff, lifetime issue: head of Herakles right, wearing lion skin // Zeus seated left, holding eagle and scepter, monogram below chair, M and flying deity below Zeus's arm, VF-EF $350 - 450



17. **MACEDONIA: Alexander III, the Great**, 336-323 BC, AR tetradrachm (15.87g), Mesembria, Price-1121, Müller-489, posthumous type struck circa 125-65 BC: head of Herakles right, wearing lionskin headdress // Zeus seated left, holding eagle and sceptre; monogram above knee, Corinthian helmet behind, in exergue, VF $100 - 150



18. **MACEDONIA: Alexander III, the Great**, 336-323 BC, AR tetradrachm (16.33g), Mesembria, Price-1047, posthumous type struck circa 175-150 BC, possibly a Celtic imitation, Lower Danube: head of Herakles right, wearing lionskin headdress // Zeus seated left, holding eagle and sceptre; Corinthian helmet and in left field, monogram beneath chair, F-VF $100 - 150



19. **MACEDONIA: Alexander III, the Great**, 336-323 BC, AR tetradrachm, early posthumous issue: bust of Heracles in lion skin right // Zeus seated left, uncertain monogram to left, very boldly struck reverse, NGC graded Choice EF $350 - 450



20. **MACEDONIA: Alexander III, the Great**, 336-323 BC, AR tetradrachm, lifetime or early posthumous issue, bust of Heracles in lion skin right // Zeus seated left, T monogram to left, nicely centered and boldly struck obverse, NGC graded Choice EF $350 - 450



21. **MACEDONIA: Alexander III, the Great**, 336-323 BC, AR tetradrachm, lifetime or early posthumous issu, bust of Heracles in lion skin right // Zeus seated left, uncertain symbol to left, well-centered and boldly struck obverse, NGC graded Choice EF $350 - 450



22. **MACEDONIA: Alexander III, the Great**, 336-323 BC, AR tetradrachm, early Ptolematic issue, Byblos mint, bust of Heracles in lion skin right // Zeus seated, AP monogram to left, NGC graded Choice EF $350 - 450



23. **MACEDONIA: Demetrios I Poliorketes**, 294-288 BC, AR tetradrachm (16.29g), S-6764, head of Demetrios right, with bull's horn // Poseidon standing, naked, his right foot resting on a rock, the right arm on his thigh, holding a trident, two monograms in the field, some light porosity (nearly all on reverse), and traces of corrosion on the reverse, still very attractive, with full details of the reverse figure, VF**, R** $250 - 350



24. **PAMPHYLIA: Anonymous**, ca. 205-100 BC, AR tetradrachm (15.66g), Side, helmeted head of Athena right // Nike flying left, holding wreath; to left, pomegranate above magistrate initials, , countermarked bow in bowcase within circular incuse with initials on Athena's helmet, F-VF $100 - 150

Similar countermarks were applied in other Asia Minor cities, and Price has linked these countermarks to the introduction of the cistophoric coinage circa 180 BC. Their use allowed Attic-weight coins to continue to circulate in the post-reform years.



25. **PAMPHYLIA: Anonymous**, ca. 205-100 BC, AR tetradrachm (15.92g), Side, S-5436, SNG von Aulock 4792, helmeted head of Athena right // Nike flying left, holding wreath; to left, pomegranate above magistrate initials, CT, Fine $100 - 150



26. **RHODES: Anonymous**, ca. 88-84 BC, AR plinthophoric drachm (2.59g), Jenkins Rhodian-249; SNG Keckman-676, Nikephoros magistrate, radiate head of Helios right // , rose with bud to right, hand holding grain ear to left, all within incuse square, VF $75 - 100



27. **SELEUKID KINGDOM: Antiochos I Soter**, 280-261 BC, AR tetradrachm (16.28g), ND, S-6866, king's head right, middle-age style // Apollo seated on omphalos, holding one arrow and his bow, monograms left & right, lightly cleaned, VF $150 - 200



28. **SELEUKID KINGDOM: Antiochos III, the Great**, 223-187 BC, AR tetradrachm (16.73g), S-6933, diademed youthful head to the king // Apollo seated on omphalos, holding arrow & resting on his bow, VF-EF $200 - 260



29. **SELEUKID KINGDOM: Antiochos III, the Great**, 223-187 BC, AR tetradrachm (16.43g), S-6936, head of Antiochos right, with idealized features // Apollo naked, seated on an omphalos, holding arrow and resting on his bow, monograms left & right, some slight porosity, VF $150 - 200



30. **SELEUKID KINGDOM: Antiochos III, the Great**, 223-187 BC, AR tetradrachm (17.04g), ND, S-6934, king's head right // Apollo seated on omphalos, holding one arrow and his bow, monograms left & right, F-VF $150 - 200



31. **SELEUKID KINGDOM: Demetrios I Soter**, 162-150 BC, AR tetradrachm (16.52g), Antioch ad Orontes, ND, S-7014, king's head right, within laurel border // Tyche holding baton & cornucopiae, seated on stool propped up by a winged monster, VF $150 - 200



32. **SELEUKID KINGDOM: Alexander I Balas**, 150-145 BC, AR drachm (2.98g), ND, S-7035, king's head right, diademed // naked Apollos seated on Omphalos, holding arrow & resting on his bow, superb portrait, VF-EF $120 - 150



33. **SELEUKID KINGDOM: Demetrios II Nikator**, 1st reign, 145-140 BC, AR tetradrachm (16.38g), S-7053, diademed head to the king // Tyche seated on throne, supported by winged monster, holding baton & cornucopiae, monogram below, attractive VF $160 - 200



34. **SELEUKID KINGDOM: Antiochos VII Euergetes**, 138-129 BC, AR tetradrachm (16.70g), ND, S-7092, king's head right, diademed, fillet border // Athena standing, holding Nike, spear & shield, all within a laurel wreath, lovely strike, EF $180 - 220



35. **SELEUKID KINGDOM: Antiochos VIII Grypos**, 121-96 BC, AR tetradrachm (16.06g), ND, S-7143, king's head right, diademed, fillet border // Zeus standing, crescent above, holding star & scepter, all within laurel wreath, some porosity towards the rim, VF $110 - 150



36. **SELEUKID KINGDOM: Phillip Philadelphos**, 93-83 BC, AR tetradrachm (15.50g), ND, S-7196, king's head right, diademed, fillet border // Zeus seated, holding Nike and scepter, VF-EF $110 - 150

37. **SELEUKID KINGDOM:** LOT of 3 silver tetradrachms: Demetrios I Soter, 162-150 BC: diademed head right // Tyche, holding scepter & cornucopia (2 pcs, one with and one without his title , both F-VF; and Demetros II Nikator, 146-138 & 129-125 BC: same design, with two of his titles added, also F-VF; retail value $300, **lot of 3 pieces** $140 - 200



38. **TEOS:** mid-6th century BC, AR drachm (5.89g), S-3509, griffin seated right, left foreleg raised // incuse square or somewhat rough form, VF**, R** $250 - 350



39. **THESSALY: Anonymous**, ca. 360-350 BC, AR drachm (6.04g), Larissa, S-2117, head of nymph Larissa left // horse galloping right, / , above and below, VF $100 - 150



40. **THRACE: Anonymous**, ca. 400-350 BC, AR diobol (3.51g), Apollonia Pontika, S-1657, SNG BMC 160-1, laureate head of Gorgoneion facing with curls // anchor, A to left and crayfish to right of anchor, EF $100 - 150



41. **THRACE: Anonymous**, ca. 340-320 BC, AR drachm (5.22g), Byzantion, S-1579, cow standing left on dolphin left, above // incuse punch of mill-sail pattern, VF $100 - 150

42. **ANCIENT GREECE:** LOT of 8 silver coins (6 Greek, 2 Indian): **Greek:** Apollonia Pontika (AR biobol, VF); Aspendox (AR stater, F-VF); Cappadocia, Ariobarzanes I (AR drachm, F-VF); Illyria (AR drachm, Fine); and Miletos (AR obol, 2 pcs, one Fine, the other VF); and **India:** Mauryan period (AR punchmarked, Fine); and Indo-Skythian: Aspavarma (AR tetradrachm, VF); all in holders with at least partial identification; retail value $560, **lot of 8 pieces** $300 - 400

43. **ANCIENT:** LOT of 106 antiquties, including Egyptian scarab set in sterling silver chain (1), Celtic British fibula (brooch) and other bronze broken parts (29), Pre-Columbian terracotta Mexican spindle whorls, or malacates (3), Chinese Shang Dynasty bone arrowhead (1), Danubian Celtic and Roman bronze rings (40), Danubian Celtic and Roman fibula (8) inlcuding a couple of nice ones, Egyptian ushabti (shabti or shawabti), funerary figurines, small (4) two broken, large (1), Pre-Columbian terracotta broken figureine (1), Pre-Columbian bone carved artifact (1), Danubian Celtic and Roman bracelets (3), Central Asian terracotta clay seals (7), Central Asian glass seals (6) one broken, and a Birmingham *manilla* "bracelet" money (1), a diverse and interesting mix from an old dealer's stock, retail value $800, **lot of 106 items** $300 - 500

44. **ANCIENT:** LOT of 12 coins including Greek Sarmatia Olbia dophin bronze coin, Macedonia bronze coin, Roman silver denari Domitian, Antoninus Pius, Septimius Severus, Philip I, bronze coin, Indo-Greek Menander I bronze chalkous with elephant, Kushan Soter Megas bronze tetradrachm, Kidarite heavily debased gold stater, Ephthalite bronze coin, Umayyad of Spain silver dirham Madinat al-Zahra AH364, average circulated quality, retail value $450, **lot of 12 coins** $200 - 300

45. **ANCIENT:** LOT of 3 silver coins: **Seleukid Kingdom:** Demetrios II, 145-140 BC, AR tetradrachm: king's head, diademed // Tyche seated (Sear-7053, Fine); **Pergamon:** AR cistophoric tetradrachm: cista mystica within wreath // encased bow between 2 snakes (Sear-3948var, VF); and **Hunnic:** Nezak Malek: BI drachm: crowned bust with bull's head // fire-altar & 2 attendants (Göbl-198, choice EF); retail value $370, **lot of 3 pieces** $240 - 280

Roman & Byzantine



46. **ROMAN REPUBLIC: Titurius L. f. Sabinus**, 89 BC, AR denarius (3.84g), S-253, RRC-344, head of King Tatius, SABIN behind // L. TITVRI, Victory in biga, holding wreath, VF $100 - 130



47. **ROMAN REPUBLIC: Annoymous**, ca. 157-155 BC, AE as (26.31g), Rome, S-712, laureate head of Janus, letter I above // prow of galley, I above, ROMA below; bold strike, EF $180 - 220

48. **ROMAN REPUBLIC:** LOT of 4 brockages of the Roman Republic, average VG-Fine condition; retail value $300, **lot of 4 pieces** $140 - 200



49. **ROMAN IMPERATORIAL PERIOD: Sextus Pompey**, in Sicily, 43-36 BC, AR denarius (3.89g), Sicily (42-40 BC), S-1392, Cr-511/3, MAC PIVS IMP ITER, bare head of Sextus' father Pompey the Great between jug & lituus // PRÆF CLAS ET ORÆ MARIT EX S C (MAR as monogram), Neptune standing to left with right foot on prow, holding aplustre, between the Catanean brothers Anapias and Amphinomus, each of whom bears a parent on his shoulders, off center strike, VF**, R** $375 - 450

Sextus was executed in 35 BC by order of Mark Antony.



50. **ROMAN EMPIRE: Augustus**, 27 BC-14 AD, AR cistophorus (11.09g), Pergamum, ca. 19-18 BC, RIC-507, bear head of Augustus, IMP IX TR PO V below // MART VLTO, temple of Mars Ultor, five-teared base, signum within, VG**, R** $120 - 160

A Gold Aureus of Emperor Tiberius



51. **ROMAN EMPIRE: Tiberius**, 14-37 AD, AV aureus (7.62g), Lugdunum (Lyon, France), ND (after 16), S-1760, TI CAESAR DIVI AVG F AVGVSTVS; laureate head right // PONTIF MAXIM; Livia as Pax seated right on a throne with decorated legs, holding inverted spear & olive branch, light trace of have once possibly been mounted, barely visible, pleasing well-centered strike, attractive F-VF $1,800 - 2,400

The silver denarius of the identical design is commonly referred to as the "tribute penny" of the Bible, as explained in St. Mathew's Gospel (22, 17-21).



