

# Magical (?) gem: Harpocrates and cynocephalus (A) Inscription (B-C)

<b>Cbd-Number</b>	CBd-1389
<b>ID-Number</b>	US-AA-KMA_26041
<b>Collection</b>	US Ann Arbor, University of Michigan, Kelsey Museum of Archaeology
<b>Inventory</b>	26041
<b>References</b>	Bonner, SMA D. 194; Michel, DMG, no. 19.1.e_1
<b>Material</b>	jasper, green to black
<b>Dimensions</b>	19 x 13 x 3 mm
<b>Iconography</b>	animal: cynocephalus; star; Harpocrates sitting on lotus flower; Harpocrates seated with knees drawn up; gesture, ithyphallic; gesture, hand raised to mouth; gesture, greeting; flail; animal: ram; moon, crescent
<b>Divine Names &amp; Voces</b>	αρρωριφρασις and variants



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A: Harpocrates on a lotus flower sitting in profile to right, knees drawn up, right hand raised to mouth, left hand holding a flail. In front of him, an ithyphallic cynocephalus with both hands raised in a gesture of greeting; on the top of his head a solar disk, a ram behind him. An eight-pointed star above Harpocrates, a crescent above the baboon.

B: Inscribed in two lines: αρρωριφρασις → variant of αρρωριφρασις.

C: Inscription around the edge: ευτυκησαγαθοπος → εὐτυχῆς Ἀγάθωπος, "Agathopus is lucky." (Bonner).

## Bibliography

[Bonner, SMA on CBd-1389](#)

[The Kelsey Museum Artifacts Database on CBd-1389](#)

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