

# HAND MADE POTTERY FROM BAELO CLAUDIA: ARCHAEOLOGICAL RESULTS

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## **Abstract**

The late pottery (5th-6th century) from the south-eastern sector of the Baelo Claudia forum has already been presented at the RCRF congress in Lisbon (Deru et al. 2018). Among it, hand made pottery is in the minority, less than 5%. Observation with a binocular magnifying glass had already made it possible to distinguish several fabrics. Archaeometry improves our first characterization by chemical (XRF), mineralogical (XRD) and thin sections analysis. Results are then compared to other pertinent data from the Mio-Pliocene sedimentary sandstone, clay and marl vicinity to the Tarifa region. This brings new data on crafts and trade in the Western Mediterranean during the Roman period.

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