Besides the biblical five books of Moses (Pentateuch), there are other writings ascribed to Moses (pseudepigraphically no doubt). The so-called Sixth and Seventh books of Moses in particular consists of a collection of texts which purport to explain the magic whereby Moses won the biblical magic contest with the Egyptian priest-magicians, parted the Red Sea, and other miraculous feats. Many manuscripts and printed pamphlet versions had circulated in Germany, when Johann Scheible undertook to collect the major variants. The Eighth Book of Moses. A Greco-Egyptian Grimoire, a e h i o u w. (PGM XIII, in Hans Dieter Betz’s The Greek magical papyri in translation, including the Demotic spells). Carve around the Apollo the great name, in Egyptian form; on his chest: BAINKHÂŒÃŽÃŽKHÂŒÃŽÃŽKHNIAB, written the same forwards and backwards; and on the back of the figure this name: ILILLOU ILILLOU ILILLOU; and around the Pythian serpent and the tripod, ITHOR MARMARAUGÄ’ PHÂŒKHÂŒ PHÂŒPHÂŒKH. Have this too around your neck when you perform the initiation; it is helpful in everything, along with the cinnamon.