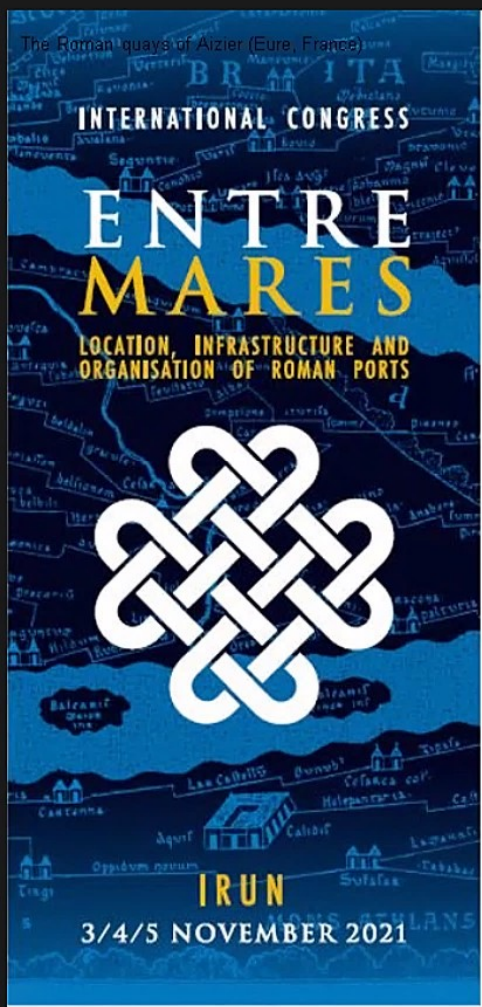




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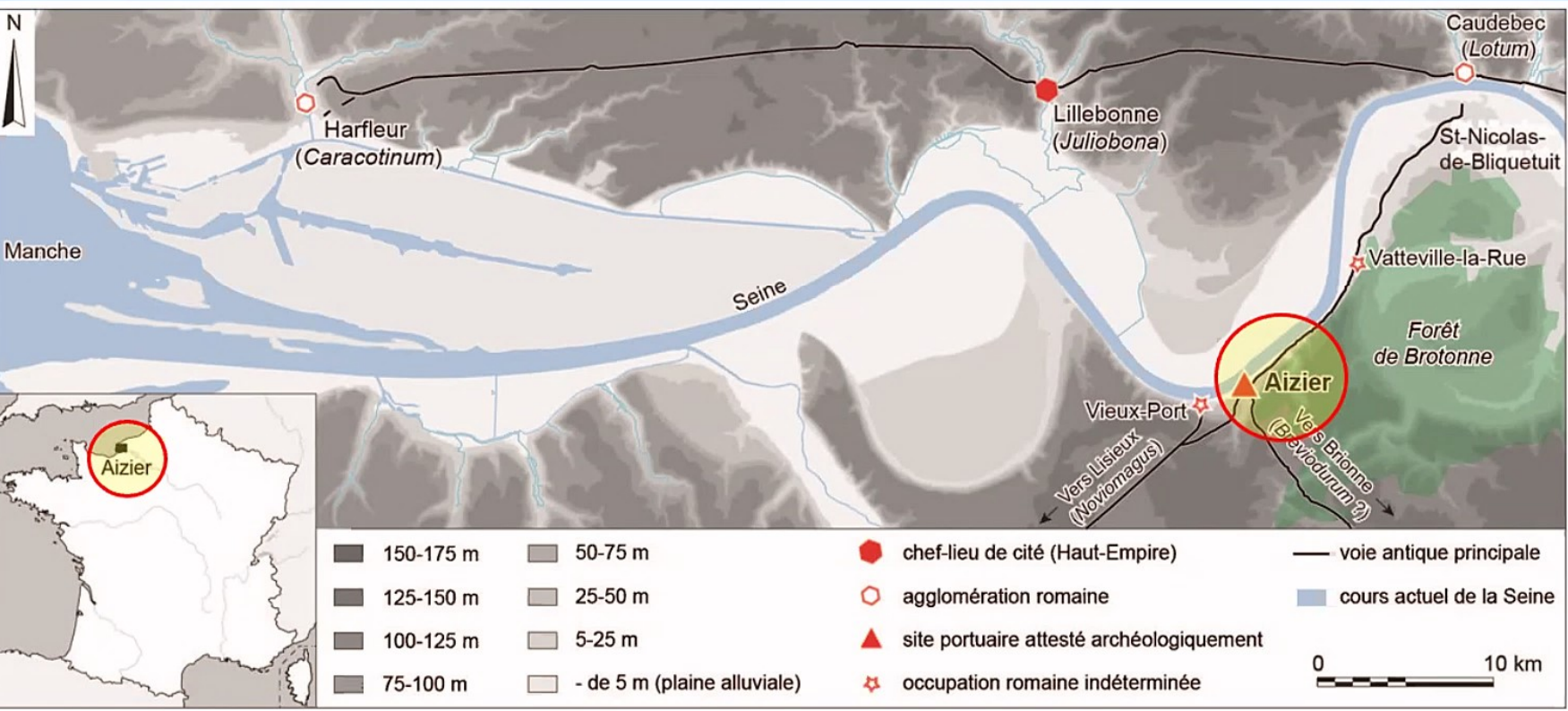





