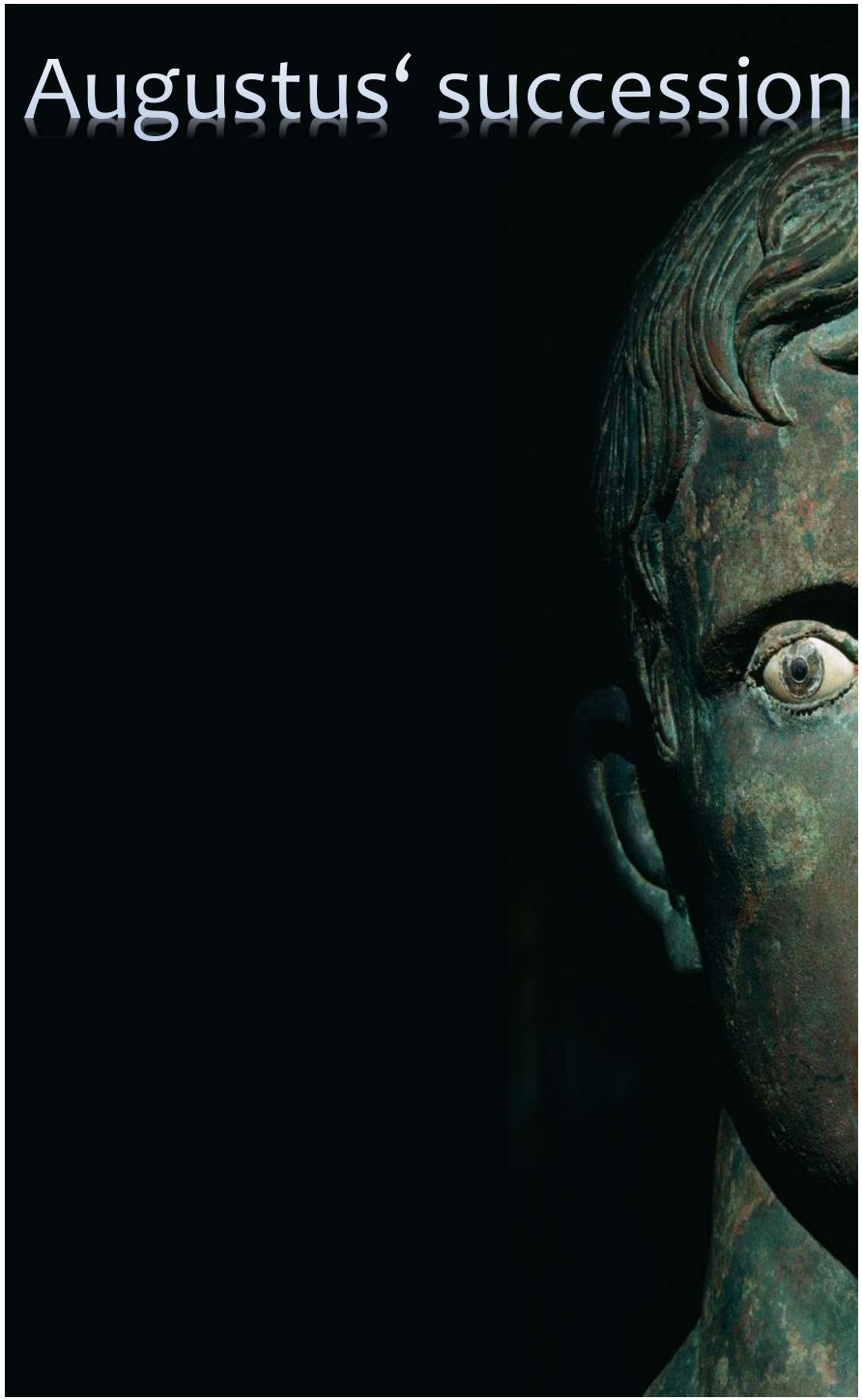
