

Mummy

Date

2000-50 BC

Medium

Linen, organic, glass, cork

Description

Glass bottle containing Bitumen from a mummified crocodile. Bitumen was a substance used in the embalming process. The crocodile was sacred to Sobek, god of violent powers. The Ancient Egyptians often mummified the sacred animal of a particular god and left it in their temple in order to act as gifts or messengers to the god in question. In this case it would have been for Sobek.

Dimensions

Object/Work: 60 x 26 x 26 mm