

Table Medal Death of Baron Otto Weisman, commissioned by Empress Catherine II (the Great), 1773.

In bronze, 60 mm in diameter, sealed in a PCGS (Professional Coin Grading Service) plastic holder with certification tag. PCGS Genuine - Altered Surfaces, UNC Details. The medallier's name, I.B. Gass, is imprinted at the bottom of the obverse. The obverse features a left-facing bust of Weismann encircled by inscription O-L-A WEISMANN EQU - EXERC - ROSS - PRAEFECTUS. The reverse shows a pyramid memorial with two winged Victories on its sides and inscription INSIGNI MERVIT VIRTUTE above the pyramid.

As far as can be seen without removing the medal from the holder, it is in near mint condition.

General Otto Adolf Weisman (aka Weismann) von Weissenstein (1726 - 1773) was a Livonian nobleman of German descent, who joined the Russian Army in 1744. Initially enlisted as a private, Weisman rose in rank until in the Russo-Turkish War of 1768-1744 he was promoted to the rank of major general. He distinguished himself due to his creative new tactical moves, acting fearlessly and destroying the enemy. He was considered by many of his contemporaries Russia's finest general. To an extent, Weisman was an example as a military leader to Alexander Suvorov, who replaced Weisman on the front lines of Russo-Turkish war after Weisman had been killed in the Battle of Kaynarca.

Mikhail Diakov, Medals of the Russian Empire, Vol. 2 (1725-1796), fig. 162.1/

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