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Presentation



Position of Aizier (Eure) in the Seine estuary

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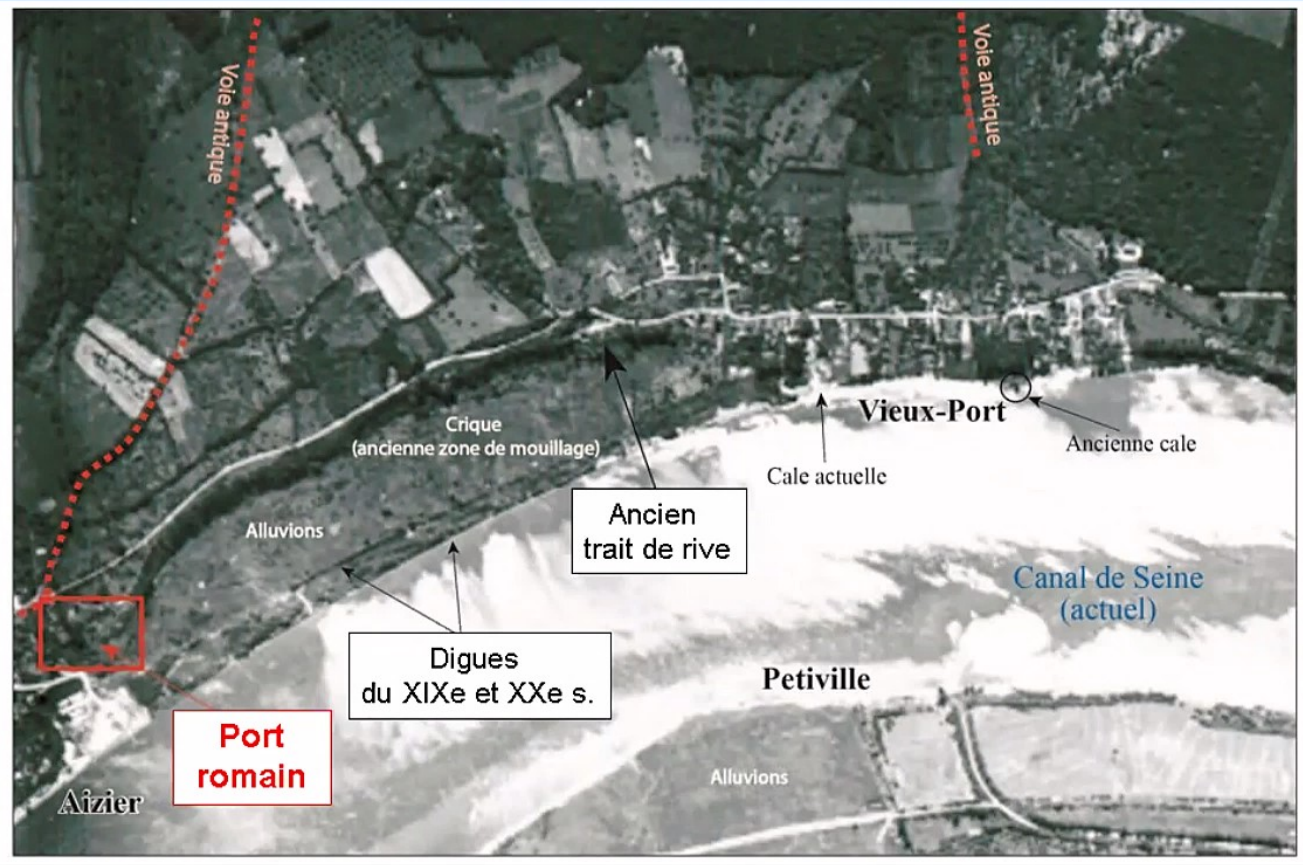
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The concave shore, between Aizier and Vieux-Port, based on a 1947 aerial photograph

(IGN, cliché aérien vertical, mission de 1947, NB, n°147)

