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CAPInv. 137: hoi philoploi

i.	Geographical area	Western Asia Minor
ii.	Region	Phrygia
iii.	Site	Hierapolis

i.	Full name (original language)	ame (original language) οἱ φιλόπλοι (Ritti 2006: 48-51, l. 10)	
ii	. Full name (transliterated)	hoi philoploi	

i. Date(s)	ii - iii AD

ii. Name elements	Other:	Activity: "lovers of arms"	

i.	Source(s)	Ritti 2006: 48-51 (ii - iii AD)	
	Note	See also: SEG 56: 1501	
i.a.	Source type(s)	Epigraphic source(s)	
i.b.	Document(s) typology & language/script	Epitaph. Greek.	
i.c.	Physical format(s)	Marble sarcophagus	
ii.	Source(s) provenance	Necropolis of Hierapolis	

VI BUILT AND VISUAL SPACE

i. Archaeological remains

Marble sarcophagus

VIII PROPERTY AND POSSESSIONS

iv. Endowments

The association is the second option chosen by a donor for coronating his grave. If the leadership of the ϵ ργασία τῶν λινωτῶν, *ergasia ton linoton* (l. 7) does not fulfill its obligations (distributing money to the members on a certain date), they shall give twice the amount to the φιλόπλοι, *philoploi*, so that they can carry out the coronation.

XI. INTERACTION

i. Local interaction

The association is the second option after the ἐργασία τῶν λινώτων, *ergasia ton linoton*, which may point to a certain rivalry.

YII NOTES

i. Comments

Φιλόπλοι, *Philoploi*, are known from other cities (cf. the evidence collected by Ritti and SEG). Ritti thinks of a "club of fans of gladiatorial games".

iii. Bibliography

Ritti, T. (2006), An Epigraphic Guide to Hierapolis (Pamukkale). Istanbul.

XIII EVALUATION

i. Private association

Probable

Note

Since the ἐργασία τῶν λινώτων, ergasia ton linoton is mentioned in a parallel position in the inscription, it is reasonable to suppose that the φιλόπλοι, philoploi, were an association as well.

ii. Historical authenticity

Certain.

