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CAPInv. 1144: phortegoi Asklepiastai ek tou enp[o]riou

## I. LOCATION

i. Geographical area	Western Asia Minor
ii. Region	Ionia
iii. Site	Smyrna

## II. NAME

i. Full name (original language)	φορτηγοὶ Ἀσκληπιασταὶ ἐκ τοῦ ἐνπ[ο]ρίου (I.Smyrna 713, ll. 6-7)
ii. Full name (transliterated)	<i>phortegoi Asklepiastai ek tou enp[o]riou</i>

## III. DATE

i. Date(s)	225 (?) AD
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## IV. NAME AND TERMINOLOGY

ii. Name elements	Professional:	<i>phortegoi</i>
	Theophoric:	Asklepios
	Topographical:	<i>ek tou enporiou</i>

## V. SOURCES

i. Source(s)	I.Smyrna 713 (225 AD)
Note	See also: Dittmann-Schöne II.2.6
Online Resources	<a href="#">I.Smyrna 713</a>
i.a. Source type(s)	Epigraphic source(s)

i.b. Document(s) typology & language/script	Civic decree, greek
i.c. Physical format(s)	Marble block
ii. Source(s) provenance	Smyrna

## VI. BUILT AND VISUAL SPACE

ii. References to buildings/objects	βάθρα, <i>bathra</i> (l. 7): The association receives four seats in an unknown building (probably not the theatre; possibly a place where they could offer their services: Dittmann-Schöne 2010: 168). Maybe the building was erected in the <i>emporion</i> , where the association had its seat?
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## X. ACTIVITIES

iii. Worship	The reference to Asklepios in the association's name may be due to its proximity to the local sanctuary of Asklepios (Royer 2005: 72-3).
Deities worshipped	Asklepios

## XII. NOTES

i. Comments	The decision to give the seats to the association was made by the city council and approved by the proconsul Lollianus Avitus. Van Nijf 1997: 222 is probably correct in regarding this confirmation as symbolic rather than as an expression of Roman control.
ii. Poland concordance	Poland Z 34
iii. Bibliography	Dittmann-Schöne, I. (2010), <i>Die Berufsvereine in den Städten des kaiserzeitlichen Kleinasien</i> . 2nd. ed. Regensburg. Royer, A. (2005), <i>Associations professionnelles et groupes de gens de métier dans les cités grecques d'Asie Mineure à l'époque impériale (Ier - Ve siècles ap. J.-C.)</i> . Lyon. Van Nijf, O.M. (1997), <i>The Civic World of Professional Associations in the Roman East</i> . Amsterdam.

## XIII. EVALUATION

i. Private association	Probable
Note	Professional associations in the 2nd/3rd century were often very close to the official civic institutions, but they probably remained essentially private associations.
ii. Historical authenticity	Certain