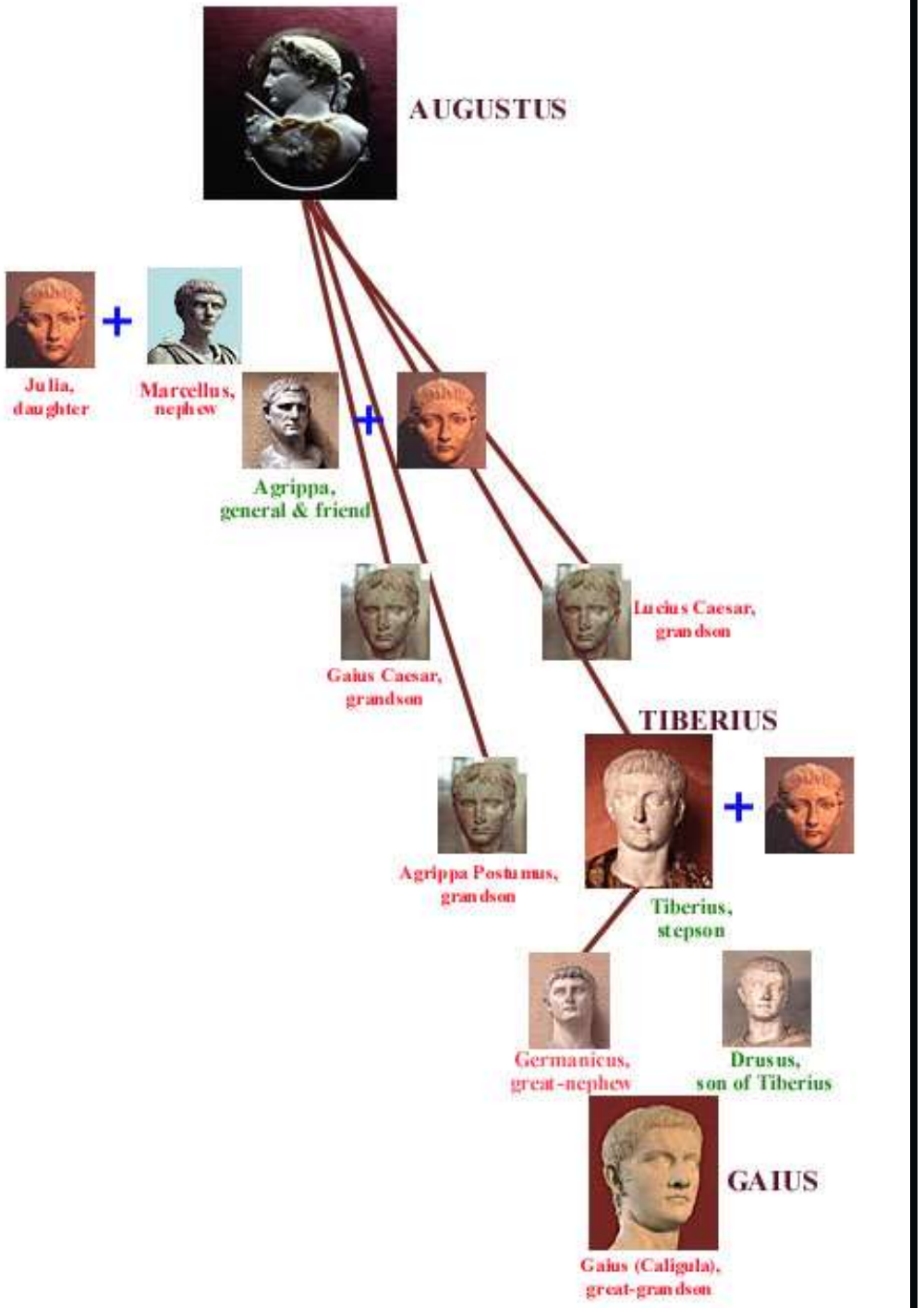