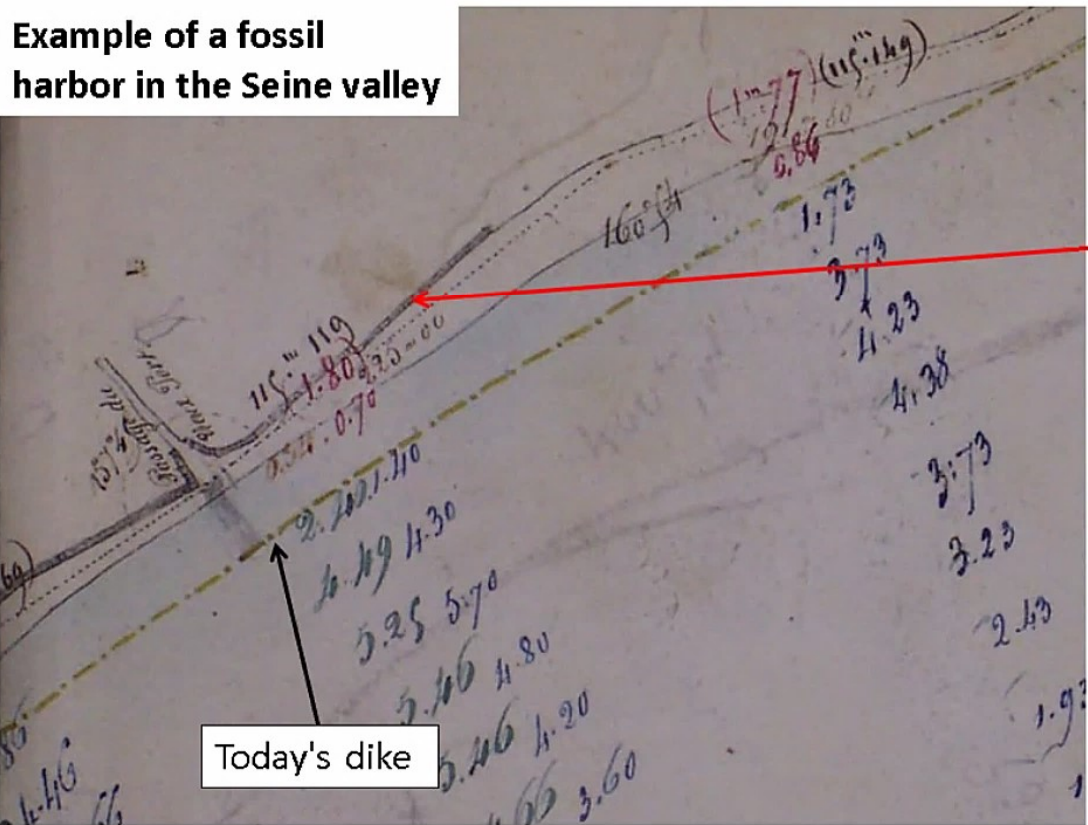


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Example of a fossil harbor in the Seine valley



Today's dike



(Vieux-Port, Eure)



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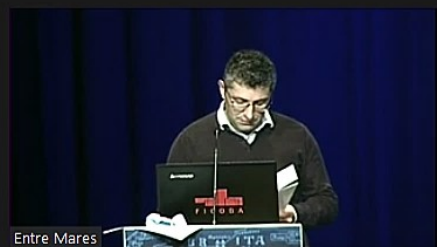
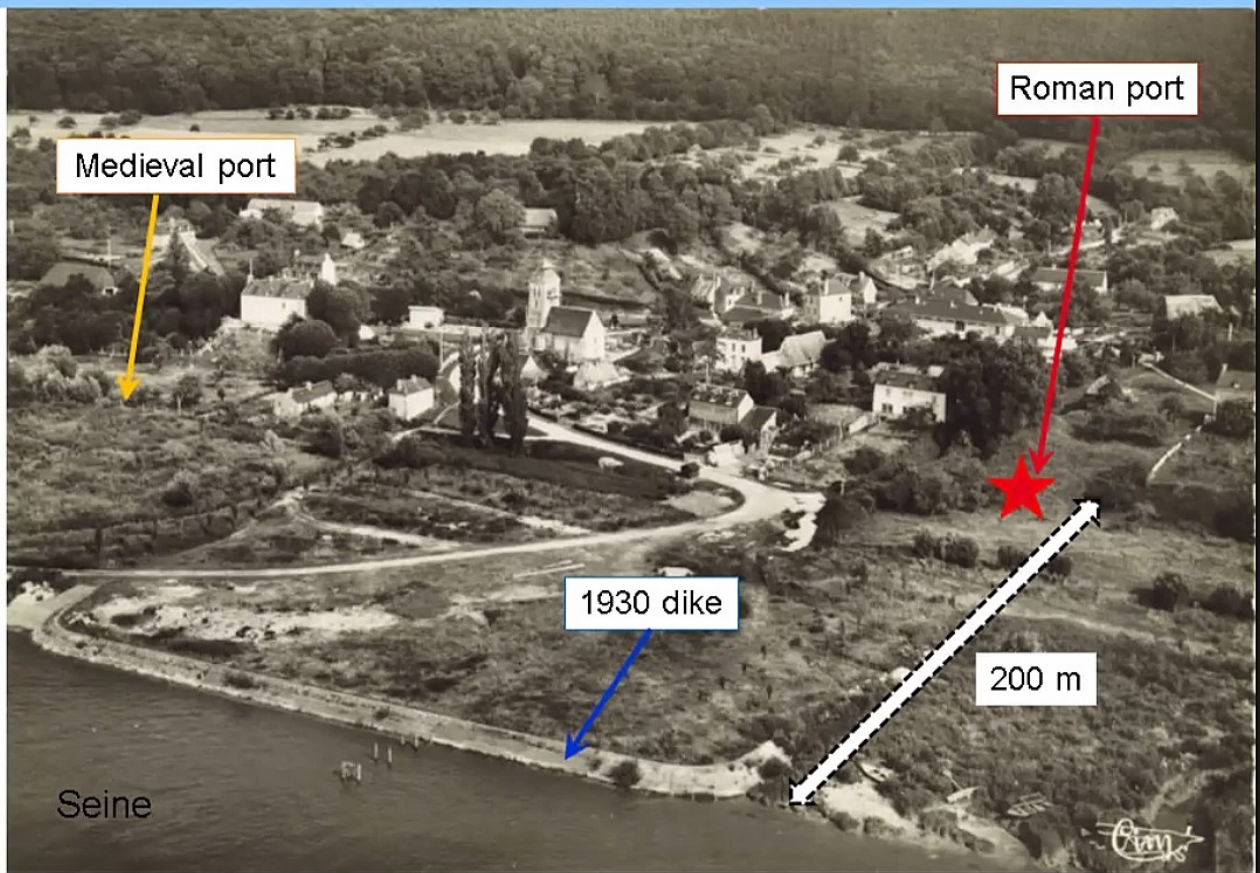


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Aerial view of Aizier (20th century) and location of the site

