

## K1666 Condition Report

**Conservation Started:** 05/08/2013

**Conservation Finished:** 05/08/2013

**Conservator:** Cymbeline Storey

**Time Taken:** 4.5 hours

Including digital photography, report, conservation and packing.

**Dimensions:** not measured; many fragments

**Weight before:** 8.35g

**Weight after:** 8.26g

(K1666 cloisonné fragment renumbered to K2076, catalogue number 683)

### **Digital photography:**

Taken with a Canon EOS 1100D digital camera under daylight or bulbs. Taken before and after.

**Annotation on any of the storage bags or boxes:** None

**Description:** Visual and microscopic examination using Meiji stereo microscope 7-75x magnification

Many fragments of silver gilt fluted strip plus a few fragments of pressed foil and undecorated silver. One detached gold cloisonné cell wall.

**Associated Objects:** TBC

**Pre-Conservation Condition:** Visual and microscopic examination using Meiji stereo microscope 7-75x magnification

Some fragments have finished ends; some have old-looking breaks and some have recent-looking breaks. Some fragments have partial and/or intact round fastening holes. Many fragments are tarnished and are covered with a little soil.

**Treatment:** Carried out using a Meiji stereo microscope

**Purpose:** Study

**Aim:** Total cleaning

**Materials:** Soft natural/synthetic brushes, thorn in pin vice/holder, IMS on metals, 50:50 water/IMS on metals

The granular soil on the front/back was mechanically removed or reduced where possible using a fine thorn tip secured in a pin vice and a small pure bristle brush. IMS or water was used to soften the soil to facilitate removal. Loose particles of soil were then removed with a small swab of IMS.

A storage box padded with white polyethylene foam was made for housing the object.

**Post-Conservation Condition/Findings:**

The condition of the objects is the same as pre-conservation apart from removal of a small amount of soil.

**Key Features:**

Many fragments of silver gilt fluted strip plus a few fragments of pressed foil and undecorated silver.  
One detached gold cloisonné cell wall.

**Samples:**

None