

## Magical gem: Osiris enclosed by the Ouroboros (A) characteres (B)

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<b>References</b>	Michel, BM, no. 10; Michel, DMG, no. 39.2.c_3
<b>Material</b>	jasper, green to black
<b>Dimensions</b>	23 x 17 x 9.5 mm
<b>Dating</b>	4th c. AD (Michel)
<b>Iconography</b>	Osiris; Ouroboros; clothing: bandage



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A: Ouroboros enclosing a mummified figure (Osiris?), to front. On the left: characteres or letters.  
B: Characteres in three lines.

### Bibliography

[Michel, BM on Cbd-389](#)

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