Roman Coinage and Emperors

Augustus‘ succession





Coinage








Aureus – Denarius - Dupondius - Sesterce - As Semis

- Augustus – coinage reform *c.* 23 B.C.

Roman Emperors

- **Coin legends → Dating**
- here: emperor Nerva (AD 30 – AD 98, emperor from 96 to 98





Roman Emperors

- **Coin legends → Dating**

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Roman Emperors

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Roman Emperors

- **Coin legends → Dating**

IMP(erator) NERVA CAES (ar) AVG(ustus) P(ontifex) M(aximus)
TR(IBUNICIA) POT(ESTATE) II
// CO(N)S(UL) II, ita PATER PATRIAE **→A.D. 97**



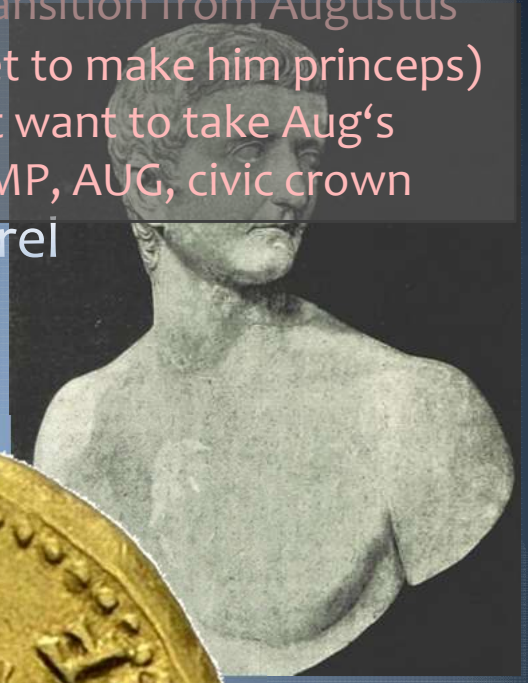
Augustus →A.D. 14

- moneyer P. Petronius Turpilianus, 19 B.C.
  Av.: CAESAR – AVGVSTVS
  Rv.: TVRPILIANVS - IIIVIR, Tarpeia on a pile of shields
  (Tarpeia – Roman myth – betrayed Rome to Sabines; here crushed by shield s of Roman soldiers)



Tiberius A.D. 14 - 37

General;
6BC-AD2 →retired to Rhodes
Smooth transition from Augustus to Tiberius
(Senate met to make him princeps)
but doesn't want to take Aug's titles: PP, IMP, AUG, civic crown



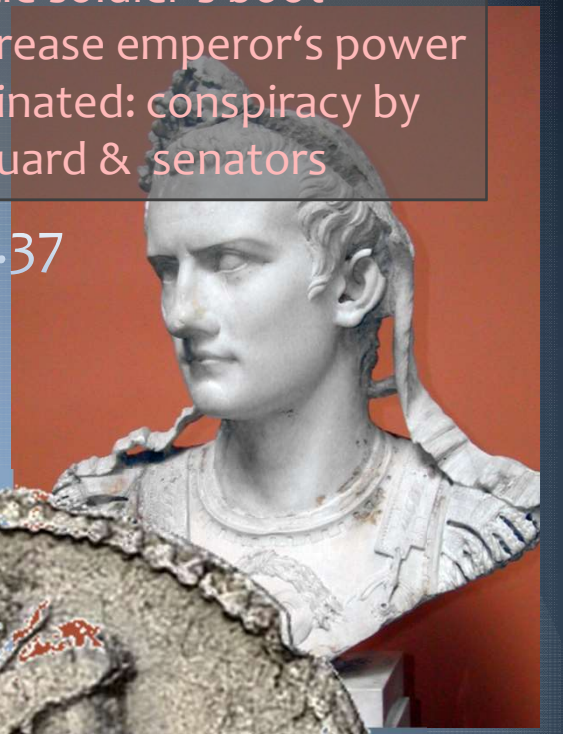
- aureus (7,39g), Lugdunum (Lyon), A.D. 18-35
  Av.: TI CAESAR DIVI - AVG F AVGVSTVS , head with laurel
  Rv.: PONTIF - MAXIM, Livia (Augusta)





Caligula A.D. 37 – 41

Son of Germanicus (Tib‘s nephew)
Caligula="little soldier's boot“
Aimed to increase emperor‘s power
AD41: assassinated: conspiracy by Praetorian Guard & senators



- Denarius (3,49g), Lugdunum (Lyon), 1. emission, A.D.37
- Av.: C CAESAR AVG GERM P M TR POT COS
- Rv.: head of deified Augustus with crown and 2 stars

