

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

CBd-Number	CBd-1137
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Collection	US_New York, The Metropolitan Museum of Art, Department of Greek and Roman Art
Inventory	81.6.307
References	Michel, DMG, no. 36.1.a_3
Former Collections	King, Rev. Charles William Collection
Material	jasper, yellow
Dimensions	16 x 13 x 2 mm
Dating	ca. 2nd-3rd c. AD (MM Coll. website)
Iconography	animal: cynocephalus; gesture, greeting; gesture, ithyphallic; solar disk; uraeus; rays (3)
Divine Names & Voces	ησσαμαρω and variants



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A: Standing figure of an ithyphallic baboon in profile to left, head crowned with the solar disk and a uraeus with three rays on the head, hands raised in greeting.

B: Inscribed: ησαμερω → variant of ησσαμαρω.

Bibliography

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