


Magical gem in a modern gold ring: Pantheos (A) Ἄβρασάξ (B)

CBd-Number	CBd-2132	
ID-Number	DE-Berlin-Aeg_9801	
Collection	DE_Berlin, Staatliche Museen zu Berlin, Ägyptisches Museum	
Inventory	9801	
References	Philipp, <i>Mira et Magica</i> , no. 177; Michel, <i>DMG</i> , no. 41.1.c_13	
Former Collections	Stosch, Philipp von, Collection	
Material	plasma (green)	
Dimensions	17 x 13 x 3 mm	
Dating	2nd c. AD (H. Philipp)	
Iconography	Bes, face of; tail of crocodile; tail of bird; snake; scepters (3); scepter, was (2); scepter, unspecified; cartouche; Pantheos; Ouroboros; flail; feet, in the shape of jackal's heads; crown, atef; bird, unspecified; scorpion?	
Divine Names & Voces	Ἄβρασάξ	<p>Credits: by Margarete Büsing Rights: © Berlin, Staatliche Museen zu Berlin, Ägyptisches Museum</p>

A: Four-winged Bes-Pantheos striding right on an Ouroboros cartouche enclosing animals: in the centre a bird, to the right a scorpion. Head to front, topped with the atef-crown. The deity has two pairs of arms: the upper arms - in line with the top of the upper wings and almost at the height of the neck - are stretched to the sides and hold two was-scepters. The lower right arm holds a flail, left one holds a scepter. A bird's tail and a crocodile's tail are attached to the body from the left, feet in the shape of jackal's heads face right.

B: Inscription in two lines: αβρα|σαξ → Ἄβρασάξ.

Bibliography

[Philipp, *Mira et Magica* on CBd-2132](#)

[Michel, *DMG*, 41.1.c_13.](#)

Images

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