

CAPInv. 1526: *synodos ton Herakleiston*

I. LOCATION

i. Geographical area	Central Greece
ii. Region	Megaris
iii. Site	Pagai

II. NAME

i. Full name (original language)	σύνοδος τῶν Ἡρακλεϊστῶν (IG VII 192, l. 5-7)
ii. Full name (transliterated)	<i>synodos ton Herakleiston</i>

III. DATE

i. Date(s)	a. 131 AD
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IV. NAME AND TERMINOLOGY

ii. Name elements	Theophoric:	<i>Herakleistai</i> were the worshippers of <i>Herakles</i>
	Other:	The group is qualified as <i>ἱερὰ</i> , <i>hiera</i> , l. 5.
iii. Descriptive terms	σύνοδος, <i>synodos</i> , l. 5.	
Note	The group is qualified as <i>ἱερὰ</i> , <i>hiera</i> , l. 5.	

V. SOURCES

i. Source(s)	IG VII 192 (a. 131 AD)
Note	Other publications LeBas - Waddington (1847: ii 16).
Online Resources	IG VII 192

i.a. Source type(s)	Epigraphic source(s)
i.b. Document(s) typology & language/script	Dedication of a statue of Herakles by Koranos and Herakleitos, son of Herakleitos, members of the <i>Panhellenion</i> .
ii. Source(s) provenance	Found in Alepokampos built in the church of Panagia.

VI. BUILT AND VISUAL SPACE

ii. References to buildings/objects	The individuals donated (προϊκα, <i>proika</i> , l. 7) a statue of Herakles, τὸν Ἡρακλέα, <i>ton Heraklea</i> , l. 8.
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X. ACTIVITIES

Deities worshipped	The group most probably worshipped Ἡρακλῆς, <i>Herakles</i> . For the cult of Herakles at Megara see Smith 2008: 123.
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XI. INTERACTION

i. Local interaction	The fact that the two donors were members of the Πανελλήνιον, <i>Panhelle[nion]</i> , (l. 1), a body instituted by Hadrian suggests that they were most likely members of the local elite.
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XII. NOTES

i. Comments	The inscription was listed among the athletic associations by Poland (see below) probably on the basis of the commentary by Le Bas and Waddington, who regarded as a 'compagnie d' athletes en passage'.
ii. Poland concordance	Poland H7
iii. Bibliography	Le Bas, Ph (1847), <i>Voyages archeologiques en Grece et en Asie Mineure</i> . Paris. Smith, Ph. (2008) <i>The archaeology and epigraphy of Hellenistic and Roman Megaris</i> . Oxford.

XIII. EVALUATION

i. Private association	Certain
Note	The terminology and the nature of the association ensures its private character.