

# Magical gem: Cock-headed, bird-legged figure (A) Ἀβλαναθανααλβα (B)

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<b>Collection</b>	GB_London, The British Museum
<b>Inventory</b>	G 210 (EA 56210)
<b>References</b>	Bonner 1951, no. 29; Michel, BM, no. 232; Michel, DMG, no. 3.A.4.c_2
<b>Former Collections</b>	Chester, Greville John (1830-1892)
<b>Material</b>	jasper, red
<b>Dimensions</b>	23 x 17 x 4 mm
<b>Dating</b>	3rd c. AD (Michel)
<b>Iconography</b>	figure, bird-legged; whip; weapon: shield, with Ἰάω
<b>Divine Names &amp; Voces</b>	Ἰάω; Ἀβλαναθανααλβα, variants



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A: Frontal view of a nude, cock-headed figure with bird's feet. Head to right, right hand raised high and holding a whip, lower left hand hid behind a shield. Inscription in the shield: ια|ω → Ἰάω.  
B: Inscription in five lines: α|βλα|ναθα|νααλ|βα → variant of Ἀβλαναθανααλβα.

## Bibliography

[Bonner 1951 on Cbd-630](#)

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