

# Magical gem: Gorgoneion with seven sea-serpent protomes (A) Ouroboros (B)

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<b>Collection</b>	GB_London, The British Museum
<b>Inventory</b>	G 1986,5-1,15
<b>References</b>	Michel, BM, no. 618
<b>Former Collections</b>	Ogden Collection
<b>Material</b>	jasper, green to black
<b>Dimensions</b>	19 x 4 mm
<b>Dating</b>	17th-18th c. AD (Michel)
<b>Iconography</b>	Gorgoneion; Ouroboros; uterus, octopus-like
<b>Divine Names &amp; Voces</b>	voces, unidentified



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A: Gorgoneion with seven large snakes coiling around the head, resembling an octopus-like uterus.

B: Enclosed within an Ouroboros, head to right at the top, letters in two lines: ΖΞΕ|ΠΟΥΥ → unidentified voces.

## Bibliography

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