

Basic Detail Report



Greek Stater, Syracuse

Date

c. 275 B.C.E. - 215 B.C.E.

Primary Maker

Unknown artist, Greek (Ancient)

Medium

Bronze

Description

This coin from Syracuse, Sicily depicts Poseidon, facing left, on its obverse and a trident between two dolphins on its reverse. Coins with this iconography were issued under the rule of Hiero II (c. 275 – 215 B.C.E.). This coin is a part of the Paine Coin Collection. This teaching collection of 32 Greek and Roman coins was formed by John Alsop Paine (1840 – 1912), Class of 1859, who was an archaeologist with the Palestine Exploration Society and a Curator

in the Department of Casts at the Metropolitan Museum of Art from 1889 until 1906. The collection came to the college through John Alsop Paine's grandson, Nathaniel Emmons Paine (1853 – 1948), Class of 1874.

Dimensions

Diameter: 11/16 in. (1.8 cm)