

***Anulô** Runic: ᚱᚢᚢᚢᚩ Pronunciation: /'a.nu.lɔː/

proper noun · masculine · an-stem

Meanings

a male given name, probably originally meaning ‘little ancestor’ or functioning as a hypocoristic name

Etymology

A diminutive/hypocoristic formation in *-l-*, probably from **anô*, or alternatively from the corresponding personal-name stem **Anu-*, as also found in names such as **Anuwinduz* (Peterson 2004: 37). The name is directly attested in Proto-Norse as ᚱᚢᚢᚢᚩ (*anula*), on the Nydam sword-sheath fitting; Stoklund (2003: 176) identifies it as a masculine personal name formed with the familiar diminutive *-l-* suffix. Compare Old English *Onela*, Old High German *Anilo/Analo*, Gothic ᚱᚢᚱᚱᚱ (*Anala*)/ᚱᚢᚱᚱᚱ (*Anila*), and Old Norse *Áli/Óli*; the variation *Anul-* ~ *Anil-* ~ *Anal-* appears to belong to the same hypocoristic name family (Lloyd & Springer 1988: s.v. *ana*²; Peterson 2004: 37). Pokorny (1959: 36–37) likewise treats Old Norse *Áli* (< *Anilo*), Old English *Anela*, and Old High German *Anelo* as diminutive formations belonging with the Germanic ‘ancestor’ word.

Declension

Case	Singular	Plural
Nom.	Anulô	—
Acc.	Anulanꝥ	—
Gen.	Anuliniz	—
Dat.	Anulini	—
Inst.	Anulinē	—
Voc.	Anulô	—

Descendants

- Onela (Old English)
- Anilo (Old High German)
- 𐳚𐳚𐳚𐳚𐳚 (anula) (Proto-Norse)

Áli (Old Norse)

Áli (Icelandic)

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