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A Find of a Legionary Mark Anthony Denarius in the Vicinity of Dzielna, gm. Opoczno

A Mark Anthony legionary denarius (RRC nr 544; CRR, nr 1212–1253) was accidentally found in the vicinity of Dzielna, gm. Opoczno (a town located in Central Poland in the Opoczno Hills region). The circumstances of the find remain unknown and it is not possible to ascertain if this coin was a stray find or a part of diffused unrecorded hoard. The coin is considerably worn, especially on the reverse, which does not allow for us to recognize the legion for which it was struck. This find is the third known denarius of this sort found in modern day Poland, and the second from the territory inhabited in Roman period by the people of the Przeworsk culture. Two other Mark Anthony legionary denarii are known inform the Drzewicz Nowy and Owczarnia hoards. The find-spot of the first deposit is central Poland, in the territory of Przeworsk culture. The second was found in the area inhabited by of the people of the Wielbark Culture (North-East Poland). Based on these parallels it is possible that the denarius reached the vicinity of Dzielna in 2 half of the first or even in second century AD.