

Place Date Language Material Number of texts Type Collections Find/Acquisition	Self-dedications to the god Anoubis <p style="text-align: right;">ArchID 13. Version 2 (2013) Ruben Smolders</p>
	Arsinoites (Fayum), meris of Herakleides, Philadelpheia 209/208 or 192/191 BC Demotic Papyrus 4 Temple archive Berlin, Ägyptisches Museum; Freiburg, Universitätsbibliothek No information
Bibliography	W. CLARYSSE, 'A Demotic Self-dedication to Anubis', <i>Enchoria</i> 16 (1988), p. 7-10.
Description	<p>This small archive consists of four self-dedications to Anoubis. <i>P. Freib.</i> IV 72-73 are kept in Freiburg, <i>P. Freib.</i> IV Add. 1 and 2 in Berlin. In 1988 Clarysse joined the first Berlin fragment (Add. 1) to an unpublished fragment of Freiburg (inv. 76 III A). The first editor attributed the texts to Memphis in 270/269 BC, but Clarysse argued for a date in 209/208 or 192/191 BC and for Philadelpheia as provenance. The cult of Anoubis is attested in Philadelpheia and one of the parties belongs to a Greek family living in that village.</p> <p>In each of the contracts, a person dedicates himself to Anoubis and pays a monthly rent for the services of the god.¹ Since no relationship can be established between the declarants, the documents do not come from their private archives. They probably originate from the Anoubis temple in Philadelpheia. A similar but larger archive of self-dedications to the god Soknebtynis was found in his temple at Tebtynis (ArchID 214).</p> <p>One of the declarants, Onnophris alias Neoptolemos, son of Stratippos and Haynchis, is probably the grandson of Neoptolemos, son of Stratippos, a Macedonian cleruch known from the Zenon archive. Thus a family of Greek military colonists in the Egyptian countryside is shown to adapt to Egyptian religious and social customs.²</p>
Archive texts	<i>Enchoria</i> 16 (1988), p. 8; <i>P. Freib.</i> IV 72-73; <i>P. Freib.</i> IV Add. 2 (p. 83).
Text Type	Self-dedication contracts = incoming documents.

¹ See P.W. Pestman, *P. Tsenhor*, 1994, p. 61 and the references cited there.

² See W. Clarysse, 'Some Greeks in Egypt', in J.H. Johnson (ed.), *Life in a Multi-Cultural Society: Egypt from Cambyse to Constantine and beyond (Studies in Ancient Oriental Civilization 51)*, Chicago, 1992, p. 52-53.