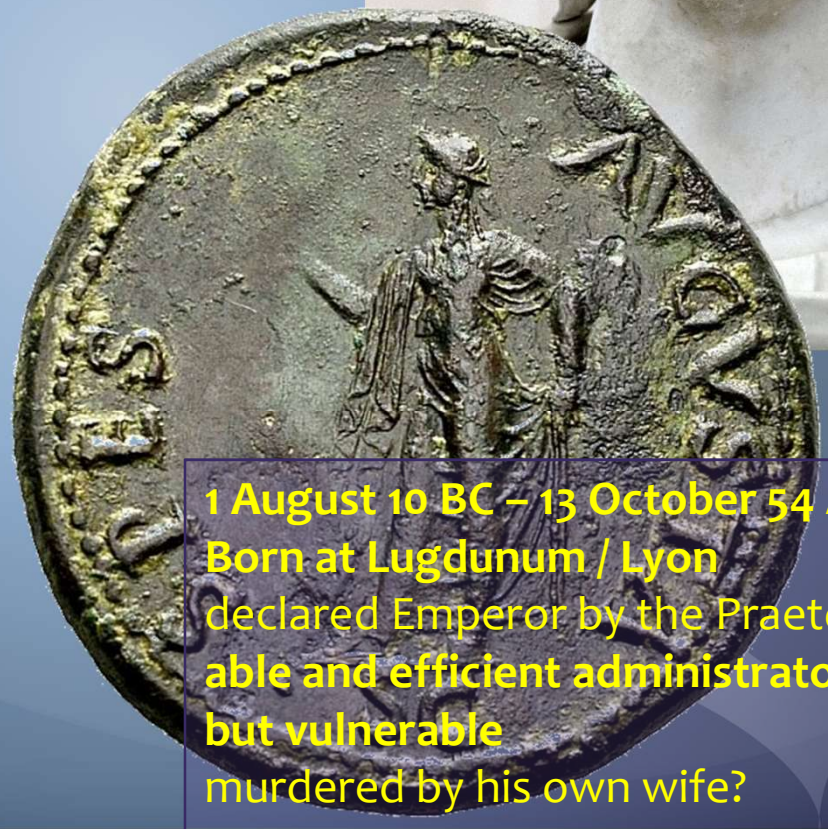




Claudius A.D. 41 - 54

- Sestertius (30,19g), Roma, A.D. 41-42
  Av.: TI CLAVDIVS CAESAR AVG P M TR P IMP
  Rv.: SPES - AVGVSTA / S C with *spes* "hope"







1 August 10 BC – 13 October 54 AD
Born at Lugdunum / Lyon
declared Emperor by the Praetorian Guard
able and efficient administrator
but vulnerable
murdered by his own wife?

Claudius A.D. 41 - 54

- emperor Claudius
- Silver
- mint: Ephesos
- Av. Claudius
  Ti Claud Caes Aug

  Rv. Temple of Artemis (Diana!) of Ephesos
  A.D. 41-54



Claudius A.D. 41 - 54



Lyon Tablet, in Gallo-Roman museum, Lyon

Drusus (Aug's stepson: 38- 9 B.C.)

- *aureus*, for Nero Claudius Drusus (38-9 v. Chr.), posthumous under Claudius, AD 41-45
  Av.: NERO CLAVDIVS DRVSVS GERMANICVS IMP,
  Rv.:Arcus Drusi – with equestr. statue of Drusus, 2 tropaea: DE GERMANIS



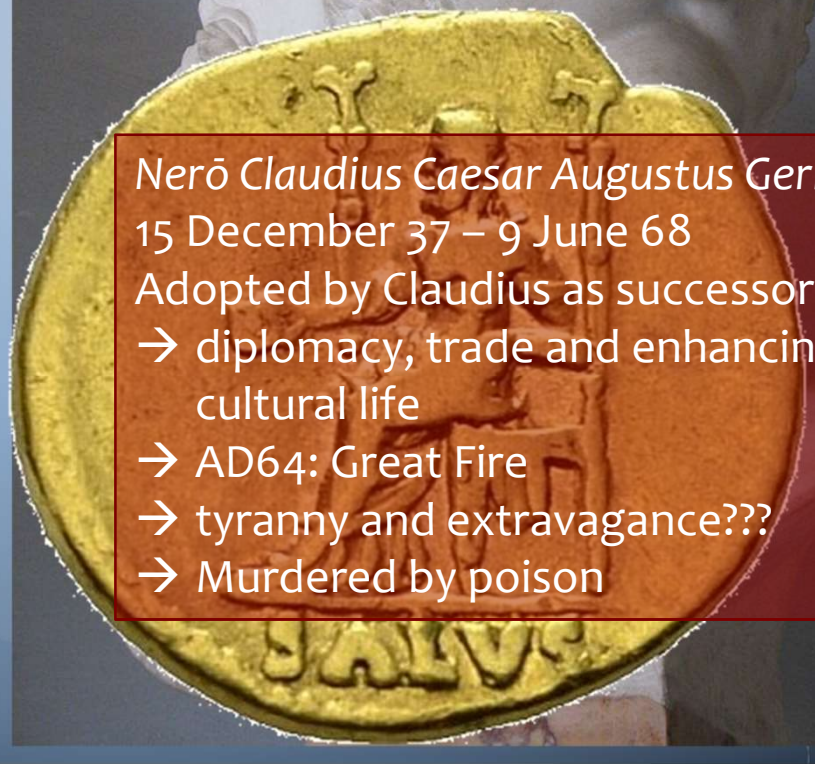


Nero A.D. 54 - 68

END OF JULIO-CLAUDIAN DYNASTY

- aureus (7,24g), Roma, A.D. 67-68
  Av.: IMP NERO CAESAR - AVG P P,
  Rv.: SALVS (im Abschnitt), Salus with patera on throne





Nerō Claudius Caesar Augustus Germanicus;
15 December 37 – 9 June 68
Adopted by Claudius as successor
→ diplomacy, trade and enhancing the cultural life
→ AD64: Great Fire
→ tyranny and extravagance???
→ Murdered by poison

Nero A.D. 54 - 68 damnatio memoriae

END OF JULIO-CLAUDIAN DYNASTY

- aureus (7,24g), Roma, A.D. 67-6
  Av.: IMP NERO CAESAR - AVG P
  Rv.: SALVS (im Abschnitt), Salu





