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Coins from the Excavations at Khirbat Ka'kul

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The excavations at Kh. Ka'kul (see Seligman, this volume) yielded twenty-eight coins.[1] Twenty-three coins are presented in the catalogue; the other five were badly preserved and unidentifiable.

1. No Reg. No, Surface, IAA 36414.

2. Reg. No. 9639, L1058, IAA 36429.
Alexander Jannaeus (103–76 BCE), Jerusalem.
Obv.: Anchor.
Rev.: Star.
Æ, 0.61 g, 11 mm (1).
Æ, 1.27 g, 14 mm (2).
AJC 1:122, Type Ce.

3. Reg. No. 9382, L1064, IAA 36430. Fig. 1.
Ambibulus, Jerusalem. Year 40 (= 10 CE).
Obv.: KAICA–POC Ear of barley.
Rev.: Palm tree; in fields: L–M.
Æ, ↑, 1.93 g, 17 mm.
AJC 2:281, No. 4.

4. Reg. No. 4217, L485, IAA 36428. Fig. 1.
Volusian (251–254 CE), Caesarea.
Obv.: [IMP CC VO]LVS[SIANVS PF AVG] Laureate bust r.
Rev.: [COL PF AVG] FC CAES MET Dionysus reclining l. on panther walking r.
Æ, ↑, 13.98 g, 23 mm.
Kadman 1957:142, No. 224.

5. Reg. No. 1174, L140, IAA 36421.
Constantius II, Antioch, 337–341 CE.
Obv.: CONSTAN–TI[NVS AVG] Pearl-diademed bust r.
Rev.: GLOR–IA EXER–CITVS Two soldiers stg.; between them, one standard; in ex.: [S]MAN[·].
Æ, ↖, 1.73 g, 15 mm.
LRBC 1:31, No. 1377.

6. Reg. No. 1106, L114, IAA 36411.
Umayyad. Anonymous.
Obv.: لااله \ الااله \ وحده
Rev.: محمد \رسول \ الله
Æ *fals*, 2.56 g, 18 × 19 mm.
Walker 1956:208, No. 618.

7. Reg. No. 1206, L146, IAA 36426.
Zangids: Atabegs of Ḥalab.
Al-'Adil Nur al-Din Maḥmud (AH 541–569/ 1146–1174 CE), Dimashq.
Obv.: Illegible
Rev.: [الملك العادل]
Æ *fals*, 5.28 g, 22 mm.
BMCO III: 212, No. 602.

8. Reg. No. 1185, L142, IAA 36425.
Ayyubids.
Al-Nāṣir II Yusuf Ṣalāḥ al-Dīn (AH 634–658/ 1236–1259 CE).
Obv.: الملك \ الناص...
Rev.: ...لدين...
Æ *fals*, 0.93 g, 14 mm.

9. Reg. No. 1597, L598, IAA 36413. Fig. 1.
Feudal France, Poitou, end of eleventh–beginning of twelfth century CE.
Obv.: + CARLVZ REX R Cross.
Rev.: MET/ALO
Æ *denier*, 0.90 g, 22 mm.
Metcalf 1983:5, Pl. 24, No. 34.

10. Reg. No. 1104, L114, IAA 36409.
Mamlūks.

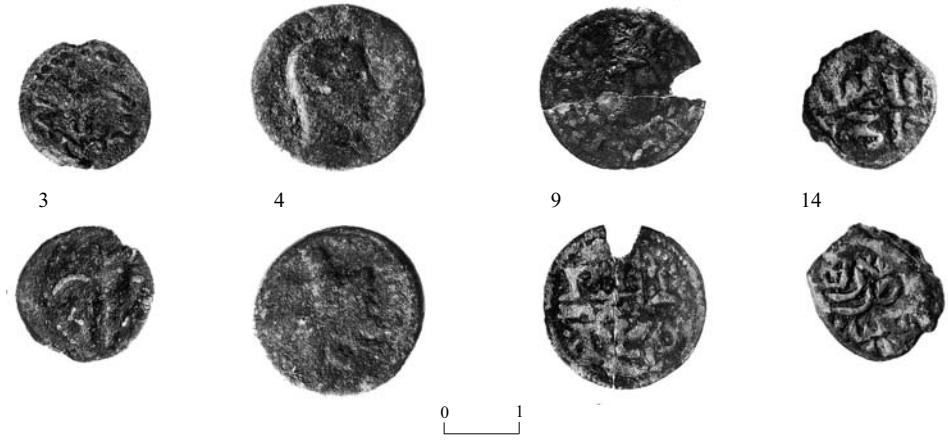

Fig. 1.

