

Magical(?) gem in a modern silver ring: Harpocrates of Canopus and inscription

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References	Bonner, SMA D. 220; Michel, DMG, no. 34.1.c_1
Material	jasper, green to black
Dimensions	ca. 11 x 6 mm
Iconography	Harpocrates; cornucopia; gesture, hand raised to mouth; figure, crocodile-bodied; crown, double?



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A: The crocodile-bodied composite figure of Harpocrates of Canopus, in profile to right. Upper body nude, left hand raised to mouth, right hand bent in elbow and holding a cornucopia. Head topped with the double crown (?). Inscription above: $\mu\epsilon\nu\epsilon\lambda$; below: $\theta\epsilon\omicron\varsigma$ → Μενελαϊτῶν θεός (C. Bonner).
B: Plain.

Bibliography

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