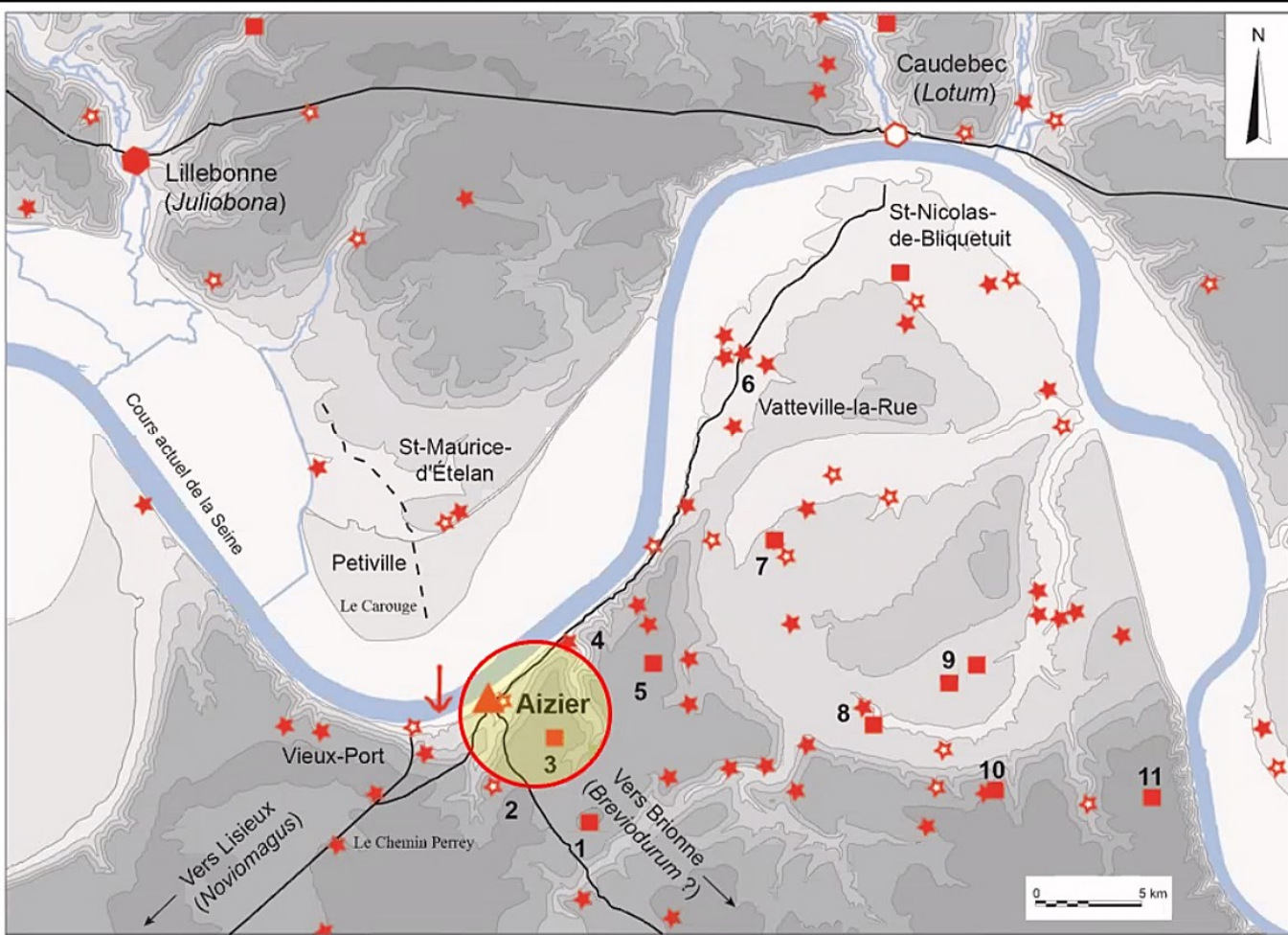


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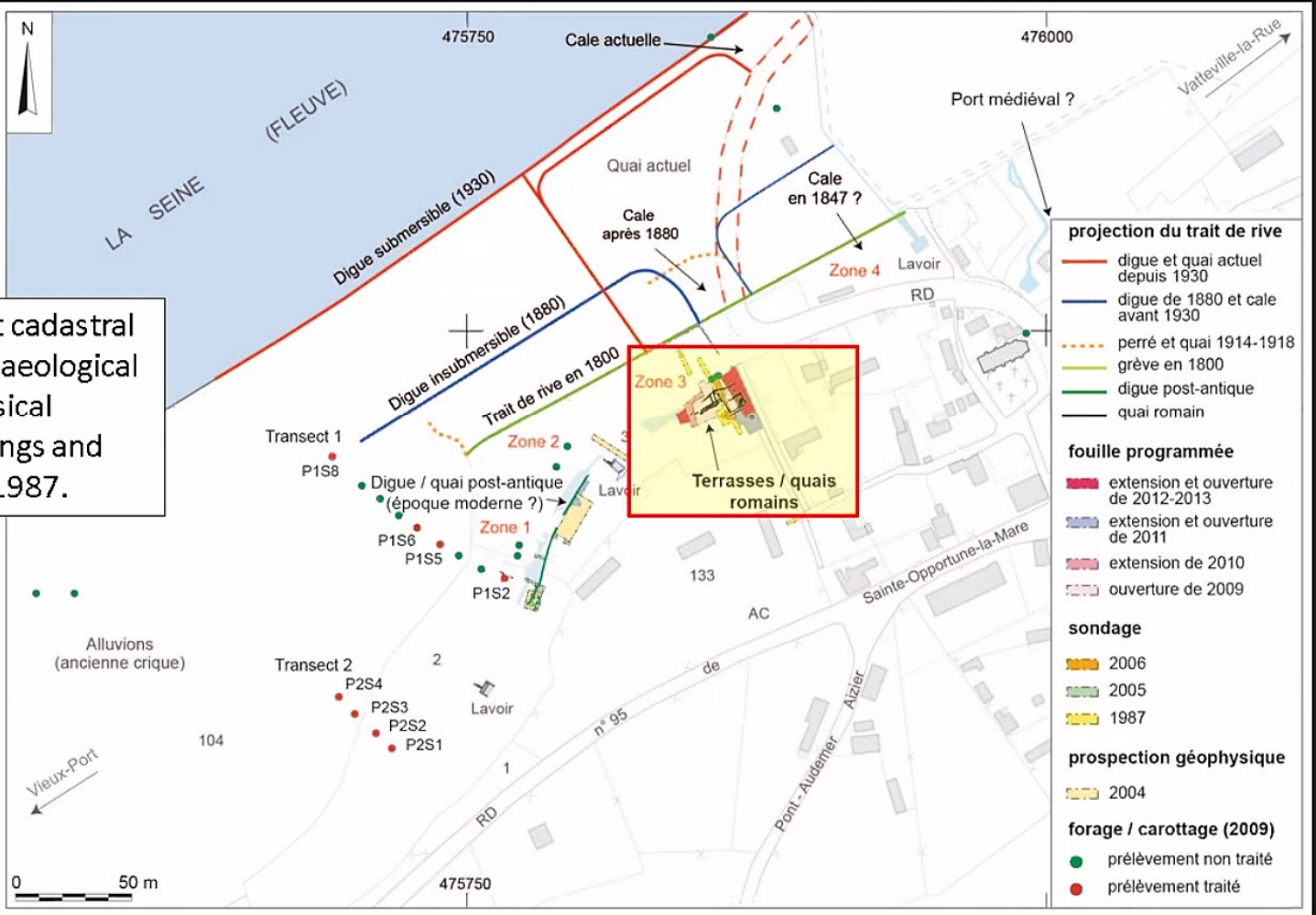
The port site of Aizier (Eure) in the context of the "Brotonne loop" in Roman times

Many occupations on the south shore (villae, rural establishments, necropolises ...)

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Location, on current cadastral background, of