Galba A.D. 68-69

- Denarius (3,57g), Roma, July 68-January 69 A.D.
  Av.: IMP SER GALBA CAESAR AVG P M
  Rv.: VICTOR-IA - P R, Victory with wreath… on globe





Otho A.D. 69

- Denarius (3,33g), Roma, January-March A.D. 69
  Av.: IMP OTHO CAESAR AVG TR P
  Rv.: SECVRI-TAS P R, image of Securitas with wreath and sceptre





Vitellius A.D. 69

- Denarius (3,14g), Roma, April-December 69
  Av.: A VITELLIVS GERM IMP AVG TR P
  Rv.: LIBERTAS - RESTITVTA, Libertas with pileus (symbol: freedom) and scepter



Vespasianus A.D. 69 – 79

FLAVIAN DYNASTY

- Dupondius (13,92g), Roma, A.D. 74
  Av.: IMP CAESAR VESPASIANVS AVG
  P-ON MAX TR POT P P COS V CENS, Caduceus with 2 *cornuacopiae*.





Titus Flāvius Caesar Vespasiānus Augustus
17 November 9 – 23 June 79
Family of equestrian origin
Miltiary achievements
(Britain 43 & Judaea 66)
Roman legions of Egypt and Judaea reacted
declared Vespasian emperor
Built colosseum

Titus A.D. 79 – 81



- Titus as Caesar 69-79. Denarius (3,16g), Ephesus (Efes), A.D. 71
  Av.: IMPERATOR T CAESAR AVGVSTI E (sic)
  Rv.: CONCORDIA - AVG / EPHE Concordia-Ceres





succeeded his father Vespasian upon his death
During reign : completing colosseum; Pompey AD79
died of a fever on 13 September 81

Domitianus A.D. 81 – 96

FLAVIAN DYNASTY



- as Caesar 69-81. Denarius (3,29g), Ephesus (Efes), A.D. 71
  Av.: DOMITIANVS CAESAR AVG F
  Rv.: PACI ORB - TERR AVG / EPHE (bust of Pax (?))

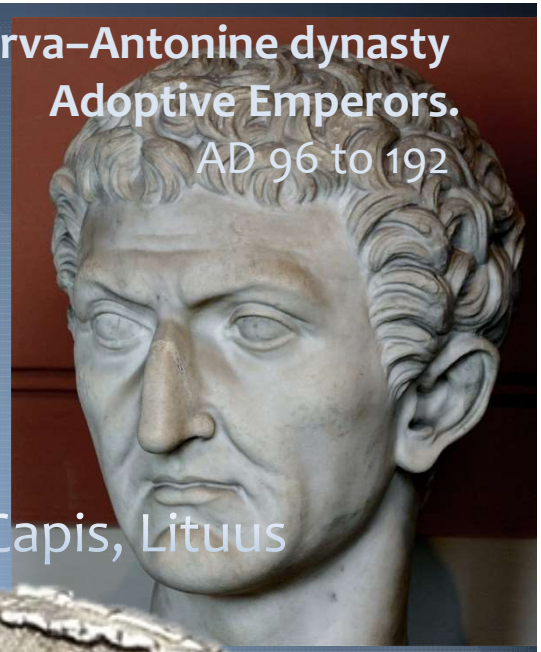




Titus Flavius Caesar Domitianus Augustus
24 October 51 – 18 September 96
Brother of Titus
Saw himself as ‚new Augustus‘: personality cult, control private & public morals
assassinated by court officials

Nerva A.D. 96 – 98

Nerva–Antonine dynasty
Adoptive Emperors.
AD 96 to 192



- denarius (3,10g), Roma, A.D. 97
  Av.: IMP NERVA CAES - AVG P M TR POT II
  Rv.: COS III PATER PATRIAE, Simpulum, Aspergillum, Capis, Lituus

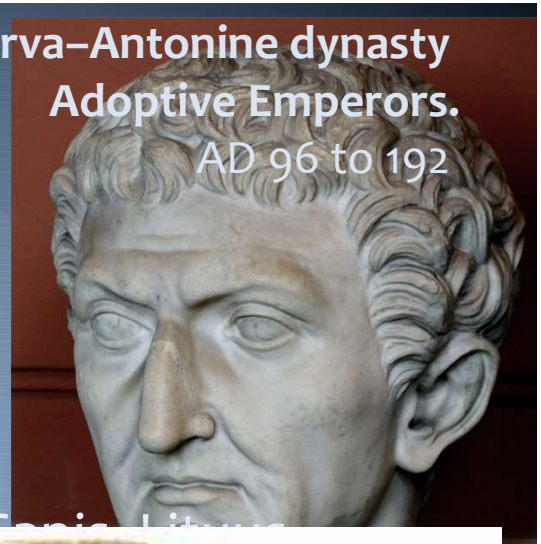




Marcus Cocceius Nerva Caesar Augustus;
8 November, 30 AD – 27 January, 98 AD
Adviser/in service since Nero
Elected by Senate as emperor!
a wise and moderate emperor

