

Magical pendant: Animal-headed figure, ἅγιε (A) figure with snake, Ἰάω (B)

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Inventory	G 584 (WAA 102876)
References	Michel, BM, no. 596; Michel, DMG, no. 2.5.b_9
Former Collections	Chester, Greville John (1830-1892)
Material	serpentine (green to black)
Dimensions	20 x 15 x 12 mm
Dating	5th-6th c. AD? (Michel)
Iconography	figure, jackal-headed?; figure, male; snake; clothing: kilt/pteryges?
Divine Names & Voces	Ἰάω



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Drilled through lengthwise.

A: Animal-headed figure (jackal?) striding to left, head to left, with left hand raised.

First narrow side: αγιε → ἅγιε. 'Holy'.

B: Frontal view of a human figure, wearing kilt (?). Both arms raised, right hand holding a snake.

Second narrow side: ιαω → Ἰάω.

Bibliography

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