

## ROMAN EMPRESSES COINS FROM A PRIVATE COLLECTION: ANALYTICAL ARCHAEOLOGICAL STUDY

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**T**hroughout their history, civilized nations have competed to issue coins as proof of their social advancement, reflecting the political history of their region. This study deals with thirty-five coins from a private collection of Roman empresses. This is the first study of this group which included silver and bronze coins bearing inscriptions, symbols and monograms. It has special connotations for Roman styles, and types. This study sample extends from the beginning of the first century AD to the beginning

of the fifth century AD. During period of the emergence of the Roman empire and the height of its expansion and prosperity, the Empresses of Rome played great role in the prosperity of this empire, especially during the reign of Emperor Constantine the Great (285 - 337 AD) and his mother the Empress Helena (250 - 327 AD), who had the greatest role in this transformation.

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