archaeological operations (geophysical prospecting, soundings and excavations), since 1987.



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Two lines (between the 2nd and 3rd century AD)



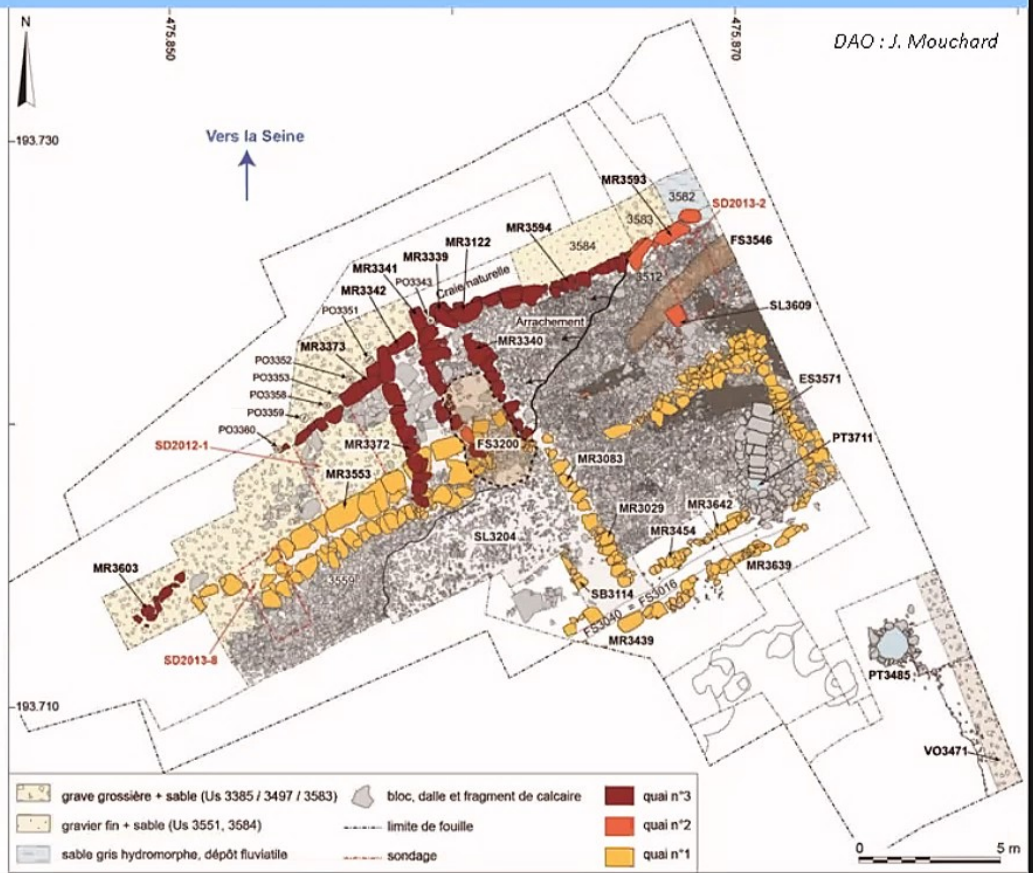
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General plan of zone 3 and the main facts relating to all the Roman port terraces recognized at the end of the program in 2013



