

Magical gem: Harpocrates with child (A) Ouroboros with inscribed fields (B)

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References	Bonner, SMA D. 217; Michel, DMG, no. 28.4.c_3
Material	carnelian, yellow to orange
Dimensions	21 x 16 x 8 mm
Iconography	clothing: mantle; crown, hemhem; figure, unidentified; Harpocrates; plant: pomegranate; scepter, unspecified; Ouroboros
Divine Names & Voces	voces, unidentified



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A: Harpocrates standing to front, head to left, nude except for his chlamys. A child stands next to him on the left, with right hand raised. Harpocrates' right arm is bent in elbow, he is holding a pomegranate above the child, while his left hand holds a scepter, head topped with the hemhem crown.

B: Ouroboros encircling two rectangular fields with letters and characteres. Inscription between the two fields: λανμω. Inscription outside the Ouroboros: αιαναχθα αλθμαξα μελαχω αρηακω → incipit of the αιαναγβα-logos, unidentified voces.

Bibliography

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