ANTONINIANI OF EMPEROR GALLIENUS WITH THE INSCRIPTION SISCIA AVG ON THE REVERSE

The authors describe very rare antoniniani of the Siscia mint during the reign of Emperor Gallienus, which have the obverse legend SISCIA AVG. They give a detailed style analysis and complete cataloguing of known specimens. This issue belongs to one of the rarest Gallienic issues of the Siscia mint. Analysis has identified five different types, with a single one depicting the river god swimming to the right. The majority of the specimens belongs to one type (MIR 1416ff) while the other types are known from a very small number of pieces. This issue is dated to the early period of the Siscia mint’s activity, between AD 262 and 264. The true reasons for this emission are not fully understood. In the continuation of the article the authors describe some other rare issues of Gallienus from Siscia, which presumably depict the rivers Sava and Kupa (Savus and Colapis). These should be added to the body of Roma imperial coins with Illyrian-Pannonian iconography.