

Magical pendant : Holy rider (A) bird and snake (B)

CBd-Number	CBd-1076
ID-Number	US-AA-SCL_Bonner 66
Collection	US_Ann Arbor, University of Michigan, Special Collections Library
Inventory	SCL-Bonner 66
References	Bonner, SMA D. 306
Former Collections	Bonner, Campbell (1876 Nashville - 1954 Ann Arbor)
Material	bronze
Dimensions	33 x 23 mm



Iconography	rider spearing the evil; cord; gesture, lying; figure, female; star; snake; bird, unspecified; weapon: spear; clothing: mantle; animal: horse; altar?	Credits: from Bonner, SMA Rights: © Ann Arbor, Special Collections Library
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A: Rider with nimbus to right, spearing a woman lying on the ground with wrists tied together. Below the horse, a six-pointed star. Cord with three loops under the woman. Inscription around: εἰσθεος[- -]τακακα → εἷς θεός [ὁ νικῶν] τὰ κακά. 'The sole God, who overcomes evil.'

B: Bird (Bonner: crane) standing to right, attacking a rearing snake on the right. Behind the bird, an altar-like structure, with a cord below it. Character (star with ringlets) between the bird and the snake. Inscribed at the bottom: εἰσθεος → εἷς θεός (transcription after Bonner).

Bibliography

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