

Magical gem: Asclepius, Greek inscription

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ID-Number	GB-BM-MMEu_G 95, EA 56095
Collection	GB_London, The British Museum
Inventory	G 95 (EA 56095)
References	Michel, BM, no. 488
Former Collections	Towneley Collection
Material	chalcedony, white to brown/grey
Dimensions	18 x 13 x 6 mm
Dating	3rd c. AD (Michel)
Iconography	clothing: tunic; staff, snake entwined; Asclepius
Divine Names & Voces	Ἀβρασάξ



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A: In the upper segment: human figure standing to front upon a short baseline, head in profile to right. The man wears a tunic, his right arm bent and held in front of the body, left hand holding a snake-entwined staff (Asclepius?). In the lower segment, inscription in four lines: ιουλαβρασα|ξξασαρβαλυοι|χ[.]τοχι|λαιπουι → voces including Ἀβρασάξ.
B: Plain.

Bibliography

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