

SITE GPR	YEAR 2009	AREA B	SECTOR	ELEVATION Min: Max: 62.98	STRATIGRAPHICAL UNIT 1025 <input type="checkbox"/> Natural <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Anthropic		Gabii Project
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In cross-section? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	In elevation drawing? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Photos: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No #: 124, 126	Photo Model: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No # 38
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DEFINITION Amphora base - possible Funerary Vessel	Covered by <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SU: 1016	Fills <input type="checkbox"/> SU:	Filled by <input type="checkbox"/> SU: 1029
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HOW IS LAYER DISTINGUISHED? <input type="checkbox"/> Color <input type="checkbox"/> Composition <input type="checkbox"/> Compaction	FORMATION PROCESS <input type="checkbox"/> Accumulation <input type="checkbox"/> Construction <input type="checkbox"/> Cutting <input type="checkbox"/> Erosion <input type="checkbox"/> Collapse <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Intentional deposition
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INCLUSIONS For each inclusion specify frequency: (f)requent, (m)edium, (r)are			SOIL/MATRIX clay ___% silt ___% sand ___% <input type="checkbox"/> Granular <input type="checkbox"/> Layered <input type="checkbox"/> Cohesive
Anthropic <input type="checkbox"/> Pottery <input type="checkbox"/> Tiles <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amphorae <input type="checkbox"/> Dolia <input type="checkbox"/> Mosaic tile(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Mortar <input type="checkbox"/> Coins <input type="checkbox"/> Metal (specify) <input type="checkbox"/> Collapse debris <input type="checkbox"/> Glass	Geological <input type="checkbox"/> Tufo (specify) <input type="checkbox"/> Travertine <input type="checkbox"/> Other Limestone <input type="checkbox"/> Basalt <input type="checkbox"/> Clay <input type="checkbox"/> Sand <input type="checkbox"/> Silt <input type="checkbox"/> Pebbles (range) <input type="checkbox"/> Gravel (range)	Organic <input type="checkbox"/> Charcoal <input type="checkbox"/> Ash <input type="checkbox"/> Animal bones <input type="checkbox"/> Human bones <input type="checkbox"/> Animal teeth <input type="checkbox"/> Human teeth <input type="checkbox"/> Shells <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)	Compaction <input type="checkbox"/> Hard <input type="checkbox"/> Compact <input type="checkbox"/> Friable <input type="checkbox"/> Loose <input type="checkbox"/> Soft
			Color <input type="checkbox"/> Black <input type="checkbox"/> Brown <input type="checkbox"/> Gray <input type="checkbox"/> Light Brown <input type="checkbox"/> Light Gray <input type="checkbox"/> White <input type="checkbox"/> Yellow <input type="checkbox"/> Red <input type="checkbox"/> Light Yellow <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)

UNIT LIMITS (also indicate on overlay)	Depth: <input type="checkbox"/> Original <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Original
Northern Limit <input type="checkbox"/> Original <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Original <input type="checkbox"/> Excavation Limit	
Southern Limit <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original <input type="checkbox"/> Not Original <input type="checkbox"/> Excavation Limit	
Western Limit <input type="checkbox"/> Original <input type="checkbox"/> Not Original <input type="checkbox"/> Excavation Limit	
Eastern Limit <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original <input type="checkbox"/> Not Original <input type="checkbox"/> Excavation Limit	

STRATIGRAPHICAL SEQUENCE	
Is equal to:	Is bound to (only for masonry):
Is abutted by:	Abuts:
Is covered by: 1016	Covers: 1031
Is cut by:	Cuts:
Is filled by: 1029	Fills:

OBSERVATIONS Truncated base of Amphora. Heavily damaged & root disturbed. However, small fragments of bone noted during excavation (possibly human?) and denture lifted with contact later for later micro-examination. Possibly Funerary Vessel? Excavated with hand, left by conditions.

