

Area L

Features/contexts requiring dating evidence sections:

Period II

Pits 14207, 14225, 14257=20086, 14355, 14488, 20144, 20145, 20211, 20335=20489, 20481

14207	Amphora <i>salazon</i> (ASALA) Other pottery beaker <i>Cam</i> 113 (NGWF), flagon <i>Cam</i> 165 (CGFCS), fabrics CGMIC TR SILT
14225	Arretine platter (ITSW) Amphora Haltern 70 (ABAET) Other pottery mortarium <i>Cam</i> 191 (BUFM), beaker <i>Cam</i> 112 (TR), flagon <i>Cam</i> 165 (CGFCS), fabrics SILT ESH CGMIC TN
14257	Pottery platters <i>Cam</i> 1 (TN(M)) <i>Cam</i> 5 (TR)
20086	Amphoras Dr.1 (AITAC) <i>salazon</i> (ASALA) Other pottery platters <i>Cam</i> 2 (TN) <i>Cam</i> 5 (TR), bowl <i>Cam</i> 51 (TN(M)), beakers <i>Cam</i> 74 (TR) <i>Cam</i> 112 (TR) <i>Cam</i> 113 (NGWF), fabrics CGMIC CGFCS
14355	Pottery fabrics MICW GROG
14488	Pottery fabric GROG
20145	Amphora Dr.1 (AITAL) Other pottery platter <i>Cam</i> 1 (TN(M)), fabrics NGWF TR BSW GRS GRF
20211	Pottery fabric GROG Coin AR unit (SF 7473)
20335	Pottery fabrics TN(M) PR GROG
20481	Arretine platter <i>Conspectus</i> 12.2 (ITSW) Amphora Pascual 1 (ARCAT) Other pottery platter <i>Cam</i> 1 (TN(M)), fabric CGFCS

While much of the pottery recovered dates initial periods of filling to the late 1st century BC and early 1st century AD, latest deposits dating to the mid 1st century AD can be identified. These include the top fills of 14225 and 20335, which contained an early Roman wall-sided mortarium and Pompeian red ware respectively. The coin in 20211 provides a late 1st century BC date.

Ditch 25144 (14350)

14350	Pottery fabrics GROG MICW CGFCS TR NGWFS
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Although this ditch segment contained no diagnostic forms, the range of fabrics present suggests that the feature was infilled during the late 1st century BC to early 1st century AD.

Ditch 14402

14402	Pottery fabric GROG
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The pottery recovered from this ditch segment is consistent with a Late Iron Age date.

Gully 25142 (14331), 14434

14331	Pottery fabric GROG
14434	Pottery fabric GROG

Grog-tempered pottery was recovered from both segments, providing a Late Iron Age date.

Beamslot 25147 (14626)

14626	Pottery platter <i>Cam</i> 4 (TR), jar G3 (GROG), beaker <i>Cam</i> 120 (TN)
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The presence of eggshell *terra nigra* provides a mid 1st century date for deposition. The platter dates up to the early 1st century AD, and may be residual.

Building 83 25143 (14337, 14413, 14487), 14468, 14685, 14695, 14483, 14598, 14398, 14788, 14804, 14472, 14263

14413	Pottery fabric GROG
14487	Pottery fabrics BSW GROG
14685	Pottery fabrics MICW GRS
14263	Pottery fabric GROG

A few features produced small quantities of indifferent pottery. While none of it can be closely dated, it is nevertheless consistent with a Late Iron Age or early Roman date.

Post-holes 14267, 14270, 14272, 14292

14267	Pottery fabric GROG
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A single sherd of grog-tempered pottery was recovered.

Road 20331

20331	Amphora Dr.20 (ABAET) Other pottery fabric GROG
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This deposit contained pottery dating to the Late Iron Age.

