

Magical gem: Aphrodite with amphora (A) voces, characteres (B)

CBd-Number	CBd-2022
ID-Number	DE-Berlin-Aeg_9829
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Inventory	9829
References	Philipp, <i>Mira et Magica</i> , no. 46; Michel, <i>DMG</i> , no. 30.6.f_6
Former Collections	Stosch, Philipp von, Collection
Material	magnetite (black)
Dimensions	13.5 x 10.5 x 3 mm
Dating	2nd c. AD (H. Philipp)
Iconography	plant: branch; plant: palm branch?; Aphrodite; clothing: mantle; vessel: amphora; column
Divine Names & Voces	voces, unidentified; σωθησινει and variants

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A: Standing figure of Aphrodite (Philipp: Nike?), head to right. In her left hand a branch (Philipp: palm (?) or stalk of grain), her right hand resting on an amphora, which stands on a short pillar. Inscription around: σωθησινει[.]θσ|σθ → voces including variant of σωθησινει?
B: Inscription: σωβαξ → unidentified voces between two characteres.

Bibliography

[Philipp, *Mira et Magica* on CBd-2022](#)

[Michel, *DMG*, 30.6.f_6.](#)

Images

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