

Magical gem: Anguipes (A) Greek inscription (B)

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Collection	GB_Oxford, Ashmolean Museum
Inventory	2003.99
References	Henig-MacGregor 2004, no. 13.1
Material	heliotrope
Dimensions	32 x 22.5 x 7.1 mm
Dating	2nd c. AD (Henig - MacGregor)
Iconography	Anguipes, cock-headed; clothing: mantle; star; whip; weapon: shield; weapon: armour
Divine Names & Voces	σεσεγγενβαρφαραγγης and variants; Ἀβλαναθαναλβα, variants; Μιχαήλ



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A: Frontal view of a cock-headed Anguipes in armour and mantle, head to right. Right hand raised high and holding a whip, left hand holding a round shield, porpax visible. In the free field, on the right: a star. Inscription around: ἀβλαναθαναλβαια → variant of Ἀβλαναθαναλβα.

B: Inscription in five lines containing the name of the archangel Michael:

σεσε|γγενβα|ρφαραν|γησιμ|ιχαηλ → σεσεγγενβαρφαραγγης, Μιχαήλ.

Bibliography

[Henig - MacGregor 2004](#), 123, no. 13.1

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