52. **ROMAN EMPIRE: Galba**, 68-69 AD, AR denarius (3.13g), RIC-167, S-2109, IMP SER GALBA AVG, bare head right // SPQR OB CS, legend in three lines within oak wreath, Fine $100 - 150



53. **ROMAN EMPIRE: Antoninus Pius**, 138-161 AD, AE 29 (22.76g), Philippopolis, Varbanov-675, laureate head of Emperor right // river god Hebros reclining left on rocks, holding poppy and grain ears in his right hand, some porosity, VF $100 - 150



54. **ROMAN EMPIRE: Balbinus**, 238 AD, AE sestertius (20.08g), Rome (238), S-8494, laureate bust of Balbinus // CONDORIA AVGG, Concordia seated left, holding patera & cornucopiae; lovely example, with attractive portrait of Balbinus, VF-EF**, S** $400 - 500



55. **ROMAN EMPIRE: Valens**, 364-378 AD, AR siliqua (1.88g), S-19675, Roma seated on throne, holding Victory on globe, and resting on sceptre, mint mark TR PS, struck 368-375, lovely bluish toning, superb strike, EF-AU $180 - 220

56. **ROMAN EMPIRE:** LOT of 6 silver denarii: **Republic:** Female head // pegasus, but names off flan, F-VF; **Empire:** Augustus (reverse: IMP XII, Apollo with lyre. Fine); Nero (Jupiter, F-VF); Nero (Aequitus, F-VF); Vespasian (dolphin on tripod, Fine); and Trajan (Dacia seated, VG); retail value $500, **lot of 6 pieces** $300 - 400

57. **ROMAN EMPIRE:** LOT of 4 billon tetradrachms of Nero from Alexandria in Egypt, plus 2 miscellaneous pieces, average VG to Fine condition, some with corrosion; retail value $250, **lot of 6 pieces** $140 - 180



58. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Justinian I**, 527-565, AV solidus, Constantinople, S-139, D N IVSTINI - ANVS PP AVG, helmeted and cuirassed bust facing, holding globus cruciger and shield // VICTORI left, the remaining legend at right weakly struck, angel standing facing, holding long cross topped by P and globus cruciger; to right, star; in exergue CONOB, graded strike 4/5, surface 3/5, NGC graded Choice AU $400 - 500



59. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Justinian I**, 527-565, AV solidus, Constantinople, S-139, D N IVSTINI - ANVS PP AVG, helmeted and cuirassed bust facing, holding globus cruciger and shield // VICTORI - AAVCCCI, angel standing facing, holding long cross topped by P and globus cruciger; to right, star; in exergue CONOB, graded genuine (no grade assigned) by NGC, Choice AU $400 - 500



60. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Heraclius**, 610-641, AV solidus (4.47g), Constantinople, S-759, Three standing fibures (Heraclius, in center, together with his sons Heraclonus & Heraclius Constantine) // Cross potent on 4 steps, monogram left, letter right, officina (retrograde), struck circa 630-641, VF $250 - 300



61. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Heraclius**, 610-641, AV solidus, Constantinople, S-734, busts of emperor & his son Heraclius Constantine // cross potent above 4 steps, officina S, graded Genuine by NGC (grade not assigned), AU $400 - 500



62. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Heraclius**, 610-641, AV solidus, Constantinople, S-734, busts of emperor & his son Heraclius Constantine // cross potent above 4 steps, officina Z (retrograde), NGC graded AU $400 - 500



63. **BYZANTINE EMPIRE: Romanus IV Diogenes**, 1068-1071, AV histamenon nomisma (3.07g), Constantinople, S-1861, Christ crowning Romanus & Eudocia // Michael, Constantius & Andronicus, all standing, clipped down to lower standard, F-VF $150 - 200



64. **OSTROGOTHS: Baduila**, 541-552, AR ¼ siliqua (0.30g) (Ticinum), ND, MIB-63, in the name of the deceased Byzantine Emperor Anastasius (491-518): bust of Anastasius, diademed, draped & cuirassed // text within wreath: DN / BADV / ILA / RIX (sic), a lovely bold strike! choice VF**, RR** $1,300 - 1,500

Ancient Near East



65. **ANCIENT JUDEA: Bar Kochba Revolt**, 132-135, AE 25 (8.26g), Hen-1437, Mildenberg-128, undated yet attributed to year 3 (134/5 AD), Archaic Hebrew text “For the Freedom of Jerusalem”, palm tree with two bunches of dates // “Shimon” in Archaic Hebrew around grape leaf, lovely patina on this superb example! EF , *ex Classical Numismatic Group Auction 53 lot 679* $500 - 700



66. **ARABIA: Arabian imitation**, ca. 440-400 BC, AR tetradrachm (16.75g), Huth-147, standard design (head of Athena // owl, olive leaves and), test cut across the owl’s head (very common on the Arabian imitations and any regular Athenian coins that reached the Middle East or beyond), some porosity, VF**, R** $300 - 350



67. **BABYLONIA: Anonymous**, ca. 328-311 BC, AR tetradrachm (16.93g), S-6141, Baal seated left, holding scepter // lion walking left, arrow above, some spots of adhesion, VF $140 - 200



68. **ACHAEMENID EMPIRE: Anonymous**, ca. 546-510, AR siglos (5.38g), S-3424, lion facing bull // two punches, derived from the Kroisos series of Lydia, and struck at of near the ancient city of Sardeis, attractive, VF**, S** $350 - 450



69. **ACHAEMENID EMPIRE: Anonymous**, 5th/4th century BC, AR siglos (5.57g), S-4682, bearded king kneeling, holding spear & bow // oblong punch, excellent strike, EF**, S** $150 - 180



70. **ACHAEMENID EMPIRE: Anonymous**, ca. 420-375 BC, AR siglos (5.48g), BMC-plate XXV:15, Persian king kneeling, holding spear & bow // incuse punch, VF $60 - 80



71. **ACHAEMENID EMPIRE: temp. Xerxes II to Artaxerxes II**, ca. 420-375 BC, AV daric (8.32g), Sardes mint, S-4679, Carradice Type IIIb, Group C, struck on the Lydo-Milesian standard, Persian king or hero holding spear & bow // incuse punch, VF $800 - 1,000



72. **PARTHIAN KINGDOM: Mithradates II**, 95-87 BC, AR drachm (4.01g), Shore-85 ff, bust left with long beard, diademed // king enthroned, holding bow, 5-line text, lovely EF $100 - 140



73. **PARTHIAN KINGDOM: Gotarzes I**, 95-87 BC, AR drachm (4.11g), Shore-110 ff, bust left with medium beard, wearing tiara with horn in center, stags atop // seated archer, 5-line text, lovely EF $100 - 140



74. **PARTHIAN KINGDOM: Mithradates III**, c. 57-54 BC, AR drachm (4.06g), Shore-201/204var, star behind king’s bust, mintmark #30 (for Mithradatkart), choice VF**, S** $100 - 140



75. **PARTHIAN KINGDOM: Phraates IV**, c. 38-2 BC, AR drachm (3.74g), Ekbatana (Hamadan), Shore-277/79, bust left with medium beard, diademed, with eagle crowning him with wreath // standard reverse, EF $100 - 140



76. **PARTHIAN KINGDOM: Phraates IV**, c. 38-2 BC, AR drachm (4.10g), Ekbatana mint, Sell-54.7, diademed bust left; behind, eagle left, holding wreath // archer (Arsakes I) seated right on throne, holding bow; monogram below bow, Strike 4/5, Surface 5/5, NGC graded Choice AU $100 - 150



77. **PARTHIAN KINGDOM: Phraates IV**, c. 38-2 BC, AR tetradrachm (14.61g), Seleukeia, SE288 (=32/31 BC), Shore-271/272, bust left with square cut beard // king seated on throne, receiving palm branch from Tyche, who holds the cornucopiae, VF $120 - 160



78. **PARTHIAN KINGDOM: Gotarzes II**, 44-51 AD, AR tetradrachm, Seleukeia, diademed and draped bust of Gotarzes II left // King seated right, receiving wreath from Nike standing left, holding corncuopia, encapsulated by NGC, but grade not assigned, VF $100 - 150



79. **PARTHIAN KINGDOM: Gotarzes II**, 44-51 AD, AR tetradrachm, Seleukeia, Seleukeia on the Tigris, diademed and draped bust of Gotarzes II left // King seated right, receiving wreath from Nike standing left, holding corncuopia, encapsulated by NGC, but grade not assigned, VF $100 - 150



80. **PARTHIAN KINGDOM: Vardanes I**, 40-45, AR tetradrachm (14.17g), Seleukeia, SE356 (44/45 AD), Shore-350/52, bust left, graffiti in the field to the left // king seated on throne, receiving palm branch from Tyche, who holds the cornucopia, VF $100 - 150



81. **PARTHIAN KINGDOM: Gotarzes II**, 44-51 AD, AR tetradrachm (14.24g), Seleukeia, SE356 (46/47 AD), Shore-358 ff, bust left // king seated on throne, receiving diadem from Tyche, who holds the cornucopia, nice strike, VF-EF $120 - 160



82. **PARTHIAN KINGDOM: Vardanes II**, AD 55-58, BI tetradrachm (14.34g), Seleukeia, SE367 (57/58 AD), Shore-383, bust left // king receiving diadem from Tyche, lovely strike, EF $200 - 260



83. **PARTHIAN KINGDOM: Vologases II**, AD 77-80, BI tetradrachm (13.70g), Seleukeia, SE390 (78/79 AD), Shore-387, bust left, wearing tiara with hooks on top, without horn, letter to right // king receiving diadem from Tyche, lovely strike, bold VF $100 - 150



84. **PARTHIAN KINGDOM: Pakoros II**, AD 78-105, BI tetradrachm (14.40g), Seleukeia, SE389 (77/78 AD), Shore-394, bust left, wearing diadem, letter to right // king seated on throne, receiving diadem from Tyche, bold portrait, choice VF-EF $140 - 170



85. **PARTHIAN KINGDOM: Vologases IV**, 147-191 AD, BI tetradrachm (12.91g), Seleukeia, SE497 (185/86 AD), Shore-427/32, bust left, wearing tiara with hooks on crest, letter to right // king seated on throne, receiving diadem from Tyche, bold portrait, choice EF $110 - 150



86. **PARTHIAN KINGDOM: Vologases IV**, 147-191, AR drachm, Ekbatana, Shore-434, standard type, debased Aramaic top line on reverse, some minor scuffs and contact marks, lovely rainbow toning, NGC graded EF $100 - 120



87. **PARTHIAN KINGDOM: Vologases VI**, AD 208-228, BI tetradrachm (12.88g), Seleukeia, SE421 (209/10 AD), Shore-451, bust left, wearing tiara, letter to right // king seated on throne, receiving diadem from Tyche, lovely portrait, EF $100 - 130



88. **SASANIAN KINGDOM: Ardashir I**, 224-241, BI tetradrachm (12.59g), G-7, bust of Ardashir right, long beard, wearing tall crown with earflap // fire-altar, lovely example, VF-EF $180 - 220



89. **SASANIAN KINGDOM: Ardashir I**, 224-241, BI tetradrachm (12.89g), NM, ND, G-7, usual light porosity, VF $100 - 150



90. **SASANIAN KINGDOM: Ardashir I**, 224-241, AR drachm (4.45g), G-10, standard type, pellet right of the fire altar on the reverse, VF $150 - 200



91. **SASANIAN KINGDOM: Shapur I**, 241-272, AR drachm (4.20g), G-23, bust of Ardashir right, wearing tall crown with earflap & korymbos / fire-altar & 2 crowned attendants, facing outwards, no symbols by the fire, lovely EF $140 - 180



92. **SASANIAN KINGDOM: Shapur II**, 309-379, AE unit (6.51g), NM, ND, G-—, SNS-257/258, very rare subtype with the king's portrait without mural tiara with korymbos; assigned by Schindel to the Kabul region, somewhat porous surfaces, F-VF**, RR** $130 - 170

Illustrated by Göbl only for the gold dinar (G-113).



93. **SASANIAN KINGDOM: Peroz**, 457-484, AR drachm (3.88g), AY (Susa), year 7, G-169, silver drachms with a clear date are very rare for Peroz, pleasing VF**, RR** $100 - 130

94. **SASANIAN KINGDOM: Peroz**, 457-484, LOT of 12 silver drachms, from 12 different mints: AH, AS, AT, AW, AY, BBA, DA, GW, LYW, ST, ShY, and WH, average VF condition, none with any damage; retail value $550, **lot of 12 pieces** $300 - 400

95. **SASANIAN KINGDOM: Peroz**, 457-484, LOT of 14 silver drachms, from 7 different mints: AS, AW, AY (3 pcs), DA (2 pcs), GW, LYW, ST (2 pcs), and WH (3 pcs), average VF condition, none with any damage; retail value $550, **lot of 14 pieces** $300 - 400

96. **SASANIAN KINGDOM: Peroz**, 457-484, LOT of 14 silver drachms, from 9 different mints: one each of AS, AT, AW, AY, DA, LYW, ST, ShY, and WH, plus 5 with unclear mint names, average VF condition; retail value $550, **lot of 42 pieces** $300 - 350



97. **SASANIAN KINGDOM: Khusro I**, 531-579, AR drachm (3.99g), ALM, year 40, G-196, decent portrait, struck on very broad flan, EF**, S** $110 - 140

The mint has been interpretated as ARM ("R" is normally written with the "L" character in Pahlavi), identified as Armenia.



98. **SASANIAN KINGDOM: Khusro I**, 531-579, AR drachm (4.02g), DA, year 8, G-196, mint name weak but very likely, choice VF**, R** $100 - 150

Unusual type, with additional word or abbreviation added at 3:00 in the reverse margin, tentatively read as HW or HN, of undetermined meaning.

99. **SASANIAN KINGDOM: Khusro I**, 531-579, SET of 21 silver drachms from 21 different mints, an excellent starter collection, with all lovely VF or better, with several EF: ART year 30 (Ardashir Khurra); AS 18 (the Court mint); AW 31 (Ahwaz); AY 38 (Susa); AYLAN 20 (Hulwan); BYSh 40 (Bishapur); BN 35 (possibly Bamm in Kirman province); GD 38 (Jayy); HWC 23 (Khuzestan); KL 14 (Kirman); LD 43 (Rayy); LYW 40 (Riv-Ardashir); ML 35 (Marw); MY 15 (Mishan); NAL 45 (Narmashir); SK 27 (Sijistan); ST 31 (Istakhr); WH 15 (Junday Sabur); WYH 38 (Bihqubadh); WYHC 38 (the 2nd Court mint); and YZ 40 (Yazd); retail vlue $900; **lot of 21 pieces** $500 - 350

100. **SASANIAN KINGDOM: Khusro I**, 531-579, SET of 12 silver drachms from 8 different mints: AY (3 pcs), AYLAN, HWC, GD, LD (Rayy). MY (2 pcs), ST, and WYH (2 pcs); all VF and a few better; retail value $475, **lot of 12 pieces** $240 - 300

101. **SASANIAN KINGDOM: Khusro I**, 531-579, SET of 6 silver drachms from the YZ mint (Yazd), all choice VF-EF or better, all but one with excellent portraits, dated years 18, 27, 28, 31, 32, and 41; retail value $300, **lot of 6 pieces** $170 - 200

102. **SASANIAN KINGDOM:** LOT of 9 silver drachms: **Kavad I:** AS (Court mint, uncertain date); AW 11 (Ahwaz); BYSh 40 (Bishapur); and GW 13 (probably Jurjan); and **Khusro I:** early type Göbl-194: LD 3 (Rayy); and WH 2 (Junday Sabur); plus 3 examples of the later type Göbl-196 with uncertain mint names; all VF or better; retail value $325, **lot of 7 pieces** $170 - 200

103. **SASANIAN KINGDOM:** LOT of 6 silver drachms: Kavad I (PL 20, VF), Khusro I (GD 5, F-VF; and KR 24, cleaned EF); Hormizd IV (ART 3, EF, but much corrosion on reverse); and Khusro II (AW 3, VF, and AY 3, VF); retail value $200, **lot of 6 pieces** $100 - 120



104. **ELYMAIS: Kamnaskires V**, ca. 62-54 BC, AR tetradrachm (15.34g), Van t'Haaff-9.2, diademed bust left, anchor behind // similar portrait with short hair, blundered Greek legend around, somewhat crude strike, bold VF $140 - 180

