

CAPInv. 374: **hoi akmastai**

I. LOCATION

i. Geographical area	Western Asia Minor
ii. Region	Lydia
iii. Site	Thyateira

II. NAME

i. Full name (original language)	οἱ ἀκμασταί (TAM V.2 957, l. 14)
ii. Full name (transliterated)	<i>hoi akmastai</i>

III. DATE

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

ii. Name elements	Other:	Related to the age of its members
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V. SOURCES

i. Source(s)	TAM V.1 957 (iii AD)
Note	See also: IGR IV 1234 Keil and Premerstein 1911: 26-8, no. 50
Online Resources	TAM V.1 957
i.a. Source type(s)	Epigraphic source(s)
i.b. Document(s) typology & language/script	Honorific inscription by the senate and the association of the <i>akmastai</i> for a well known person on the community. Greek.

i.c. Physical format(s)	Marble base
ii. Source(s) provenance	Found in the cemetery Sedi Kjöy at Ak Hissar in the territory of Thyateira

IX. MEMBERSHIP

iii. Age	Adults
Note	The name of the association indicates that it is constituted by adults, probably in opposition to the well attested association in the same city and time <i>hoi peri ton Heraklea neaniskoi</i> . Cf. the association of <i>akmastai</i> of Herakles in Daldis (SEG 29: 1215).

X. ACTIVITIES

iii. Worship	This association is probably related to Herakles, as the one in Daldis (SEG 29: 1215) whose name includes the theophoric.
Deities worshipped	probably Herakles
iv. Honours/Other activities	The association is probably the proposer of the honorific statue that the <i>synedrion</i> (ll. 11-12) of Thyateira has erected for M. Aur. Preiskillianos Satorneilos, grandson of an <i>asiarch</i> (l. 4), <i>neokoros</i> (l. 5) and <i>rhetor</i> (l. 5), and son of an <i>archieieia</i> (ll. 6-7) of senatorial family and of a <i>neokoros hippikos</i> (ll. 9-10).

XI. INTERACTION

i. Local interaction	The association has surely interaction with the other associations attested in Thyateira related to Herakles, and interaction with the city since it is the senate who erects the statue.
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XII. NOTES

i. Comments	The relation of the association to such an important personality in the city, and to a decision made by the <i>synedrion</i> is another reason to think that this is another branch of the Herakles-association of the <i>neaniskoi</i> of the <i>gymnasia</i> (cf. TAM V.2 949, 994 etc.).
iii. Bibliography	de Hoz, M.-P. (1999), <i>Die Lydischen Kulte im Lichte der griechischen Inschriften</i> . Bonn: no. 22.8. Keil, J., and von Premerstein, A. (1911), <i>Bericht über eine zweite Reise in Lydien ausgeführt 1908</i> , (Denkschriften Akad. Wien Band 54.2). Vienna.

XIII. EVALUATION

i. Private association	Probable
Note	The association is probably private but with a narrow interaction with the public sphere, as the Herakles association of the <i>neaniskoi</i> (cf. supra).