

CAPInv. 1613: Asklapiastai hoi en Kamiroi

I. LOCATION

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

II. NAME

i. Full name (original language)	Ἀσκληπιασταὶ οἱ ἐν Καμίρῳι (Tit.Cam. 84, l. 10)
ii. Full name (transliterated)	<i>Asklapiastai hoi en Kamiroi</i>

III. DATE

i. Date(s)	a. 167 BC
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IV. NAME AND TERMINOLOGY

ii. Name elements	Theophoric:	From the god Asklepios (Doric Asklapios), whose cult is richly attested in Kamiros and the capital city of Rhodos, where the god's <i>temenos</i> was to be found: Suppl.Epig.Rh. I, 1, with Diod. 19.45.4 (Asklepieion, in the context of 305-304 BC). The festival of <i>Asklapieia</i> is attested by NS 19a, l. 9 (c. 200 BC).
	Topographical:	The element οἱ ἐν Καμίρῳι, <i>hoi en Kamiroi</i> (those in Kamiros) indicates the place where the association was based, here one of the three old cities of Rhodes. It is paralleled by several other instances (e.g. Κουραισταὶ οἶν ἐν Κυτήλῳι, <i>Kouraistai hoi en Kyteloi</i> , Tit.Cam. 84, l. 16). One of the purposes it served was to distinguish between associations with the same core element (e.g. <i>Asklapiastai</i>) in their name.

V. SOURCES

i. Source(s)	Tit.Cam. 84, l. 10.
Online Resources	Tit.Cam. 84.
i.a. Source type(s)	Epigraphic source(s)

VII. ORGANIZATION

iii. Members	The association of <i>Askapiastai hoi en Kamiroi</i> is one among several bodies which honour a Kamiran, Aristombrotidas Aristombrotida. He may or may not have been a member.
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IX. MEMBERSHIP

iv. Status	Aristombrotidas Aristombrotida, who is honoured by the association, is known as a very prominent person in the public and religious life of Kamiros (LGPN I, s.v. no. 12). However, his membership of the association, even though possible, cannot be ascertained.
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X. ACTIVITIES

iii. Worship	The theophoric element of the association's name indicates that the membership was devoted to the worship of Asklepios.
Deities worshipped	Asklepios
iv. Honours/Other activities	The association honoured with a gold wreath Aristombrotidas Aristombrotida, who had served as priest of Athana Polias and Zeus Polieus and had held the office of <i>damiourgos</i> in Kamiros.

XI. INTERACTION

i. Local interaction	The association interacted locally in two ways: (i) by awarding honours to a high-standing person in Kamiros, the priest of Athana Polias and Zeus Polieus and the holder of the office of <i>damiourgos</i> ; and (ii) by doing so jointly with (a) the family of the person honoured, (b) the citizens of Kamiros, and (c) four other private bodies: the Ἑρμαιοῖς οἱ ἐν Καμίρῳ (<i>Hermaistai hoi en Kamiroi</i>), the Σαραπιασταί οἱ ἐν Καμίρῳ (<i>Sarapiastai hoi en Kamiroi</i>), the Κουραιοῖς οἱ ἐν Κυτήλῳ (<i>Kouriastai hoi en Kyteloi</i>), and the Τρίκτινοι οἱ ἐν Λέλοι (<i>Triktoinoi hoi en Leloi</i>)
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XIII. EVALUATION

i. Private association	Certain
Note	The theophoric element in the association's name renders it certain that it was a private body.