

## Magical gem: Lion on prone figure (A) voces (B)

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| <b>CBd-Number</b>               | CBd-665                                                                                               |
| <b>ID-Number</b>                | GB-BM-MMEu_G 234, EA 56234                                                                            |
| <b>Collection</b>               | GB_London, The British Museum                                                                         |
| <b>Inventory</b>                | G 234 (EA 56234)                                                                                      |
| <b>References</b>               | Michel, BM, no. 279; Michel, DMG, no. 37.A.3.a_3                                                      |
| <b>Former Collections</b>       | Chester, Greville John (1830-1892)                                                                    |
| <b>Material</b>                 | heliotrope                                                                                            |
| <b>Dimensions</b>               | 12 x 14 x 2.5 mm                                                                                      |
| <b>Dating</b>                   | 3rd c. AD (Michel)                                                                                    |
| <b>Iconography</b>              | animal: lion, with snake-headed tail; star; moon, crescent; clothing: bandage; gesture, lying; mummy? |
| <b>Divine Names &amp; Voces</b> | Ἰάω; voces, unidentified                                                                              |



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A: Figure lying prone with head (to left) raised, arms and feet stretched. Notches on the body of the figure indicate mummy bandage? Above the figure: a leaping lion, to left, its tail ending in a snake's head topped with the double feathers crown (S. Michel: atef). Above the lion's head: a crescent and an eight-pointed star.

B: Inscription in five lines: ιαω|βασξ|χαηβα|χωνω|α → voces including Ἰάω.

### Bibliography

[Michel, BM on CBd-665](#)

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