

# Magical gem: Ouroboros encircling uterus (A) ορωριουθ (B)

<b>CBd-Number</b>	CBd-731
<b>ID-Number</b>	GB-BM-MMEu_G 371, EA 56371
<b>Collection</b>	GB_London, The British Museum
<b>Inventory</b>	G 371 (EA 56371)
<b>References</b>	Michel, BM, no. 354; Michel, DMG, no. 54.1.c_2
<b>Material</b>	haematite (black)
<b>Dimensions</b>	16 x 9 x 3 mm
<b>Dating</b>	3rd c. AD (Michel)
<b>Iconography</b>	uterus, in the form of a cupping vessel; key (7-bitted); Ouroboros
<b>Divine Names &amp; Voces</b>	ορωριουθ



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A: Ouroboros encircling a uterus, below: a seven-bitted key.  
B: Inscription in two lines: ορωριουθ → ορωριουθ.

## Bibliography

[Michel, BM on CBd-731](#)

[Faraone 2011](#), 56, pls. 17a-c.

[The British Museum Collection database on CBd-731](#)

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