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Vienna

Schottenstift

Ms 521

Germanicus, Aratea

Italian 15th c

text

ff. 1r- 56r Germanicus, Aratea, with scholia Strozziana

ff. 1r-2r INCIPIT LIBER ARATI Athinodori. ARATUS quidem fuit athinodori patris filius: matris autem delitophile — Scire .n. magnum loqui peritie mathematice repperimus.

(= 'Aratus genus' section (V) from the Revised Aratus latinus, cf. Maass 1898, pp. 146-50)

note: ff. 1v-2r has the lacunae in the text common to this family of manuscripts indicating loss in the model. The fact that these appear on facing folii rather than on the recto/verso of a single folio suggest some distance from the model, but note that the curved shape of the tear (seen in London BL Add 15819) has been maintained. The text reads:

Didicisse autem eum et Odisseam [...] inquit. quali presidenti ab Imperatore [...] scripsisse Homerum et ei direxisse [...]compluribus factus [...]ut testatur Calim [...] propter paxipa. [...] // (fol. 2r) autem Pelusinus cum quo [...] inquit eum apud antipatrem. [...] permansisse tempore [...]nti [...] earum quoque suministrationem ab Antigono accepisse — (until explicit noted above; cf. Maass 1898, pp. 148-49).

ff. 2v-5v CELUM circulis quinque distinguitur — connexio vero piscium communem habet stellam. (= excerpts from the *scholia Strozziana*, cf. Breysig, pp. 105-09)

(**note**: on fol. 2v, there are a number of lacunae, indicating loss in the parent. The text reads:

... cancri solstitium estivum facit. Medius equinoctialis qui octava parte [...] vernum octava libre [...] ut circuli in [...] ut habilis [...] ob rigorem quod [...] sol abest. Sub quo quidam [...] cydrope et ethiopie maximam partem item plurimas insulas maris. // (3r) rubri aliosque vertices eminentiasque terrarum notsris ampliores; sub tropicis habi// (3v) tare nulli dubium est - (until explicit noted above).

fol. 5v Ab love principium a magno deduxit Aratus

Carminis: at nobis genitor tu maxiumus auctor —

(= Germanicus, *Aratea*; cf. Breysig 1867, p. 1)



note: As with many of the manuscripts in this family, Vienna Schottenstift 521 is missing several lines in the second half of the poem. The missing verses are: vv. 206 (with the first line of the next section reading: Andromede vero radiat quae stella sub ipsa); 248-50; 255-57; 270-72; 278-80; 284-86; 289-90; 315-17; 321-23; 328-30; 333-35; 341; 344-46; 356-58; 363-65; 379-81; 393-95; 414-16; 426-28.

- fol. 61v Hic primos ortus crater premit ulterioris.

 Vocalis rostro corvi super ydraque lucet.
 (= Germanicus, *Aratea*, vv. 429-30; cf. Breysig 1867, p. 26)
- fol. 6r scholia Strozziana begins: QUeritur quare ab love coepit: et non a musis ut Homero conveniens ... (cf. Breysig, 1867, p. 109; note that the sections of Greek text are missing.)
- fol. 62v scholia Strozziana ends incompletely: ...habet stellas in labris obscuras duas per singula latera. (cf. Breysig, 1867, p. 181). Between the end of the scholia and the beginning of the next text, there is a space sufficiently large for an illustration.
- ff. 62v-65v Ethereum venit taurus super hymbirbus atrum —
 Non frustrans animum certo me limite ducat.
 Hec eadem tibi signa dabunt non irrita pisces.
 (= Breysig 1867, fragm. iii, vv. 52-163, pp. 47-54)
- ff. 65v-70v Solem per seipsum constat moveri: non cum mundo verti: sed in zodiaci circuli (ends imperfectly) Quarta autem Luna index futurarum certissima habetur aurarum unde (= excerpt from scholia Strozziana; cf. Breysig 1867, pp. 193-202)
- fol. 71r-74v A Bruma in favonium cesari nobilia sydera significant xlv^{to} die ab equinoctio dicimus fieri. (= excerpt from Pliny, *NH*, XVIII; cf. Breysig 1867, pp. 203-09 and see note at the bottom of p. 209.)
- ff. 74v-78r Ante omnia autem duo esse nomina celestis iniurie in media segete non esse noxias tempestates. (= excerpt from Pliny, *NH*, XVIII; cf. Breysig 1867, pp. 210-15)
- ff. 78r-78v Vertices extremos circa quos celi spera volvitur: in cauda tres. Sunt omnes . xx. (= excerpt from *scholia Strozziana*; cf. Breysig 1867, pp. 111-12, esp. the section at the bottom of p. 112)
- ff. 78v-90v Primum a Sole capiemus presagia: purus oriens manu sinistra bootis, (= Pliny, NH, XVIII, 341-42; which then jumps to Hyginus, Astronomica, IV, 6) exteriore parte circuli pervenit coniuncta Antarticum autem circulum tangit (ending incompletely with Hyginus, Astronomica, IV, 14) totumque spatium impleat lumine. Si quis. (with the bottom of the page and ff. 91r-91v blank)



