

Magical gem: κκκ (A) Heracles throttling lion (B)

CBd-Number	CBd-762
ID-Number	GB-BM-MMEu_G 224, EA 56224
Collection	GB_London, The British Museum
Inventory	G 224 (EA 56224)
References	Michel, BM, no. 391; Michel, DMG, no. 23.1.a_8
Former Collections	Chester, Greville John (1830-1892)
Material	jasper, red
Dimensions	15 x 11 x 3.5 mm
Dating	3rd c. AD (Michel)
Iconography	Heracles wrestling lion; animal: lion; weapon: club
Divine Names & Voces	κκκ



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A: Horizontal inscription in one line: κκκ.

B: Nude figure of Heracles, in profile to left, throttling the Nemean lion. Heracles grasps the animal, which stands on its hindlegs, by the head with his left arm. His club rests in the free field behind him, on the right.

Bibliography

[Michel, BM on CBd-762](#)

[Faraone 2011](#), 52, pl. 6a-d.

[The British Museum Collection database on CBd-762](#)