Nerva A.D. 96 – 98

Nerva–Antonine dynasty
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AD 96 to 192



- denarius (3,10g), Roma, A.D. 97
  Av.: IMP NERVA CAES - AVG P M TR POT II
  Rv.: COS III PATER PATRIAE - Simpulum, Aspergillum, Capis, Lituus





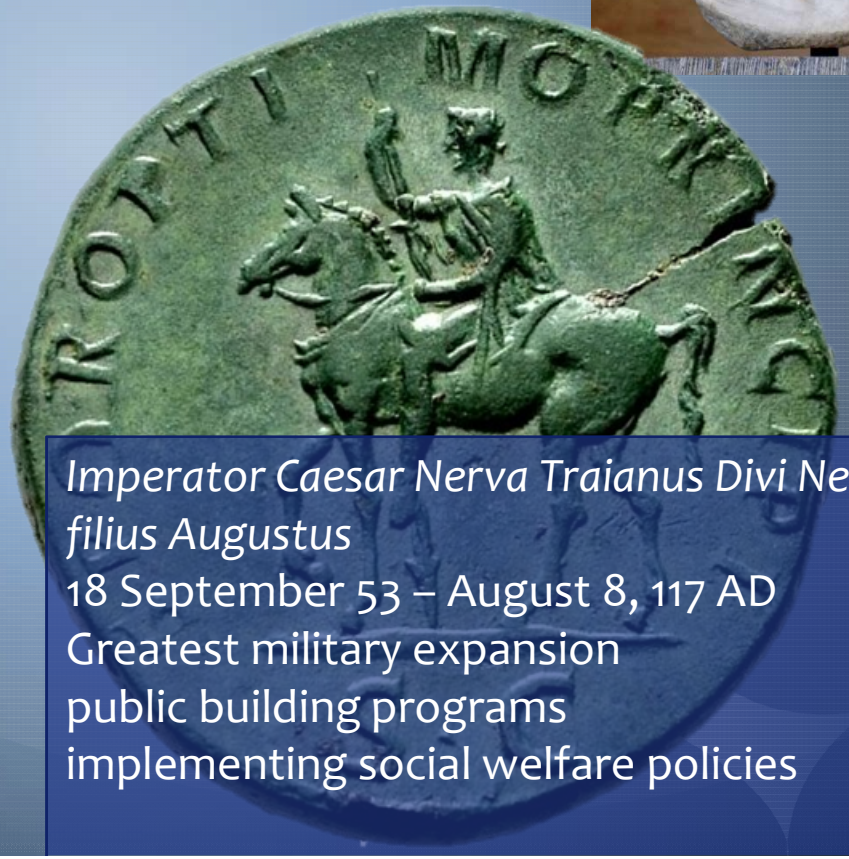
Concordia Exercituum

Trajan (AD 53 – 117: emp from AD 98



- born in *Italica* in Spain (Baetica)
  declared *optimus princeps* ("best ruler") by Senate
- Sestertius (27,73g), Roma, A.D. 112-113/114
  Av.: IMP CAES NERVAE TRAIANO AVG GER DAC P M TR P COS VI P P
  Rv.: S P Q R OPTIMO PRINCIPI / S C. Statue of emperor





Imperator Caesar Nerva Traianus Divi Nervae filius Augustus
18 September 53 – August 8, 117 AD
Greatest military expansion
public building programs
implementing social welfare policies



om AD 98

by Senate

R DAC P M TR P COS VI P P

e of emperor





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Hadrian A.D. 117 – 138

- born Publius Aelius Hadrianus, in Hispania
- Sestertius (24,10g), Roma, 132-134
  Av.: HADRIANVS – AVGVSTVS
  Rv.: FELICITATI / AVG // COS III P P / S - C





24 January, 76 AD – 10 July, 138 A
Philhellene; humanist

Hadrian A.D. 117 – 138

- Denarius (3,30g), Roma, 134-138
  Av.: HADRIANVS - AVG COS III P P, Rv.: RESTVTORI - HISPANIAE, kneeling Hispania with twig and emperor with papyrus role





