

ARRETINE AND EARLY SAMIAN FROM CHICHESTER

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Eleven sherds of early sigillata were thin sectioned and studied under the petrological microscope. Comparison with material attributable to the main arretine and early samian production centres (Williams, 1978) allowed the following comments to be made:

Arezzo

Samples x97 and x151 (stamped AEIS).

La Graufesenque

Sample x165D.

Lezoux

Sample x138. This sherd contains an abundance of mica, and clearly belongs to the first century A.D. micaceous samian of Lezoux (Boon, 1967).

? Possibly Lyon

Samples x130, x148 and x157.

Unknown

Samples x72, x108 and x137.

¹This work was done as part of a current programme of petrological analysis of arretine and early samian.

Boon, G.C. (1967) 'Micaceous sigillata from Lezoux at Silchester, Caerleon and other sites', Antiq. J., 47 (1967), 27-42.