

CAPInv. 1828: [thi]asos Athana[i]stan ton [s]yn Askle[p]iadei

I. LOCATION

i. Geographical area	Aegean Islands
ii. Region	Kos
iii. Site	Kos

II. NAME

i. Full name (original language)	[θι]άσος Ἀθανα[ῖ]στᾶν τῶν [σ]ὺν Ἀσκλη[π]ιάδει (IG XII.4 2816, lines 2-5)
ii. Full name (transliterated)	[thi]asos Athana[i]stan ton [s]yn Askle[p]iadei

III. DATE

i. Date(s)	1 (?) - 200 (?) AD
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IV. NAME AND TERMINOLOGY

ii. Name elements	Cultic:	<i>thiasos</i> ([θι]άσου, line 2)
	Personal:	<i>syn Asklepiadei</i> ([σ]ὺν Ἀσκλη[π]ιάδει, lines 4-5)
	Theophoric:	<i>Athana[i]stai</i> (Ἀθανα[ῖ]-στᾶν, lines 2-3)
iii. Descriptive terms	<i>thiasos</i> ([θι]άσου, line 2).	
Note	The term both refers to a cultic group <i>and</i> , more widely, to a collectivity.	

V. SOURCES

i. Source(s)	IG XII.4 2816.
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Note	Paton-Hicks 158; <i>SGDI</i> III,1 3678. Cf. also Maillot 2013: no. 11. For the date, see Sherwin-White 1978: 360 n. 585.
Online Resources	PHI: Paton-Hicks 158 Harland AGRW no. 4517
i.a. Source type(s)	Epigraphic source(s)
i.b. Document(s) typology & language/script	Boundary stone of a burial plot; Greek.
i.c. Physical format(s)	Boundary stone, perhaps a type of cippus.
ii. Source(s) provenance	Platani-Kermetes neighbourhood, south-west of the city of Kos (area part of the necropolis).

VI. BUILT AND VISUAL SPACE

ii. References to buildings/objects	The point of reference of the boundary stone is to burial plots, <i>thekaia</i> (θηκαίων, line 1).
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VII. ORGANIZATION

i. Founder(s)	Asklepiades (cf. lines 4-5). This individual, mentioned in the name of the association, is either its founder or its leader.
Gender	Male
ii. Leadership	See above.

X. ACTIVITIES

iii. Worship	See above IV.ii.
Deities worshipped	Athena.

XII. NOTES

iii. Bibliography	W.R. Paton, E.L. Hicks (1891), <i>The Inscriptions of Cos</i> , Oxford. S. Sherwin-White (1978), <i>Ancient Cos</i> , Göttingen. S. Maillot (2013), 'Les associations à Cos', in P. Hamon and P. Fröhlich (eds.), <i>Groupes et associations dans les cités grecques</i> , Geneva: 199-226.
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XIII. EVALUATION

i. Private association

Certain

Note

Little is known about this association, whether its context or its chosen form of worship. But simply on the basis of comparison with other highly similar boundary stones of the burial plots of associations near the city of Kos (more than 50 in number, cf. e.g. [CAPI no. 1827](#), for other Athenaistai), we can be confident that it constituted a private *thiasos*.