Hadrian A.D. 117 – 138

LIBERALITAS
PROVIDENTIA
ANNONA: grain supply

- Sestertius (24,57g), Roma, for 2nd Liberalitas, A.D. 118
  Av.: IMP CAESAR TRAIANVS - HADRIANVS AVG,
  Rv.: PONT M-AX TR P-OT COS II // LIBERALITAS AVG / S C





Antoninus Pius A.D. 138-161

- Denarius (3,58g), Roma, 148-149
  Rv: Annona with ears of grain, *modius*,…





Antoninus Pius A.D. 138-161

- AE As (11,27g). 154 – 155
  Os.: ANTONINVS AVG PIVS PP TR P XVIII,
  Rv.: BRITANN-IA COS IIII / SC, Britannia on rock



Marcus Aurelius A.D. 161 - 180

- Denarius (2,76g), Roma, Dec. 179 – March 180
  Victory with wreath and tropaeum on globe



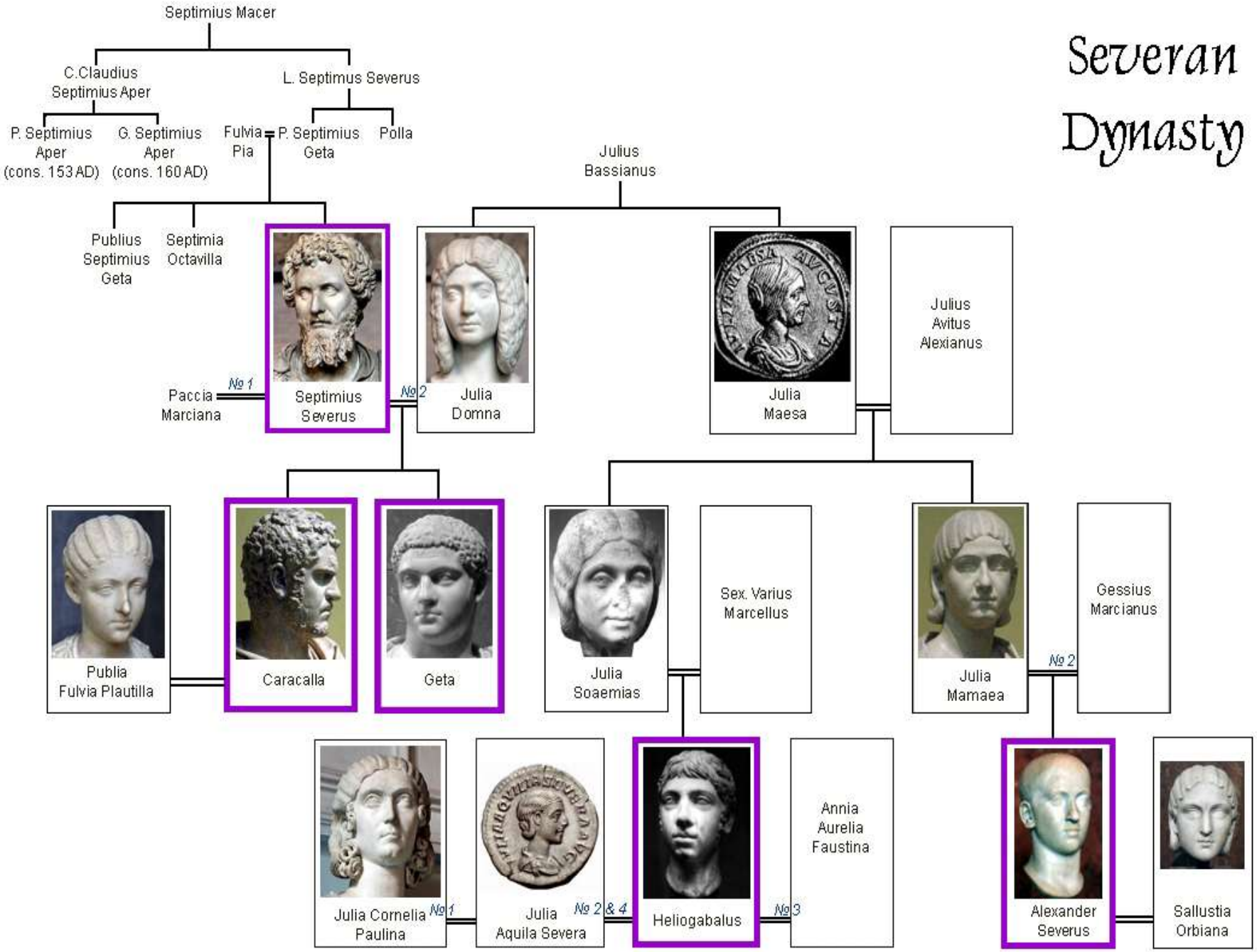
Septimus Severus A.D. 193 - 211

- born in Leptis Magna in AD 145, province of Africa
  died in York (Eboracum): AD 211
- Aureus, Rome, 195, laureate bust right,
  rev. Victory advancing left, holding wreath and trophy





Severan Dynasty





Tondo from Djemila (Algeria), probably AD 199 (G. M. A. Hanfmann, *Roman Art*, 1964, pl. XLVIII), showing the Severan dynasty: Septimius Severus with Julia Domna, Caracalla and Geta, whose face is smeared out, probably because of the damnatio memoriae put against him by Caracalla.



