

# Magical gem mounted in a modern gold ring: Chnoubis (A) characteres (B)

<b>CBd-Number</b>	CBd-105
<b>ID-Number</b>	GB-Cambridge, Fitzwilliam_B 330 (CM)
<b>Collection</b>	GB_Cambridge, Fitzwilliam Museum
<b>Inventory</b>	B 330 (CM)
<b>References</b>	Henig, Cambridge, no. 501; Michel, DMG, no. 11.3.b_1
<b>Former Collections</b>	Hertz Collection; Mayer Collection; Smith, Charles R. Collection
<b>Material</b>	plasma (green)
<b>Dimensions</b>	19 x 14 x c. 2.5 mm (lower face 18 x 12 mm)
<b>Dating</b>	3rd-4th c. AD (Henig)
<b>Iconography</b>	Chnoubis, lion-headed; Chnoubis-signs (3); stars (3); rays (12)
<b>Divine Names &amp; Voces</b>	Ἀνοχ; Χνουβίς



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A: Lion-headed Chnoubis, head to left and surrounded with twelve rays. Inscription among the rays on the right: νοχ; on the left, from bottom to top: σχνο followed by an eight-pointed star; on the right around the edge: υβι; below in two lines: γιγαντιορη. To the right of the serpent two more eight-pointed stars.

B: Characteres: three Chnoubis-signs, three eight-pointed stars and three Z-signs. Inscription on the left, from bottom to top: κταφαρωφι → <Ἀ>νοχ Χνουβίς, γιγαντορηκτα. 'I am Chnoubis, shatterer of giants.'

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## Bibliography

[Henig 1994](#), 227-28, no. 501.

[Michel, DMG](#), 11.3.b\_1

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