Ancient Africa



105. **CARTHAGE: Anonymous**, ca. 350-320 BC, AV stater (7.57g), Zeugitania, S-6464, head of Tanit to left, crowned with wreath of corn, wearing earring with triple pendants and necklace, dotted border // free horse standing to right, single exergue line below, three dots before, lightly cleaned, VF $1,200 - 1,400



106. **KYRENAIKA: Anonymous**, ca. 485-475 BC, AR tetradrachm (16.83g), Barce, Asyut-855 (this coin); SNG Copenhagen-116, silphium plant; silphium fruit to each side // silphium seed flanked by two dolphins, pellets in corners; all within incuse square,, **RR**, *ex Classical Numismatic Group Mail Bid Sale 63 lot 733, ex Asyut Hoard* $3,000 - 4,000



107. **KYRENE: temp. Megas**, 308-277 BC, AR didrachm (6.69g), S-6323, bare head of Karneios right // sylphium plant, Fine $140 - 170



108. **PTOLEMAIS: Ptolemy III**, 246-221 BC, AE 35 (42.97g), SNGCop 190, diademed head of Zeus-Ammon, with large horn // eagle standing on thunderbolt, head left, cornucopiae at lower left, star below eagle, VF $75 - 100



109. **PTOLEMAIS: Ptolemy III**, 246-221 BC, AE 37 (42.97g), S-7815, diademed head of Zeus-Ammon, with large horn // eagle standing on thunderbolt, head right, cornucopiae at right shoulder, VG-F $75 - 100



110. **PTOLEMAIS: Ptolemy IV**, 204-180 BC, AE 34 (32.43g), S-7843, head of Zeus-Ammon, with large horn // eagle standing on thunderbolt, VF $75 - 100



111. **PTOLEMAIS: Ptolemy V Epiphanes**, 204-180 BC, AE 25 (14.43g), Alexandreia mint, Svoronos-1233, head of Isis right, wearing wreath of grain ears, and her hair in long curls // eagle with open wings standing left on thunderbolt, Fine $75 - 100



112. **PTOLEMAIS: Ptolemy V**, 204-180 BC, AE 34 (36.19g), S-7878, head of Zeus-Ammon, with large horn // eagle standing on thunderbolt, coarse Greek calligraphy, VF $75 - 100



113. **PTOLEMAIS: Ptolemy VI**, 180-145 BC, AE 32 (27.46g), S-7900, head of Zeus-Ammon, with large horn // two eagles standing on thunderbolt, coarse Greek calligraphy, VF $75 - 100



114. **MAURETANIA: Anonymous**, late 3rd/2nd century BC, AE 24mm (4.76g), Mazard-548/551, lol-Caesarea: head of Isis left // three grain ears, very rare mint, F-VF**, R** $100 - 120



115. **MAURETANIA: Juba II**, 25 BC - 23 AD, AR denarius (2.93g), Müller-18, REX IVBA; king's head right, diademed // bust of Africa right, wearing elephant skin, two javelins behind, small lamination upper left of reverse, lovely VF-EF**, R** $600 - 800



116. **MAURETANIA: Juba II**, 25 BC - 23 AD, AR denarius (3.00g), Müller-20, REX IVBA; diademed head right // elephant pacing right, its trunk pointing upwards, VF-EF**, R** $300 - 400



117. **MAURETANIA: Juba II**, 25 BC - 23 AD, AR denarius (2.55g), Müller-20, REX IVBA; diademed head right // cornucopiae with fillet hanging to either side, transverse scepter in background, crescent to upper right, bold VF-EF**, R** $240 - 300



118. **MAURETANIA: Juba II**, 25 BC - 23 AD, AR denarius (2.97g), Müller—, brockage of the obverse: REX IVBA; diademed head right, nice strike, VF-EF**, RR** $200 - 260



119. **MAURETANIA: Juba II**, 25 BC - 23 AD, AR denarius (2.85g), Müller-64, REX IVBA; head of Juba II in the guise of Hercules, wearing lion skin headdress; club behind // capricorn flying right, cornucopia above its shoulder, rudder below, globe between its legs, nice strike, XXXXIII below, especially on the obverse, pleasing EF**, R** $350 - 450



120. **MAURETANIA: Juba II**, 25 BC - 23 AD, AR denarius (2.77g), Müller-64, REX IVBA; diademed head right // eagle standing to right with wings spread, standing atop thunderbolt, scepter resting against left wing, cleaned, VF-EF**, R** $140 - 180



121. **MAURETANIA: Juba II**, 25 BC - 23 AD, AE 19mm (3.60g), Müller-77, REX IVBA; diademed head right // Victory marching right, Fine**, RR** $80 - 100



122. **MAURETANIA: Juba II**, 25 BC - 23 AD, AE 21mm (5.57g), Müller-77, REX IVBA; diademed head right // Victory marching right, Very Good**, RR** $50 - 70



123. **MAURETANIA: Juba II**, 25 BC - 23 AD, AR denarius (2.87g), Müller-86, REX IVBA; diademed head right // / in two lines; headdress of Isis with two corn ears to the left, sistrum to right, some weakness of strike, EF**, R** $180 - 240

Citing his first wife Cleopatra Selene II, daughter of the Greek Ptolemaic Queen Cleopatra VII of Egypt and Roman triumvir Mark Antony. (See also lots 124-128 below).



124. **MAURETANIA: Juba II**, 25 BC - 23 AD, AR denarius (2.28g), Müller-86, REX IVBA; diademed head right // / in two lines; headdress of Isis with two corn ears to the left, sistrum to right, some weakness of strike, pleasing VF**, R** $120 - 150



125. **MAURETANIA: Juba II**, 25 BC - 23 AD, AR denarius (2.89g), Müller-86, REX IVBA; diademed head right // ; diademed head of Cleopatra left; drapery at neck, lovely VF-EF**, RR** $800 - 1,000



126. **MAURETANIA: Juba II**, 25 BC - 23 AD, AR denarius (3.10g), Müller-86, REX IVBA; diademed head right // ; headdress of Isis with two corn ears, above a crescent, attractive VF $140 - 180



127. **MAURETANIA: Juba II**, 25 BC - 23 AD, AR denarius (2.48g), Müller-92, REX IVBA; diademed head right // / in two lines; crocodile between the two texts, standing towards the left, bold VF**, R** $240 - 300



128. **MAURETANIA: Juba II**, 25 BC - 23 AD, AR denarius (2.87g), Müller-95, REX IVBA; diademed head right // / ; 6-point star above crescent, choice VF $120 - 160

Citing his first wife Cleopatra Selene II, daughter of the Greek Ptolemaic Queen Cleopatra VII of Egypt and Roman triumvir Mark Antony.



129. **MAURETANIA: Ptolemy**, 24-40, AR denarius (1.35g), Müller-172 ff, REX PTOLEMAEVS; diademed bust right // Capricorn, with the date below, but not visible due to some corrosion on the reverse, nice portrait, F-VF**, R** $80 - 120



130. **MAURETANIA: Ptolemy**, 24-40, AE 23mm (7.77g), REX PTOLEMAEVS (almost entirely off flan); diademed bust right // lion walking left, star above, Very Good**, RR** $60 - 80



131. **NUMIDIA: Juba I**, 60-46 BC, AR denarius (1.97g), Müller-50, REX IVBA; diademed and draped bust right, with scepter over shoulder // octastyle temple, Punic inscription around, VG-F $70 - 90



132. **NUMIDIA: Juba I**, 60-46 BC, AR denarius (3.31g), Müller-51, diademed and draped bust right, with scepter over shoulder; REX IVBA before // octastyle temple, Punic inscription around, some very light porosity, mainly on obverse, bold VF $160 - 200



133. **NUMIDIA: Juba I**, 60-46 BC, AE 22 (8.06g), Müller-58, head of Numidia or Africa right, wearing elephant skin headdress // lion walking right, VF**, R** $130 - 160



134. **NUMIDIA: Juba I**, 60-46 BC, AE 15 (1.73g), Müller—, bearded head right, wearing pointed tiara // sanding figure, nice obverse, but very weak reverse, Fine**, RR** $60 - 80



135. **AXUM: Endubis**, ca. 270-330, AV unit (2.61g), Munro-Hay 1, draped bust of Endubis to right, wearing head-cloth and circular earring; around, two wheat stalks; above, pellet in crescent // draped bust of Endubis to right, wearing head-cloth and circular earring; around, two wheat stalks; above, pellet in crescent, EF , *ex Classical Numismatic Group Auction 53 lot 989* $2,000 - 2,500



136. **AXUM: Wazena**, early 6th century, AE unit (1.24g), M&J-118, royal bust right, holding grain ear // ornamental cross, with full original gold inlay, bold example, EF $160 - 200

Ancient Central Asia



137. **BUKHARA / WESTERN SOGDIANA:** ca. 200-100 BC, AR tetradrachm (10.76g), cf. Zeno-111936, diademed head right, derived from a Bactrian prototype // Hercules seated, holding his club, with blundered Greek words to left & right, the Bukharan tamgha in the lower right area, nice strike, VF**, RRR** $400 - 500

See the description of Zeno-111936 for further information. An inferior example sold in our Auction 33, Lot 120.



138. **CHACH: Anonymous**, ca. 600-650, AE cash (2.42g), S&K-3.1, female bust turned slightly to the right, crescent right // tamgha #3, legend around, F-VF**, R** $100 - 140



139. **CHORESMIA: Ramik**, late 6th century, AR tetradrachm (6.83g), Vainberg-G1, cf. Zeno-104915, crowned bust right // horseman, his name & title around in the Khwarizmian script, horseman's ribbons formed with string of dots, VF $140 - 180



140. **FERGHANA: Tutuks of Ferghana**, 7th-8th century, AE cash (1.06g), Smirnava-1445, Sogdian legend, Runic character to right, uniface, VF**, RR** $140 - 180



141. **ALCHON TURKS: Khingila**, ca. 440-490, AR drachm (3.95g), G-61, flatback bust right, diademed, flames on the shoulders, tamgha to right // fire-altar & two attendants, VF $150 - 200



142. **ALCHON TURKS: Khingila**, ca. 440-490, AR drachm (4.07g), G-61, flatback bust right, diademed, flames on the shoulders, tamgha to right // fire-altar & two attendants, VF $150 - 200



143. **TURK SHAHIS: Shahi Tegin**, after 700, AR drachm (3.14g), G-208, crowned bust facing slightly right; animal's head on crown / facing bust of Anahita, trilingual (Brahmi, Baktrian and Pahlavi), dated year 77 (possibly = 728 AD), lovely full strike without any weakness, trace of porosity, VF-EF**, R** $150 - 200



144. **NEZAK HUNS: Nezak style**, 7th century, AR drachm (3.18g), G-232, Nezak style bust right, symbol before // fire altar & two attendants, EF $120 - 160



145. **TURK SHAHI KINGS: Vakhu Deva**, early 8th century, AR drachm (3.43g), G-244, standard Sasanian design, trilingual, with legends in Brahmi, Bactrian and Pahlavi, gold/silver plug in center, countermark #103 at bottom of obverse, superb strike, without any weakness, a common type, but rare in this quality, choice VF-EF $120 - 160



146. **TURK SHAHI KINGS: Vakhu Deva**, early 8th century, AR drachm (3.38g), G-244, standard Sasanian design, with legends in Brahmi, Bactrian and Pahlavi, gold plug in center, countermark #103 at bottom of obverse, superb strike, without any weakness, rare in this quality, choice VF-EF $120 - 160



147. **WESTERN TURKS: Phromo Kesaro**, 7th century, AR drachm (3.36g), blundered mint, ND, G-251var, standard late Sasanian style, with Baktrian legends in the field & the margin // Arab-Sasanian style, with outer circle, pseudo-Arabic mint name perhaps derived from HLY for Herat, attractive VF $120 - 160



148. **NEZAK HUNS: Sri Shahi**, early 8th century, AR drachm (3.05g), G-252, bust right, banner in front, inscribed *sri shahi* in Brahmi // fire altar & 2 attendants, nice strike, with most of the reverse design clear, EF $160 - 200



149. **TOKHARISTAN: Yabghus of Baktria:** 6th century, AR drachm (4.10g), G-265, Sasanian bust right, wearing Nezak-style crown, unread "Pahlavi" legend to left & right // standard fire-altar & attendants Sasanian reverse, blundered mint/date formula, superb strike, EF**, R** $300 - 400



150. **TOKHARISTAN: Yabghus of Baktria:** 6th century, AR drachm (4.06g), G-265, Sasanian bust right, wearing Nezak-style crown, unread "Pahlavi" legend to left & right // standard fire-altar & attendants Sasanian reverse, blundered mint & date, lovely bold strike, EF**, R** $250 - 350



151. **HUNNIC: Sri Shahi**, probably 6th century, AE unit (0.55g), G-—, Vondrovec—, bearded head facing, wearing simple cap // winged Pegasus right, Brahmi legend *sri sahi* above, superb strike, EF**, RRR** $200 - 250



152. **HUNNIC:** AR drachm (3.29g), "BBA", year "27", G-—, Vondrovec—, posthumous imitation of Khusraw II, BBA mint and year 27, with countermark in ObQ3, consisting of a tamgha and unread Bactrian legend (cf. Göbl countermark #109), struck to the typical weight of Tokharistan region imitations, EF**, RR**, *ex M.H. Mirza Collection* $120 - 160



153. **HUNNIC:** AR drachm (3.31g), DM, G-—, Vondrovec—, posthumous imitation of Khusraw II, blundered mint & date, with countermark in ObQ3, consisting of a tamgha and unread Bactrian legend (cf. Göbl countermark #109), struck to the typical weight of Tokharistan region imitations, VF-EF**, RR**, *ex M.H. Mirza Collection* $120 - 160

The blundered mint and date perhaps derived from MLW (Marw) and year 27.



154. **HUNNIC: Late series**, ca. 670s & later, AR drachm (3.08g), G-—, Vondravec—, blundered form of the Arabic *bism Allah* in ObQ2, with the triplets of pellets flanking the bottom obverse star-and-crescent, thus derived from Darabjird area drachms of the Arab governors, blundered mint & date on the reverse, unusual countermark of the senmurg (mythical bird) in ObQ1, VF**, RR** $150 - 200

Possibly unpublished, certainly an interesting piece.



