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CAPInv. 1745: **ty sounthyte ty magiry (l. hoi synthytai hoi mageiroi)**

I. LOCATION

i. Geographical area	Central Greece
ii. Region	Boiotia
iii. Site	Tanagra

II. NAME

i. Full name (original language)	τὸ συνθυτὴ τὸ μάγῖρυ (Marchand 2015: no. 5, l. 4)
ii. Full name (transliterated)	<i>ty sounthyte ty magiry (l. hoi synthytai hoi mageiroi)</i>

III. DATE

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

ii. Name elements	Professional:	<i>mageiroi</i> : cooks, butchers, perhaps sacrificers
iii. Descriptive terms	συνθύται, <i>synthytai</i>	
Note	<i>synthytai</i> : Marchand 2015: no. 5, l. 4	

V. SOURCES

i. Source(s)	Marchand 2015: no. 5 (ii - i BC)
Note	This is a new reading of an inscription published in the 19th century already and wrongly assigned to <i>Athenaistai</i> : IG VII 687 (Roesch 1982: 131, no. 12; AGRW 31c).
Online Resources	Only the old reading is available online: IG VII 687 AGRW ID# 4501

i.a. Source type(s)	Epigraphic source(s)
i.b. Document(s) typology & language/script	Funerary inscription in the Boiotian dialect erected by the association for its deceased member Hippomachos.
i.c. Physical format(s)	Funerary stele of beige marble heavily worn. Traces of two rosettes.
ii. Source(s) provenance	Tanagra

VIII. PROPERTY AND POSSESSIONS

ii. Realty	The <i>mageiroi</i> may have owned burial grounds at Tanagra.
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IX. MEMBERSHIP

ii. Gender	Men
Note	Only one member is known, Hippomachos, buried by the association.

X. ACTIVITIES

iv. Honours/Other activities	Burial of deceased members
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XII. NOTES

i. Comments	This is the first association of <i>mageiroi</i> in the Greek world. The closest parallels are a τέχνη τῶν μακελλαρίων, <i>techne ton makellarion</i> at Perinthus (see CAPInv 532), and the <i>Onitadai</i> of Miletus (see CAPInv 1046). See Marchand 2015. Their roles could have been multiple: <i>mageiroi</i> were butchers, cooks, and performed sacrifices (see Rankin 1907 and Berthiaume 1982).
iii. Bibliography	Berthiaume, G. (1982), <i>Les rôles du mâgeiros. Étude sur la boucherie, la cuisine et le sacrifice dans la Grèce ancienne</i> . Leiden. Marchand, F. (2015), 'The Associations of Tanagra: Epigraphic Practice and Regional Context', <i>Chiron</i> 45: 239-66. Rankin E.M. (1907), <i>The Rôle of the Μάγειροι in the Life of the Ancient Greeks as Depicted in Greek Literature and Inscriptions</i> . Chicago. Roesch, P. (1982), <i>Etudes béotiennes</i> . Paris.

XIII. EVALUATION

i. Private association	Certain
Note	The mention of <i>synthytai</i> leaves no doubt that this is a private association.