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CAPInv. 2114: Samothraikiastan Aphrodi<sia>stan [koinon - -

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I. LOCATION

i. Geographical area	Aegean Islands
ii. Region	Rhodes
iii. Site	Rhodos

II. NAME

i. Full name (original language)	Σαμοθρακιστᾶν Ἀφροδι<σια>στᾶν [κοινόν - -
ii. Full name (transliterated)	Samothraikiastan Aphrodi<sia>stan [koinon - -

III. DATE

i. Date(s)	ii BC
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IV. NAME AND TERMINOLOGY

ii. Name elements	Cultic:	Σαμοθρακισταί, <i>Samothraikiastai</i> - worshippers of the Samothracian gods. It is likely that the association of Samothraikiastai were connected to the mystery cult on the island, yet it remains uncertain whether all members were initiated into the Samothracian Mysteries. The associations of the Samothraikiastai were prominent in their role in protecting sailors (cf. Cole, 1984, 85-6).
	Theophoric:	Ἀφροδισιασταί, <i>Aphrodisiastai</i> , 1. 3 - From the goddess Aphrodite (Morrelli, <i>I culti in Rodi</i> [Pisa, 1959], 34-35, 117-18).

iii. Descriptive terms

κοινόν(?), koinon(?)

Note

The descriptive term was restored in AM 25, 109,108

V. SOURCES**i. Source(s)**

AM 25, 109,108

Online Resources[AM 25, 109,108](#)[AGRW no. 14988](#)**i.a. Source type(s)**

Epigraphic source(s)

XIII. EVALUATION**i. Private association**

Certain

Note

The use of both a cultic and a theophoric name element and the dedicatory-honourific context of the attested inscriptions make the private character of the association certain, although a descriptive term might be lacking.