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**Ghost Stories:
Uses and Survivals of the Seleukid Royal Identity
on Non-Seleukid Coins**

It is well known to numismatists and historians that Seleukid coinage provides important and sometimes crucial documentation for the political, economic and ideological history of the empire, but the impact that the coinage had on the creation of an external Seleukid identity is often less fully appreciated. This paper will explore the use of Seleukid numismatic symbols, names and dates on coins produced beyond the borders of the empire and argue that they contributed to the development of an idea of “Seleukidness” that could be wielded to express both royal legitimacy and Syrian ethnic identity.