

Magical gem: Anguipes (A) Ἀβλαναθαναλβα (B)

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References	Zwierlein-Diehl, AGWien III, 2231; Michel, DMG, no. 3.A.2.f_5
Material	jasper, green and red
Dimensions	22,4 x 17 (si.O.) x 4,7 mm
Dating	2nd c. AD (Zwierlein-Diehl)
Iconography	Anguipes, cock-headed; weapon: armour; weapon: shield, with Ἴάω; whip; moon, crescent; star
Divine Names & Voces	Ἀβλαναθαναλβα, palindrome; Ἴάω, variants



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Description: Side A upright oval, side B transverse oval, both faces flat. Shape 8-9. Green and red jasper (heliotrope). Intact.
Purchased in 1861 from Frau La Croix.

A: Frontal view of a cock-headed Anguipes in armour, head to left. Right hand raised and holding a whip, left hand hid behind a round shield, inscribed with αἰω → variant of Ἴάω. An eight-pointed star to the right of the figure, and a crescent to the left.

B: Inscribed in two lines: αβλα|ναθα|ναλβα|α → Ἀβλαναθαναλβα-palindrome.

Bibliography

[Zwierlein-Diehl, AGWien III on CBd-2475](#)

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