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CAPInv. 835: U-WAM-014

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

i. Association with unknown name	U-WAM-014		

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

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

		Thrasyllos son of Menedemos founds the cult of his brother Isokrates. More specifically, the text refers to a process of gathering $(\sigma \upsilon v[\alpha] \gamma \alpha \gamma \grave{\omega} v$, $Syn[a]gagon$ lines 8-9, $\sigma \upsilon v \alpha \gamma \alpha \gamma \epsilon v$, $synagagein$ line 11) a group or an association together to honour Isokrates (see VII.iii for
	Gender	Male
ii.	Leadership	Perhaps Thrasyllos also (see above VII.1).
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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, δ συνέβη γενέσθαι ἐν τῆι πρώ[τηι], eis de tauta edoken argyrion, ho synebe genesthai en tei pro[tei]	

ii. Gender	Men

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

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

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.

