

Magical(?) gem: Cynocephalus

CBd-Number	CBd-549
ID-Number	GB-BM-MMEu_G 280, EA 56280
Collection	GB_London, The British Museum
Inventory	G 280 (EA 56280)
References	Michel, BM, no. 150; Michel, DMG, no. 42.1.a_6
Former Collections	Hay, R. J.
Material	jasper, green to black
Dimensions	15 x 11 x 2.5 mm
Dating	3rd c. AD (Michel)
Iconography	animal: cynocephalus; gesture, greeting; gesture, ithyphallic; solar disk?; moon, full?



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A: Ithyphallic cynocephalus standing to left, paws raised in greeting, on the top of the head the full moon or the solar disk.

B: Plain.

Bibliography

[Michel, BM on CBd-549](#)

[The British Museum Collection database on CBd-549](#)

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