Pits 14533, 14545, 14582, 14649, 14912, 14947, 14977, 14980, 14990, 20030, 20067, 20069, 20095, 20100, 20481

14533*	Pottery platters <i>Cam</i> 1 (TN(M)) <i>Cam</i> 2 (TN), beakers <i>Cam</i> 102 (CGMIC) <i>Cam</i> 113 (NGWF), fabrics TR
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	MICW GRS GRF COLB
14545	Amphora salazon (ASALA) Other pottery jar G19.4 (GROG), flagon <i>Cam</i> 161 (NGWF), fabrics CGFCS TR
14582	Pottery platter A2.2 (GROG), flagon J3.2 (COLB), fabrics MICW, TR
14649	Pottery bowl § (GROG), fabrics BSW GRS
14912	Pottery fabrics GROG CGMIC BSW
14947*	Pottery fabrics MICW GRS GROG
14977	Pottery fabrics GROG BSW GRS ESH NGWFS TR CGFCS TN(M)
14980	Amphora salazon (ASALA) Other pottery platters <i>Cam</i> 1 (TN(M)) <i>Cam</i> 2 (TN), beaker <i>Cam</i> 114 (CAMF), fabric CGFCS TR
14990	Pottery fabric GROG
20030*	Arretine platter (ITSW) Other pottery platters <i>Cam</i> 2 (TN), jars <i>Cam</i> 254 (ESH), flagon J1 (GROG), fabrics MICW BSW GRS TR
20067	Pottery platter <i>Cam</i> 12 (TN), beaker <i>Cam</i> 102 (CGMIC), fabrics TR GRS GROG
20069	Pottery jars G3 (GRS) G17 (GRS), fabrics GRF BSW
20095	Pottery fabrics ESH GROG TR
20100	Amphora salazon (ASALA) Other pottery platters <i>Cam</i> 2 (TN) <i>Cam</i> 4 (TR), fabrics GRSM NGWFS
20481	Arretine platter <i>Conspectus</i> 12.2 (ITSW) Other pottery platter <i>Cam</i> 1 (TN(M)), fabrics CGFCS GROG

In addition to grog-tempered pottery, which was predominant, and Gallo-Belgic wares, most features received small quantities of Roman wares. Filling is likely to have begun in the early 1st century AD, continuing into the mid 1st century AD.

Ditch 25075 (14557, 14798, 14832, 14836, 14954)

14557	Pottery jar <i>Cam</i> 254 (ESH), fabric GROG
14798	Pottery fabric GROG
14832	Pottery fabrics TR GROG
14954	Pottery fabrics GROG BSW

The pottery recovered from this ditch is not closely datable, though fits a Late Iron Age date.

Surfaces 20197, 20208, 20210, 20303, 20328, 20495, 20497, 20662

20197	Pottery fabrics GROG GRS Coin AE unit Cunobelin (SF 7481)
20208	Pottery fabrics ESH TR GRF GROG
20210	Pottery platters <i>Cam</i> 5 (TN), fabrics TR BSW GRS COLB VRW Coin AE unit Cunobelin (SF 7480)
20303	Pottery fabric GROG

The pottery recovered from these deposits can be assigned an early to mid 1st century AD date. The appearance of Roman wares places the emphasis on the later end of this range.

Building 29 (14209, 14214, 14229, 14254, 14318, 14336), 14246, 14282, 14408

14209	Samian Other pottery fabrics GROG BSW
14254	Pottery jar § (GROG)
14336	Pottery fabric GROG
14247	Pottery fabric GROG
14408	Pottery fabrics MICW BSW

Small quantities of unexceptional pottery were recovered from a number of features. The mainly grog-tempered pottery, in association with a few sherds of black-surfaced wares, supports a mid 1st century date. Gully 14318 contained residual prehistoric pottery.

Pits 14223, 14231, 14376, 14382, 14426?, 14447, 14561, 14574, 14579, 14586, 14764, 14835, 14841, 14882, 14891, 20028, 20135, 20195, 20199, 20213, 20228?, 20258 = 20297, 20294, 20307, 20389

14223	Pottery fabric GROG
14231	Pottery platter A4.1 (GROG), fabrics GRS BSW
14376	Pottery jar G3.2 (GROG), fabric BSW
14382	Pottery fabric GROG
14426	Pottery bowl § (GROG)
14447	Pottery beakers H1 (GROG), fabrics GRS BSW CGFCS
14561	Samian Other pottery platter A4 (NKG), jars G23 (GRS) <i>Cam</i> 254 (ESH), fabrics TN TR MICW CGFCS CGMIC COLB BSW
14574	Pottery jar <i>Cam</i> 254 (ESH), fabrics GROG MICW GRS Brooch ?Nauheim (SF?)
14579	Pottery fabrics GROG BSW GRF

