

Magical gem: Harpocrates in papyrus boat with animal triads (A) Greek inscription (B)

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Collection	US Ann Arbor, University of Michigan, Kelsey Museum of Archaeology
Inventory	26085
References	Bonner, SMA D. 203; Michel, DMG, no. 19.4.a_14
Material	bronze
Dimensions	33 x 20 x 1 mm
Iconography	animal: crocodiles (3); star; solar disk; crown, double; snakes (3); side-lock of youth; scarabs (3); Harpocrates seated with knees drawn up; gesture, hand raised to mouth; flail; boat, papyrus; bird: falcons (3); animal: goats (3); moon, crescent
Logoi	σθουβαολη-logos



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A: Harpocrates sitting nude, with knees drawn up, to left, in a small papyrus boat. Head crowned with the solar disk, side-lock of youth visible. Right hand raised to mouth, left hand bent in elbow and holding a flail. Around, triads of animals, clockwise from top: scarabs, goats, cobras, crocodiles, falcons. Falcons wearing the double crown. Above, to the left of Harpocrates, an eight-pointed star; to the right, a crescent.

B: Inscription in five lines: σθουβαοληβαλοισουβαλακαμοσθουβλη → variant of the σθουβαολη-logos .

Bibliography

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