

Magical gem in a post-antique metal mount: Scorpion, lion attacking dog

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ID-Number	GB-AshMus_1892.1539
Collection	GB_Oxford, Ashmolean Museum
Inventory	1892.1539
References	Henig-MacGregor 2004, no. 12.6
Former Collections	Chester, Greville John (1830-1892)
Material	chalcedony, white to brown/grey
Dimensions	21.8 (mount) x 27.3 x 8 mm
Dating	3rd c. AD (Henig - MacGregor)
Iconography	animal: dog or jackal; animal: lion; scorpion



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A: Above, a scorpion from above, crawling horizontally to right. Below: a lion, leaping to right, attacking a dog.

B: Hidden.

Gem mounted in a modern metal mount.

Bibliography

[Henig - MacGregor 2004](#), 119, no. 12.6

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