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AE  L'Année épigraphique (Paris, 1888–).
CEDAC  Centre de Documentation Archéologique de la Conservation de Carthage.
CIL  Corpus Inscriptionum Latinarum, consilio et auctoritate Academiae litterarum regiae Borussicae editum. (Berlin, 1863–).
CNS  Corpus Nummorum Siculorum. La monetazione di bronzo, R. Calciati (Milan, 1983).
FGrH  Die Fragmente der Griechischen Historiker, F. Jacoby (Leiden/Berlin, 1923–).
IG  Inscriptiones Graecae (Berlin, 1903–).
ILS  Inscriptiones Latinae Selectae, H. Dessau (ed.) (Berlin, 1892–1916).
RIL  Recueil des inscriptions libyques, J. B. Chabot (Paris, 1940–1).
RRC  Roman Republican Coinage, M. H. Crawford (Cambridge, 1974).
SEG  Supplementum Epigraphicum Graecum (Amsterdam/Leiden, 1923–).
SNG Cop.  Sylloge Nummorum Graecorum. The Royal Collection of Coins and Medals (Copenhagen, 1942–).