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CAPInv. 835: U-WAM-014

I. LOCATION

i.	**Geographical area**	Western Asia Minor
ii.	**Region**	Caria
iii.	**Site**	Iasos

II. NAME

i.	Association with unknown name	U-WAM-014

III. DATE

i.	**Date(s)**	200 (?) BC - 100 (?) AD

V. SOURCES

i.	**Source(s)**	*I. Iasos* 116 (ca. 200-100 BC?).
	Note	Cf. also *BE* 1971: no. 628.
	Online Resources	PHI: Iasos 284 Harland AGRW no. 9512
i.a.	**Source type(s)**	Epigraphic source(s)
i.b.	**Document(s) typology & language/script**	Account of an association in the making in Greek: Thrasyllos records how he gathered a group and instituted a cult for his deceased brother Isokrates. It is probable that the inscription then went on to specify other matters relating to the cult or the group in question.
i.c.	**Physical format(s)**	Stone stele.
ii.	**Source(s) provenance**	Iasos.

VII. ORGANIZATION

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i.	**Founder(s)**	[Θράσυλλ]ος... Μενεδήμου, *[Thrasyll]os... Menedemou* (line 1-2; cf. also lines 3 and 5-6) Thrasyllos son of Menedemos founds the cult of his brother Isokrates. More specifically, the text refers to a process of gathering (συν[α]|γαγὼν, *Syn[a]gagon* lines 8-9, συναγαγεῖν, *synagagein* line 11) a group or an association together to honour Isokrates (see VII.iii for these constituent groups).
	Gender	Male
ii.	**Leadership**	Perhaps Thrasyllos also (see above VII.1).
iii.	**Members**	οἱ... οἰκεῖοι, *hoi oikeioi* (line 9) οἱ ἑταῖροι, *hoi etairoi* (lines 9-10) οἱ φίλοι, *hoi philoi* (line 10) The gathering made by Thrasyllos is formed of kinship groups (*oikeioi*) and groups of companions and friends.

VIII. PROPERTY AND POSSESSIONS

i.	**Treasury/Funds**	As we have it, the document only mentions that Thrasyllos gave money to fund the honours for his brother (lines 12-13, before substantially trailing off): εἰς δὲ ταῦτα ἔδωκεν ἀργύριον, | ὃ συνέβη γενέσθαι ἐν τῆι πρώ[τηι] ..., *eis de tauta edoken argyrion, | ho synebe genesthai en tei pro[tei]...*

IX. MEMBERSHIP

ii.	**Gender**	Men

X. ACTIVITIES

iii.	**Worship**	The group constituted by Thrasyllos honoured (τιμῆσαι, *timesai* line 7; τιμῶντας, *timontas* line 11) the deceased Isokrates with a cult.
	Deities worshipped	Reference is made to Ἰσοκράτην δαίμονα ἀγαθόν, *Isokraten daimona agathon* (line 12). The usual expression in Caria is *Daimon Agathos* followed by the genitive of the individual (cf. CAP Inv. 830), but here the heroic (or rather daimonic) cult is apparently even more directly expressed.

XII. NOTES

iii.	**Bibliography**	Cf. also G. Pugliese Carratelli (1967-1968), 'Supplemento Epigrafico di Iasos', *ASAA* 29-30: 479-80, no. 52.

XIII. EVALUATION

i.	**Private association**	Probable

Note	This inscription is unusually detailed with regard to the process of constituting a private cultic association (perhaps a *synagoge*, gathering a group or multiple subgroups together). It is unclear whether the founder Thrasyllos' measures met with success, but it is probable that this was the case, given the setting up of the inscription and the recording of his deeds.

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