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Roman silver washed nummus of Constantine I (306-337), dating to AD 319 (Reece Period 16), VIRT EXERC, Sol standing on a plan of a Roman camp or a radiate cross. Mint of Thessalonica. RIC VII, p. 507, no. 67. This type has traditionally been described as Sol standing on the plan of a Roman camp (RIC 69), but it is thought by some now to represent a radiate cross (David Woods, 'Postumus and the Three Suns: Neglected Numismatic Evidence for a Solar Halo', *Numismatic Chronicle* 172 (2012), pp. 85-92. He draws upon P. Weiss, 'The Vision of Constantine', *Journal of Roman Archaeology* 16 (2003), pp. 237-59).

Notes:

This type was only issued at Thessalonica and this coin is rarely found in Britain.

Find of note status

This is a find of note and has been designated: Regional importance

Subsequent actions

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

Chronology

Broad period: ROMAN

Period from: ROMAN

Period to: ROMAN

Date from: Exactly AD 319

Date to: Exactly AD 319

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Thickness: 1.9 mm

Weight: 2.7 g

Diameter: 18.1 mm

Discovery dates

Date(s) of discovery: Wednesday 3rd February 2010

Personal details

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Materials and construction

Primary material: Base Silver

Manufacture method: Struck or hammered

Completeness: Complete

Spatial metadata

Region: [South East](#) (European Region)

County or Unitary authority: [West Sussex](#) (County)

District: [Horsham](#) (District)

To be known as: Near Steyning

Spatial coordinates

Grid reference source: From a paper map

Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 0.01 metre square.

Discovery metadata

Method of discovery: Metal detector

General landuse: Cultivated land