

Magical gem: Human figure, stars, voces (A) human figures, stars, Greek inscription (B)

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References	Michel, DMG, no. 2.4_3; Spier, Gems, no. 655; Mastrocinque 2014, no. 329; Delatte-Derchain 1964, no. 406
Material	schist
Dimensions	44 x 31 x 4.5 mm
Dating	Post-antique (?)
Iconography	weapon: sword; stars (5); stars (2); clothing: garment; Anguipes, human-headed; uterus?; figures, unidentified (5)
Divine Names & Voces	voces, unidentified; Χριστός



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Description: Upright oval, both faces flat. Shape 10. Greyish schist. Intact, drilled for suspension. Post-antique?

A: A striped line enclosing a snake-legged human figure, wearing a long garment and holding a sword in the right hand (variant of the Anguipes?). Around the figure: five stars from which the one the top right side is enclosed by a striped line. On the right: a uterus-like object. In the free field: λλ|σλσ|λσαυ|λνσαυλρ|λλαησλ → unidentified voces.

B: In six different fields, separated by lines: ασα|χριστοσ → voces including Χριστός; two standing and one seated figures separated from each other by vertical lines; two seated figures with a star in front of each, and a basket in between; λκου[.]κσ|λκ → unidentified voces.

Bibliography

[Spier, Gems on CBd-1886](#)

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