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General remarks on the group and its dates

The percentages of the handles datable at various periods follow pretty well the pattern shown in the Alexandria count of 1967, see Grace, Middle Stoa, p. 42, except that the increase at Beersheba does not begin before Feriods IV-V. The earlier periods are interestingly, if sparsely, represented: see #17, #18, #23, and #25.

Of these earlier handles, #25 and #18 name women, Philista and Kallio, as fabricants; and a third woman fabricant, Timo, is named on a later handle, #24. See the comment on these items and consider whether this Timo (2nd) may be the granddaughter of a fabricant of the same name, about contemporary with Beersheba xx #17 plus 23

(Pasion in the term of suphranor). The three feminine hames represented at Beersheba include the majority of those known among Rhodian fabricants. Perhaps the only importa ones missing are Diokleia and Mikagis. In the latter, set Fergamon XI, 1 (1968), p. 177, no. 12; she dates about 200 B.C. On Diokleia, see Grace and Fetropoulakou, Délos 27 (1970), p. 308, Kalik & 19: contexts seem to date stamps with this name ca. mid 2nd and ca. late 2nd B.C., and possibly more than one fabricant is represented. On feminin names in Rhodian stamps, see Nilsson, Lindos, pp. 59-60 and 101-103; and of recently (1986)

O. Masson, BCH Suppl.13, pp. 39-40.

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The fabricant Timo (2nd) is found at Carthage but not in the Pergamon deposit, suggesting a date in the second quarter of the 2nd century B.C. The date is further supported by presence of a stamp of this fabricant in the lower filling of Agora deposit U 22: 3, in a small but very consistent group of stamped handles of that period. The name is again that of a woman (cf. #18 above). A stamp of Timo 1st, whose fabricant stamps include the name of the month (more usually combined with the eponym's or dating name), has been published from failaka in Kuwait, in a pernaps deposit dutable early in the last quarter of the 3rd century

B.C., see L. Hannestad, Danish Archaeological Investigations on Failaka, Kuwait, Ikaros: The Hellenistic Settlements, vols. 2:1 and 2:2. For the stamp of Timo 1st, see 2:2, p.47, no.682, with \$1.s 66 (drawings) and 78 (photograph of stamp). Fpr a summary on the stamps from the site, few in number, and only 5 (all Rhodian) found legible, see 2:1, pp. 71-72. The author uses a date of ca. 225-220 B.C. for the stamps as a group, largely derived from the Athenian Agora archives: see her, pp. 77 and 103. She has also a hoard of coins, found, like the stamped fragments, in the lower level in the Hellenistic Fortress of Failaka. On the coins, see 2:1, pp. 75-76: the latest that are datable are from the beginning of the reign of Antiochus 3rd (223-187 BC for his reign). Hannestad's publication is listed by J.-Y. Empereur and Y. Garlan in the bibliography of recent work on amphoras and their stamps, REG C, 1987, see p.103, no. 154.

We know of altogether 3 handles bearing stamps of Timo lst:
Failaka, 1, Athenian Agora, 1 (SS 12640, from the Middle Stoa construction filling), and Alexandria, Benaki Collection, 1. Of Timo 2nd, Timo of Beersheba #24, we have individual entries for more than 80 examples (many from Magna Graecia, not more than 5 from Athens), and can add 96 identified and counted from the Benaki Collection in Alexandria in 1967, the partial count reported in Grace, "Middle Stoa," p.42. The time span between Timo lst and Timo 2nd allows for an intervening generation, and perhaps the Timo of Beersheba #24 was the granddaughter of Timo lst. Nilsson assumes (Lindos, p. 102) that it was by inheritance that Rhodian women became amphora fabricants. On amphora potter dynasties, see Grace, "Middle Stpa,", pp.12-13.