

# Magical gem: Solomon spearing Lilith (A) σφραγὶς θεοῦ (B)

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<b>References</b>	Michel, BM, no. 440; Michel, DMG, no. 44.1.c_4
<b>Former Collections</b>	Ogden Collection
<b>Material</b>	haematite (black)
<b>Dimensions</b>	28.5 x 18 x 3.5 mm
<b>Dating</b>	4th c. AD (Michel)
<b>Iconography</b>	animal: horse; clothing: mantle; clothing: tunic; gesture, defensive; Lilith; Solomon; star; weapon: spear; gesture, lying



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A: Rider on a rearing horse to right (Solomon). He is wearing tunic and mantle, stabbing a woman lying on the earth with a spear held in his right hand. The woman has long hair and is raising her right hand in a defensive gesture (Lilith). In the free field: a star in front of the head of the rider.  
B: Inscription in five lines: σφ|ρα|γις|θε|ου → σφραγὶς θεοῦ. 'Seal of God.'

## Bibliography

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