

Drawing of a magical gem: Ouroboros with uterus and figures

Cbd-Number	CBd-2822
ID-Number	Wu_Ex Chifletius-Macarius_XII 49
Collection	Int_Whereabouts unknown
Inventory	Chifletius-Macarius_XII 49
References	Chifletius-Macarius, no. XII 49; Mastrocinque, SGG I, 407, no. 377
Former Collections	Pignoria, Lorenzo (Laurentius Pignorius, Padova 1571-1631)
Iconography	head, of snake; Ouroboros; figure, jackal-headed; figure, with multiple heads; clothing: kilt; clothing: tunic; figures, unidentified (2); key, unspecified; uterus, in the form of a cupping vessel
Divine Names & Voces	Ἰάω



Credits: from Chifletius-Macarius, Abraxas Rights:

A: Ouroboros with head at top to right enclosing a uterus-symbol combined with a key, fallopian tubes ending in snake's heads. A double jackal-headed figure standing above the uterus, wearing a kilt. Two figures stand on the heads of the snakes, both raising their left hand in greeting. The figure on the left is naked, the figure on the right wears a tunic. Greek inscription under the fallopian tubes: ἰάω → Ἰάω.

B: Insufficient information.

The drawing was made after a cast.

Bibliography

[Chifletius-Macarius, Abraxas](#), XII 49
[SGG I](#), no. 377 (with earlier literature)

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