## Magical gem: Harpocrates on a lotus, lion (A) Greek inscription (B)

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**Inventory** AS 5358

**Material** jasper, green to black

**Dimensions** 30 x 22 mm **Dating** post-antique

animal: lion; Harpocrates seated with knees drawn up;

**Iconography** Harpocrates sitting on lotus flower; moon, crescent:

plant: lotus buds (2); star;

whip

**Divine Names &** voces, unidentified; Άβρασάξ,

**Voces** variants

**Logoi** σισισρω-logos





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**Description:** Upright oval, both faces flat. Shape 8. Jasper. Intact.

**A:** Harpocrates sitting on a lotus (?) flower with knees drawn up, to left. Right hand raised to mouth, left hand holding a whip. Below the figure, a lion running to left on a baseline. Character below the belly of the lion, a six-pointed star above its head, and a crescent, open to top, to the right of Harpocrates. Greek inscription around the figure: αβρασα ζσισι ριω  $\rightarrow$  variant of Άβρασάξ, part of σισισρω-logos.

Post-antique. The gem was presumably made after a drawing in <u>Chifletius–Macarius</u>, see <u>CBd-2763</u>. For a similar piece in the same collection, see <u>CBd-322</u>.

**B:** Greek inscription in five lines: αρχε|οιαω|μερμ|ενν|ω  $\rightarrow$  voces including Ἰάω. Post-antique.

## **Bibliography**

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