14586	Amphora Gauloise 4 (AGAU) Other pottery beaker <i>Cam</i> 85 (TR), fabrics BSW GRS NKG COLB NGWF
14764	Pottery fabrics GROG BSW PR NGWFS
14835	Pottery fabric GROG
14841	Pottery jars G19.4 (BSW) G20 (GRF), beaker H1.4 (GROG), fabrics ESH SILT NGWF TR
14882	Pottery fabrics GROG GRS
14891	Pottery fabrics GRS GROG TN
20028	Pottery jar G5.1 (GROG), fabric BSW
20135	Samian Other pottery dish B7 (BSW), mortarium <i>Cam</i> 193 (BUFM), jars G23.1 (BSW) G34 (GRS)
20195*	Amphora Dr.1 (AITAJ) Other pottery jar <i>Cam</i> 254 (ESH), fabric GROG
20199	Samian Other pottery bowl C19 (GRS), jars G3 (BSW) G8 (GRS) G17 (GRF) G20 (BSW) <i>Cam</i> 258 (ESH), beaker H7 (BSW), flagons J3.2 (VRW) <i>Cam</i> 167 (COLB)
20213	Pottery fabrics GROG VRW
20228	Samian Other pottery jars G3 (BSW GRS) G23 (GRS), fabrics GROG PR
20258	Amphora salazon (ASALA) Other pottery jars G19.4 (GROG) <i>Cam</i> 254 (ESH), fabrics GRS BSW
20294	Pottery fabric GROG
20307	Pottery fabric GROG

Most pits contained large quantities of predominantly grog-tempered pottery. Also present was a small, but significant proportion of Roman wares, representing a wide range of forms dating to the second half of the 1st century AD. Infilling is likely to have taken place during the mid 1st century AD.

Hearth construction 14500

14500	Pottery fabrics GROG GRS
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The pottery is consistent with a mid 1st century date.

25073 (14219, 14327, 14362)

14219	Pottery fabric GROG
14362	Pottery jar \$ (GROG), fabrics MICW CGMIC

Segment 14362 contained handmade grog-tempered forms in addition to a sherd of white-slipped Central Gaulish ware, dating its filling to the Late Iron Age.

25072 (14217, 14289, 14507), 14755, 14907, 14950, 14673, 14498, 14427 (or ?14426), 14358

14755	Pottery fabric GROG
14907	Pottery fabric GROG
14940	Pottery fabrics GROG GRS STOR ESH
14426	Pottery bowl \$ (GROG)

A small amount of Roman wares was recovered along with grog-tempered pottery, dating the enclosure/building up to the mid 1st century AD.

25155 (20237)

20237	Pottery beaker H7 (GRS), fabrics GROG ESH
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The pottery provides a mid 1st century AD date.

25152 (14842, 14844, 20314), 20161, 20332

20314	Pottery fabrics NGWFS ESH GROG
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The small quantity of pottery recovered is consistent with a Late Iron Age date, up to the mid 1st century AD.

