

## Magical gem: Hebrew text (A) Greek text (B)

<b>CBd-Number</b>	CBd-1450
<b>ID-Number</b>	Fr-BnF-CdM_AA.Seyrig.39
<b>Collection</b>	FR_Paris, Cabinet des Médailles
<b>Inventory</b>	AA.Seyrig.39
<b>References</b>	Bonner, SMA D. 276; Spier, Gems, no. 624; Michel, DMG, no. 28.7.a_3; Mastrocinque 2014, no. 651
<b>Former Collections</b>	Seyrig, Henry (Beirut)
<b>Material</b>	haematite (black)
<b>Dimensions</b>	32 x 18.5 x 3 mm



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**Description:** Rectangular gem. Black haematite. Small chips on the edge.

**A:** Three lines of Hebrew inscription written in the Samaritan alphabet:

𐤀𐤓𐤁𐤀𐤓 𐤀𐤓𐤁𐤀𐤓 𐤀𐤓𐤁𐤀𐤓 ('yn k'l yšrwn) → 𐤀𐤓𐤁𐤀𐤓 𐤀𐤓𐤁𐤀𐤓 𐤀𐤓𐤁𐤀𐤓 → "There is no one like the God of Israel" (Deut. 33, 26.).

**B:** Five lines of Greek inscription: εἰςθε|οσβο|ηθιμ|αρκι|ανην → εἰς θεὸς βοήθει Μαρκιανήν 'The sole god, help Markiane!'

### Bibliography

[Bonner, SMA on CBd-1450](#)

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