

MINIATURE OBJECT

Unique ID: OXON-55C137

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Awaiting validation

A complete lead alloy miniature axe head of probable Roman date. The axehead is rectangular in plan and triangular in cross section, with the thinnest part being the blade edge. There is a hole pierced vertically through the butt with horizontal mouldings representing the bindings of the handle. The hole would have allowed the object to be worn as a pendat or for a small stick to be inserted. The blade is accentuated with a border next to the butt and down the outer edges. The reverse bears the same mouldings. Votive axes are not uncommon finds and most are dated to the Roman period, which seem likely for this example.

Subsequent actions

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

Chronology

Broad period: ROMAN

Period from: ROMAN

Period to: ROMAN

Date from: Circa AD 43

Date to: Circa AD 409

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Length: 20.6 mm

Width: 10.7 mm

Thickness: 4.3 mm

Weight: 6 g

Personal details

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Other reference numbers

Other reference: OXPAS2018.673

Materials and construction

Primary material: Lead Alloy

Manufacture method: Cast

Completeness: Complete

Spatial metadata

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

County or Unitary authority: [Wiltshire](#) (Unitary Authority)

District: [Wiltshire](#) (Unitary Authority)

Parish or ward: [Tisbury](#) (Civil Parish)

Spatial coordinates

4 Figure: ST9629

Four figure Latitude: 51.06032391

Four figure longitude: -2.05845343

1:25K map: ST9629

1:10K map: ST92NE

Grid reference source: GPS (from the finder)

Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 1000 metre square.

Discovery metadata

Method of discovery: Metal detector

General landuse: Cultivated land