Muḥammad I, Nāṣir al-Dīn (AH 709–741/ 1310–1341 CE). Dimashq.
Obv.: السلطان الملك
Rev.: ...ناص...
Æ *fals*, 1.07 g, 13 mm.

11. Reg. No. 1184, L142, IAA 36424.
Al-Manṣūr Abū Bakr Sayf al-Dīn (AH 741–742/1341 CE), Ḥaleb.
Obv.: ضرب بحلب
Rev.: Illegible
Æ *fals*, 2.60 g, 16 × 18 mm.
Balog 1970:136, No. 268B.

12. Reg. No. 1105, L114, IAA 36410.
Al-Ashraf Sha'bān Nāṣir al-Dīn (AH 764–778/ 1363–1377 CE), Dimashq.
Obv.: Illegible
Rev.: Illegible
Æ *fals*, 2.01 g, 15 mm.
cf. Balog 1964:220, No. 456.

13. Reg. No. 1180, L128, IAA 36417.
Al-Ashraf Sha'bān Nāṣir al-Dīn (AH 764–778/ 1363–1377 CE), Dimashq.
Obv.: السلطان الملك الاشرف شعبان
Center: حسن بن
Rev.: ضرب \ مشق \ بد
Æ *fals*, 3.49 g, 16 × 21 mm.
cf. Balog 1964:221, No. 458.

14. Reg. No. 4043, L414, IAA 36412. Fig. 1.
Al-Manṣūr Ḥājji II, Ṣalāḥ al-Dīn (AH 783–784/ 1381–1382 CE), Iskandariya.
Obv.: السلطان \ الملك الصالح \ حاجى بن \ شعبان
Rev.: سنة اربع \ وثمانين
Æ *fals*, 4.50 g, 16 mm.
Balog 1964:243, No. 522–523.

15. Reg. No. 1032, L103, IAA 36408.
Al-Manṣūr Ḥājji II, Ṣalāḥ al-Dīn (AH 783–784/ 1381–1382 CE), Dimashq.
Obv.: الساطان الملك الصالح صلاح الدين
Center: حاجى
Rev.: Effaced
Æ *fals*, 2.58 g, 14 × 17 mm.
Balog 1964:243, No. 524.

16. Reg. No. 1175, L140, IAA 36422.
Al-Manṣūr Ḥājji II, Ṣalāḥ al-Dīn (AH 791–792/ 1389–1390 CE), Dimashq.
Obv.: within star: ضرب \ مشق \ ند
Rev.: المنصور \ الساطان الملك \ حاجى
Æ *fals*, 2.30 g, 17 mm.
Balog 1964:246, No. 532.

17. Reg. No. 1176, L140, IAA 36423.
Al-Ẓāhir Barqūq Sayf al-Dīn, First Reign (AH 784–791/1382–1389 CE), Al-Qahirah.
Obv.: ...الملك ا \ لطاهر...سعيد
Rev.: برقوق

Æ fals, 2.08 g, 15 × 19 mm.
Balog 1964:259, No. 562.

18. Reg. No. 1172, L139, IAA 36420.
Mamluk, unidentified, Dimashq, fourteenth century CE.
Obv.: ضرب بدمشق
Rev.: الملك
Æ fals, 2.51 g, 21 mm.

19. Reg. No. 1178, L128, IAA 36415.
Mamluk, unidentified, fourteenth century CE.
Obv.: الملك
Æ fals, 1.93 gm, 14 × 15 mm.

20. Reg. No. 1179, L128, IAA 36416.
Mamluk, unidentified
Æ fals, 2.08 g, 15 × 19 mm (20).
Æ fals, 2.98 g, 16 × 17 mm (21).

21. Reg. No. 1194, L128, IAA 36418.
Mamluk, unidentified, Iskandariya, fourteenth century CE.
Æ fals, 4.44 g, 19 × 23 mm.

22. Reg. No. 1179, L128, IAA 36419.
Mamluk, unidentified, Iskandariya, fourteenth century CE.
Æ fals, 4.44 g, 19 × 23 mm.

23. Reg. No. 4198, L480, IAA 36427.
Ottoman. Selim I (AH 925/1519 CE), Dimashq.
Obv.: دمشق \ ٩٢٥
Rev.: Effaced
Æ manghir, 2.39 gm, 18 mm.

NOTE

[1] The coins were cleaned by Ella Altmark and photographed by Clara Amit of the Israel Antiquities Authority.

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