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Nanopublication – Rhodium Enamel Surface

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CLAIM 4: RHODIUM ENAMEL SURFACE

The distinctive matte gray surface with subtle metallic reflectivity results from rhodium enamel application – a material unavailable in European markets and directly imported from the United States. This enamel produces the work's characteristic luminous gray finish.

CONTEXT

The sculpture's distinctive surface – matte gray with subtle metallic luminosity – results from rhodium enamel application. Rhodium, a platinum-group metal, produces a finish that is neither purely matte nor conventionally reflective but occupies a middle register: absorbing light while returning a restrained gleam.

This material is unavailable through European suppliers. The enamel used in GRIMOIRE [1] was directly imported from the United States, representing a deliberate material choice that prioritised specific aesthetic qualities over sourcing convenience.

The resulting surface reinforces the work's thematic content. The grimoire – repository of hidden knowledge – appropriately bears a finish that reveals and conceals simultaneously, its gray luminosity suggesting depths beneath the visible surface.

REFERENCES

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[2] Quercy, A. (2024). GRIMOIRE – Artwork Catalog. https://artquamanima.com/en/artworks/2024/01/grimoire_6ea.html

[3] Physical Specifications – AQC0571. <https://multimodal.institute/en/nanopubs/2025/12/AQC0571-physical-specifications.html>

WHERE THIS WORK LIVES

THEMATIC ELEMENTS

- rhodium enamel ceramic
- geometric ceramic sculpture
- Spells and Magic collection
- grimoire sculpture
- contemporary ceramic art
- stacked geometric forms
- metallic enamel finish
- open book form

EPISTEMIC PROFILE

Claim type	artistic statement
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Epistemic status	factual record
Methodology	material selection
Certainty	high

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