

INVENTORY OF ANCIENT ASSOCIATIONS

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CAPInv. 1071: hoi Pythagoreioi

I. LOCATION		
i.	Geographical area	Southern Italy with Sicily
ii.	Region	Calabria
iii.	Site	Kroton
II. NAME		
i.	Full name (original language)	οἱ Πυθαγόρειοι (Iambl. <i>VP</i> 267 <i>et passim</i>)
ii.	Full name (transliterated)	<i>hoi Pythagoreioi</i>
III. DATE		
i.	Date(s)	v BC
IV. NAME AND TERMINOLOGY		
i.	Name in other forms	οἱ Πυθαγορικοί (Iambl. <i>VP</i> 237 <i>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</i> 254. <i>schole</i> : Iambl. <i>VP</i> 265. <i>systema</i> : Iambl. <i>VP</i> 266. <i>hairesis</i> : Iambl. <i>VP</i> 251.
V. SOURCES		
i.	Source(s)	Iambl. <i>VP</i> 29; 264-267
i.a.	Source type(s)	Literary source(s)
i.b.	Document(s) typology & language/script	Iamb. is a historical-philosophical treatise in Greek.
VI. BUILT AND VISUAL SPACE		
ii.	References to buildings/objects	Iambl. <i>VP</i> 264: the source refers to a temple of the Muses built at <i>Pythagoriko's</i> suggestion.
VII. ORGANIZATION		
i.	Founder(s)	Pythagoras
	Gender	Male
iii.	Members	Several times referred to as ζηλωταί, <i>zelotai</i> ('followers': Iambl. <i>VP</i> 29; 80; 266) and οἱ ἑταῖροι, <i>hoi hetairoi</i> ('fellows': Iambl. <i>VP</i> 27; 95; 145; 193; 223) and simply ἄνθρωποι, <i>anthropoi</i> ('men': Iambl. <i>VP</i> 28, 31, 44).
IX. MEMBERSHIP		

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

X. ACTIVITIES

iii. Worship	Muses
Deities worshipped	Muses

XII. NOTES

i. Comments	Iambl. <i>VP</i> 267 contains a list of Pythagorean groups organized according to place.
iii. Bibliography	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.

XIII. EVALUATION

i. Private association	Probable
Note	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.