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CAPInv. GR-39: hoi treis thiasoi

i.	Geographical area	Peloponnese with Adjacent Islands
ii.	Region	Aigina
iii.	Site	Aigina

i.a.	Full reference (original language)	οί τρεῖς θίασοι (IG IV 2, 971)
i.b.	Full reference (transliterated)	hoi treis thiasoi
ii.	Reference context	The expression οἱ τρεῖς θίασοι hoi treis thiasoi is written within an olive wreath which is engraved on the gravestone of Moschos, son of Moschos. There are two more wreaths on the stele containing the phrases ἡ βουλὴ καὶ ὁ δῆμος, he boule kai ho demos and οἱ ἀλιφόμενοι ἐν ἀνφοτέροις τοῖς γυμνασίοις, hoi aleiphomenoi en amphoterois tois gymnasiois (CAPInv. 582).

i. Date(s)	i AD

i. Descriptive terms	θίασος, thiasos

i.	Source(s)	IG IV 2, 971, tab. XIX
i.a.	Source type(s)	Epigraphic source(s)
i.b.	Document(s) typology & language/script	Funerary inscription of Moschos, son of Moschos.

i.c.	Physical format(s)	A stele of Pentelic marble broken at its upper part. Below the funerary inscription of Moschos there are three olive wreaths engraved; within the wreaths inscriptions: a. ἡ βουλὴ καὶ ὁ δῆμος, he boule kai ho demos b. οἱ ἀλιφόμενοι ἐν ἀνφοτέροις τοῖς γυμνασίοις, hoi aliphomenoi en amphoterois this gymnasiois c. οἱ τρεῖς θίασοι, hoi treis thiasoi.
ii.	Source(s) provenance	Aigina, in the town, near the old aqueduct.

i. Local interaction	The three <i>thiasoi</i> appear on the gravestone of Moschos, paying a kind of post-mortal honour to him, together with the <i>boule</i> and the <i>demos</i> and a further collectivity defined as <i>hoi aleiphomenoi en amphoterois tois gymnasiois</i> (CAPInv. 582).

i.	Comments	The <i>thiasoi</i> which are attested in Aiginetan funerary inscriptions are <i>hoi periklea thiasitai</i> (CAPInv. 557), <i>hoi peri Hymnon thiasitai</i> (CAPInv. 558) and the <i>thiasos ho Phainemachou</i> (CAPInv. 575). Whether all aforementioned <i>thiasoi</i> are to be undersood with the general reference to "three <i>thaisoi</i> " is not clear.
iii.	Bibliography	IG IV 2, 971, pl. XIX

i.	Private associations	Possible
	Note	<i>Thiasoi</i> which often seem to have a connection with the gymnasion, appear often on Aiginetan gravestones. Their nature, namely whether they are to be regarded as public subdivisions or groups subordinated to the public function of the gymnasion or private associations, remains an open question.