155. **ALCHON: Khingila**, ca. 440-490, AR drachm (3.87g), G-57, flat-back bust right, Brahmi KhiGi before // fire-altar & two attendants, VF $110 - 150



156. **ZABULISTAN: Mardanshah (Spur Martan)**, ca. 7th century, AR drachm (2.85g), NM, ND, G-216, facing Sasanian style bust, senmurg to right // Anahita facing, trilingual, small chip at the edge, F-VF**, RR**, *ex M.H. Mirza Collection* $150 - 200



157. **GANDHARA:** AE unit (1.00g), ca. 1st-4th century, Vondravec-GC-G72, Brahmi legend, *suva / sata,* said to be a personal name // 7-petal flower, Fine**, RR** $100 - 150



158. **HUNNIC: "Khusro" type**, before 700, AR drachm (3.19g), as Zeno-33518 (same dies), imitation of a Sasanian drachm of Khusro II, Sogdian legend in ObQ3 and Sogdian tamgha in ObQ1, reverse copies Khusro drachm of AY mint (Susa) year 37, VF-EF**, R**, *ex M.H. Mirza Collection* $120 - 160



159. **HUNNIC: Anonymous**, ca. 7th-8th century, AV burial bracteate (0.72g), bust right, probably derived from one of the Nezak series, but with without the bull-head or related cap, meaningless "inscription" around, uniface as always, EF**, RRR** $600 - 800

A somewhat related Hunnic/Hephthalite burial bracteate was sold in our Auction #13, Lot 107.



160. **HEPHTHALITE:** 7th century, AR drachm (2.84g), cf. Zeno-162876 (with lengthy discussion), style derived from drachm of Sasanian Hormizd IV (579-590), Balkh mint (BHL) year 11 (mint & date severely blundered), "flying camel" countermark in ObQ1, nice strike, EF $150 - 200

161. **HEPHTHALITE:** LOT of 2 silver drachms, 4 billon drachms, and 2 copper coins: **(1)** Turk Shahi Kings, in the name of Valkhu Deva, trilingual type derived from Sasanian style, Göbl-244; both well-struck with no weakness (2 pcs, both VF) **(2)** Nezak Huns, the standard type with king wearing bull-head crown, fire-altar and 2 attendants on reverse, Göbl-198 (4 pcs, all VF-EF); and **(3)** Kushano-Sasanian Shapur II type copper units, bust // fire-altar, Cribb-46 (2 pcs, one VF, the other VF-EF); retail value $525, **lot of 8 pieces** $260 - 325



162. **KABARNA: Anonymous**, ca. 620-750, AE cash (1.61g), S&K-2.7, horseman // tamga, excellent example, VF**, R** $100 - 140



163. **KESH:** ca. 1st century BC & AD, AR obol (0.41g), cf. Zeno-34949, Rtveladze (page 37), Hercules standing, holding ribboned diadem, crude text to left // Zeus seated, VF-EF**, RR** $150 - 200



164. **SAMARKAND: Turgar**, 738-755, AE cash (2.87g), cf. Zeno-107648, Sogdian text // 2 Samarkand tamghas, crescent above, VF $110 - 140



165. **SAMARKAND: Anonymous**, ca. 2nd-4th century, AR obol (0.39g), NM, Alram-1252, Zeno-29312, bust left, derived from Antiochus of Baktria // archer with quiver, scyphate, anepigraphic, bold strike, lovely toning, VF-EF**, RR** $150 - 200



166. **SAMARKAND: Tarkhun**, 700-710, AE cash (2.64g), Sm-215 ff, Zeno-46923, Sogdian text (his name and the title MALKA) // two tamghas, F-VF**, S** $100 - 140

167. **SEMIRECH'E: Turgesh**, 8th century, LOT of 8 AE cash coins, Kam-24, cf. Zeno-6317, Sogdian legend *bgi twrgsh xagan pnw* // tamgha based around the central square hole, average Fine condition, a few with minor porosity; retail value $500, **lot of 8 pieces** $240 - 350

168. **SEMIRECH'E: Turgesh**, 8th century, LOT of 3 nice quality AE cash coins, Kam-24, cf. Zeno-6317, Sogdian legend *bgi twrgsh xagan pnw* // tamgha based around the central square hole, average VF condition; retail value $350, **lot of 3 pieces** $180 - 240



169. **SEMIRECH'E: Arslanid**, 7th/8th century, AE imitative cash (8.15g), hand-engraved "magical" symbols plus an Arslanid tamga // decorative engraving, and unusual item, VF**, R** $100 - 120



170. **SEMIRECH'E: Turgesh**, 8th century, AE cash (1.61g), Kam-24, Zeno-6317, Sogdian text *bgy twrkys gagan pny* // Turgesh tamgha, small size, VF $100 - 150



171. **SEMIRECH'E: Turgesh**, 8th Century, AE cash (5.61g), Kam-24, Sogdian legend // tamgha based around the central square hole, medium weight standard, attractive patination, VF $100 - 150



172. **SEMIRECH'E: Turgesh**, 8th century, AE cash (9.22g), 8th century, Kam-24, Sogdian legend // tamgha based around the central square hole, heavy weight standard (rare thus), VF $110 - 150



173. **SEMIRECH'E: Turgesh**, 8th century, AE cash (3.86g), Kam-22, Smirnova-1586, tamgha around the center hole, Runic R and Sogdian *prn* added on reverse, VF $110 - 140



174. **SEMIRECH'E: Turgesh**, 8th century, AE cash (5.79g), Kam-28, cf. Zeno-139994, tamgha around the center hole, Runic R added on reverse, attractive F-VF**, R** $120 - 150



175. **SEMIRECH'E: Turgesh**, 8th century, AE heavy cash (9.42g), Kam-23, Smirnova-1588, cf. Zeno-9955, tamgha around the center hole, Runic R and Sogdian *mny* added on reverse, attractive Fine**, R** $130 - 150



176. **SEMIRECH'E: Tukhus: Oghitmish**, 8th century, AE cash (2.94g), Kam-43, cf. Zeno-170399, Sogdian legends both sides, with ruler's name after the tamgha, VF**, R** $120 - 160



177. **SEMIRECH'E: Tukhus: Bitmish**, 8th century, AE cash (1.02g), Kam-43, cf. Zeno-170399, Sogdian legends both sides, with ruler's name after the tamgha, Fine**, RR** $120 - 160



178. **SEMIRECH'E: Arlsan Bilge Qaghan**, ca. 8th century, AE cash (2.78g), Kam-46/47, cf. Zeno-1742, issued by the Arslanid branch of the Qarluq tribe: Sogdian legend // Runic symbols, rare in this quality, VF**, RR** $150 - 200



179. **SEMIRECH'E: Arslan Kul Erkin**, 8th century, AE cash (5.64g), cf. Zeno-5956, Runic characters, said to be R and M, VF**, R** $110 - 150



180. **SEMIRECH'E: Qarluq Qaghan Kobak**, 8th century, AE cash (2.30g), cf. Zeno-142558, Runic characters, said to be R and M, VF**, R** $120 - 150



181. **SEMIRECH'E: Kai Yuan imitation**, 8th century, AE cash (10.12g), 8th century, cf. Zeno-215280, Chinese *kai yuan tong bao* on both sides, extra thick heavy variety, Fine**, R** $100 - 140



182. **XIZHOU HUIHU: Aslandhan & successors**, 9th-12th century, AE cash (2.42g), XN-79/81, cf. Zeno-19360, Uighur text *iduq yarliq yurisun,* country also called the Uyghur Khanate, VF**, R** $180 - 220



183. **SOGDIANA: Sashro Xidev**, 6th-7th Century, AR drachm (2.74g), Chaghanian region, Rtveladze-45, Khusraw I type (trace of what must have been text, star & crescent right / star left, squiggly text), c/s human head 3 times in obverse margin, no reverse countermark, nice VF**, R**, *ex William F. Spengler* $200 - 250

184. **ANCIENT CENTRAL ASIA:** LOT of 4 interesting pieces: **Samarkand:** Turgar, ca. 700-710, AE cash (1.78g), cf. Smirnova-519, roundish central hole (Fine); **Samitan:** unknown ruler, ca. 7th century, AE cash (1.11g), cf. Zeno-77708 (Good); **Semirech'e:** Turgesh, 8th century, AE cash (6.33g), Kam-24, Zeno-6317 (F-VF); and **Northern Tokharistan:** Kobadian series, 6th century, AR drachm (2.83g), 5 countermarks, cf. Zeno-138259 (Fine, some scratches); retail value $400,
lot of 4 pieces: $200 - 300

Islamic Coins

Early Pre-Reform



185. **ARAB-SASANIAN: Yazdigerd type**, 652-668, AR drachm (3.76g), SK (Sijistan), year 20 (frozen), A-1, first Islamic coin, distinguished from the last purely Sasanian issue of the same year by the addition of Arabic *bism Allah* in ObQ2, VF-EF $150 - 200



186. **ARAB-SASANIAN: Khusraw type**, ca. 653-670, AR drachm (3.95g), MY (Mishan), year 26, A-4, scarce mint, choice VF $180 - 220



187. **ARAB-SASANIAN: Khusraw type**, ca. 653-670, AR drachm (4.03g), ShY (Shiraz), year 29, A-4, EF $150 - 200



188. **ARAB-SASANIAN: Khusraw type**, ca. 653-670, AR drachm (3.70g), WH (Junday Sabur), year 30, A-4, some light adhesions on the reverse (removable), bold VF**, S** $180 - 220



189. **ARAB-SASANIAN: Khusraw "lillâh" type**, ca. 656-670??
AR drachm (4.09g), ART (Ardashir Khurra), YE25, A-A6, minor traces of porosity, bold strike, VF-EF**, R** $200 - 250



190. **ARAB-SASANIAN: Khusraw "lillâh" type**, ca. 656-670??
AR drachm (3.81g), DA (Darabjird), YE35, A-A6, without the pellets left & right of the bottom star-and-crescent in the obverse margin, EF , *ex M.H. Mirza Collection* $150 - 200



191. **ARAB-SASANIAN: Khusraw "lillâh" type**, ca. 656-670??
AR drachm (4.02g), DA (Darabjird), YE37, A-A6, with countermark #3 in ObQ4, graffiti in RvQ5, very lightly cleaned, attractive VF-EF $200 - 280



192. **ARAB-SASANIAN: Khusraw "lillâh" type**, ca. 656-670??
AR drachm (3.96g), WH (Junday Sabur), YE37, A-A6, attractive strike, VF-EF**, R** $200 - 250



193. **ARAB-SASANIAN: Khusraw "lillâh" type**, ca. 656-670??
AR drachm (3.82g), GW, YE37, A-A6, very rare mint abbreviation, tentative identified as Qumm, known as GWYMAN in contemporary Pahlavi documents, VF**, RR** $200 - 250



194. **ARAB-SASANIAN: Mu'awiya**, 661-680, AR drachm (4.20g), DA (Darabjird), AH43 (frozen), A-14, modestly cleaned, exquisite strike, EF-AU**, R** $200 - 250

Mu'awiya was the first Umayyad caliph, who ruled AH41-60. Although dated "43", this type was actually struck circa AH52-54.



195. **ARAB-SASANIAN: Ziyad b. Abi Sufyan**, 665-673, AR drachm (4.12g), DA (Darabjird), year 43 (frozen), A-8, with the Pahlavi letter P at 3:30 in the reverse margin, EF**, R**, *ex M.H. Mirza Collection* $150 - 200

The P in the reverse margin may refer to the city of Fasa, which is well-known for this type, with DAP as the mint name where DA appears on this piece, and just 1 pellet at 9:30 in the reverse margin.



196. **ARAB-SASANIAN: Samura b. Jundab**, ca. 672-673, AR drachm (4.07g), DA (Darabjird), year 43 (frozen), A-9, Pahlavi letter P at 11:30 in reverse margin (probably also for Fasa); mount removed from reverse center, VF-EF**, S** $130 - 170



197. **ARAB-SASANIAN: 'Ubayd Allah b. Ziyad**, 673-683, AR drachm (3.25g), DSh (Dasht Maysan), AH57, A-12, countermark #11 in ObQ1, three pellets after *bism Allah*, VF-EF $150 - 200



198. **ARAB-SASANIAN: 'Ubayd Allah b. Ziyad**, 673-683, AR drachm (3.81g), ART (Ardashir Khurra), AH58, A-12, with an additional symbol in ObQ3, tentatively read as Pahlavi NW or GW or GN after a pellet, VF-EF**, RR** $200 - 250



199. **ARAB-SASANIAN: ‘Abd Allah b. al-Zubayr**, 680-692, AR drachm (4.12g), DA (Darabjird), YE59, A-16, bold strike, choice EF $150 - 200



200. **ARAB-SASANIAN: ‘Abd Allah b. al-Zubayr**, 680-692, AR drachm (3.82g), ART (Ardashir Khurra), AH66, A-15, caliph’s name on this coin is APDWLA / YBYNY ZWBYL, where YBYNY is the Pahlavi transliteration of Arabic *ibn* (“son of”), rare Pahlavi name form, used only at Ardashir Khurra during this reign, some discoloration in the margins, EF**, RR** $200 - 250



201. **ARAB-SASANIAN: ‘Abd Allah b. al-Zubayr**, 680-692, AE pashiz (2.40g), ST (Istakhr), AH6x, A-16K, Gyselen-63 (known dated AH62), his name at the normal location right of the portrait, stylistically identical to his silver drachms, nice strike, mount removed, VF**, RR**, *ex M.H. Mirza Collection* $100 - 140



202. **ARAB-SASANIAN: Salm. b. Ziyad**, ca. 680-685, AR drachm (3.77g), HLA (Herat), AH67, A-18, triplet of pellets after *bism Allah* in ObQ2, star at 11:30 in reverse margin, EF $180 - 220



203. **ARAB-SASANIAN: Salm. b. Ziyad**, ca. 680-685, AR drachm (3.79g), HLA (Herat), AH67, A-18, star at 11:30 in reverse margin, VF *, ex M.H. Mirza Collection* $120 - 160



204. **ARAB-SASANIAN: Salm. b. Ziyad**, ca. 680-685, AR dirham (3.84g), MLW (Marw), AH63, A-18, bold strike, some delightful golden toning, choice EF *, ex M.H. Mirza Collection* $150 - 200



205. **ARAB-SASANIAN: Salm. b. Ziyad**, ca. 680-685, AR drachm (4.05g), MLW (Marw), AH64, A-18, triplet of pellets left & right of bottom star-and-crescent on obverse, EF $130 - 170



