

Drawing of a magical gem: Cynocephalus (?)

CBd-Number	CBd-2829
ID-Number	Wu_Ex Chifletius-Macarius_XIV 58
Collection	Int_Whereabouts unknown
Inventory	Chifletius-Macarius_XIV 58
References	Chifletius-Macarius, no. XIV 58; Mastrocinque, SGG I, 195, no. 79
Former Collections	Hörwarth / Herwart von Hohenburg, Hans Georg (Ioannes Georgius Herwartius, 1553-1622)
Iconography	animal: cynocephalus?; crown, lotus?; rod?; plant: palm branch?
Divine Names & Voces	Ἰάω



Credits: from Chifletius-Macarius, Abraxas
Rights:

A: Squatting baboon (?) in profile to left, standing on tiptoes. Right arm lowered beside the body, left hand holding a curved rod (standing for a palm branch?). Head crowned with a lotus flower (?). Greek inscription around the figure: $\alpha\omega \rightarrow \text{Ἰά}\omega$.

B: Insufficient information.

For gems in the British Museum that may have been designed after this drawing, see [CBd-986](#) and [CBd-987](#).

The drawing was made after a cast.

Bibliography

[Chifletius-Macarius, Abraxas](#), XIV 58.
[SGG I](#), no. 79 (with earlier literature)

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