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CAPInv. 1099: **retiarii**

I. LOCATION

i. Geographical area	Southern Italy with Sicily
ii. Region	Campania
iii. Site	Pozzuoli (anc. Puteoli)

II. NAME

i. Full name (original language)	retiarii (CIL X 1589, l. 1)
ii. Full name (transliterated)	<i>retiarii</i>

III. DATE

i. Date(s)	i (?) BC
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IV. NAME AND TERMINOLOGY

ii. Name elements	Professional:	<i>retiarii</i> : gladiators, net-fighters.
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V. SOURCES

i. Source(s)	CIL X 1589 (i BC?)
Note	ILLRP 231
i.a. Source type(s)	Epigraphic source(s)
i.b. Document(s) typology & language/script	Latin dedication to the god Mercury set up by the <i>retiarii</i> and provided by their <i>magistri</i> , whose names follow.
i.c. Physical format(s)	Fragmentary inscription.
ii. Source(s) provenance	Found in Pozzuoli, church of S. Francesco.

VII. ORGANIZATION

ii. Leadership	Maybe six <i>magistri</i> (CIL X 1589, ll. 3-5; but the inscription is fragmentary at this point, and probably other names have been lost). The <i>magistri</i> provided (<i>curarunt</i>) (CIL X 1589, l. 2) the dedication for the god. Three of them were freedmen.
viii. Obligations	The engraving and erection of the inscription may imply that the <i>retiarii</i> either collected money ad hoc or each member had to pay some sum regularly, which went into the (unattested) treasury.

VIII. PROPERTY AND POSSESSIONS

i. Treasury/Funds	The engraving and erection of the inscription may imply that the association had its own funds/treasury.
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IX. MEMBERSHIP

i. Number	Six names attested.
ii. Gender	Men
Note	Attested individuals are men.
iii. Age	Adults
Note	Attested individuals are almost surely adults.
iv. Status	Three <i>magistri</i> were freedmen (<i>liberti</i>).

X. ACTIVITIES

iii. Worship	The dedication to Mercury by the group suggests worship.
Deities worshipped	Mercury

XII. NOTES

i. Comments	Dubois 1902: 33-4 refers the word <i>retiarii</i> to an association of men engaged in the manufacture and sale of nets (<i>retia</i>).
iii. Bibliography	Dubois, Ch.-A. (1902), 'Cultes et Dieux à Pouzzoles', <i>MEFRA</i> 22: 23-68. Peterson, R.M. (1919), <i>The cults of Campania</i> . Rome. Waltzing, J.P. (1895-1900), <i>Étude historique sur les corporations professionnelles chez les Romains depuis les origines jusqu'à la chute de l'Empire d'Occident</i> , I-IV. Louvain.

XIII. EVALUATION

i. Private association

Certain

Note

see Waltzing 1895: vol. I, 89; Peterson 1919: 114.