

Uvedení knihy The Reception of Latin Medicine in Early Medieval England od Conana Doyle

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Dr. Conan Turlough Doyle ve své nové publikaci *The Reception of Latin Medicine in Early Medieval England* zkoumá, jak byly klasické lékařské znalosti přejímány a šířeny v raně středověké Anglie prostřednictvím staroanglických lékařských textů.

Uvedení knihy proběhne 20. října 2025 v 18:00 formou hybridní události. Hlavní experti v oboru se připojí online z celého světa, zároveň bude možné osobně navštívit místnost YT032 na Fakultě humanitních studií, kde bude událost živě přenášena.

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Anotace v angličtině

The Reception of Latin Medicine in Early Medieval England uses Old English medical texts – ranging from recipe collections and illustrated herbals to the therapeutics of ancient authorities – to reconstruct the diffusion and reception of Classical medical knowledge in early medieval England.

Direct evidence for the earlier Latin sources and transmission of early medieval medical texts in England is sorely lacking – which has led to scholarly neglect. This is a gap this book addresses, via a close examination of the Old English medical corpus, including the *Lacnunga* and Bald's *Leechbook*, to shed light on the diffusion and reception of this knowledge. It considers exactly which Latin medical texts were used in the compilation of the Old English versions, showing that they were, in many cases, translations of Greek medical texts. From this, it argues that the Old English corpus as a whole was a creative endeavor to synthesize the best medical knowledge available at the time, from the various Latin works of Soranus of Ephesus to the sixth- or seventh-century Latin traditions of Galen of Pergamum, Oribasius of Pergamum and Alexander of Tralles. Covering over eight centuries of the textual tradition of medicine, it demonstrates that the dissemination of medical knowledge in pre-Conquest England was far wider than previously believed.

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