Period III

Pits 14693, 14700, 14806, 20008, 20010, 20012, 20024, 20066, 20173, 20174, 21087

14693	Pottery beaker H20.2 (LRC), fabrics NKG COLC
14700	Pottery mortarium D2 (COLBM) Coin Sestertius Trajan (SF 6242) 98-117
14806	Samian Other pottery platter <i>Cam</i> 13 (TN), dish B7 (GRS), bowl C27 (GRF), jars G3 (BSW) G17 (GRS) G19.4 (BSW) G20 (GRS) G40 (GRF), beaker H1 (BSW), fabrics COLB NGWF VRW COLCE
20008*	Samian Other pottery platters A2.3 (BSW), bowls C12 (GRF) C27 (BSW), jars G17 (BSW GRS) G19.4 (BSW) G20.1 (BSW) G40 (GRF), beakers H1.3 (BSW), H7.1 (GRF), flagon J3.2 (COLB), fabric HGG
20010*	Samian Other pottery dish B7 (BSW), bowls C12 (GRF) C16 (GRS) C29 (STOR), mortarium D1 'Q. Valerius Veranius' (NEGM), jars G3 (GRS) G17.1 (GRS) G20 (BSW GRS), beakers H1.3 (BSW GRF), flagon J3.2 (COLB)
20012*	Samian Other pottery dishes B2.3 (BB2) B3.2 (BSW) B7 (BSW), mortarium D1.4 (COLBM), jars G5.5 (BSW GRS) G22.1 (BSW), beakers H1.3 (BSW) H6 (NKG) H20.2 (COLC) H20.3 (COLC) H24 (COLC)
20024	Samian Other pottery dishes B1 (GRS) B2.3 (BB2) B7 (GRS), beakers H6 (GRF)
20066	Samian Other pottery dishes B2.3 (BB2) B4.2 (BB2) B7 (BSW) B8 (BSW), jars G8 (GRS) G17.1 (GRS),

	beakers H6 (NKG) H10 (NKG), fabrics COLC LRC GLZE
20173	Pottery jars G20 (GROG) G23 (GRS)
20174*	Samian Other pottery platter A4.3 (BSW), jars G3 (BSW) G20 (BSW), beaker H1.3 (GRF), fabric CGCC

Most pits, largely devoid of grog-tempered pottery, were filled between the late 1st and early 2nd century AD. Pits 14693, 20012, 20024 and 20066, yielding bead-rim dishes and colour-coated wares, and 14700 are unlikely to date to before the 2nd century, and their filling may have continued up to the mid 2nd century AD. The remaining pits were almost certainly filled by the end of the 1st century AD. Eleven complete or near-complete vessels, which appear to have formed a structured deposit, were recovered from pit 20008.

Hearth 14491

14491	Pottery beakers H1 (BSW), fabric GRS
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A small amount of pottery dating to the second half of the 1st century AD was recovered.

Period IV

Well 14984 construction

14984	Samian f18/31 Other pottery fabric EGRHN
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The presence of samian and East Gaulish Rhenish ware dates initial accumulation within the well to the mid 2nd and early 3rd century AD. Much of the pottery and a brooch contained in these deposits were residual, dating no later than the early 2nd century AD.

Pits 14442, 14520, 14599, 14611, 14715, 14758, 14933, 14940, 20019, 20138, 20185, 20225, 20308, 20318

14442	Pottery dish B2/B4 (HAB), bowl-jar E2 (GRS), fabric BB1
14520	Samian Other pottery dish B2/B4 (GRF), fabrics HAB NVC
14599	Samian Other pottery bowl-jar E2 (GRF), fabric HAR
14611	Pottery dishes B1 (BB2) B2 (BB2), jar G24 (GRS)
14715	Samian Other pottery dish B1 (BSW), beaker H33 (GRF)
14758	Pottery dishes B1 (BSW) B2 (HAR), jar G5.5 (BSW), fabrics HAX NVC NVP
14933	Pottery dish B1 (BSW), jar G5.5 (GRS), fabric NVC
20019	Samian Other pottery dishes B2.3 (BB2) B3.2 (BSW GRF), mortarium D3 (BUFM), jars G5.5 (GRS) G24 (GRS), fabric BB1 COLC NVC HAR
20138	Samian Other pottery dish B4 (GRF), fabric HAB
20185	Samian Other pottery dish B4.2 (BB2), bowl-jar E6 (GRF), jar G24 (GRS) Coin Sestertius Trajan (SF 7512) 98-117
20225	Samian Other pottery fabrics BSW GRS GRF
20308	Samian Other pottery fabrics GRS BSW
20318	Amphora Dr.20 (ABAET) Other pottery dish B4.2 (BB2)

While the majority of these pits contained material dated to the first half of the 2nd century AD or earlier, the strong presence of dishes, Nene Valley and Hadham ware products attests to later 2nd and first half of the 3rd century AD infilling.

