

STRAP END

Unique ID: NARC677

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Published

A silver strap-end with traces of gilding; it is broken off at both ends, but originally took the form of two flattened spatula ends separated by a narrow ribbed waist. The split end has two incised arcs which seem to represent a highly stylised version of the acanthus leaf often seen on strap-ends of the middle Saxon period, and is framed by an incised line; within the field so defined is a single T-rune. The opposite end has lost any terminating feature it originally had; it has a clear H-rune, and the remains of a possible 'i' rune where the plate is broken away. The back is plain, apart from the ribbing at the waist.

The inscription is thought to be the end of a personal name something like '-iht' as in for instance 'Hereberiht'.

Non-destructive analysis gave a result of approximately 87% silver.

Compare IOW-86D066 and BH-F2CC91, and perhaps NMS-4949D5.

Notes:

Published in the Treasure Annual Report 2000, 32, fig. 40.

Class: Thomas Class D (variant)

Inscription: runic

Subsequent actions

Current location of find: Daventry Museum

Subsequent action after recording: Acquired by museum after being declared Treasure

Treasure details

Treasure case tracking number: MMET261

Chronology

Broad period: EARLY MEDIEVAL

Subperiod from: Middle

Period from: EARLY MEDIEVAL

Ascribed Culture: Anglo-Saxon

Date from: AD 700

Date to: AD 800

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Length: 32.36 mm

Width: 15.13 mm
Thickness: 3.27 mm
Weight: 4.64 g

Discovery dates

Date(s) of discovery: Monday 1st May 2000 - Saturday 1st July 2000

Personal details

Found by: This information is restricted for your login.

Identified by:

Secondary identifier: Dr Helen Geake

Other reference numbers

Other reference: Treasure reference: M&ME 261

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Materials and construction

Primary material: Silver

Completeness: Incomplete

Surface Treatment: Gilded

Spatial metadata

Region: [East Midlands](#)

(European Region)

County or Unitary authority:

[Northamptonshire](#) (County)

District: [Daventry](#) (District)

To be known as:

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE

LONG BUCKBY

Spatial coordinates

Unmasked grid

reference accurate to a

10 metre square.

Discovery metadata

Method of discovery:

Metal detector

Current location:

Daventry Museum

General landuse:

Cultivated land

Specific landuse:

Character undetermined