

Magical gem: Pantheos (A) voces (B)

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Material	lapis lazuli (blue)
Dimensions	23 x 18 x 3 mm
Dating	3rd c. AD (Michel)
Iconography	Pantheos; crown, atef?; Bes, face of; scepters (2); scepter, was; flail; tail of bird; feet, in the shape of jackal's heads; Ouroboros; cartouche; protomes of animals (3-3)
Divine Names & Voces	Ἀβρασάξ; voces, unidentified; Βαῖνχωωωχ



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A: Bes-Pantheos striding right on an Ouroboros cartouche enclosing unidentifiable animals. Bearded head surrounded by six animal protomes and topped with an atef-crown complete with ram's horns, uraei and sun disk. The god has four wings but only two arms, right one holding a flail, left one holding an was-scepter, to the right and left of the body two more scepters. A bird's tail projects to the right of the Pantheos, crocodile's tail missing. Feet in the shape of jackal's heads, to right.

B: Inscription in ten lines:

σμνα|φπχθσαχ|υιαρινχασ|υχμιχιωχμ|ιθιαυθαυθου||νιχεθορονθ|ιηαλχαρα|μψαινο|ηρβα|ινχ.

C: On the edge, belonging to the inscription on the reverse: ωωωχ|αβρασαξ → voces including Βαῖνχωωωχ, Ἀβρασάξ.

Bibliography

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