DESCRIPTION
Position within sector: SOUTH-EASTERN CORNER OF AREA B
Shape: SEE SKETCH

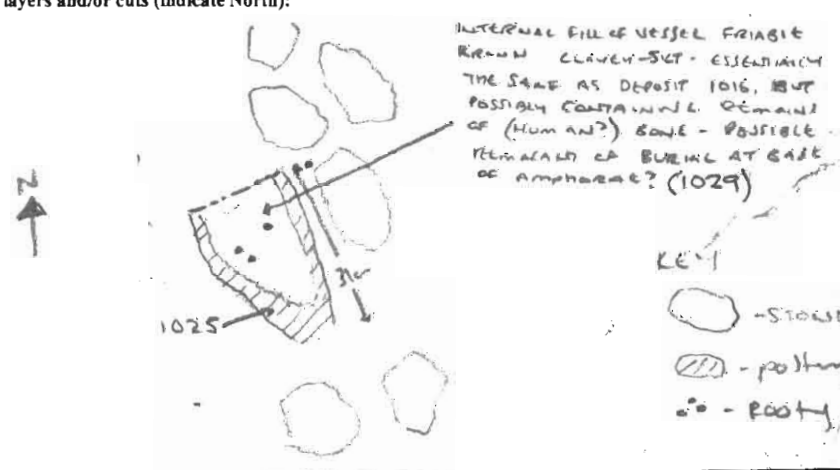
For layers complete this section:

Surface (slope direction; visible inclusions):

Observations about inclusions (Clusters? Deposition slope):

Observations about thickness (Increases? Decreases?):

Nature of the interface with layer below: sharp diffuse commingled other (specify)

For cuts complete this section: Cut edges: <input type="checkbox"/> rounded <input type="checkbox"/> straight Cut sides: <input type="checkbox"/> straight <input type="checkbox"/> concave <input type="checkbox"/> convex <input type="checkbox"/> sloping Cut bottom: <input type="checkbox"/> flat <input type="checkbox"/> concave <input type="checkbox"/> irregular How is cut top edge? <input type="checkbox"/> sharp <input type="checkbox"/> rounded How is cut bottom edge? <input type="checkbox"/> sharp <input type="checkbox"/> rounded Observations:	Sketch for layers and/or cuts (indicate North): 
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For structural remains complete this section

Alignment:

Building Technique: Adobe/Mud-brick Ashlar (blocks) Irregular (unworked) stone Concrete Other (specify)

Binding Agent: None Clay Mortar (if so, specify composition, color, compaction)

Concrete inclusions:

Material Tufo Basalt Travertine Tiles Other (specify)
 Size Small (range) _____ Medium (range) _____ Large (range) _____ Representative size: e.g. 2 x 1 x 2 cmz

Wall Facing:

Opus quadratum Opus incertum Opus reticulatum Petit appareil Opus testaceum Opus mixtum Opus vittatum Other (specify)

Complete this section for foundations Faced foundation Wooden shuttering No shuttering

floor/revetment type

Floor type: Beaten Earth Opus signinum Opus scutulatum Opus Sectile Mosaic Opus spicatum Other (specify)

Wall finishing Stucco Opus signinum Plaster Painted Plaster Other (specify)

Approx. length, width, height of structural remains:

Description:

Sketch (if applicable, indicate North)

INTERPRETATION

possibly Funerary vessel? - requires micro-exc to determine.
 No cut could be observed during excavation, so several depositional processes have been considered in relation to placement of vessel.

① cut for deposition of vessel was originally present, but has been lost via bioturbation and plough damage.

② original deliberate placement of vessel within cavity/void in underlying wall, and later function/plough disturbance perhaps shifting vessel from original location. This is thought to be the most likely interpretation. vessel

SOIL SAMPLING: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	NON SOIL SAMPLES: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	SIEVING: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Total volume of layer (buckets):	If yes, specify (e.g. charcoal, mortar etc.):	Total volume of layer (buckets):
Sample quantity (buckets):		Sample quantity (buckets):
Sample fraction (%):	Size:	Sample fraction (%):

STRATIGRAPHICAL RELIABILITY <input type="checkbox"/> Good <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Poor Thought likely to have been placed with wall & later disturbed from original situation.	Filled-out by AT	on 13.07.09
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Interpretation - continued...

could have been placed while road wall was still in use. However, in view of its position on the top of the wall's collapse, and the nature of the areas of collapse & rubble immediately below & surrounding the vessel, it is thought most likely that the vessel had been placed within a void or cavity within 4031, and therefore dates to a period after the road wall had been abandoned.