206. **ARAB-SASANIAN: ‘Abd Allah b. Khazim**, 682-692, AR drachm (3.37g), “MLW” (Marw), AH “63", A-19var, Hunnic imitation, probably from Tokharistan, with extra outer circle around the reverse, triplets of pellets flanking the right star-and-crescent; countermarked with a tamgha & undeciphered Bactrian legend (cf. Göbl mark #109), EF**, RR**, *ex M.H. Mirza Collection* $200 - 300



207. **ARAB-SASANIAN: ‘Abd Allah b. Khazim**, 682-692, AR dirham (3.91g), MLW (Marw), AH66, A-19, two Pahlavi countermarks, Göbl-47 in ObQ4 (MLWLWT, which is the name of the city Marw-Rud) and Göbl-51 in ObQ1 (WLHLAN, the name Varahran, of unknown meaning), both occasionally found on drachms of the Marw mint, lovely EF**, RR**, *ex M.H. Mirza Collection* $200 - 250



208. **ARAB-SASANIAN: ‘Abd Allah b. Khazim**, 682-692, AR dirham (3.83g), APLShT (Abarshahr), AH67, A-19, with 3 countermarks, Baktrian script Göbl-28 in ObQ4 and Göbl-14 twice, bold VF , *ex M.H. Mirza Collection* $120 - 160



209. **ARAB-SASANIAN: Talha b. 'Abd Allah**, fl. 683-685, AR drachm (3.92g), SK (Sijistan), AH66, A-26, full clear strike, VF-EF**, R** $120 - 160



210. **ARAB-SASANIAN: Mus'ab b. al-Zubayr**, ca. 685-690, AR dirham (4.11g), KLMAN-NAL (Narmashir), AH68, A-17, countermark G-8 in ObQ1 (*lillah*), some double-striking on reverse, EF**, R**, *ex M.H. Mirza Collection* $220 - 280



211. **ARAB-SASANIAN: 'Umar b. 'Ubayd Allah**, 686-691, AR drachm (3.93g), ST (Istakhr), AH69, A-21, 1 pellet before and 4 pellets after *bism Allah*, plus one pellet at 6:50 in ObQ3, VF $100 - 150



212. **ARAB-SASANIAN: 'Atiya b. al-Aswad**, fl. 689-696, AR drachm (4.14g), KLMANNAL (Narmashir), AH72, A-28, with countermark #48 (the Arabic word *lillah* with 2 pellets below) in ObQ4, VF-EF**, R** $300 - 400



213. **ARAB-SASANIAN: 'Atiya b. al-Aswad**, fl. 689-696, AR dirham (3.93g), KLMAN (Kirman), AH72, A-28, date written in Pahlavi as TLYNHPTAT, pleasing VF *, ex M.H. Mirza Collection* $160 - 200



214. **ARAB-SASANIAN: 'Abd al-'Aziz b. 'Abd Allah**, ca. 690-693, AR drachm (3.66g), TART (Tawwaj), AH74, A-25K, two old nicks on the reverse, VF**, RR** $300 - 400



215. **ARAB-SASANIAN: al-Hajjaj b. Yusuf**, 694-713, AR drachm (3.84g), BYSh (Bishapur), AH76, A-A35, Gaube-2.2.2.4, governor's name in Arabic, with the full kalima, *bism Allah la ilah illa Allah wahdahu muhammad rasul Allah,* written radially in obverse outer margin, in eleven segments, F-VF**, RR** $400 - 500



216. **ARAB-SASANIAN: al-Hajjaj b. Yusuf**, 694-713, AR drachm (3.90g), BYSh (Bishapur), AH77, A-A35, Gaube 2.2.2.4, governor's name in Arabic, the long shahada *bism Allah la ilah illa Allah wahdahu muhammad rasul Allah,* written radially in obverse outer margin, in eleven segments, excellent strike with full outer border circles on both sides, choice VF-EF $700 - 800



217. **ARAB-SASANIAN: 'Ubayd Allah b. Abi Bakra**, fl. 698-699, AR dirham (4.06g), SK (Sijistan), blundered date, A-37, Pahlavi PL in ObQ1 and Arabic *'ubayd Allah lillah* in ObQ3 ("Ubayd Allah is for God"), very rare subtype, probably struck circa AH81-83 by opponents of 'Abd al-Rahman b. Muhammad in Sistan, choice EF *, ex M.H. Mirza Collection* $200 - 260



218. **ARAB-SASANIAN: 'Abd al-Rahman b. Muhammad**, 700-703, AR drachm (3.98g), SK (Sijistan), blundered date, A-38A, Arabic YZ in ObQ1, three pellets after *bism Allah*, EF**, RR** $200 - 250

It is possible that YZ refers to Yazid b. al-Muhallab, who was governor of Khorasan under al-Hajjaj b. Yusuf.



219. **ARAB-SASANIAN: ‘Abd al-Rahman b. Muhammad**, 700-703, AR drachm (3.98g), SK (Sijsitan), AH83, A-38A, three pellets after *bism Allah* on obverse, two pellets at 11:30 in reverse RvQ5, EF $180 - 220



220. **ARAB-SASANIAN: ‘Umara b. Tamim**, 703-704, AR drachm (3.89g), SK (Sijistan), AH84, A-C40, with Pahlavi NYWK in ObQ1, EF**, R** $150 - 200



221. **ARAB-SASANIAN: ‘Umara b. Tamim**, 703-704, AR drachm (4.03g), SK (Sijistan), AH84, A-C40, Pahlavi NYWK in the 1st quarter of obverse margin, lightly cleaned, bold strike, choice EF**, R** $100 - 140



222. **ARAB-SASANIAN: Anonymous**, ca. 680-710, AE pashiz (0.81g), NM, ND, A-44U, Gyselen—, facing bust, APZWT GDH left, uncertain legend right // two lines of corrupt Pahlavi, three circles below, unpublished, extremely rare, strong VF**, RRR** $200 - 260



223. **ARAB-SASANIAN: ‘Abd Allah b. Busayr**, fl. 713/714, AE fals (0.96g), NM, AH95, A-49V, Gyselen—, transitional type between the Arab-Sasanian and the post-reform Umayyad copper coinage, without mint name, dated 95 (713/14 AD), in the name of ‘Abd Allah b. Busayr, VF-EF**, RRRR** $1,200 - 1,600

This unique piece is strictly in the Arab-Sasanian pashiz fabric, but with purely Arabic legends that resemble contemporary Syrian or Jaziran fulus, and inscribed with the Arabic denominational name “fals”. According to Treadwell, the earliest reform fulus were struck at some point between 96 and 100, but always purely anonymous as Syrian type A-153, without mint, date or gubernatorial name. The addition of a date and name commenced at al-Kufa in the year 100, and rapidly spread to other mints in Iran & Iraq. This piece confirms that the transitional period must have begun by AH95.



224. **ARAB-SASANIAN: Anonymous**, ca. 660-700, AE pashiz (1.47g), BYSh (Bishapur), ND, A-L41, Gyselen-5, standard Sasanian style obverse, with *bism Allah* added in ObQ2 // cross potent above 3 steps, mint name to right (retrograde!), blundered date left, some minor spots of adhesions, VF**, RRR** $120 - 160



225. **ARAB-SASANIAN: Anonymous**, ca. 690-710, AE pashiz (1.90g), NM, ND, A-44P, Gyselen-74, Byzantine style head facing, pseudo-Greek legend around, large cross to left // Pahlavi LWBAK, Pahlavi monogram above, about 15% flatness, VF**, RR** $200 - 250

Treadwell has assigned this type to the Susa mint, based on style and finds area.



226. **ARAB-SASANIAN: Anonymous**, ca. 695-705, AE pashiz (0.90g), ShWSh (Susa), ND, A-47, Gyselen-39b, standing caliph as engraved on Syrian coppers, holding sword, mint name ShWSh in Pahlavi to left // fleur-de-lis style symbol above 3 steps (instead of a cross), slightly porous surfaces, VF**, RR** $240 - 300



227. **ARAB-SASANIAN: Anonymous**, AE pashiz (1.84g), Tabaristan, AH93, A-48.2, Gyselen-47b, Sasanian style bust right // two line Pahlavi legend for the mint & date, minor weakness, mostly on reverse, pleasing F-VF**, R** $100 - 150



228. **ARAB-SASANIAN: Anonymous**, ca. 700-720, AE pashiz (0.50g), ST (Istakhr), ND, A-I46, Gyselen—, camel facing to the left, with a rider holding a long spear // 3-line Pahlavi text, of which the bottom line is clearly the mint name ST, slightly double-struck, EF**, RRR** $400 - 500

This appears to be the second known specimen, the other an inferior example in a CNG auction in 2015.

229. **ARAB-SASANIAN:** LOT of 2 Arab-Sasanian and 1 Sasanian high-grade silver drachms: **Arab-Sasanian:** ‘Ubayd Allah b. Ziyad, BCRA (al-Basra), AH60 (A-12, EF); and Muhallab b. Abi Sufra, BYSh (Bishapur) AH76 (A-31, EF); and **Sasanian:** Ardashir III, AYLAN (Hulwan) year 2 (Göbl-226, choice EF); retail value $360, **lot of 3 pieces** $220 - 280



230. **TABARISTAN: Nusayr**, 784-785, AR ½ drachm (1.97g), al-Rayy, AH168, A-L73, Malek-212, mint & date written in Arabic on the reverse, whereas the name of Nusayr is in Pahlavi at the usual name location before the bust on the obverse, VF**, RRR** $1,600 - 2,000

Miles and DeShazo have argued that this individual was the eunuch Nusayr al-Wasif, who served as chief of intelligence under the caliph al-Mahdi.



231. **TABARISTAN: Mihran**, 786, AR ½ drachm (1.68g), Tabaristan, PYE135, A-62, VF-EF**, RR** $250 - 300



232. **EASTERN SISTAN: Anonymous**, 716-727, AR drachm (4.16g), SK (Sijistan), AH89, A-77, with 4 pellets after *bism Allah*, bold date, EF $150 - 200



233. **EASTERN SISTAN: Anonymous**, 716-727, AR drachm (3.81g), SK (Sijistan), AH92, A-77, with 1 pellet after *rabbi*, full bold date, EF $150 - 200



234. **EASTERN SISTAN: Anonymous**, 716-727, AR drachm (3.87g), SK (Sijistan), AH93, A-77, no pellets in the obverse margin, full bold date, EF $150 - 200



235. **EASTERN SISTAN: Anonymous**, 716-727, AR drachm (3.87g), SK (Sijistan), AH97, A-77, 3 pellets after *bism Allah* and 3 pellets after *rabbi*, complete date, EF $150 - 200



236. **EASTERN SISTAN: Muhammad b. Zuhayr**, 780s, AR drachm (2.84g), SK (Sijistan), ND, A-88, minor porosity, but overall well above average for this type, VF**, R** $150 - 200



237. **EASTERN SISTAN: Tamim b. Sa'id**, 783-786, AR drachm (3.08g), SK (Sijistan), ND, A-89, with the full name of the governor, some cleaning in the reverse margin, nice strike, lovely VF**, R** $150 - 200



238. **ARAB-BYZANTINE: Enthroned Emperor**, ca. 670-690, AE fals (3.98g), Dimashq, ND, A-3511.2, Emperor seated, facing, holding medium length cross & globus cruciger, crescent above T left, Greek right // capital **M**, Arabic legend around, with the mint name below the M, lovely patination, choice VF**, R** $120 - 160



239. **ARAB-BYZANTINE: Two Standing Figures**, ca. 700±, AE weight (2.93g), NM, A—, uniface dirham weight, presumably produced after the reform that introduced the new dirham in 697/698; with serrates edges, to protect against illicit adjustments, VF**, RR** $100 - 150



240. **ARAB-BYZANTINE: Standing Emperor**, ca. 680s-690s, AE fals (3.08g), Dimashq, year A-3517.1, Goodwin type 1c, bird-on-T to left, no Greek text // capital **M**, Greek / / around, VF**, R** $100 - 150



241. **ARAB-BYZANTINE: Standing Emperor**, ca. 680s-690s, AE fals (4.09g), Dimashq, A-3517.3, Goodwin type 2a, Greek to right of the standing emperor, rare variety with fleur-de-lys object to left // capital **M**, normal Arabic legend around, VF**, RR** $100 - 150



242. **ARAB-BYZANTINE: Standing Emperor**, ca. 680s-690s, AE fals (3.87g), Dimashq, A-3517.3, Goodwin type 1c, bird-on-T to left, blundered Greek text to right // capital **M**, standard Arabic legend, overstruck on undetermined Byzantine host, VF**, R** $100 - 150



243. **ARAB-BYZANTINE: Standing Emperor**, ca. 670s-690s, AE fals (3.47g), Tabariya (Tiberias), A-3519, Goodwin type #1, standing emperor holding long cross & globus cruciger, Greek abbreviated city name (sic) to right // cursive **m**, blundered Greek text around, two wavy lines within the cursive m, F-VF**, RRR** $100 - 150



244. **ARAB-BYZANTINE: Standing Emperor**, ca. 670-700, AE fals (3.08g), "Damascus", ND, A-3522.2, pseudo-Damascus type derived from type A-3517.1, year 18 (sic), below capital **M**, cross above, VF**, R** $100 - 140



245. **ARAB-BYZANTINE: Anonymous**, ca. 690-700, AE fals (2.90g), Iliya (Jerusalem), ND, A-3534, TG-1/16, standing caliph, with Arabic *muhammad rasul Allah* around // cursive m, *iliya left and filastin* right, plain line below, VF $180 - 220

246. **ARAB-BYZANTINE:** LOT of 6 lovely copper fulus, all with attractive toning or patination: (1) A-3501, three standing figures, year 17 (choice VF) (2) A-3504, Standing Emperor, derived from series 1-4 of Constans II, blundered Greek legends, broad flan (VF) (3) another A-3504, small flan (VF) (4) A-3513.2, two Standing Emperors, Ba'albakk mint, bold strike (choice VF) (5) A-3524, Imperial Bust, Hims (Emisos) mint (VF); and (6) Standing Caliph, Halab (Aleppo) mint (F-VF); retail value $375, **lot of 6 pieces** $220 - 300

247. **ARAB-BYZANTINE:** LOT of 4 copper fulus: **Hims** mint, scarce Standing Emperor type (A-3516), with Arabic *bism Allah* left // mint name in Greek around capital M, Arabic *tayyib* below, three varieties, one Fine, one F-VF, the other two VF; retail value $325, **lot of 4 pieces** $160 - 220

248. **ARAB-BYZANTINE:** LOT of 3 attractive copper fulus: **A-3517.2,** Damascus mint, capital M, mint name in Greek on obverse, Arabic inscriptions on reverse (VF-EF, couple tiny corrosion spots); **A-3524,** Hims, mint, mint name in Arabic on obverse & Greek on reverse (Emises), cursive m (VF-EF); variant of **A-3513.2,** two standing figures, Arabic word *tayyib* instead of mint name, blundered Greek letters left & right of capital M (choice VF and rare); retail value $300, **lot of 3 pieces** $140 - 200

249. **ARAB-BYZANTINE:** LOT of 3 copper fulus: Hims mint, common Imperial Bust type, A-3524, three varieties, average VF condition; retail value $225, **lot of 3 pieces** $120 - 150



250. **AFRIGHID: Khalid**, ca. 810, AR drachm (2.20g), NM, ND, A-98.3var, Khwarizmian bust right, name of the local Afrighid ruler Askaswar II, without the name of al-Fadl // horseman, stylized Sogdian legend around, Arabic name *khalid* above the horse's back, nice Fine**, RRR**, *ex M.H. Mirza Collection* $200 - 300

This example is without the name of the Abbasid vizier al-Fadl (al-Fadl b. Sahl, known as Dhu'l-Ri'asatayn) in the obverse, apparently unpublished, not in Vainberg of on Zeno.

