

CAPInv. 1005: **hoi protoi Bakchoi Kynosoureitai**

I. LOCATION

i. Geographical area	Western Asia Minor
ii. Region	Mysia
iii. Site	Kyzikos

II. NAME

i. Full name (original language)	οἱ πρῶτοι Βάκχοι Κυνοσουρεῖται (IMT 1546 ll. 4-6)
ii. Full name (transliterated)	<i>hoi protoi Bakchoi Kynosoureitai</i>

III. DATE

i. Date(s)	ii - iii AD
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IV. NAME AND TERMINOLOGY

ii. Name elements	Cultic:	<i>Bakchoi</i>
	Geographical:	<i>Kynosoureitai</i> : this name is otherwise unattested (to my knowledge). It might derive from the place-name Kynosoura in Arkadia, Lakonia and Megaris (Curtius 1874: 4) or from a place near Kyzikos.
	Status-related:	<i>protoi</i> : this epithet seems to denote that there were more than one Bacchic associations in Kyzikos unless it discloses aspirations to excellence on behalf of this association (Jaccottet 2003, vol. 2: 168).
	Other:	<i>Kynosoureitai</i> - <i>Kynosoura</i> is the ancient Greek name for the constellation Ursa Minor (Aratus, <i>Phaenomena</i> , 1.36; Vitruvius, <i>De archit.</i> IX.4.5).

V. SOURCES

i. Source(s)	IMT 1456 (ii-iii AD)
Note	CIG 3697 Curtius 1874: 2-4 no. 1 Jaccottet 2003, vol. 2: no. 87
Online Resources	IMT Kyz Kapu Dağ 1546
i.a. Source type(s)	Epigraphic source(s)
i.b. Document(s) typology & language/script	Dedicatory inscription in Greek. Auxanon, <i>trapezeites tes poleos</i> and <i>grammateus</i> of the first Bakchoi Kynosoureitai dedicated the balustrades.
i.c. Physical format(s)	Column base. Dimensions not given in CIG 3679 nor by Curtius (1874: 2 no. 1).
ii. Source(s) provenance	In 1874 the inscription was in the house of Julius Millingen, a British physician and archaeologist, in Istanbul.

VI. BUILT AND VISUAL SPACE

ii. References to buildings/objects	τοὺς κανκέλλους, <i>tous kankellous</i> (l. 6), balustrades (for the term see Robert 1950: 47-8)
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VII. ORGANIZATION

iv. Officials	γραμματεὺς, <i>grammateus</i> (l. 4)
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IX. MEMBERSHIP

iv. Status	Auxanon, besides being secretary of the association, was <i>τραπεζεΐτης τῆς πόλεως</i> , <i>trapezeites tes poleos</i> , as recorded in the inscription (ll. 2-3).
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XII. NOTES

i. Comments	The invocation to Agathe Tyche in line 1 should not be considered evidence for her worship by the association. For the cult of Dionysos in Kyzikos see Hasluck 1910: 234.
ii. Poland concordance	Poland B 407
iii. Bibliography	Curtius, E. (1874), 'I. Weihinschrift des Auxanon', <i>Monatsberichte der Königlich Preussischen Akademie der Wissenschaften zu Berlin</i> : 2-4. Hasluck, F.W. (1910), <i>Cyzicus. Being Some Account of the History and Antiquities of that City, and of the District Adjacent to it, with the Towns of Apollonia Ad Rhyndacum, Miletupolis, Hadrianutherae, Priapus, Zeleia, etc.</i> Cambridge. Robert, L. (1950), <i>Hellenica: recueil d'épigraphie de numismatique et d'antiquités grecques</i> . vol. 9. Paris.

XIII. EVALUATION

i. Private association

Certain

Note

The name of the association together with the evidence for internal organisation speaks in favour of a private association.