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## CAPInv. 391: hoi kerameis

### I. LOCATION

i. Geographical area	Western Asia Minor
ii. Region	Lydia
iii. Site	Thyateira

### II. NAME

i. Full name (original language)	οἱ κεραμεῖς (TAM V.2 914, l. 8)
ii. Full name (transliterated)	<i>hoi kerameis</i>

### III. DATE

i. Date(s)	198 - 217 AD
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### IV. NAME AND TERMINOLOGY

ii. Name elements	Professional:	The potters
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### V. SOURCES

i. Source(s)	TAM V.2 914 (198-217 AD)
Note	See also: Dittmann-Schöne III.1.15
Online Resources	<a href="#">TAM V.2 914</a>
i.a. Source type(s)	Epigraphic source(s)
i.b. Document(s) typology & language/script	Honorific inscription dedicated by the association to the emperor M. Aur. Severus Antoninus. Greek.
i.c. Physical format(s)	Possibly base of a statue reused as gravestone.

**ii. Source(s) provenance**

Thyateira

## VIII. PROPERTY AND POSSESSIONS

**i. Treasury/Funds**

The honorific inscription (and statue) was erected by the association [ἐκ τῶ] <v> ἰδίων ([*ek to*] <n> *idion*, ll. 6-7) ("at their own expenses").

## X. ACTIVITIES

**iv. Honours/Other activities**

The association honours the emperor Caracalla, who received the epithet *pius* end of 198 AD.

## XII. NOTES

**i. Comments**

For the dedication of honorific inscriptions by private associations to emperors as a not common habit cf. van Nijf 1997: 74-5. This author compares this sort of dedications to the dedications to the gods, and explains them as "demonstrations of the loyalty of his subjects, rather than the product of any special relationship".

**iii. Bibliography**

Dittmann-Schöne, I. (2010), *Die Berufsvereine in den Städten des kaiserzeitlichen Kleinasiens*. 2nd. ed. Regensburg: 190.  
van Nijf, O. (1997), *The civic world of professional associations in the Roman East*. Amsterdam: 74-5.

## XIII. EVALUATION

**i. Private association**

Certain

**Note**

It is a craftsmanship-association.