

An IBA multivariate-driven provenance investigation of ancient lapis lazuli amulets from the Museo Egizio (Turin, Italy)

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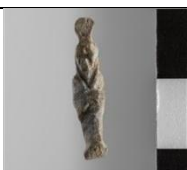
Amulet catalogue details and symbology

The inventory number of the amulets is preceded by a letter indicating the three main class signature groups to which each artefact is ascribable [1]:

- C: Catalogue. Items from the Drovetti collection, as well as from acquisitions made both before and after the Fabretti Rossi Lanzone catalogue (1882 and 1888);
- S: Supplement acquisition. Objects acquired after the publication of Fabretti et al. catalogue, mainly from Schiaparelli's purchases and excavations (1901–1920), but also including objects acquired after his direction, or before it but after the publication of the above-mentioned catalogue by Fabretti et al. Among these objects it is important to mention some finds (inventory pp.S. 2671– S.4221) coming from the excavations directed by Schiaparelli in Heliopolis in 1903–1905;
- P: Provisional/temporary (acquisition and provenance unknown). Assigned to objects whose original inventory number is no longer known.

Table 1. The analysed amulets from the Museo Egizio collection. The main information from the catalogue are reported.

N°	Inventory number	Photo	Object	Dimensions (cm)	Provenance (site of discovery)	Dating
1	C. 1182		Wedjat eye	2.5 × 3.5 × 0.8	unknown	New Kingdom XVIII–XX Dynasty (1539–1077 BCE)
2	C. 6786/15; v.n.270		Ibis	1.4 × 1.1 × 0.3	unknown	New Kingdom XVIII–XX Dynasty (1539–1077 BCE)

3	S. 2926		Amulet of deity (Horus)	2.0 × 0.5 × 0.6	Heliopolis (Schiaparelli)	Late Period XXVI–XXXI Dynasty (664–332 BCE)
4	S. 2927		Amulet of deity (Thoth)	1.8 × 0.5 × 0.7	Heliopolis (Schiaparelli)	Late Period XXVI–XXXI Dynasty (664–332 BCE)
5	S. 3038		Amulet of deity (Nephtys)	4.0 × 0.5 × 1.0	Heliopolis (Schiaparelli)	Late Period XXVI–XXXI Dynasty (664–332 BCE)
6	S. 3039		Amulet of deity (Nephtys)	2.0 × 0.5 × 0.5	Heliopolis (Schiaparelli)	Late Period XXVI–XXXI Dynasty (664–332 BCE)
7	S. 3040		Amulet of deity (Nephtys)	3.0 × 0.5 × 1.0	Heliopolis (Schiaparelli)	Late Period XXVI–XXXI Dynasty (664–332 BCE)
8	P. 6899		Amulet of deity (Horus)	3.0 × 0.7 × 1	unknown	Late Period XXVI–XXXI Dynasty (664–332 BCE)
9	P. 1296		Menat collar	5.0 × 3.2 × 0.8	unknown	Late Period XXVI–XXXI Dynasty (664–332 BCE)

10	C. 1301		Amulet of the solar disk	$4 \times 1,1 \times 0,3$	unknown	Late Period XXVI–XXXI Dynasty (664–332 BCE)
11	P. 6939		Magic gem (divinity with sceptre)	$1.9 \times 1.3 \times 0.2$	unknown	Graeco-Roman Period (332 BCE – 395 CE)
12	S. 18205		Amulet of deity (Thoth)	$2.6 \times 0.6 \times 0.1$	unknown	Modern (?)

1. Curto, S. (1976). *Storia del Museo egizio di Torino*. Centro studi piemontesi.