

Altar with epitaph of Caius Oclatius Aprilis



Subject

Altar with the epitaph of Caius Oclatius Aprilis, in Latin (CIL VI.23221). The inscription is framed by a molding; two other boxes on the sides enclose a patera (on the right) and an oinochoe (on the left), respectively. At the top, a dentil decoration runs along all sides (except on the back of the altar).

Inscription: *D(is) M(anibus) s(acrum) / C(aio) Oclatio / Aprilii / vixit) a(annis) XXVI m(ensibus) V / Aquillia / Alexandria / b(ene) m(erenti) fecit.*

Translation: "Sacred to Manes; to Caius Oclatius Aprilis, (who) lived twenty-six years, five months, well-deserving, Aquillia Alexandria made (this monument)".

Accession number MND 1738; MND 1738; Ma 3902

Marble; engraving

Height 29 cm; width 11.5 cm; depth 7.5 cm

Intact; the letters of the inscription were repainted red

Roman imperial age

Provenance

Found in a columbarium of the Via Latina in the eighteenth century

Placement

[Musée du Louvre](#) (storage)

Credits

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References

CIL VI/ Inscriptiones urbis Romae Latinae (23221), Berlin, 1876-1894.

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