Early Post-Reform



251. **UMAYYAD: 'Abd al-Malik**, 685-705, AV dinar (4.23g), NM (Dimashq), AH78, A-125, one tiny nick, pleasing VF $500 - 600

This is earliest affordable Islamic coin bearing a Hijri date.



252. **UMAYYAD: 'Abd al-Malik**, 685-705, AV dinar (4.15g), NM (Dimashq), AH79, A-125, interesting graffiti below the obverse field, bold VF $375 - 475



253. **UMAYYAD: 'Abd al-Malik**, 685-705, AV dinar (4.12g), NM (Dimashq), AH79, A-125, nice VF $350 - 450



254. **UMAYYAD: 'Abd al-Malik**, 685-705, AV dinar (4.21g), NM (Dimashq), AH80, A-125, VF $350 - 450



255. **UMAYYAD: 'Abd al-Malik**, 685-705, AV dinar (4.14g), NM (Dimashq style), AH"86", A-125, blundered date, many spelling errors, contemporary or slightly later imitation, perhaps struck in India, choice EF $300 - 400



256. **UMAYYAD: ʻAbd al-Malik**, 685-705, AV dinar (4.24g), NM (Dimashq style), blundered date, A-125 or later, completely blundered text, contemporary or early Abbasid period imitation, perhaps struck in India, VF-EF $300 - 400



257. **UMAYYAD: ʻAbd al-Malik**, 685-705, AR dirham (2.61g), "Fîl", AH79, A-126, Klat-514, two chips within the rim, VF**, RR** $900 - 1,200

The mint name cannot be Fil, in Khwarizm, as that locale was not annexed by the Umayyads until after the year AH95. An alternative is perhaps Qibâl, a district in Isfahan.



258. **UMAYYAD: ʻAbd al-Malik**, 685-705, AR dirham (2.66g), al-Basra, AH79, A-126, Klat-168, lovely VF $150 - 200



259. **UMAYYAD: ʻAbd al-Malik**, 685-705, AR dirham (2.50g), Jayy, AH80, A-126, Klat-254, choice VF $150 - 200



260. **UMAYYAD: al-Hajjaj b. Yusuf**, governor, 694-713, lead seal (4.23g), NM, ND, inscribed *bism Allah … / al-amir al-hajj(aj) / (bin) yusuf*, VF**, RR** $400 - 500



261. **UMAYYAD: al-Walid I**, 705-715, AV dinar (4.19g), NM (Dimashq), AH87, A-127, VF $350 - 450



262. **UMAYYAD: al-Walid I**, 705-715, AV dinar (4.19g), NM (Dimashq), AH88, A-127, pleasing VF $350 - 450



263. **UMAYYAD: al-Walid I**, 705-715, AV dinar (4.21g), NM (Dimashq), AH90, A-127, pleasing VF $350 - 450



264. **UMAYYAD: al-Walid I**, 705-715, AV dinar (4.29g), NM (Dimashq), AH92, A-127, pleasing VF $350 - 450



265. **UMAYYAD: al-Walid I**, 705-715, AV dinar (4.11g), NM (Dimashq), AH94, A-127, very slightly clipped or adjusted on the edge, pleasing VF $325 - 425



266. **UMAYYAD: al-Walid I**, 705-715, AR dirham (2.87g), Hulwan, AH91, A-128, Klat-280, rare Umayyad mint, located on the commercial highway from Baghdad to Rayy, superb strike, lovely bold EF**, RR** $1,000 - 1,400



267. **UMAYYAD: al-Walid I**, 705-715, AR dirham (2.70g), Sarakhs, AH95, A-128, Klat-455b, VF**, S** $150 - 200



268. **UMAYYAD: al-Walid I**, 705-715, AR dirham (2.88g), Ramhurmuz, AH96, A-128, Klat-389, rare date for this mint (Klat knew of only 4 pieces), interesting graffiti in both the obverse & reverse fields, VF**, R** $200 - 250



269. **UMAYYAD: Sulayman**, 715-717, AV dinar (4.26g), NM (Dimashq), AH96, A-130, lovely VF-EF $350 - 450



270. **UMAYYAD: Sulayman**, 715-717, AV dinar (4.21g), NM (Dimashq), AH97, A-130, VF $300 - 400



271. **UMAYYAD: Yazid II**, 720-724, AR dirham (2.80g), Istakhr, AH102, A-135, Klat-82a, harshly cleaned, bold strike, EF, scarce date, *ex M.H. Mirza Collection* $100 - 140



272. **UMAYYAD: Yazid II**, 720-724, AR dirham (2.71g), Adharbayjan, AH105, A-135, Klat-24a.1, with triplet of pellets below the reverse field, pointing upwards, lightly polished, VF $100 - 140



273. **UMAYYAD: Hisham**, 724-743, AV dinar (4.05g), NM (Dimashq), AH108, A-136, slightly clipped, better date, choice VF $450 - 550



274. **UMAYYAD: Hisham**, 724-743, AV dinar (4.14g), NM (Dimashq), AH110, A-136, strong VF-EF $450 - 550



275. **UMAYYAD: Hisham**, 724-743, AV dinar (4.21g), NM (Dimashq), AH114, A-136, VF-EF $400 - 500



276. **UMAYYAD: Hisham**, 724-743, AV dinar (4.26g), NM (Dimashq), AH118, A-136, EF $500 - 600



277. **UMAYYAD: Hisham**, 724-743, AV dinar (4.18g), NM (Dimashq), AH122, A-136, EF $500 - 650



278. **UMAYYAD: Hisham**, 724-743, AR dirham (2.61g), al-Andalus, AH109, A-137, Klat-122, tiny chip, rare date for this mint, VF**, R**, *ex M.H. Mirza Collection* $250 - 350



279. **UMAYYAD: Hisham**, 724-743, AR dirham (2.88g), al-Mubaraka (= Balkh), AH110, A-137, Klat-573, bold strike, EF , *ex M.H. Mirza Collection* $100 - 150



280. **UMAYYAD: Hisham**, 724-743, AR dirham (2.83g), Balkh, AH115, A-137, Klat-160, EF , *ex M.H. Mirza Collection* $100 - 160



281. **UMAYYAD: Hisham**, 724-743, AR dirham (2.97g), Ifriqiya, AH116, A-137, Klat-103a, lovely strike, EF , *ex M.H. Mirza Collection* $110 - 150



282. **UMAYYAD: Hisham**, 724-743, AR dirham (2.93g), al-Bab, AH120, A-137, Klat-147, VF-EF , *ex M.H. Mirza Collection* $110 - 150



283. **UMAYYAD: Hisham**, 724-743, AR dirham (2.82g), Dimashq, AH122, A-137, Klat-366, better date, slightly uneven surfaces, EF $150 - 200



284. **UMAYYAD: Hisham**, 724-743, AR dirham (2.84g), Balkh, AH122, A-137, Klat-184var, with triplet of dots above *sharik* in the obverse field, VF**, R**, *ex M.H. Mirza Collection* $140 - 180



285. **UMAYYAD: Hisham**, 724-743, AR dirham (2.98g), Wasit, AH123, A-137, bold strike, minor discoloration hear the rim, AU $70 - 90



286. **UMAYYAD: al-Walid II**, 743, AV dinar (4.18g), NM (Dimashq), AH126, A-T138, few scratches on obverse, scarce date, VF**, S** $600 - 700

Without change of date or design, dinars dated AH126 continued to be struck under the next two Umayyad caliphs, Yazid III and Ibrahim, without any identifiable difference.



287. **UMAYYAD: Yazid III**, 743-744, AR dirham (2.79g), Wasit, AH126, A-139, Klat-719b, four obverse annulets, pleasing VF $110 - 140

A Boldly Struck Dinar of AH127
The Second Rarest Date for Umayyad Dinars



288. **UMAYYAD: Ibrahim**, 744, AV dinar (4.14g), NM (Dimashq), AH127, A-T140, bold strike, minor adjustment on the edge, EF-AU**, RRR** $12,000 - 15,000

The year AH127 is the second rarest of the Umayyad dinars, with only year 77 rarer.



289. **UMAYYAD: Marwan II**, 744-750, AR dirham (2.94g), al-Kufa, AH129, A-142, Klat-549, bold strike, EF**, S**, *ex M.H. Mirza Collection* $150 - 200



290. **UMAYYAD: 'Abd al-Malik b. Marwan**, finance director, ca. 749/750, AE fals (4.92g), Atrib, ND, A-152, W-ANS.37, extremely rare Egyptian mint, nice strike with attractive patination, bold VF**, RRR** $300 - 400



291. **UMAYYAD: Anonymous**, ca. 730-750, AE fals (2.00g), NM, ND, A-156, pictorial type, with the protome of a horse in reverse center, surrounded by the 2nd part of the kalima (the first half on the obverse), overstruck on uncertain host, VF**, R** $100 - 150



292. **UMAYYAD:** AE fals (4.23g), uncertain mint, ND, A-176var, stylistically similar to the contemporary issues of Halab, either a blundered engraving of the mint name *halab* or some other short-lived local mint, an interesting research piece, choice VF $100 - 150

Without the central star in the obverse, thus very similar to Walker-793 of Halab.



293. **UMAYYAD:** AE fals (3.96g), al-Madina Ma'din Amir al Mu'minin, ND, A-A183, decent strike with some minor weakness near the rim, clear mint name, VF**, R** $300 - 400

This mint name is now assigned to al-Rusafa in Syria, the ancient Sergiopolis, south of al-Raqqa in Syria, confirmed by coin finds in that region but never in Arabia; an important Umayyad palace was erected at that site during or shortly before the time of the Umayyad caliph Hisham.



294. **UMAYYAD:** AE fals (3.7g), Qurus, ND, A-A185, Bone-1, standard design, with obverse within two circles of dots, probably the finest known specimen, choice VF-EF**, RRR** $400 - 500

Very rare mint in the Jund of Halab (Aleppo) in northern Syria.



295. **UMAYYAD:** AE fals (4.95g), al-Rusafa, ND, A-185S, standard design, with the obverse bearing three annulets in the margin, identical to type Walker-838 from the mint of Dimashq, which is dated circa 116-120 by Bone, likely struck very shortly after the well-known al-Madina Ma'din Amir al Mu'minin type (type #A183), Fine**, RRR** $300 - 400

The only other reported example sold in the Morton & Eden auction 82, lot 25, in 2016.



296. **UMAYYAD: Yahya b. Muhammad**, after 739, AE fals (2.38g), al-Mawsil, ND, A-193, W-—, Rotter-3, tree in square, overstruck on a fals of Walid b. Talid, governor at al-Mawsil 732-739, VF**, RR** $120 - 160

Governor's name was misread as Yahya b. Yahya by Rotter, who only knew of 2 poor quality examples.



297. **UMAYYAD:** AE fals (4.07g), Dabil (= Dvin in Armenia), ND (circa 700-720), A-198, listed by Walker as *, citing a publication by Karabacek in 1877, nice even strike, well-centered, F-VF**, RR** $200 - 250



298. **UMAYYAD:** AE fals (2.75g), al-Kufa, AH100, A-203, W-923, excellent strike, evenly worn, VF**, R** $130 - 170

This is the first dated reform copper coin from the region of Iraq & Iran.



299. **UMAYYAD:** AE fals (2.67g), al-Kufa, AH101, A-203, W-P.142, pleasant strike, couple tiny corrosion spots on the obverse, much rarer than the AH100 version, pleasing F-VF**, RR** $130 - 170



300. **UMAYYAD:** AE fals (1.12g), al-Mansura, AH130, A-A204, first half of full kalima // rest of kalima in square, mint / date formula around, anonymous, some moderate corrosion on the obverse only, unpublished date for this mint, F-VF**, RRR** $150 - 250

The ruins of al-Mansura are adjacent to the village of Brahminabad, about 8 miles SE of Shahdadpur, 43 miles NE of Hyderabad, Pakistan.



301. **UMAYYAD: Yusuf b. 'Umar**, governor or Iraq about 738/744, AE fals (4.39g), Zaranj, ND, A-A204, mint name below the kalima on the obverse, governor's name in the reverse margin, with the mythical bird known as the *senmurg* in the center of the reverse, and likely the 2nd known example (the previous one appeared in our Auction 33, Lot 276), VG-F**, RRR** $150 - 200

Yusuf b. 'Umar was never recorded as governor of Sijistan, but since he controlled both Kufa and Basra, he was likely also recognized as chief Umayyad official over Sijistan.



302. **UMAYYAD:** AE fals (1.81g), al-Mubaraka (=Balkh), AH119, A-C204.2, evenly worn, some porosity and a few corrosion spots, nonetheless reasonably attractive, F-VF**, RR** $100 - 130

According to al-Tabari, al-Mubaraka was a temporary epithet for Balkh; it was used for silver coinage between AH106-110 and 116-120.



