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stone : *l*-stone Uruanna III 154; note the inscription NA₄.^dLAMMA (between the two panels on the seal) meaning “amulet stone” rather than referring to the nature of the seal stone (rose jasper) TCL 3 p. xii; NA₄.^dLAMMA Šurpu VIII 86, also Köcher BAM 311:15, KAR 213 i 17, LKU 32 r. 9, UET 4 149:6, 150:16, and passim for use as a charm and for magic practices.

5. (a star): MUL *nibū ša* MUL.ÙZ ^dLAMMA *sukkal* ^dBa-ú CT 33 1 i 26.

The protective spirit *l* is always represented as a female figure (only a late omen passage seems to refer to it as a hermaphrodite), but later texts differentiate between *lamassatu* “statue of a goddess” and *lamassu* “statue of a god.” See discussion sub *lamassatu*.

Since no OB lexical source gives a Sum. reading for this word (the reading *lamma* comes from Ea only), the reading of the logogram is uncertain. The personal name *La-ma-ša* is not sufficient evidence for positing a noun **lamā’um* which would occur only with the suffix *ša*; for discussion see Hirsch Untersuchungen² additions to p. 44, n. 227.

For UET 3 686:1, see *lamassatu*.

Landsberger, ZA 37 218f., 41 228f., MAOG 4 321; Spycket, RA 54 73ff.; Wiseman, Iraq 22 166ff.; von Soden, Bagh. Mitt. 3 148ff.; Limet Anthroponymie 129ff.; Oppenheim Ancient Mesopotamia 199ff.

lamassu in **awil lamassi** s.; lucky, divinely protected person; lex.*; cf. *lamassu*.

lú ki.ti.il.la (var. omits .la) = *a-wi-il la-ma-si* OB Lu B ii 22, var. from N 3861, see MSL 12 179.

For the rare Sum. correspondence ki.ti(1) to *lamassu* see N 970 and BE 1 129:14 cited *lamassu* lex. section.

lamastu see *lamassu* and *lamaštu*.

lamaštu (*lamassu*) s.; 1. (a female demon), 2. (a disease); from OB on; wr. syll. and ^dDÌM.ME.

dìm.me = *la-maš-tum* (followed by dìm.me.a = *labāšu*, dìm.me.ḪAB = *aḫḫāzu*) Lu Excerpt II 179a; ^d[...] = ^dDÌM.ME = *la-maš-tu* (followed by *labāšu*, *aḫḫāzu*) CT 24 44 xi 142 (god list).

^ddìm.me ^ddìm.me.a su.na ba.ni.in.gig.ga : *la-maš-tum labāšu ša zumra ušamrašu*—*l*-demon,

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labāšu-demon, who make the body sick CT 16 1:34f.; ^ddìm.me ḫé.a ^ddìm.me.a ḫé.a ^ddìm.me.ḪAB ḫé.a : *lu la-maš-tum lu labāšu lu aḫḫāzu* CT 17 34:17f., also CT 16 35:37f., KAR 56:16, ASKT p. 90–91 ii 62; ^ddìm.me ḫé.me.en : *lu la-maš-tum* MIN (= *atta*) CT 16 10 v 15f.; 7.àm ^ddìm.me ḫul.a.meš 7.àm ^ddìm.me.a šed₄.dè ḫul.a.meš : *sibīṭ la-maš-ti lemnūtu sibīṭ labāši li’bū lemnūtu* CT 16 13 iii 21ff.; ^d[dìm.me ka.muš.i.kú.[e] : *la-maš-tum pašittu* CT 17 25 i 5; lú ^ddìm.me šu.ḫa.za ba.an.da.gar (var. .kar).ra : *ša la-maš-tū* (var. *-tum*) *ḫuzuzu* whom the *l*-demon has seized 5R 50 i 53f., see Borger, JCS 21 4:27, cf. K.15251:5f.; udug ^ddìm.me ḫul_x.lú.ra sù.sù : *ša šēdi u la-maš-ti imtu* LÚ *iššār* he has heaped the spittle of the *šēdu* and the *l*-demons upon the man CT 16 49:298f.; ^ddìm.me nam.ba.te.gá.dé : [*la-maš-tu ē*] *taḫḫāšu*—*l*-demon, do not affect him! CT 16 30 i (C) 78f. and CT 17 46:78f.