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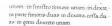
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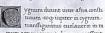
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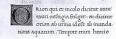


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- fol. 3r Planisphere in full colour. For further descriptions, see the notes by ELLY DEKKER in the catalogue of planispheres.
- fol. 5v Jupiter sits on his eagle, facing towards the left, while the eagle faces to the right. He holds a handful of lightning (that looks like a large leek with 3 leaves) in his extended right hand and a thyrsus in his left, which rests on his shoulder. He has a circular swathe of drapery around his head (as appears in Vat Barb lat 76) and also has a halo more closely set around his head. He wears a mantle, so his right shoulder and arm are exposed. He is bearded. His eagle stands upon a looped ribbon.
- ff. 9r-61v Coloured drawings of 44 constellations set within frames. There is also a representation of the Pleiades. The stars are marked with small dots

The missing constellations are: Equuleus, Libra and Corona Austrinus.

All the constellations have stars, indicated by dots.

fol. 9r DRACO: 3 stars head and 10 in the body, or 13 stars in all.

URSA MAIOR: 2 stars in the head (?), 1 in the neck, 2 in the shoulder, 1 in the belly, 3 in the tail and 1 in the foot, or 10 stars in all.

URSA MINOR: 6 in the head (?), 2 in the neck, 1 in the shoulder, 2 in the back, 2 in the legs and 1 in the foot, or 14 stars in all.

- fol. 11v **HERCULES**: 1 star in the right shoulder, 7 in the skin, 1 in the club, 1 in the right hand, 2 in the hip, 2 in the buttock, 3 in the left leg, 4 in the right leg and 1 in each foot, or 21 stars in all.
- fol. 12v CORONA BOREALIS: 14 stars
- fol. 13v **OPHIUCHUS**: 1 in each shoulder, 1 in each knee, 1 in each foot, 3 in the left hand and 2 in the right hand, or 11 stars in all. **Serpens**: 2 stars in the head, 2 or 3 on the chin, the body has groupings of 4/8/1/7, making a total of 24 or 25 stars in all. **Scorpio**: 2 stars in each claw, 4 in the mouth, 2 (?) on the back, 5 in the segments and 2 at the tip of tail, or 17 stars in all



- fol. 16v BOOTES: 1 star in the head (?), 1 in the right shoulder, 2 in the strap, 1 in the left arm, 1 on the left side, 1 on the right elbow, 4 in the stick, 1 each foot and 1 large one on end of sword, or 14 stars in all.
- fol. 17r VIRGO: 1 star on the head (?), 2 in the right wing, 1 in each shoulder, 1 on each hand, 3 on each thigh and 1 on each foot, or 15 stars in all.
- fol. 20r **GEMINI:** Left Twin: 1 star head, 1 on each shoulder, 1 on the right hand, 1 on each knee and 1 on each foot, or 8 stars in all. Right Twin: 1 star in the head, 1 in the armpit, 3 in the left hand,1 in the left knee, 2 in the left foot, and 1 on the right foot, or 9 stars in all.

CANCER: 3 stars in the face, 3 on each claw, and 1 on each leg, or 14 stars in all.

- fol. 22v LEO: 3 stars in the head, 3 on the back, 1 on the belly, 2 on the forefeet, 1 on the hind feet and 2 in the tail, or 12 stars in all.
- fol. 24r AURIGA: 1 star in the head, 1 on each shoulder, 1 on the right hand and 2 on the skirt, or 6 stars in all.
- fol. 26v TAURUS: 2 stars on the horns, 2 in the eyes (?), 1 on the hump, 4 in the neck, 3 on the back, 1 on the belly, 1 on each knee and 2 on the right forefoot, or 16 stars in all.
- fol. 28r CEPHEUS: 2 stars in the head, 1 on each shoulder, 1 on each hand, 1 on the left elbow, 2 at the waist (?), 1 on the right thigh, 2 on the left knee, 2 on the right foot and 3 on the left foot, or 17stars in all.
- fol. 29r CASSIOPEIA: 2 on the top of the chair, 1 on the head, 1 on each shoulder, 1 on the breast, 1 on the belly, 1 on each hand, 2 in the lap, 2 on the pillow, and 1 on the skirt, or 14 in all.
- fol. 30r ANDROMEDA: 1 in the head, 1 in each shoulder, 3 in the chest, 3 in the right arm, 1 in the right hand, 1 in the left elbow (?), 6 in the hips, 1 in each knee, 2 in the right foot and 1left foot, or 23 in all.
- fol. 31r **PEGASUS**: 2 in the ears, 1 in the head, 2 in the face, 1 in the neck, 2 left fore knee, 5 or 6 in the wings, and 1 at the cut off, or 14 or 15 in all.
- fol. 32r ARIES: 1 in the horns, 1 or 3 on the nose, 2 in the neck, 3 in the belly and 1on each foot, or 11 or 13 in all.
- fol. 34r TRIANGULUM: 3 stars
- fol. 34v PISCES: 12 on the top fish, 12 in the cord, 7 or 8 on the bottom fish
- fol. 36r **PERSEUS:** 1 on the head (?), 1 on each shoulder, 1 on the right elbow, 1 on the right hand, 1 on the spear, 1 on the back, 2 in the right leg, 2 in the left leg and 1 on each foot, or 13 in all..



