

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

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

𐤀𐤁𐤁𐤁𐤁 𐤀𐤁𐤁 𐤀𐤁𐤁 (ʾyn kʾl yšrwn) → 𐤀𐤁𐤁𐤁𐤁𐤁𐤁𐤁𐤁 𐤀𐤁𐤁𐤁𐤁𐤁 𐤀𐤁𐤁𐤁 → "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

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