

CAPInv. 1899: **thiasos Apolloniastan ton syn Leukioi Orbioi**

I. LOCATION

i. Geographical area	Aegean Islands
ii. Region	Kos
iii. Site	Kos

II. NAME

i. Full name (original language)	θιάσου Ἀπολλωνιαστᾶν τῶν σὺν Λευκίοι Ὀρβίοι (<i>IG</i> XII.4 2783, lines 2-6)
ii. Full name (transliterated)	thiasos Apolloniastan ton syn Leukioi Orbioi

III. DATE

i. Date(s)	100 (?) - 1 (?) BC
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IV. NAME AND TERMINOLOGY

ii. Name elements	Cultic:	<i>thiasos</i> (θιάσου, lines 2-3)
	Personal:	<i>Leukios Orbios</i> (Lucius Orbius, σὺν Λευκίοι Ὀρβίοι, lines 5-6)
	Theophoric:	<i>Apolloniastai</i> (Ἀπολλωνιαστᾶν, lines 3-4)

V. SOURCES

i. Source(s)	<i>IG</i> XII.4 2783
Note	Segre, <i>I. Cos EF</i> 201; Maiuri, <i>NSER</i> 491; Tsouli 2013: no. 629c with ph. Cf. also Maillot 2013: no. 44.
Online Resources	PHI: I. Cos EF 201 Harland, AGRW ¹¹⁶⁶⁰

i.a. Source type(s)	Epigraphic source(s)
i.b. Document(s) typology & language/script	Boundary stone, <i>horos</i> (cf. ὅρος, line 1). Greek.
i.c. Physical format(s)	White marble plaque, broken on all sides.
ii. Source(s) provenance	Platani-Kermetes neighbourhood, south-west of city of Kos.

VI. BUILT AND VISUAL SPACE

ii. References to buildings/objects	The point of reference of the boundary stone (ὅρος, line 1) is to private burial plots for the group: <i>thekaia</i> (θηκαίων, lines 1-2).
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VII. ORGANIZATION

i. Founder(s)	<p><i>Leukios Orbios</i> (σὺν Λευκίῳ Ὀρβίῳ, lines 5-6)</p> <p>This individual, with the Roman name Lucius Orbius, and mentioned in the name of the association, is either its founder or its leader. The name and the family are relatively famous: L. Orbius may have been the commander who led the Delians in a victory against Athenian supporters of Mithridates in 87 BC (Athen. V.241f). Several dedications of members of his family and his freedmen are known on Delos (as Hermaistai: cf. CAP Inv. 890, e.g. ID 1742, 1745, 2001, and 2577). In the case of this association from Kos, it is unclear which precise L. Orbius may be meant, though a connection with Delos and a group of worshippers of Apollo Dalios is both possible and intriguing.</p>
Gender	Male
ii. Leadership	See above.

X. ACTIVITIES

iii. Worship	See above IV.ii.
Deities worshipped	Apollo.

XI. INTERACTION

ii. Interaction abroad	See above VII.i.
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XII. NOTES

iii. Bibliography

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XIII. EVALUATION

i. Private association

Certain

Note

Little is known about this association and its precise context. On the basis of its name and by comparison with other highly similar boundary stones of the burial plots of associations near the city of Kos (more than 50 in number, cf. e.g. [CAPI no. 1826](#)), we can be confident that it constituted a private association.