

Magical pendant: Holy Rider (A) lion, voces, archangel names (B)

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ID-Number	GB-BM-MMEu_G 498, EA 56498
Collection	GB_London, The British Museum
Inventory	G 498 (EA 56498)
References	Michel, BM, no. 452
Former Collections	Chester, Greville John (1830-1892)
Material	bronze
Dimensions	52 x 27 mm
Dating	5th-6th c. AD (Michel)
Iconography	animal: horse; star; animal: lion; figure, female; gesture, arms tied; gesture, lying; nimbus; clothing: tunic; clothing: mantle; rider spearing the evil
Divine Names & Voces	Ίάω; Σαβαώθ, variants; Μιχαήλ; Γαβριήλ and variants; Ούριήλ



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A: Rider on horseback in profile to right, wearing tunic and mantle, head surrounded with a nimbus, right hand holding a spear. He is trampling over a figure lying on the ground, with long hair and arms tied. Inscription around, beginning next to the horse's

hindlegs: εισθεοσονι[.]ν[.]ακακ[.] → εἷς θεὸς ὁ νικῶν τὰ κακά. 'The sole God, who overcomes evil.'

B: In the upper segment, inscription in five lines: ιαωσα|βαωμιχ|αηλγαβρ|ιηλουριη|λ → Ίάω, Σαβαώ, Μιχαήλ, Γαβριήλ, Ούριήλ. In the middle, a six-pointed star; in the lower segment, a lion in profile to right.

Bibliography

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