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Type 1a (naming Anastasius I): denomination mark between two stars



DOC - ; MIB - ; 15.66 gms
EBCC - ; 2163.17; 1a.Δ.OD3.1.RD3.11; Cat. 14



DOC 213; MIB N131, 1; 19.48 gms
EBCC - ; 2557.18; 1a.Δ.OD2.4.RD3.1; Cat. 4



DOC 213; MIB N131, 1; 14.67 gms
EBCC 6.1; 359i.90; 1a.Δ.OD2.5.RD3.2; Cat. 5



DOC 213; MIB N131, 1; 11.99 gms
EBCC - ; 2520.18; 1a.Δ.OD2.7.RD3.4; Cat. 7



DOC 213; MIB N131, 1; 11.92 gms
EBCC 6.2; 1618.12; 1a.Δ.OD2.8.RD3.5; Cat. 8



DOC 213; MIB N131, 1; 10.28 gms
EBCC 6.3; 215.88; 1a.Δ.OD2.9.RD3.6; Cat 9

Type 1a, var. (naming Anastasius I): denomination mark between two stars



MIB - ; 10.33 gms;
EBCC - ; 2334.18; 1a.Δ.OD8.1.RD12.1; Cat. 28

Type 1b (naming Justin I): Denomination mark between two stars



MIB 131, 2; 13.20 gms
EBCC 6.4; 1546.11; 1b.A.OD5.1.RD8.1; Cat. 23



MIB - ; 10.92 gms
EBCC - ; 2535.18; 1b.E.OD4.1.RD7.1; Cat. 22

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Type 2 (naming Anastasius): denomination mark between two crosses on globes



Numismatic Chronicle 1978, pp. 66-70, number 51
9.94 gms
EBCC 6.5; 1345.07; 2.A.OD7.1.RD.10.1; Cat. 25

Type 3 (naming Anastasius I): denomination mark between two stars; CON in exergue



MIB - ; 12.27 gms
EBCC 6.6; 1642.12; 3.Δ.OD3.5.RD11.1; Cat. 27

Related coins ("Antioch local coinage")



10.46 gms; EBCC - ; 2558.18; Cat. Annex 3



15.66 gms. EBCC - ; 2608.20; Cat. Annex -

The long string of letters and numbers relating to the emergency coinage represents a die identity code used in Anastasius at Theopolis – Real or Imagined?, *Coinage and History in the Seventh Century Near East*, Archetype Publications, London 2020 which examined the 30-odd known specimens. The catalogue numbers given here align with those in that paper.

Notes on post-EBCC coins

2334.18: The obverse legend clearly reads Anastasius. The reverse, although clear in its intent, seems less confidently executed. Thus, for the moment, I have included it as a variety. The obverse die-links to a coin of type 3 with the mint mark CON.

2535.18: See MIB volume 3 N 131,2 for comparison. The fifth officina is unusual for the Imperial mint at Antioch.

2557.18: Struck on a large flan and unusually heavy.

2558.18: Non-Imperial. Distinguished by the reduced module, light weight and the ill-formed letters of the obverse legend. It is conceivably the product of an Antioch "local mint".

2558.18 & 2608.20: For the idea of a local coinage, see Drapelova, P., *Province in Contrast to City*, in *From Constantinople to the Frontier, The City and the Cities*, Koninklijke Brill NV (2016).