Arch of Septimius Severus, Tripolis



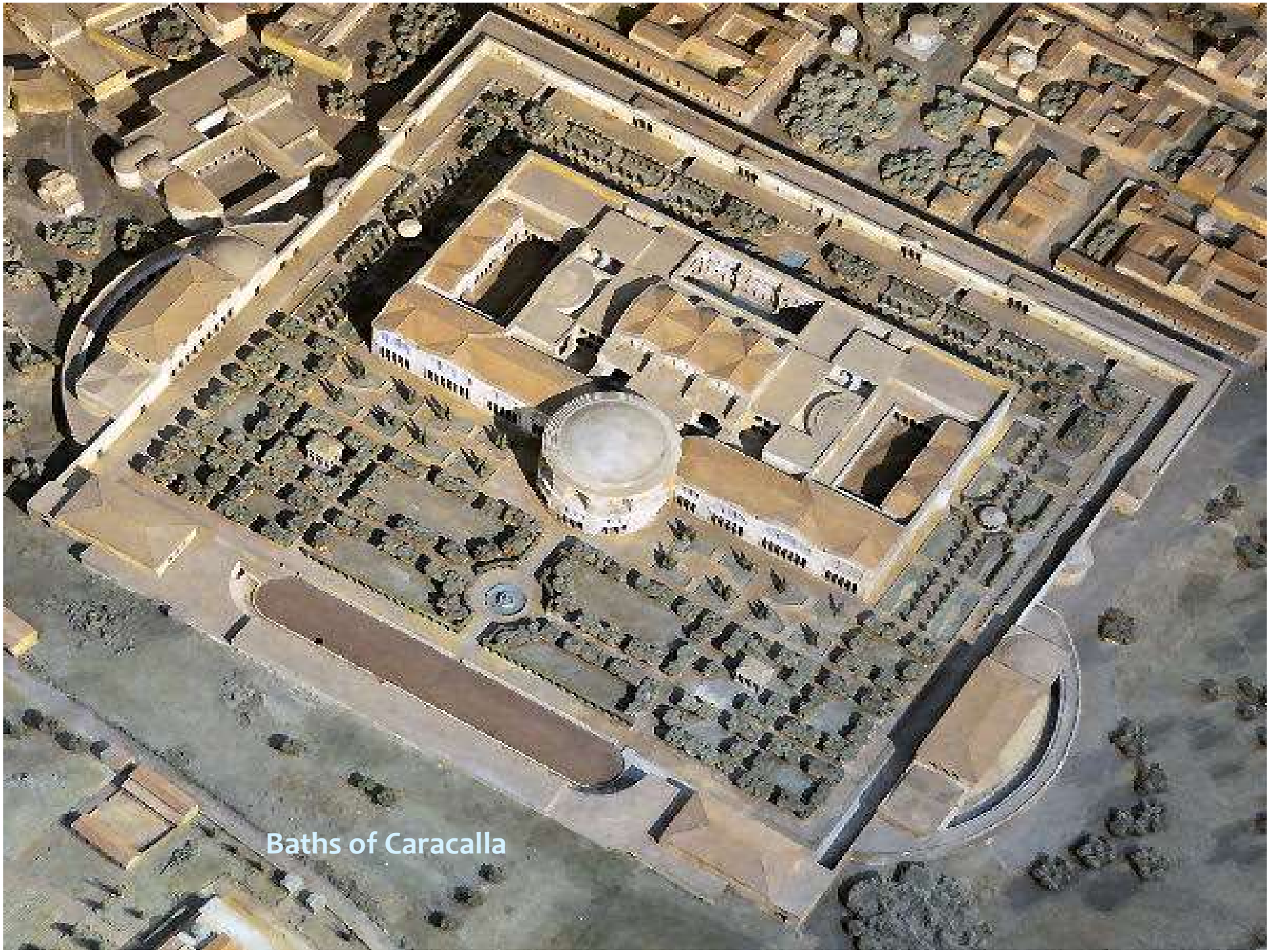
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Elagabal & sun god Elagabal from Emesa, Syria (*Ilāh hag-Gabal*)



Forum under Septimius Severus


Baths of Caracalla