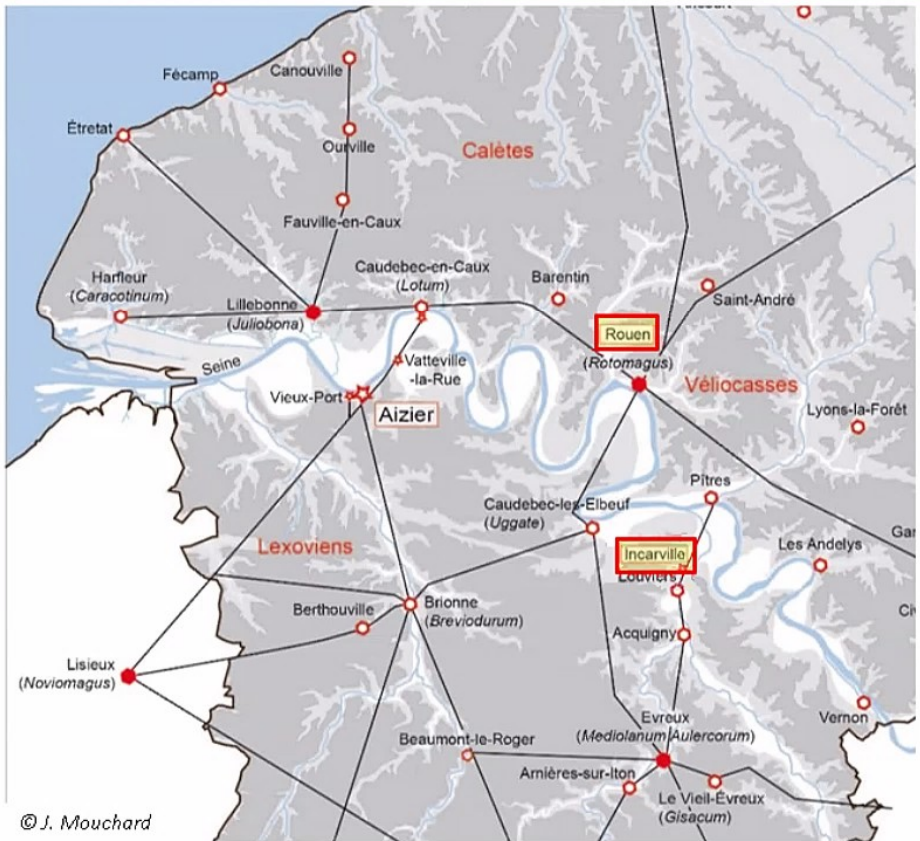
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Roman quays (other examples in the Seine valley)



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**Incarville (27)
1995**

**Rouen (76)
Place de la Haute-
Vieille-Tour,
fouille de
sauvetage – 1978**



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The south quay in zone 3 and its front wall, resting on bedrock (Etat 1)



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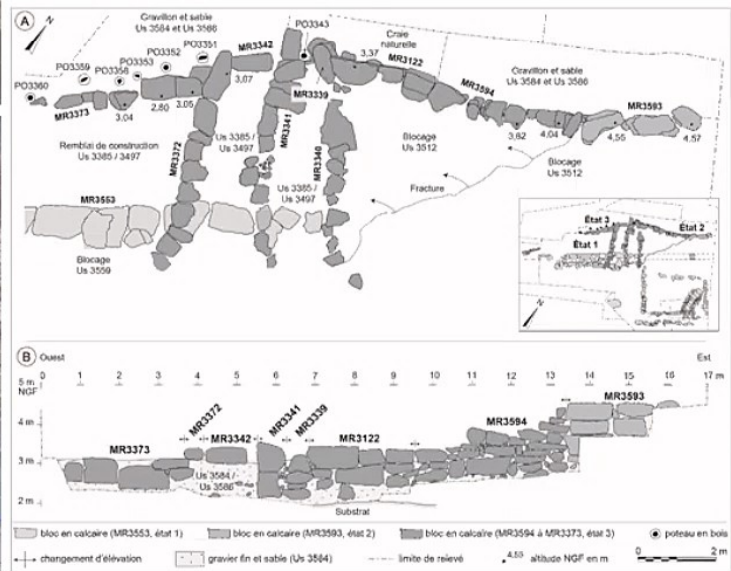
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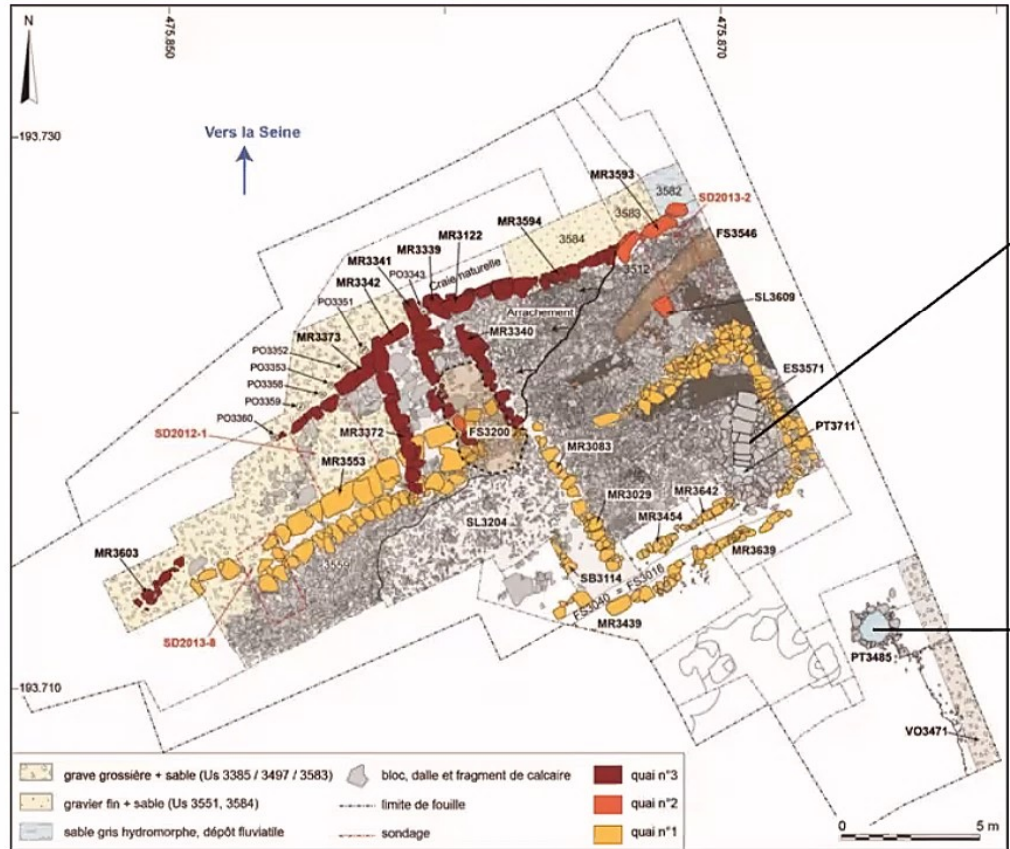
The north quay and its front wall (Etats 2 et 3)



