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## CAPIInv. 1070: hoi Pythagoreioi

### I. LOCATION

i. Geographical area	Southern Italy with Sicily
ii. Region	Calabria
iii. Site	Sybaris

### II. NAME

i. Full name (original language)	οἱ Πυθαγόρειοι (Iambl. <i>VP 267 et passim</i> )
ii. Full name (transliterated)	<i>hoi Pythagoreioi</i>

### III. DATE

i. Date(s)	v BC
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### IV. NAME AND TERMINOLOGY

i. Name in other forms	οἱ Πυθαγορικοί (Iambl. <i>VP 237 et passim</i> )
ii. Name elements	Personal: Pythagoras
iii. Descriptive terms	ἑταιρεία, <i>hetaireia</i> σχολή, <i>schole</i> σύστημα, <i>systema</i> αἵρεσις, <i>hairesis</i>
Note	<i>hetaireia</i> : Iambl. <i>VP 254</i> . <i>schole</i> : Iambl. <i>VP 265</i> . <i>systema</i> : Iambl. <i>VP 266</i> . <i>hairesis</i> : Iambl. <i>VP 251</i> .

### V. SOURCES

i. Source(s)	Iambl., <i>VP 267</i> .
i.a. Source type(s)	Literary source(s)
i.b. Document(s) typology & language/script	Greek, historical-philosophical treatise.

### VII. ORGANIZATION

i. Founder(s)	Pythagoras
Gender	Male
iii. Members	Several times referred to as ζηλωταί, <i>zelotai</i> ('followers': Iambl. <i>VP 29; 80; 266</i> ) and οἱ ἑτάριοι, <i>hoi hetairoi</i> ('fellows': Iambl. <i>VP 27; 95; 145; 193; 223</i> ) and simply ἄνθρωποι, <i>anthropoi</i> ('men': Iambl. <i>VP 28, 31, 44</i> ).

### IX. MEMBERSHIP

ii. Gender	Men Women
Note	Iambl. <i>VP 267</i> .

<b>XII. NOTES</b>	
i. <b>Comments</b>	Iambl. <i>VP 267</i> contains a list of Pythagorean groups organized according to place.
iii. <b>Bibliography</b>	Giangiulio, M. (1991), <i>Giamblico, La vita pitagorica</i> , Milano: 62-81. Mele, A. (2013), <i>Pitagora, filosofo e maestro di verità</i> , xvi-xvii.

<b>XIII. EVALUATION</b>	
i. <b>Private association</b>	Probable
<b>Note</b>	A variety of terms is used to define this group and its members. We are very likely dealing with a private association because of the sectarian character of this group, whose followers shared common lifestyle, a doctrine and properties, at least for a period.