303. **UMAYYAD:** AE fals (1.38g), al-Mahfuza, ND (ca. 730-740), A-E204, *duriba hadha al-fals bi'l-mahfuza // muhammad rasul Allah*, decent strike, minor porosity, unique, VF**, RRRR** $450 - 550

This is the first known fals of al-Mahfuza, which was founded by al-Hakam b.'Awana, the second Umayyad governor of Sind. After a few years, al-Hakam replaced al-Mahfuza with his second foundation, the town of al-Mansura, which became the capital of Sind for more than 300 years. The two locations were on opposite sides of a small lake near the town of Shahdadpur, Pakistan.

Silver dammas in the name of the Sind governor l-Hakam b. 'Awana were also struck, with two distinct varieties (A-4501 & 4502). An example of A-4501 appears in this auction, Lot 2387.



304. **UMAYYAD:** AE fals (2.11g), al-Rayy, AH130, A-204, Miles-37D, citing the governor Yazid b. 'Umar and the prefect Habib b. Budayl, VF**, RR** $140 - 180



305. **UMAYYAD:** AE fals (1.25g), Sabur, ND, A-A205, first half of kalima on obverse, *amara Allah bi'l-wafa wa'l-'adl* and the city name below on the reverse, probably the earliest post-Arab-Sasanian fals from Sabur, struck ca. AH96-100 or slightly later; possibly unpublished, VF**, RRR** $150 - 200



306. **UMAYYAD:** AE fals (1.89g), NM, ND, A-O206, Gyselen-71, legends exactly as the standard Syrian type A-153 and its Iranian equivalent type A-M260, but with the Pahlavi word APD added above *muhammad / rasul / Allah* on the reverse, VF**, RR** $100 - 120

Dated by Treadwell circa AH96-100 (about 695-700 AD), just before mints & dates were added (in his article note here for Arab-Sasanian copper). The mint(s) of issue are undetermined, but all known examples share the calligraphy and broad thin flan characteristic of the fulus of al-Basra & al-Kufa dated 100-102.

307. **UMAYYAD:** LOT of 7 dirhams and 1 fals: **Silver:** al-Basra 81, Dimashq 100, and Wasit 99, 104, 105, 116, and 120, average VF or better; and **Copper:** al-Mawsil ND (VF), retail value $280, **lot of 8 pieces** $170 - 220



308. **ABBASID REVOLUTION: Anonymous**, 744-751, AR dirham (2.38g), Darabjird, AH129, A-206.1, Klat-302, slightly corroded margin surfaces, mainly on the reverse, F-VF**, RR** $300 - 400

Very rare mint for this type, with Klat recording only two pieces dated AH128 and just two for 129.



309. **ABBASID REVOLUTION: Anonymous**, 744-751, AR dirham (2.75g), Jayy, AH130, A-206.1, struck by the partisans of ‘Abd Allah b. Mu’awaiya, minor surface unevenness near the rim, VF**, RR**, *ex M.H. Mirza Collection* $250 - 350

Only the years 128 and 129 are common for this type at Jayy, 127 and 130 are both very rare.



310. **ABBASID REVOLUTION: Anonymous**, 745-746, AR dirham (2.96g), al-Kufa, AH128, A-207.1, Kharijite issue, with the phrase *la hukma illa lillah* in the obverse margin (“there is no judgment but God’s”), EF *, ex M.H. Mirza Collection* $200 - 280



311. **ABBASID REVOLUTION: ‘Abd Allah b. ‘Umar**, governor of Sistan, 743-748, AE fals (3.34g), NM (AH128), A-D208, worn host (only Fair), but with the important countermark of a Sasanian style bust without crown, facing right, with the Arabic word *ja’iz* behind his head, VF on Fair**, RRR**, *ex M.H. Mirza Collection* $200 - 300

The only other recorded example on CoinArchives, believed unique at the time, bore the same countermark, but much weaker, on an equally Fair condition host, sold at Baldwin’s Auction 71, Lot 1659.



312. **ABBASID: al-Saffah**, 749-754, AV dinar (3.88g), NM, AH132, A-210, first year of the Abbasid caliph, and an very rare year, same obverse die as specimen SICA-3, #1, somewhat clipped (from an original weight of about 4.25g), few light scrapes on the reverse, VF-EF**, RR** $2,000 - 2,400



313. **ABBASID: al-Mansur**, 754-775, AR dirham (2.80g), al-’Abbasiya, AH151, A-213.1, citing the governor ‘Umar, choice VF *, ex M.H. Mirza Collection* $100 - 120

314. **ABBASID: al-Mansur**, 754-775, LOT of 50 common dirhams, of al-Basra (2 pcs), al-Kufa (8), Madinat al-salam (31), and al-Muhammadiya (9); average VF condition, a few nicer; retail value $1350, **lot of 50 pieces** $650 - 850



315. **ABBASID: al-Mahdi**, 775-785, AV dinar (4.13g), NM, AH168, A-214, bold VF $200 - 260



316. **ABBASID: al-Mahdi**, 775-785, AR dirham (2.87g), Arminiya, AH162, A-215.1, VF *, ex M.H. Mirza Collection* $100 - 130



317. **ABBASID: al-Mahdi**, 775-785, AR dirham (2.92g), al-Yamama, AH165, A-215.1, inscribed *hajar* below the reverse field, EF**, R** $500 - 600



318. **ABBASID: al-Mahdi**, 775-785, AR dirham (2.90g), al-Yamama, AH166, A-215.1, inscribed *hajar* below the reverse field, bold strike, VF-EF**, S** $350 - 400

Al-Yamama was the first mint in Arabia to strike silver coins, located near the modern city of Riyadh, with its administrative capital at the town of Hajar. It operated AH165-170.



319. **ABBASID: al-Mahdi**, 775-785, AR dirham (2.65g), al-Yamama, AH166, A-215.1, minor edge damage, VF $160 - 200



320. **ABBASID: al-Mahdi**, 775-785, AR dirham (2.96g), al-Yamama, AH168, A-215.1, citing the governor ‘Abd Allah b. Sa’id, without the place name Hajar, and 2 pellets below the obverse field, VF**, S** $325 - 425

Al-Yamama was the first mint in Arabia to strike silver coins, located near the modern city of Riyadh, with its administrative capital at the town of Hajar. It operated AH165-170.

321. **ABBASID: al-Mahdi**, 775-785, LOT of 50 common dirhams of type A-215.1, mostly Madinat al-Salam, with a few al-Muhammadiya and one al-Basra, average VF condition, retail value $1250, **lot of 50 pieces** $600 - 800

322. **ABBASID: al-Mahdi**, 775-785, LOT of 36 common dirhams, virtually all Madinat al-Salam 161, average Fine condition; retail value $700, **lot of 36 pieces** $350 - 450



323. **ABBASID: al-Hadi**, 785-786, AV dinar (4.07g), NM, AH169, A-216, with the letters *b.r* below the reverse field, thus confirmed as an issue of al-Hadi, VF**, R** $300 - 400



324. **ABBASID: al-Hadi**, 785-786, AR dirham (2.95g), al-Yamama, AH170, A-217.1, without any governor, just *bakh bakh* below the reverse field, VF**, RR** $1,500 - 1,800

Al-Yamama was the first mint in Arabia to strike silver coins, located near the modern city of Riyadh, with its administrative capital at the town of Hajar. It operated AH165-170. The mint at al-Yamani was closed by the end of AH170, while a new mint at San’a in Yemen opened for silver coinage in 171, but to a much lower weight standard of about 1.25g.



325. **ABBASID: al-Hadi**, 785-786, AR dirham (2.76g), Jayy, AH170, A-217.1, citing the caliph as just *al-khalifa musa*, VF**, RR**, *ex M.H. Mirza Collection* $120 - 160



326. **ABBASID: al-Hadi**, 785-786, AR dirham (2.72g), Ifriqiya, AH170, A-217.4, citing the heir Harun [al-Rashid] as *wali ‘ahd al-muslimin*, bold VF $120 - 160



327. **ABBASID: al-Rashid**, 786-809, AV dinar (4.24g), NM (Madinat al-Salam), AH185, A-218.3, with second margin on reverse, citing the al-Amin as heir apparent. bold strike, choice EF $300 - 400

Although a common type, it is surprising rare in this quality.



328. **ABBASID: al-Rashid**, 786-809, AR dirham (2.84g), Madinat Jayy, AH172, A-219.4, citing the official Da’ud below the obverse field, triplet of pellets below reverse field, couple light scratches on obverse, bold VF**, RR**, *ex M.H. Mirza Collection* $200 - 250



329. **ABBASID: al-Rashid**, 786-809, AR dirham (2.88g), Madinat al-Salam, AH170, A-219.6a, citing the caliph as *‘abd Allah harun amir al-mu’minin* as a second inner margin on the reverse, early style with full clear inner margin, VF-EF**, R**, *ex M.H. Mirza Collection* $120 - 160



330. **ABBASID: al-Rashid**, 786-809, AR dirham (2.84g), Arran, AH184, A-219.7, Vardanyan-129, citing the governor Yazid b. Muhammad, VF $140 - 180



331. **ABBASID: al-Rashid**, 786-809, AR dirham (2.89g), Ma’din Bajunays, AH191, A-219.9, Vardanyan-203, citing Umm Ja’far, the popular name for Zubayda, the wife of the caliph al-Rashid, with the name *da’ud* below the reverse field, VF**, R**, *ex M.H. Mirza Collection* $150 - 200



332. **ABBASID: al-Rashid**, 786-809, AR dirham (2.83g), Dimashq, AH189, A-219.10a, Lowick-602, very rare one-year type, struck only at Dimashq, with the reverse field legend *muhammad rasul / Allah sall Allah 'alayhi wa salam / mimma amara bihi al-amir al-ma'mun*, VF-EF**, RRR** $700 - 850



333. **ABBASID: al-Rashid**, 786-809, AR dirham (2.85g), Dimashq, AH181, A-219.13, citing Ja'far b. Yahya after the office phrase *fi wilayat* at the end of the obverse field, with the name Khalid below, small chip near the edge, EF**, RRR**, *ex M.H. Mirza Collection* $200 - 300

No example of this type is recorded on CoinArchives.



334. **ABBASID: al-Rashid**, 786-809, AR dirham (2.86g), Sijistan, AH219, A-219.5, citing 'Ali above and Muhammad below reverse margin, stained, VF-EF**, RR** $200 - 250

335. **ABBASID: al-Rashid**, 786-809, LOT of 50 common dirhams, about equal quantities of Madinat al-Salam and al-Muhammadiya, average F-VF condition, a few much nicer; retail value $1000, **lot of 50 pieces** $500 - 750



336. **ABBASID: al-Amin**, 809-813, AR dirham (2.87g), Madinat al-Salam, AH198, A-221.1b, Lowick-1409, *rabbi Allah* above, andthe caliph's name *al-amin* below the reverse field, with 3 pellets beneath his name, slightly wavy surfaces, full strike with virtually no weakness, VF**, RRR** $400 - 500

The last issue of al-Amin, struck at Baghdad just months before the city was taken by al-Ma'mun and al-Amin killed. There are no other types or mints in the name of al-Amin dated AH198. An extremely rare variety, none has appeared on CoinArchives.



337. **ABBASID: al-Amin**, 809-813, AR dirham (2.91g), Ma'din Bajunays, AH195, A-221.3a, Vardanyan-214, citing his mother Zubayda, wife of al-Rashid, as *al-sayyida umm al-khalifa*, lightly polished, bold VF-EF**, RR**, *ex M.H. Mirza Collection* $180 - 220



338. **ABBASID: al-Amin**, 809-813, AR dirham (2.98g), Nishapur (Naysabur), AH194, A-221.4, Lowick-2318, citing the governor Jibril beneath the reverse field, choice VF-EF**, RR** $200 - 250

339. **ABBASID: al-Amin**, 809-813, LOT of 57 common dirhams, including 52 of Madinat al-Salam and 5 of al-Muhammadiya, average VF, several much nicer; retail value $2000, **lot of 57 pieces** $800 - 1,200



340. **ABBASID: al-Ma'mun**, 810-833, AV dinar (4.25g), NM, AH203, A-222.14, Bernardi-107, the letter *h* below the reverse field, possibly an abbreviation of al-Hasan, governor at al-Kufa & Wasit, strong VF**, R** $250 - 300



341. **ABBASID: al-Ma'mun**, 810-833, AV dinar (4.21g), NM, AH207, A-222A.1, Bernardi-116, probably struck only at Madinat al-Salam, lovely VF $220 - 280



342. **ABBASID: al-Ma'mun**, 810-833, AV dinar (4.21g), Madinat al-Salam, AH214, A-222A.2, Bernardi-116Jh, glorious strike, perfectly centered, choice EF $350 - 400



343. **ABBASID: al-Ma'mun**, 810-833, AV dinar (4.04g), Misr, AH215, A-222A.2, Bernardi-116De, decent strike, VF-EF $220 - 280



344. **ABBASID: al-Ma'mun**, 810-833, AV dinar (4.04g), Misr, AH218, A-222A.2, Bernardi-116De, lovely strike, choice EF $300 - 400



345. **ABBASID: al-Ma'mun**, 810-833, AR dirham (2.98g), Ma'din Bajunays, AH210, A-223.8, citing the governor 'Abd al-A'la b. Ahmad, slightly wavy surfaces & some light adhesions, bold legends, VF**, RR** $180 - 240



346. **ABBASID: al-Ma'mun**, 810-833, AR dirham (2.41g), al-Shash, AH196, A-223.4, Lowick—, some porosity, mint & date slightly weak but certain, VF**, RR** $240 - 280

Appears to be an unpublished Abbasid date for the mint of al-Shash, a silver-mining town near modern Tashkent in Uzbekistan.



347. **ABBASID: al-Ma'mun**, 810-833, AR dirham (2.98g), al-Kufa, AH205, A-223.4, one test cut, attractive VF**, S** $100 - 150



348. **ABBASID: al-Ma'mun**, 810-833, AR dirham (2.96g), Zaranj, AH207, A-223.4, citing Dhu'l-Yaminin above reverse field, followed by *a'azzahu Allah* and the governor Ibn al-Qusi below, choice VF**, RRR** $260 - 350

Dhu'l-Yaminin, "possessor of the two right hands," actually refers to the first Tahirid ruler, Tahir b. al-Husayn, who died early in the year AH207. The same upper reverse inscription is best known on coins dated AH207. This type can alternatively be considered a Tahirid rather than 'Abbasid coin.