fol. 37v PLEIADES: no stars fol. 38v LYRA: 8 (?) stars fol. 40r CYGNUS: 1 on the head (?), 5 on each wing, 1 in the chest and 1 on the tail, or 13 in all. fol. 40v AQUARIUS: 2 on the head, 1 on the right shoulder, 4 on the right arm, 1 in the right hand, 1 in the belt, 2 on the right left, 1 on the left foot, 1 or 2 on the left hand, or 13 or 14 in all with 30 in stream. Capricorn has 4 in the horns, 2 in the head, 1 on the nose, 2 in the chest, 8 or 10 (?) on the curl, 2 on the tip of tail, or 19 or 21 in all. fol. 44v SAGITTARIUS: 2 on the head, 1 on the cape, 2 on the bow, 2 on the arrow, 2 on the back, 1 on the belly and 2 on the haunch, or 12 stars in all. **SAGITTA:** 1 on the tip, 1 the shaft and 2 on the feather, or 4 stars in all. fol. 46r AQUILA: 1 on the head, 1 on each wing, 1 on the chest and 1 on the left claw, or 5 in all. SAGITTA² has 1 on the tip and 2 on the feathers, or 3 in all. fol. 47r **DELPHINUS:** 1 on the mouth, 4 on the gill, 2 on the body and 2 on the tail, or 9 in all. fol. 48r ORION: 3 on the head, 1 on each shoulder, 1 on the right elbow, 4 on the sword, 3 at the waist, 1 on each knee and 1 each foot, or 17 in all. fol. 50v CANIS MAIOR: 1 on the tongue, 1 or 2 the on head, 3 on the neck, 3 in the chest, 1 in the arm, 4 on the forefeet, 3 in the belly, 1 on the hind feet and 1 on tail, or 18 or 19 stars in all. fol. 53r **LEPUS:** 2 in the ears, 2 in the throat, 1 on the back and 1 on each hind foot, or 6 in all. fol. 54v NAVIS: 3 on the mast, 3 on the deck, 3 on the stern, 2 on one oar and 3 on the other and 5 in the keel, or 19 in all. fol. 55v CETUS: has 5 in his curl, and 8 on the rest of the tail, 0r 13 in all. fol. 56v ERIDANUS: 6 in his head, 1 on his right shoulder, 6 on the right arm, 2 on the right leg, 1 on the left leg and 1 on each foot. None in the vase or stream. fol. 58r PISCIS AUSTRINUS: 12 stars fol. 59r ARA: (hard to tell), possibly none 1 in flames? 1 at base? fol. 60r CENTAURUS: 3 on his hat, 1 in his beard, 1 on the cloak, 1 on the elbow, 1 on the hand , 2 on his back, 2 on the forefeet, 1 in the right left leg, 2 in hind feet? some in the scallops? fol. 61v **HYDRA**: 3 stars in the head and 25 in the body, or 28 in all.



CRATER has 4 stars on the rim, 4 in the handles and 2 on the feet, or 10 stars in all.

CORVUS has 1 star on the head, 2 on the wings and 2 on the tail, or 5 in all.

- fol. 67v Sol standing in a quadriga drawn by two light and two dark horses that are splayed into two pairs. He holds the reigns in his left hand and a sceptre held out in his right. He is dressed in a robe with a cloak and has short, crinkly hair.
- fol. 71r Luna in her chariot flanked by two bulls. She stands dressed in a robe and wearing a long cloak that flows behind her. She has a crescent moon on her head and points with her right hand to the bottom of the sceptre she carries in her left hand.
- fol. 78v Austronotus is a male figure that is half human and half lion, with short crinkly hair holding three round-headed flowers in each outstretched hand. No stars are marked.

notes

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fol. 1r decorated with white vine and putti and knot designs birds and rabbits with a roundel at the top of the page with a flower in it and, at the bottom of the page a coat of arms (indecipherable in the microfilm) with a Cardinal's hat above it.

The planisphere seems closest to Barb lat 77 and Urb lat 1358.

bibliography

Le Boeuffle, p. xxxix.

ignored by Breysig, is not dependent on others; parchment in quarto, ff 1-65 has v1-430, with frag IV and then 52 to the end; has 40 beautiful images with an incipit and scholia; XV c

A. Huebl, Catalogus codic manu scriptorium qui in bibl monasterii B.M.V. ad Scotos Vindobonae servature, Vienna 1899, p. 452.

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