1. (a female demon) — a) in gen.: *šalmāz nija ana la-maš-ti mārāt Anim tapqida* you (witches) have handed over figurines representing me to the *l*-demon, the daughter of Anu Maqlu IV 45; *ša* ^dDÌM.ME (var. *la-maš-tum*) *išbatušu* whom the *l*-demon has seized (parallel: *labāšu*, *aḫḫāzu*) Šurpu IV 52, ^dDÌM.ME *išabbassu* KAR 177 iii 18 (hemer.); *iskīp la-maš-tu šadā uštē[li]* he repulsed the *l*-demon, sending (her) back to the “Mountain” Lambert BWL 52:8 (Ludlul III), cf. *la maš-tu[m ú-ri]-da ultu qereb šadā* ibid. 40:55 (Ludlul II); may the goddess Annunitu crush *mārtam pašittam* ^dDÌM.ME *ekkēmtam* the . . . daughter, the snatcher-demon *l*. CT 42 32:10 and dupl., see von Soden, BiOr 18 71; SILA ^dLa-ma-aš-tim — *l*-street (in Sippar) CT 2 27:6 (OB).

b) in enumerations: ^dla-ma-aš-tū ^dla-bā-šu ^daḫ-ḫa-zu ZA 45 206 iv 8 (Bogh.), cf. [*lu*] *la-maš-tum lu labāšu lu aḫḫāzu* AAA 22 42 i 3, also Maqlu I 137, *muršu di’u la-maš-tum aḫḫāzu bibiḫtu* RA 41 31:5 and r. 3, etc., also *lu* ^dDÌM.ME *lu* ^dDÌM.ME.[A . . .] *lu* ^dDÌM.ME.ḪAB LKA 70 ii 18, KAR 227 iii 35, dupl. LKA 89 r. 27, Maqlu II 54, V 70, etc., see also lex. section.

c) on amulets: ^dDìm.me *dumu An.na* (inc.) RA 18 196:1, ^dDÌM.ME *DUMU* ^dA-nim ibid. 198:1, and passim, see Klengel, MIO 7 334ff. and 8 25ff.; 14 NA₄.MEŠ ^dDÌM.ME 14 stone

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beads (as charms) against the *l.* Köcher BAM 183:23, 38, and passim in such lists.

d) with ref. to the demon's attack: *la-maš-ti ištu šamē urdamma* the *l.*-demon has come down from heaven LKU 32:12, cf. [*la-maš*]-*tum u labāši* LKU p. 9:38; DUMU.MEŠ *la-maš-tum* (var. ^dDİM.ME) *išabbat* the *l.*-demon will seize children VAT 10218 iii 20, var. from *ibid.* 30 (astrol.); *išbat* KI.SIKIL *la-maš-tum iqabbūši išbat* LÚ.TUR ^dDİM.ME *iqabbūši* when she attacks the young woman they call her *l.*, when she attacks the small child they call her Dimme ZA 16 158 i 36f., *šalam* ^dDİM.ME *teppuš* you make an image of the *l.*-demon (and place it beside the sick person) *ibid.* 160 ii 23, etc., mostly referred to as *mārat Anim*.

2. (a disease) — **a)** in gen.: *ú.^ddīm.me = šam-me la-mas-si = šam-me t[ur-ti]* the plant for *l.*-disease Hg. D 221, in MSL 10 105; [*na₄.^dD*]^dDİM.ME = MIN (= NA₄) *la-maš-ti = [...]* Hg. B IV 83, in MSL 10 32; *lipit* ^dDİM.ME *ina māti ibašši* an epidemic of the *l.*-disease will be in the country ACh Sin 24:66; *šumma ina MN* ^dDİM.ME *išbassu ramanšu ikkal* if the *l.*-disease seizes him in MN and he eats his own flesh Labat Calendrier § 56:1.

