

Magical gem: The 'ὡς πρόκειται' gem (A-B)

CBd-Number	CBd-4
ID-Number	HU-SzM-Ant_53.169
Collection	HU_Budapest, Museum of Fine Arts, Classical Collection
Inventory	53.169
References	Michel, DMG, no. 3.A.3.h_12
Material	stone, brown to black
Dimensions	17.2 x 23.7 x 4.9 mm
Iconography	Anguipes, cock-headed; figures, with indistinct animal head (2); weapon: armour; stars (3); moons, crescent (3); clothing: kilt/pteryges?
Divine Names & Voces	Ἰάω; voces, unidentified



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Description: Transverse oval, both faces slightly convex. Shape 4-5. Black stone. Chipped on side A at the right foot of the Anguipes, a small part of the stone broken off and missing, resulting in a lacuna on both sides.

A: On the left: frontal view of a cock-headed Anguipes in armour, head to right. Right hand raised high, left hand holding a round shield, antilabe visible. Inscription below the snake-legs: $\iota\omega \rightarrow \text{Ἰάω}$. On the right: two animal-headed figures in armour (?), with raised hands, facing each other; between them: character; above the heads: pair of characteres. Around: $\omega\sigma\pi\rho\kappa\epsilon\iota\tau\alpha[.] \rightarrow \text{ὡς πρόκειται}[.]$. 'As it is prescribed.'

B: Greek inscription in three lines: $\delta\epsilon$ (on the two sides: crescents open to top and six-pointed stars) $[- \text{-}\iota\chi\alpha\eta\sigma] [- \text{-}\iota\upsilon\omega$ (crescent open to top, six-pointed star). Before ν , traces of a letter (υ or χ) \rightarrow unidentified vox.

Bibliography

[Nagy 2002](#)

Mentioned in [Nagy 2004](#).

[Michel, DMG](#), 3.A.3.h_12