

## Drawing of a magical gem: Osiris-Christ figure (A) Bearded, crowned man (B)

<b>CBd-Number</b>	CBd-2835
<b>ID-Number</b>	Wu_Ex Chifletius-Macarius_XIX 78
<b>Collection</b>	Int_Whereabouts unknown
<b>Inventory</b>	Chifletius-Macarius_XIX 78 Chifletius-Macarius, no. XIX 78;
<b>References</b>	Mastrocinque, SGG I, 214, no. 122; Michel, DMG, no. 39.8.a_4
<b>Material</b>	jasper, green and red figure, unidentified; crown, unspecified; snake; angel; stars (7); stars (8); Osiris?; mummy?
<b>Iconography</b>	



Credits: from Chifletius-Macarius, Abraxas Rights:

**A:** Crowned, herm-like figure to front, arms crossed over his chest. Lower body as if bandaged, decorated with characteres, two six-pointed stars next to the head of the figure. Below the figure: four squatting angels with arms crossed over the chest, upon a globe, decorated with lines of longitude and latitude and five six-pointed stars. To the right of the figure, a snake coiling upwards. Inscription in three lines next to the figure:  $\nu\sigma\iota\sigma\tau\sigma\ \nu\sigma\eta\iota\chi\iota$  |  $\nu\sigma\tau\iota\sigma\ \chi\omega\chi\sigma\sigma$  |  $\nu\sigma\iota\sigma\tau\ \eta\tau\tau\chi$ , followed by characteres. Further inscription next to the angels:  $\nu\sigma\ \mu\mu$ .

**B:** Crowned, herm-like figure, to front, arms crossed over the chest. Six six-pointed stars surround the head of the figure, two more appear next to the feet. Characteres in the free field.

For gems in the British Museum that may have been designed after this drawing, see [CBd-968](#) and [CBd-971](#), for a similar design in the Kunsthistorisches Museum, Vienna, see [CBd-2192](#).

### Bibliography

[Chifletius-Macarius, Abraxas](#), XIX 78  
[SGG I](#), no. 122 (with earlier literature)  
[Michel, DMG](#), 315, 39.8.a\_4, pl. 102, 3.

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