I know this isn't research, but I wasn't sure where else to put it.

I've never liked the Ξ symbol for the Ether currency—basically because no one uses it.

I have a future symbol, as well as a stop-gap symbol while we wait for our new symbol to be included in Unicode.

The new symbol is the .svg below:

[Dropbox](#)

eth-symbol-virgil.svg

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Unfortunately, it takes 1-2 years to get a new symbol added to Unicode. So until we get into Unicode, I propose we use this symbol below:

◆ or ◆

(depending on your chosen font)

[fileformat.info](#)

BLACK LOZENGE (U+29EB)

Get the complete details on Unicode character U+29EB on FileFormat.Info

So in practice this will look:

"Hello my crypto-comrade. I'm going to send you ◆5."

or, if you prefer a bigger lozenge, you can put it in teletext, which yields the result,

"Hello my crypto-comrade. I'm going to send you ◆

5."

I personally like the larger lozenge. But I suppose if someone prefers the smaller lozenge, that's okay too and users will just figure it out from context.

With the final version, once it's included in Unicode, will be a more polished version of:

"Hello my crypto-comrade. I'm going to send you

5."