

## *Contents*

<i>List of figures</i>	<i>page</i> vii
<i>List of tables</i>	viii
<i>Acknowledgements</i>	ix
<i>References and abbreviations</i>	x
Introduction	I
1 The centralized elite of Oxyrhynchos	41
2 The growth of the Apions	94
3 Aphrodito and the strong ties of village society	147
4 Quantifying Aphrodito's social network	198
Conclusion	242
Stemmata	255
<i>Bibliography</i>	257
<i>Subject index</i>	273
<i>Index locorum</i>	276