

CAPInv. 847: synergasia

I. LOCATION

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

II. NAME

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| i. Full name (original language) | συνεργασία (<i>I.Mylasa</i> 334, line 7) |
| ii. Full name (transliterated) | synergasia |

III. DATE

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| i. Date(s) | 100 (?) - 300 (?) AD |
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IV. NAME AND TERMINOLOGY

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| ii. Name elements | Professional: | συνεργασία, <i>synergasia</i> A group or collective of workers. |
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V. SOURCES

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| i. Source(s) | <i>I.Mylasa</i> 334 (ca. 100-300 AD?) |
| Note | Cf. also Dittmann-Schöne 2001: 211, no. IV.3.1. |
| Online Resources | PHI: Mylasa 203 Harland, AGRW no. 10972 |
| i.a. Source type(s) | Epigraphic source(s) |
| i.b. Document(s) typology & language/script | Dedication in Greek of a statue of Herakles to the association. |
| i.c. Physical format(s) | Marble statue base(?). |

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| ii. Source(s) provenance | Milas (Mylasa); brought to Hierapolis which caused some confusion about the origin; now lost? |
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VII. ORGANIZATION

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| i. Founder(s) | See below VII.v. |
| ii. Leadership | See below VII.v. |
| v. Other staff | Papias son of Papias son Straton, called Diogenes The dedicator of the statue was perhaps involved in the association, for instance as its leader, or at least its benefactor: Παπίας β[] τοῦ Στράτωνος ὁ καλούμενος Διογένης <i>Papias B' / tou Stratonos ho kaloumenos Diogenes</i> . In this connection, it is worth underlining that he has the title of "chief contractor of the portico" (for the second time; ἀρχώνης ξυστοῦ τὸ β[] <i>archones xystou to B*</i>). |

IX. MEMBERSHIP

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| ii. Gender | Men |
| Note | Exclusively male membership is likely in the group of workers. |

X. ACTIVITIES

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| iii. Worship | The individual nicknamed Diogenes dedicates a statue of Herakles for the benefit of the association. It is unclear exactly what was intended: is the statue of Herakles a cult-object, or simply a decoration made in the name of the workers for the portico of the gymnasium? |
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XII. NOTES

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| iii. Bibliography | Dittmann-Schöne, I. (2001), <i>Die Berufsvereine in den Städten des kaiserzeitlichen Kleinasien</i> , Regensburg. |
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XIII. EVALUATION

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| i. Private association | Probable |
| Note | The name of the group, <i>synergasia</i> , adequately suggests a private group or even a professional association of workers. In this case, the group appears to have had a connection with the local gymnasium, though it also remains problematic that it otherwise does not have a more definite or precise identity, as evidenced by its simple name. Additionally, we know nothing of its organisation or durability. |