

Magical gem: Anguipes (A) Ἀβλαναθαναλβα (B)

CBd-Number	CBd-591
ID-Number	GB-BM-MMEu_G 361, EA 56361
Collection	GB_London, The British Museum
Inventory	G 361 (EA 56361)
References	Michel, BM, no. 193; Michel, DMG, no. 3.A.1.g_16
Former Collections	Richter, O. Esq.
Material	jasper, yellow
Dimensions	30 x 21 x 6 mm
Dating	3rd c. AD (Michel)
Iconography	Anguipes, cock-headed; weapon: armour; weapon: shield; whip
Divine Names & Voces	Ἀβλαναθαναλβα, palindrome; Ἰάω; vocales



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A: Frontal view of cock-headed Anguipes, in armour, head to right. Right arm raised high and holding a whip, left arm holding a round shield. Inscription below the legs: ιαω → Ἰάω. In the free field beside the figure: α; vertically on the left edge: ηαι; above the head: ι; vertically on the right edge: ροη → vocales.

B: Inscribed in four lines: αβλιναθιναλιβα → Ἀβλαναθαναλβα-palindrome.

Bibliography

[Michel, BM on CBd-591](#)

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