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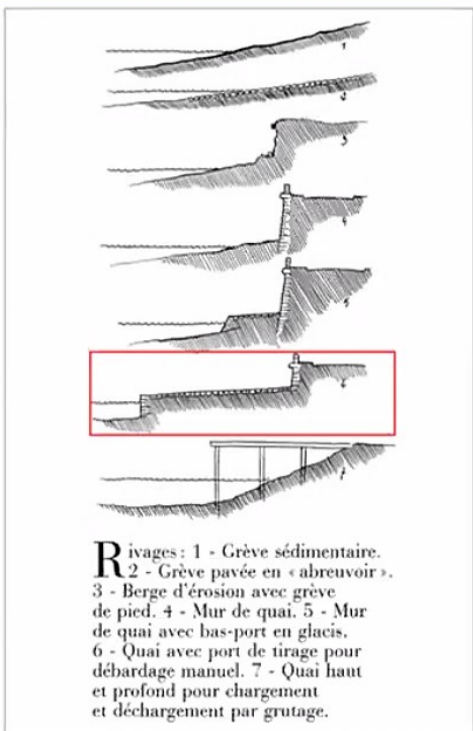
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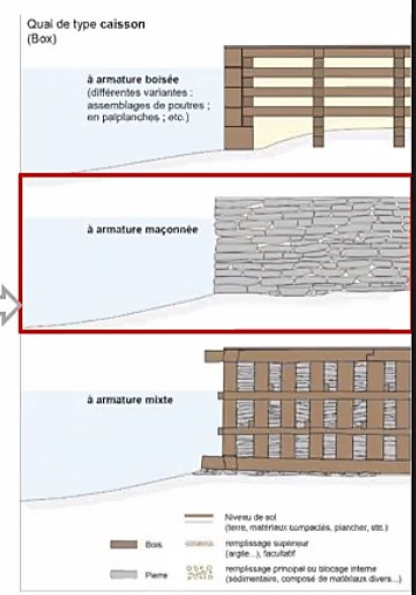
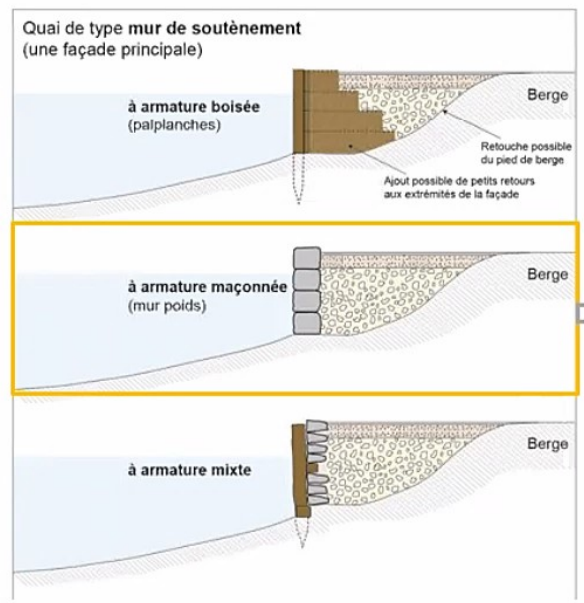
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Rivages: 1 - Grève sédimentaire.
 2 - Grève pavée en « abreuvoir ».
 3 - Berge d'érosion avec grève de pied. 4 - Mur de quai. 5 - Mur de quai avec bas-port en glacis.
 6 - Quai avec port de tirage pour débarquement manuel. 7 - Quai haut et profond pour chargement et déchargement par grutage.