Period V

Well 14984 back fills

14984	Samian Other pottery mortarium D11 (BUFM), jars G32 (HAX), beaker H42 (NVC)
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The well received material during the first half of the 4th century. The small amount of this latest pottery is mixed with a greater proportion of residual material, and the well is likely to have served only occasionally as a rubbish pit.

Kiln 14858

14858*	Pottery dishes B1.3 (BSW) B6.2 (BSW GRF), bowl-jar E5.4 (GRS), jar G24.2 (GRS BSW), beaker H39 (GRS), fabrics NVC HAX
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Pottery of late 3rd to early 4th century date was recovered from kiln disuse deposits. Some of this pottery, including B6 dishes and E5 bowl-jars, was burnt and spalled, and it is reasonable to assume that these represent kiln products.

Oven 20137

20137	Samian Other pottery dish B6.2 (GRS), bowl C8 (OXRC), mortarium D [Young 1977, fig. 21, type M17] (OXWM), bowl-jar E6.1 (BSW), jars G9 (BB1) G37.1 (GRS), beaker H41 (NVC), fabrics LSH RET
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The presence of late shell-tempered pottery in the bottom and top fills confines all episodes of infilling to the late 4th century+. Residual material was recovered from most deposits, much of it dating to the 1st century AD.

Building 73 20382, 20384, 20386, 20408, 20452, 20464, 20470, 20479, 20519, 20521, 20532, 20615, 20618, 20620, 20626, 20628, 20633, 20637, 20641, 20648, 20650, 20654, 20656, 20677, 20685, 20695, 20697, 20700, 20702, 20704, 20727, 20891, 20892, 20895, 20897, 20571, 20585, 20589, 20954

20382	Pottery fabrics STOR GRS BSW
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20384	Pottery dish B6.2 (BSW)
20386	Pottery fabrics NVC Coin Barbarous radiate (SF 7519) 260-290
20408	Pottery GRS
20452	Pottery fabrics LSH HAX NVC
20464	Pottery fabric OXRC
20470	Pottery dish B6.2 (GRF), fabrics OXRC LSH HAX
20479	Pottery fabric GRS
20519	Pottery fabrics GRS BSW GRF
20521	Pottery bowl C18 (NVC)
20532	Pottery dish B3.2 (HAB), bowl-jar E3 (HAX), fabrics HAR LSH OXRC
20615	Pottery fabrics GRF GRS
20620	Pottery fabric NVC
20626	Pottery fabric BSW GRS
20628	Pottery fabric BSW
20633	Pottery fabrics OXRC NVC
20637	Pottery fabric OXRC
20641	Pottery fabrics HAX
20648	Pottery fabric BSW
20650	Pottery fabric GRS
20697	Pottery fabric GRS
20700	Pottery fabrics HAX NVC
20702	Pottery fabric OXRC
20704	Pottery fabric GRS
20727	Samian
20571	Pottery bowl-jar E2 (BSW)
20954	Pottery fabric GRF

The generally small quantities of pottery recovered from most post-holes dates consistently to the late Roman period, with very little that exclusively pre-dates the late 3rd century AD. A small but significant proportion of pottery, principally late shell-tempered and Oxford colour-coated wares, dates from the late 4th century.

Pits 14632, 14671, 14899, 14919, 14924, 14992, 20193, 20035, 20271, 20273, 20418, 20818

14632*	Samian Other pottery bowl-jar E5 (GRS), jars G5.5 (GRS) G9 (BSW) G27.2 (LSH), fabrics HAX
14899	Pottery jar G38.3 (GRS) G45 (STOR)
14919	Samian Other pottery dish B6.1 (GRF), bowl C [Young 1977, fig. 27, type P24] (OXF), mortarium D [Young 1977, fig. 21, type M17] (OXWM), beaker H41 (NVC)
14924	Coin Radiate Claudius II (SF 6273) 268-270
14992	Pottery mortarium D14.1 (NVM), G27.2 (LSH)
20193	Samian Other pottery dish B6.2 (GRF), mortarium D14 (NVM), jars G9 (BSW) G24.2 (GRS RET) G27 (LSH), fabrics OXRC HAX NVC Coin Radiate (SF 8398) 200-250
20035	Pottery jar G40 (BSW), fabric RET
20271	Samian Other pottery dish B4 (GRF), fabrics NVC HAX
20273	Pottery dish B1 (HAB), fabrics RET OXRC
20418	Pottery dish B6.2 (GRF), fabric NVC
20818	Pottery dishes B6.2 (HAR) B6.3 (BB1), fabrics HAX OXRC

Most pits are likely to have been infilled from the late 3rd century AD, although the frequent appearance of late shell-tempered, Oxford red colour-coated and Rettenden wares indicates some later 4th century AD deposition. Pit 14632 contained a very high proportion of abraded residual later 2nd century AD material, perhaps representing deliberate backfilling.

