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## CAPInv. 1764: hoi perei (i.e. peri) Rouphon Zeipa myste (i.e. mystai) Botryos Dionysou

i.	Geographical area	Macedonia
ii.	Region	Edonis
iii.	Site	Philippi

i. Full name (original language)	οί περεὶ (i.e. περὶ) 'Ροῦφον Ζειπᾶ μύστε (μύσται) Βότρυος Διονύσου (Philippi II 535/G207)
ii. Full name (transliterated)	hoi perei (i.e. peri) Rouphon Zeipa myste (i.e. mystai) Botryos Dionysou

i. Date(s)	ii - iii AD

ii. Name elements	Cultic:	μύσται, mystai
	Personal:	hoi peri Rufou Zeipa: followers of Rufus, son of Zeipa
	Theophoric:	Botryos Dionysou

i.	Source(s)	Philippi II 535/G207 (ii - iii AD)
	Online Resources	<u>TM 126885</u>
i.a.	Source type(s)	Epigraphic source(s)

i.b.	Document(s) typology & language/script	Greek honorary inscription set up for Rufus, son of Zeipa, by his followers.
i.c.	Physical format(s)	Pedimental stele; in the <i>tympanon</i> a bust of a bearded man is depicted in relief.
ii.	Source(s) provenance	The stone was seen in 1899 at Alistrati, territory of Philippi.

ii. Leadership	μυστάρχης, <i>mystarches</i> (Il. 3-4: μυ[στάρχη], <i>my[starchei]</i> , according to the <i>editio princeps</i> ; but Perdrizet (1900: 317) proposes the restitution μύ[στη], <i>my[stei]</i> , due to lack of adequate space.

iv. Status	The leader of the group is a <i>peregrinus</i> of Thracian origin.

iv. Honours/Other activities	The followers of Rufus honor their leader as <i>euergetes</i> .

ii.	Poland concordance	Poland B 64
iii.	Bibliography	Perdrizet, P. (1900), 'Inscriptions de Philippes. Les Rosalies', BCH 24: 299-323.

i. Private association	Possible
Note	Though private in character and using a distinctive name, the text offers no signs of this group's duration or inner organisation. This could have been a group of initiates united <i>ad hoc</i> .

