

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

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References	Michel, BM, no. 441; Michel, DMG, no. 44.1.b_12
Former Collections	Ogden Collection
Material	haematite (black)
Dimensions	32.5 x 12 x 2.5 mm
Dating	4th c. AD (Michel)
Iconography	animal: horse; weapon: spear; star; Solomon; shoes, unspecified; Lilith; gesture, defensive; clothing: tunic; clothing: mantle; gesture, lying
Divine Names & Voces	Σολομών



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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. Fragment of an inscription, beginning above the tail of the horse: σολομ[- -] → Σολομ[ών].
B: Inscription in four lines: σφραγὶς θεοῦ → σφραγὶς θεοῦ. 'Seal of God.'

Bibliography

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