

Magical pendant: Holy Rider (A) ibis, snake

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Collection	GB_London, The British Museum
Inventory	G 323 (EA 56323)
References	Michel, BM, no. 453
Former Collections	Chester, Greville John (1830-1892)
Material	bronze
Dimensions	40 x 23 mm
Dating	5th-6th c. AD (Michel)
Iconography	animal: horse; snake; bird: ibis, tied to an altar; weapon: spear; rider spearing the evil; figure, female; gesture, lying; nimbus; clothing: mantle; cord



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A: Rider on horseback in profile to right, wearing a mantle, head surrounded with a nimbus, right hand holding a spear. He is trampling over a figure lying on the ground. Inscription around, beginning next to the horse's hindlegs: εἰς θεὸς ὁ νικῶν τὰ κακὰ. 'The sole God, who overcomes evil.'

B: Ibis spreading its wings, tied with a cord. Facing the bird, on the right, a rearing snake. Inscription above: πῖω → πύω. 'I am drinking'.

Bibliography

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