



Hippos (Sussita) 2003 – 4rd Season

Locus Card

Locus No. L525

Archaeological Context

Locus Status: closed

Locus Type: under floor

Field Manager: Schuler

Area: Northeast Church:

Opening Date: 15 July

Opening Height: 130.63

Closing Date: 15 July

Closing Height: 130.58

Locus Location

General Description of Borders:

Under floor level at east end of south aisle

Loci

Below	Above	North	South	West	East	Identical
L524			L519		Base of chancel screen	

	X coordinate	Y coordinate
North East	523.61	605.17
South West	524.45	604.23

General Description and Soil Analysis

Light gray (10YR 7/2) dry, very stony sandy loam, grayish brown (10YR 5/2) moist; massive; firm; assumed to be calcareous (by color).

Chronology of Excavation

- 15 July
 - Starting Elevation = 130.63
 - Ending Elevation = 130.58
 - Recovered a 2nd/3rd century Roman oil lamp under the south door, under a stone that served as a base for the mosaic floor. As the lamp was in the plaster, it provides a terminus a quo for the building (not very helpful). The lamp was 49 cm west of the tomb wall (W514) and 17 cm below the threshold elevation (130.60).

Pottery and Small Finds

1844 L525	NEC	C3	130.632	130.632	15-Jul-03	Schuler	sealed under floor	<input type="checkbox"/> FL <input type="checkbox"/> W <input type="checkbox"/> BS <input type="checkbox"/> Z <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> P <input type="checkbox"/> PL <input type="checkbox"/> I <input type="checkbox"/> L in plaster base of F526 <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> V <input type="checkbox"/> BR <input type="checkbox"/> LT <input type="checkbox"/> S <input type="checkbox"/> ST <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> LP <input type="checkbox"/> HZ 1844A - Oil lamp Roman 2-3c <input type="checkbox"/> NP <input type="checkbox"/> CU <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MS <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> IN <input type="checkbox"/> BL body 1844B - Oil lamp tip with ash
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Architectural Items

Concluding Remarks

Oil lamps may be helpful in dating.