Pit 6383

6383	Samian Other pottery dishes B2 (BSW) B3 (GRS), beaker H32 (NVC), fabric HAX Coins Barbarous radiates (SF 3004 3876 4603-7 4611-3 4615-6 4619 4621-6 4630 4830-1 4835 4838-9 4842-3 4848 4850 4855 4856 4858 4869-70) 260-290, barbarous radiates (SF 4617 4629 4837) 273-290, barbarous radiates (SF 4841 5400 4618 4620 4628 4832-4) 270-290, AE4 (SF 4608-9 4620 4627 4836 4844-7 4849 4851-4 4857 4859 4863 4865-6 4868 4871-2 5401) 260-399
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From the narrow date range provided by most of the coins, the hoard is likely to have been deposited during the late 3rd century AD. The pottery is broadly in keeping with this, dating from the mid 3rd to early 4th century AD.

Period VI

Ditch 25077 (20569, 20751, 20754)

20569	Pottery dishes B1 (BSW) B6.2 (GRF), fabrics HAX LSH NVC
20751	Samian Other pottery dish B1 (GRS BSW), fabrics NVC
20754	Pottery dish B6.2 (GRS), fabric HAR

Ditch segment 20569 produced the strongest dating evidence with the presence of late shell-tempered ware suggesting that this part of the ditch was infilled during the late 4th century+. The pottery from the remaining segments carries a wider 3rd to mid/late 4th century date range.

Ditch 20762, 20814

20762	Coin Radiate Tetricus II (SF 7531) 270-274
20814	Pottery dish B6.2 (BSW), bowl-jars E6.1 (GRS), jar G27.2 (LSH), fabrics ALH NVC OXRC OXP

A large quantity of late 4th century+ pottery was recovered from segment 20814. Much of it was abraded and may have been redeposited. The coin of Tetricus II in 20762 is residual by this time.

Building 66 (14203, 14298, 14301, 14373, 20990)

14203*	Samian Other pottery dishes B1 (BB1) B6.1 (HAB) B6.2 (BSW GRF), bowl C8 (NVC), bowl-jar E6.1 (HAX), flagon J face-mask (HAX), fabrics NVM OXRC ALH
14298	Pottery fabrics BSW GRS
14301	Pottery fabric BSW
14373	Pottery fabrics GRS GRF

Cut 14203 yielded a profusion of late Roman pottery, dating the infilling of the feature to the second half of the 4th century AD. The pottery from the remaining features is less well-dated. Indeed, some of it is assuredly residual, including 2nd century Colchester colour-coated ware from 14298 and a bead-rim dish from 14373. **[No Saxon pottery in this feature, according to Saxon pot report]**

Pits 14529, 14632

14529*	Pottery dishes B6.2 (GRS) B6 (ALH HAR) B10 (HAX), bowls C8 (OXRC NVC) C [cf. Young 1977, fig. 58, type C47, fig. 62, type C75, fig. 64, type C83 & fig. 61, type C70] (OXRC), mortaria D6 (OXRCM) D [cf. Young 1977, fig. 38, type WC7] (OXSWM), jars G24 (RET) G27 (LSH), fabrics OXP ALH HAX Saxon Coins Radiate Postumus (SF 6530) 260-268, AE3 Constantius II (SF 8465) 335-337, AE3 Valens (SF 6237) 367-375
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Late Roman fabrics, such as Oxford red colour-coated, late shell-tempered and Alice Holt wares, are well represented. Supported by a high proportion of Saxon pottery, this material is confidently assigned to the late 4th century+ AD.