# **BROOCH**

Unique ID: SUSS-727124

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Awaiting validation

A corroded and heavily worn fragment of a Roman enamelled plate brooch of probable second century date. The fragment is extensively worn and the exterior circumference of this artefact no longer remains. It is decorated on the upper surface with circumferential bands utilising both the copper-alloy body and coloured enamels: the outer band is formed of copper-alloy, with the next band a green enamel, another band of copper-alloy, then a wider band of blue enamel dotted with copper-alloy pellets and the final stage of visible decoration is a large band of copper-alloy. This decoration appears to have similarities to a flat, plain-edged brooch in Hattatt (2007: 344, fig. 203 ref. 1564A), but could also fit with a moulded disc brooch with exterior lugs illustrated in Hattatt (1989:124, fig. 59 ref. 545 or 1056), as the extensive wear on the fragment might have reduced the moulded detail to a flattened surface and the outer circumference does not survive. The underside of the brooch fragment is flat, but traces of now corroded lug remain. The overall colour of the copperalloy body is a red-brown, but the blue and green coloured enamels are still vivid.

Class: Plate Sub class: disc

#### **Subsequent actions**

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

# Chronology

Broad period: ROMAN Period from: ROMAN Date from: Circa AD 100 Date to: Circa AD 250

## **Dimensions and weight**

Quantity: 1

Length: 22.9 mm Width: 11.9 mm Thickness: 2.4 mm Weight: 2.25 g

#### **Discovery dates**

Date(s) of discovery: Saturday 17th March 2012

#### Personal details

This information is restricted for your access level.

## **Materials and construction**

Primary material: Copper alloy Secondary material: Enamel Manufacture method: Cast Completeness: Fragment

Surface Treatment: Inlaid with enamel

# **Spatial metadata**

Region: <u>East Midlands</u> (European Region)

County or Unitary authority: Northamptonshire (County)

District: <a href="Daventry">Daventry</a> (District)

Parish or ward: <a href="Creaton">Creaton</a> (Civil Parish)

Hattatt, R., 2000 A Visual Catalogue of Richard Hattatt's Ancient Brooches Oxford: Oxbow Books

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