349. **ABBASID: al-Ma'mun**, 810-833, AR dirham (2.84g), Zaranj, AH207, A-223.4, citing the governor Ibn al-Qusi and the commander Dhu'l-Yaminayn (=Tahir b. al-Husayn, founder of the Tahirid dynasty), wavy surfaces, F-VF**, RRR** $120 - 160



350. **ABBASID: al-Ma'mun**, 810-833, AR dirham (2.98g), al-Kufa, AH205, A-223.5, bold strike, EF $120 - 160



351. **ABBASID: al-Ma'mun**, 810-833, AR dirham (3.14g), al-Kufa, AH206, A-223.5, lightly crinkled, clear mint & date, VF**, R** $120 - 140



352. **ABBASID: al-Ma'mun**, 810-833, AR dirham (2.89g), Madinat al-Salam, AH212, A-223.6, key date for all dirhams of al-Ma'mun, especially for the mint of Madinat al-Salam, VF-EF $200 - 260



353. **ABBASID: al-Ma'mun**, 810-833, AR dirham (2.97g), al-Muhammadiya, AH202, A-224, citing the Shi'ite Imam 'Ali b. Musa al-Rida as heir-apparent to the caliphate, al-Ma'mun's attempt to unify Sunni and Shi'ite Islam, superb strike, AU**, R** $700 - 900



354. **ABBASID: al-Ma'mun**, 810-833, AR dirham (3.00g), Samarqand, AH202, A-224, citing 'Ali b. Musa al-Rida, recognized as heir by al-Ma'mun, representing al-Ma'mun's attempt to establish peace and cooperation between the Sunni and Shi'a branches of Islam, also citing the vizier Dhu'l-Ri'asatayn, lovely strike, perfectly centered, choice EF $600 - 800



355. **ABBASID: al-Ma'mun**, 810-833, AR dirham (2.95g), Isbahan, AH203, A-224, citing the Shi'ite Imam 'Ali b. Musa al-Rida as heir to the caliphate, indicating al-Ma'mun's attempt to peacefully reunite the Sunni and Shi'ite branches of Islam, unfortunately a failure, as 'Ali b. Musa died in AH203, choice VF**, S** $550 - 750



356. **ABBASID: Abu'l-Saraya al-Shaybani**, 815, AR dirham (2.96g), al-Kufa, AH199, A-A225, cited on the dirham as *al-asfar al-fatimi,* in rebellion at al-Kufa January to September 815, attractive VF**, RR** $500 - 600

Abu'l-Saraya was not of the Abbasid family, but was an 'Alawi rival, in rebellion against the Abbasid al-Ma'mun, and occupied al-Basra brief in the year AH199.
His dirhams bear the Qur'an verse 61:4 in the reverse margin..



357. **ABBASID: Abu'l-Saraya al-Shaybani**, 815, AR dirham (2.83g), al-Basra, AH199, A-A225, somewhat cleaned, F-VF**, RR**, *ex M.H. Mirza Collection* $140 - 180

Abu'l-Saraya was not of the Abbasid family, but was an 'Alawi rival, in rebellion against the Abbasid al-Ma'mun, and occupied al-Basra brief in the year AH199. His dirhams bear the Qur'an verse 61:4 in the reverse margin.



358. **ABBASID: al Mu'tasim**, 833-842, AV dinar (4.21g), Misr, AH219, A-225, Bernardi-151De, EF**, R** $300 - 400



359. **ABBASID: al Mu'tasim**, 833-842, AV dinar (4.19g), Madinat al-Salam, AH220, A-225, Bernardi-151Jh, bold strike, some original luster, choice AU**, R** $400 - 500



360. **ABBASID: al Mu'tasim**, 833-842, AR dirham (2.93g), Fars, AH220, A-226, superb strike, choice EF $160 - 200



361. **ABBASID: al-Mutawakkil**, 847-861, AV dinar (4.23g), Madinat al-Salam, AH244, A-229.3, VF $220 - 280



362. **ABBASID: al-Mutawakkil**, 847-861, AR donative dirham (3.00g), Madinat al-Salam, AH243, A-230B, struck on a thin flan with a broad outer margin, with the central religious text on the obverse and the margin on the reverse gilt, choice VF**, RR** $400 - 600

The rims have been slightly hammered, probably because this piece was once mounted in either jewelry or decorative wear.



363. **ABBASID: al-Musta'in**, 862-866, AV dinar (4.22g), Misr, AH249, A-233.2, citing the heir Abu'l-'Abbas, lovely strike, EF $200 - 300



364. **ABBASID: al-Musta'in**, 862-866, AV dinar (4.26g), al-Shash, AH249, A-233.2, citing the heir Abu'l-'Abbas, bold VF**, S** $300 - 400



365. **ABBASID: al-Mu'tazz**, 866-869, AV dinar (4.11g), al-Basra, AH252, A-235.1, Bernardi-162Je, VF-EF , *ex M.H. Mirza Collection* $250 - 350



366. **ABBASID: al-Muhtadi**, 869-870, AR dirham (2.81g), Wasit, AH255, A-238, one ding in the reverse margin, magnificent strike for this caliph, choice VF $400 - 500

Overall in truly impressive strike, without any of the weakness almost invariably found on the silver dirhams of al-Muhtadi.



367. **ABBASID: al-Mu'tamid**, 870-892, AV dinar (4.37g), Samarqand, AH276, A-239.5, citing the heir al-Muwaffaq, EF $260 - 325



368. **ABBASID: al-Mu'tadid**, 892-902, AR dirham (2.35g), Arminiya, AH287, A-242, slightly weak strike, perhaps from the use of worn dies, EF $200 - 250



369. **ABBASID: al-Muktafi**, 902-908, AR dirham (3.28g), Hamadan (Hamadhan), AH291, A-244, lovely VF**, R** $100 - 150



370. **ABBASID: al-Muqtadir**, 908-932, AV dinar (4.11g), Misr, AH302, A-245.2, fabulous bold strike, far superior to most Misr examples of this type, virtually UNC $300 - 400



371. **ABBASID: al-Muqtadir**, 908-932, AR dirham (3.66g), Harran, AH312, A-246.2, some weakness, bent, VF $100 - 120



372. **ABBASID: al-Muqtadir**, 908-932, AR donative dirham (3.34g), Madinat al-Salam, AH304, A-246A, with broad outer margins both sides, bold strike, pierced, EF $325 - 425



373. **ABBASID: al-Qahir**, 932-934, AV dinar (3.64g), al-Ahwaz, AH321, A-250.2, citing the heir Abu'l-Qasim, EF $220 - 280



374. **ABBASID: al-Qahir**, 932-934, AV dinar (3.64g), al-Ahwaz, AH321, A-250.2, citing the heir Abu'l-Qasim, bold VF-EF $220 - 280



375. **ABBASID: al-Radi**, 934-940, AV dinar (4.24g), Misr, AH323, A-254.1, superb strike, rare for this relatively common mint, two light scratches on the obverse, AU**, R** $500 - 700



376. **ABBASID: al-Radi**, 934-940, AR dirham (3.75g), Arzan, AH329, A-255.1, extremely rare mint, located a short distance north of Hasankeyf; this is the first reported Abbasid coin of this mint, which has only been heretofore reported for the Marwanids, Ilkhans, and possibly the second Safavid ruler (all extremely rare); without the heir-apparent to the caliphate, much central weakness, but the mint & date are perfectly clear, F-VF**, RRR** $1,600 - 1,800

Arzan is not to confused with Arzan al-Rum, i.e., Erzurum, which has been retaken by the Byzantines in 931 and held by them until the battle of Manzikert in 1071.



377. **ABBASID: al-Muttaqi**, 940-944, AV dinar (5.05g), Madinat al-Salam, AH331, A-260, citing the Hamdanid amirs Nasir al-Dawla Abu Muhammad and Sayf al-Dawla Abu'l-Hasan, with the word *ibriz* (pure gold) on reverse, fantastic strike, AU $400 - 500



378. **ABBASID: al-Mustakfi**, 944-946, AR dirham (2.58g), Antakiya, AH333, A-264, citing the chief amir Tuzun by is titulature al-Muzaffar Abu'l-Wafâ, slightly bent, F-VF**, R** $110 - 150



379. **ABBASID: al-Nasir**, 1180-1225, AV dinar (10.15g), Madinat al-Salam, AH608, A-268, full strike, well-centered, without any weakness, choice VF-EF *, ex M.H. Mirza Collection* $600 - 800



380. **ABBASID: al-Mustansir**, 1226-1242, AR dirham (2.94g), Madinat al-Salam, AH637, A-272, wonderful strike, without any weakness whatsoever, EF $110 - 150



381. **ABBASID: al-Mustansir**, 1226-1242, AR ¼ dirham (0.73g), NM, AH63x, A-273B, VF**, RRR** $240 - 300

Extremely rare denomination, confirmed by weight, and the square on both sides.



382. **ABBASID: al-Musta'sim**, 1242-1258, AV dinar (8.07g), Madinat al-Salam, DM, A-275, many spelling errors and coarse calligraphy, clearly an eastern imitation, perhaps produced as far away as India, for trade between India and the Middle East, VF**, R** $400 - 500



383. **ABBASID: al-Musta'sim**, 1242-1258, AV dinar (6.52g), Madinat al-Salam, AH65x, A-275, traces of the final digit of the date suggest either 653 or 656, barely visable trace of mount removal, normal Abbasid type, F-VF $350 - 400



384. **ABBASID: al-Musta'sim**, 1242-1258, AR dirham (3.00g), Madinat al-Salam, AH646, A-276, VF**, R** $100 - 150

Abbasid Bronze



385. **ABBASID: 'Abd Allah b. Dinar**, ca. 848-862, AE fals (3.45g), NM, ND, A-293, Zeno-126582 (same dies), also citing the superior official Bughâ, assigned to the mint of Sur (Tyre), wonderful strike, without any weakness, VF-EF**, RR** $180 - 220



386. **ABBASID:** AE fals (3.66g), [Tarsus], ND, A-300, with the word *'adl* below the reverse, VF $80 - 120



387. **ABBASID:** AE fals (1.81g), [Tarsus], ND, A-300, Tarsus-26, citing the governor Ibrahim b. Salâma, F-VF**, RR** $120 - 160



388. **ABBASID: Yazid b. Usayd**, governor, ca. 759-761 & 775-780, AE fals (3.87g), Yazidiya, AH159, A-313K, Vardanyan—, unpublished (but cf. Vardanyan-248 for a very similar piece of the mint of Bardha'a), pleasing patination, VF**, RRR** $260 - 350

The dies are so similar to the fals of Bardha'a 159, also citing Yazid b. Usayd, that we can now assert that Yazidiya was either located very close to Bardha'a or an alternative name for Bardha'a itself.



389. **ABBASID:** AE fals (1.47g), Ardashir Khurra, AH134, A-317, anonymous issue, decent F-VF**, RR** $100 - 120



390. **ABBASID:** AE fals (2.95g), Jabal al-Fidda, AH155, A-A326, citing the governor Rawh as the 'amil of 'Iyad, the *mawla* under the future caliph al-Mahdi, nice even strike, F-VF**, RR** $140 - 180



391. **ABBASID:** AE fals (2.65g), Jurjan, AH147, A-327, pleasing strike, F-VF, rare date for this mint**, R** $100 - 140



392. **ABBASID:** AE fals (3.23g), Ramhurmuz, AH210, A-A332, citing the governor Muhammad b. 'Amr (very clear name), excellent strike, just one corrosion spot, VF**, RRR** $300 - 400

This appears to be a previously unknown date and governor's name for Ramhurmuz.



393. **ABBASID:** AE fals (4.67g), Sijistan, AH151, A-335, citing the caliphal heir-apparent al-Mahdi, with square hole imitating contemporary Chinese cash coins, minor corrosion, bold mint & date, F-VF**, RR**, *ex M.H. Mirza Collection* $100 - 120



394. **ABBASID:** AE fals (2.01g), Sijistan, AH176, A-335, citing the governor Da'ud b. Bakr, lovely design, superb strike, extremely rare in this quality, bold EF**, RR**, *ex M.H. Mirza Collection* $150 - 200



395. **ABBASID: Countermarked**, after about 773, AE fals (3.53g), Tawwaj, ND, A-337H, countermark *tawwaj* on type A328 dated AH156, with the mint names Kazirun in the center and Sabur in the margin, both on the same side as the countermark! VF**, RR** $180 - 220



396. **ABBASID:** AE fals (2.09g), Tawwaj, ND, A-337I, Zeno-81297, citing Muhammad below the obverse and Barmak below the reverse, thus struck circa AH160s to the 180s, VF**, RRR** $180 - 220

This is the 3rd reported example of this extremely rare type, the first illustrated on Zeno as noted, the second in our Auction 22, Lot 306, and this is the third.



397. **ABBASID:** lead seal (4.84g), Sijistan, ND, in the name of Abi Hashim, unready top word, followed by the regional name *sijistan* and the individual's name, VF**, R** $100 - 150



398. **ABBASID:** ca. 8th/9th century, lead seal (10.88g), Ard Qinnasrin, A-290, with the phrase *jalâjal* (for onions?) above the region name, *ard / qinnasrin,* "the region of Qinnasrin", VF**, RR** $200 - 300

An alternative interpretation of the top word is "halâhil" (instead of "jalâjil"), which means "all" or "complete".

399. **ABBASID:** LOT of 5 silver dirhams: Arminiya AH167, citing Bin Khazim (VF); al-Muhammadiya 171, with the phrase *mubarak* (choice EF); al-Muhammadiya 175, citing Yazid (2 pcs, both choice EF); and Madinat al-Salam 235 (EF-AU); retail value $450, **lot of 5 pieces** $280 - 375

400. **ABBASID:** LOT of 15 copper fulus: Bukhara 143; Samarqand 172, and 205 (4 pcs); al-Shash 149 (4 pcs), and 204; and 4 miscellaneous piece not identified, average F-VF; retail value $525, **lot of 15 pieces** $250 - 400

401. **ABBASID:** LOT of 13 silver dirhams: al-'Abbasiya 172, Balkh 184, 185, and 188 (2 pcs); al-Mawsil 317; Madinat al-Salam 278, and 324; al-Rafiqa 188 (choice EF); and Samarqand 197, 198 (2 pcs), and 201, average VF, some better, attractive group, all identified by the consignor; retail value $500, **lot of 13 pieces** $250 - 350

402. **ABBASID:** LOT of 103 copper fulus, various types, perhaps half identifiable, and some with legible mint & date, average Good for VG condition, quite a few nicer, including some examples of Samarqand 205 and al-Shash 204 in the name of the governor Ghassam; loose and unidentified; retail value $600, **lot of 103 pieces** $220 - 350

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