

# Magical gem in a modern gold mount: Standing man (A) Characteres (B)

<b>Cbd-Number</b>	Cbd-2488
<b>ID-Number</b>	AT-Wien-KM_XII 931, 2287
<b>Collection</b>	AT_Wien, Kunsthistorisches Museum
<b>Inventory</b>	XII 931, 2287
<b>References</b>	Zwierlein-Diehl, AGWien III, 2244; Michel, DMG, no. 55.1.a_2
<b>Former Collections</b>	Ambras (castle)
<b>Material</b>	haematite (black)
<b>Dimensions</b>	21.6 x 16.3 (si.O.) x 2.7 mm
<b>Dating</b>	2nd c. AD (Zwierlein-Diehl)
<b>Iconography</b>	figure, male



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**Description:** Side A upright oval, side B transverse oval, both faces flat. Shape 8-9. Dark gray haematite. Small piece missing at top right, cracked along the middle, much abraded. Set in a modern gold mount with two loopholes at the sides. Transferred from the Ambras collection in 1880.

**A:** Nude standing figure, head and feet to right, hands tightly against the body.

**B:** Three characteres: a circle between two double notches.

## Bibliography

[Zwierlein-Diehl, AGWien III on Cbd-2488](#)

[Michel, DMG, 55.1.a\\_2.](#)

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