b) in diagnoses: if his face is yellow ^dDİM.ME *išbassu* the *l.*-disease has seized him Labat TDP 72:11; *šibit* ^dDİM.[ME] KAR 211:9; *šibit ešemmi* ^dDİM.ME *ana ug[U ...]-te-ḫi(?)* (symptoms: fever and attacks of insanity) Labat TDP 22:37; ŠU ^dDİM.ME “hand” of the *l.*-demon *ibid.* 168:7, also *ibid.* 240:8 and 242:12, note ŠU ^dDİM.ME *mār šip[ri ša ...]* *ibid.* 240:9ff.; if a man suffers a “stroke” that affects his face *talammašu išammamšu* his ... becomes paralyzed KIN [*la*]-*maš-ti* (diagnosis:) the work of the *l.*-disease AMT 77,1:1; with direct ref. to sick children: *šibit* ^dDİM.ME ŠU *mārat Anim* (symptoms: chills and fever, craving for water) Labat TDP 224:51ff.

c) with ref. to medication: [*ú ... ú*]. ^dDİM.ME : SĪG.ŠID *talammi ina kišādišu tašakkan* [the ...-plant] is for *l.*-disease: you wrap it in a tuft of wool, place it around his

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neck CT 14 23 K.9283:23ff., cf. Köcher BAM 315 i 36, cf. *ú.^dDİM.ME ina šamni* AMT 78,2:2, cf. also TCL 6 12 r. vi 4 (astrol.), see Weidner Gestirn-Darstellungen 30; *ana ...* ^dDİM.ME (after a list of stone charms and materia medica) CT 14 16 BM 93084 r. 6; in broken context [*ú(?)*] *la-maš-tum* CT 14 35 K.14111:5.

For Sumer 13 97:8, see *askuppātu* usage a.

lamattu s.; ant; syn. list*; WSem. word(?).

la-ma-at-tum = kul-ba-bu Malku V 61.

Landsberger Fauna 136.

lāmātu see *amatu* A mng. 6b.

***lamā'um** see *lamassu* discussion section.

****lamā'um II** (AHw. 533b) read *i-lá-mu-^{<du>}*, see *lamādu*.

lamdu (fem. *lamittu*) adj.; experienced; SB; cf. *lamādu*.

la lam-du-um-mi eriquu the inexperienced (it is said) is a wagon Lambert BWL 260b VAT 10810:6 (Sum. destroyed); [*ki.sik*]il nu.un.zu.àm *ḫé.me.en* : [*lu*] *ardatu la la-mit-tum atta* be you an innocent young woman CT 16 50:18f.

lamḫuššū see *lamahuššū*.

la'miš adv.; like embers; SB; cf. *la'mu*.

[*nišē(?)*] *de-šá-a-ti tu-bal-li la'-meš* you (Marduk) extinguished the numerous people like embers BA 5 386:18, also *ibid.* 387 r. 21.

lammu A (*lummu*) s.; **1.** almond tree, **2.** sapling; MB, SB, NA; Sum. lw.

e-eš GIŠ.LAM×KUR = *lam-mu, šiqdu* Diri II 223f.; lu-ug [GIŠ.LAM] = *la-am-mu, šiqdu* Diri II Bogh. 223a-223b (= KUB 3 98:2f.), cf. Sp I 216.

^{giš}lam (twice, after the ^{giš}mes-section and before ^{giš}ū.su_hs) Forerunner to Hh. III 23ff.; ^{giš}lam.gal, ^{giš}lam.tur (between ^{giš}šennur and ^{giš}al.la.nu.um) *ibid.* 31ff.; *giš.ū.ku = ašūhu, giš.ū.ku.TUR = lam-mu, niplu, ziqpu, šitlu* Hh. III 74ff.; *giš.A.AM.tur = lam-mu* (var. *lum-mu*), *niplu, ziqpu, šitlu* *ibid.* 148ff.; *giš.mes = mēsu, lam-mu* *ibid.* 200f.; *lam-mu = giš.ū.ku* CT 18 3 iv 20.

ú lam-mu : *ú dul-bu* Uruanna II 501; *ú a-a-ár ku-bu-ut šá kur-i* : *ú an-ki-nu-te kima lam-me* Uruanna I 561; uncert.: *ú lam-ma* (var. *ú lam-me* ŠE) : *ú MIN (= epitātu)* Uruanna II 346.