

# Magical gem: Osiris, the Memnon-historiola (A-B)

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<b>Collection</b>	GB_London, The British Museum
<b>Inventory</b>	G 241 (EA 56241)
<b>References</b>	Michel, BM, no. 8; Bonner, SMA D. 151; Michel, DMG, no. 39.1.f_2
<b>Material</b>	jasper, green to black
<b>Dimensions</b>	26 x 22 x 3 mm
<b>Dating</b>	3rd c. AD (Michel)
<b>Iconography</b>	clothing: bandage; crown, unspecified; Osiris?; weapon: harpe
<b>Divine Names &amp; Voces</b>	voces, unidentified; Ἡμέρα; Ἰάω; Μέμνων



Credits From Michel, BM

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A: Mummy (of Osiris?). On the head: three lines, each crowned with a small circle. Feet in profile, to left. Inscription on the edge: ημερασγονοσμεμνωνκοιματαικραβαζαζηραβιραθηβαιαωεω → Ἡμέρας γόνος Μέμνων κοιμάται κραβαζαζηραβιραθηβα Ἰάω εω. 'Memnon, the son of Hemera is asleep'; voces magice; Ἰάω, two vocales.

B: Same as A, except: feet to right.

Inscription on the edge: φιλιπασγονοσαντιπατροσκοματαικραβαζαζηραβιραθηβαιαωεω. On both sides of the mummy: εγωιωων → Φιλίππας γόνος Ἀντίπατρος κοιμάται κραβαζαζηραβιραθηβα Ἰάω εω; Ἐγὼ ὁ ὢν. 'Antipatros, the son of Philippa is asleep'; voces magicae; Ἰάω, two vocales, 'I Am that I Am.'

## Bibliography

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