

Magical gem: Two Eros-figures (A) Inscription in Greek and Latin (B)

CBd-Number	CBd-2242
ID-Number	IT-Roma-MNR_69710
Collection	IT_Roma, Museo Nazionale Romano, Medagliere
Inventory	69710
References	Mastrocinque, SGG II, no. Ro 20
Former Collections	Museum Kircherianum
Material	onyx, yellow to gray
Dimensions	20.9 x 14.3 x 3.7 mm
Iconography	Erotes (2); torches (2); garland



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Transverse oval gem with trapezoid section, edge hardly marked. Minor chipping on the edge and on both faces.

A: Two winged Eros-figures standing in profile, facing each other. Both hold torches towards the edge of the gem, between them a garland (Mastrocinque: butterfly?).

B: Inscription (partly in Greek and partly in Latin) in three lines: χάρις|paramythius|aug → χάρις paramythius aug(usta); reading A. Mastrocinque.

(Description: Chiara Ciampi – CBd. Alterations from A. Mastrocinque in SGG are based on close observation of the gem by Chiara Ciampi and Á. M. Nagy, 2015-2016).

Bibliography

[SGG II](#), 137, Ro 20.

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