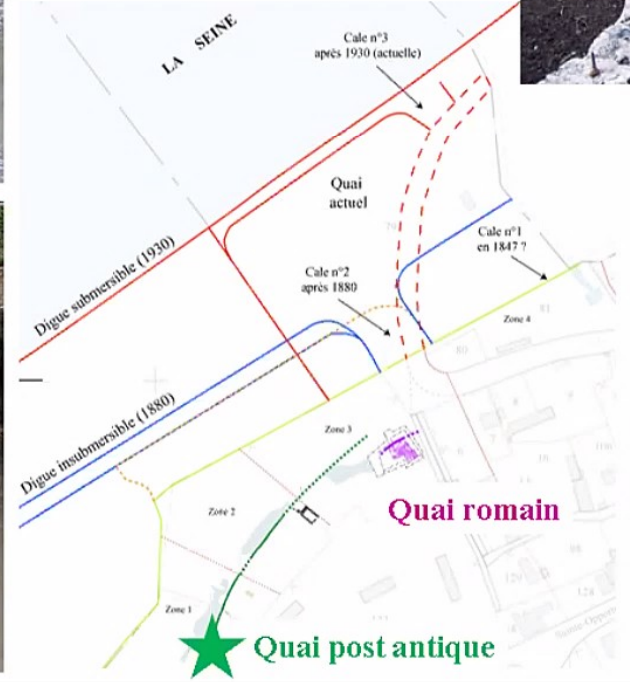
Figure 102. La berge : différents cas de figures (d'après : BEAUDOUIN, 1989, p. 17).
 Les vestiges mis au jour à Aizier en 2006 pourraient faire écho au cas n°6 (?)



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Aizier
Post-antique dike...
...also
destroyed downstream



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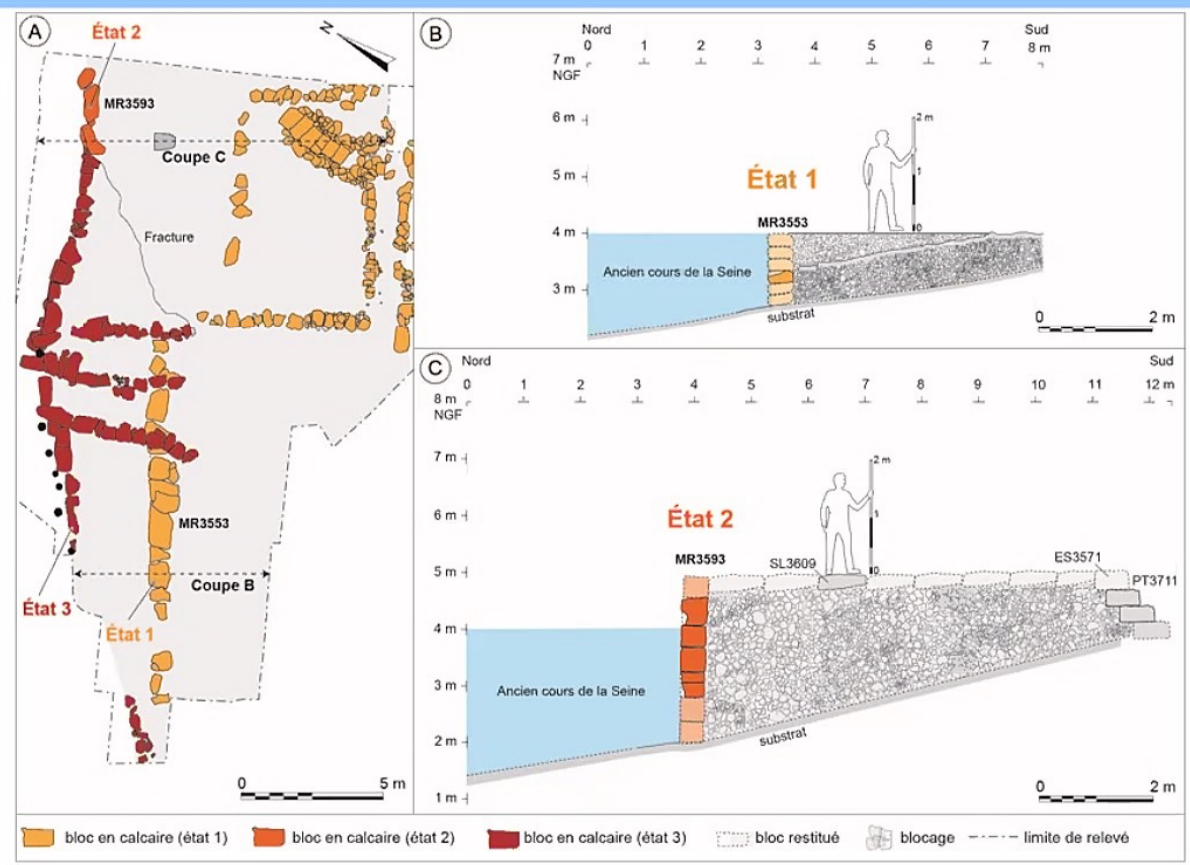
Between the 2nd and 3rd century AD

A quay surface extended towards the channel ;

An increased platform height ;

A change of construction system ;

A terrace systematically destroyed downstream of the river.



Aizier (Eure, France)

The iron anchor of Aizier



The iron anchors of Ashkelon displayed in the National Maritime Museum in Haifa



(Cliché E. Galili ; Galili et al. 2009)

Ancient anchor

Anchor of the house of the dolphins (Delos)



(Mosaïque du 1er s. av. J.-C., Délos, cl. F. Leveque)

"Fisherman carrying an anchor", Thugga (Dougga)



Maison de Dionysos, IIIe s. apr. J.-C., coll. musée du Bardo, Tunis



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