

Magical gem: Uterus, deities, Ouroboros (A) vox (B)

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Collection	GB_London, The British Museum
Inventory	G 1986,5-1,27
References	Michel, BM, no. 372; Michel, DMG, no. 54.2.e_6
Former Collections	Ogden Collection
Material	haematite (black)
Dimensions	17 x 13.9 x 3 mm
Dating	3rd c. AD (Michel) Anubis as mummy; uterus, in the form of a cupping vessel; Ouroboros; key (7-bitted)
Iconography	



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A: Ouroboros encircling a uterus-symbol with a seven-bitted key. Above, the mummy of Anubis; rest of the representation lost. Inscription originally outside the Ouroboros, worn off.

B: Inscription in two lines: ορωριουθ → ορωριουθ.

Bibliography

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