

Magical gem: Two deities standing on uterus (A) tabula ansata with voces (B)

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Former Collections	Chester, Greville John (1830-1892)
Material	haematite (black)
Dimensions	16 x 14 x 3 mm
Dating	3rd c. AD (Michel)
Iconography	uterus, in the form of a cupping vessel; tabula ansata; key (7-bitted); kerykeion?; figures, with indistinct animal head (2); clothing: kilt
Divine Names & Voces	Ἰάω; Σαβαώθ, variants



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A: Uterus-symbol represented upside down, with a seven-bitted key below it. To the left of the uterus, an unidentified object: (sistrum or kerykeion?). Above the uterus: two deities in profile, with unspecified animal-heads, wearing kilts and facing each other, outside arms lowered beside the body, and holding the hieroglyph 'ankh' (?), inside arms holding onto the same scepter. Inscription in the free field, from bottom to top on the left: σαβ; from top to bottom on the right: αω → Σαβαώ.
B: Tabula ansata, with an inscription in two lines: ιαωσ|ασαω → Ἰάω, variant of Σαβαώθ.

Bibliography

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