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5. Manuscript representation in TEI

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1 Indication and description of manuscripts

2 Instruction set for describing manuscripts

- Manuscripts description for the critical apparatus
- Details on manuscripts included in text

Homework

- the manuscript indication is generally done through location, library, shelf no.



London, British Library, Arundel Ms. 415

- the manuscript description contains information like:
 - codicological (material, dimensions, binding, decoration)
 - historical (date, provenance, possession)
 - contents (list of contained texts, with details: title, pages, incipit/explicit, references)

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Membranaceus, in 4to., ff. 49, sec. fortasse XIII. exeuntis; cum codice superiori compactus.

1. Versus de septem sacramentis. fol. 30.

2. Quædam de ædium partibus. fol. 31. b

Incip. "Primo, proaulum, id est, præporticus."

3. ...

J. FORSHALL, *Catalogue of Manuscripts in the British Museum*, 1834, vol. I, p. 118.

- depending on the purpose, the manuscript description may be:
 - in the case of the critical edition which has the text in the body, the manuscripts are described in the preamble, inside the `<sourceDesc>` element
 - when the entire document is a list of manuscripts (a catalogue), the manuscripts are described in the body of the text, inside the `<body>` element
 - if the manuscript is mentioned only as a reference (e.g. in a preface), the description may appear inside other `TEI` elements
- the description and the indication (referencing) of the manuscripts are different things:
 - a manuscript is described only once and receives an identifier
 - the internal references (e.g. the critical apparatus) indicate the manuscript by means of the identifier

<msDesc> parent element which contains the description
xml:id="□" attribute which specifies the unique identifier

<msIdentifier> parent element which contains the identification data

<settlement> locality

<repository> library

<idno> shelf no.

<msContents> parent element for the contents of the manuscript

<summary> contains the overview of the ms.

<date notBefore="□" notAfter="□">
manuscript datation

<origPlace> manuscript origin

<...> other elements

<msItem> describes an individual part from the ms.

`<msItem>` may appear multiple times, may contain:

`<locus>` or `<locusGrp>` page indication

`<author>` author name

`<title>` part title

`<bibl>` or `<listBibl>` bibliography

`<incipit>` and `<explicit>` beginning and end of the text

`<head>` the manuscript rubric

`<physDesc>` physical description, with `<objectDesc>`
`<supportDesc>` `<dimensions>` `<extent>`
`<layoutDesc>` `<handDesc>` `<decoDesc>`
`<bindingDesc>`

`<history>` historical data, with `<origin>` `<provenance>`
`<acquisition>`

`<additional>` additional information, e.g. `<listBibl>`

`<msPart>` information on a distinct part of a codex, same as
`<msDesc>`

TEI-XML

```
<msDesc xml:id="MsCj9">
  <msIdentifier>
    <settlement>Cluj-Napoca</settlement>
    <repository>Biblioteca Academiei</repository>
    <idno>Cod. lat. 9</idno>
  </msIdentifier>
  <msContents>
    <summary>
      <date notBefore="1451" notAfter="1500">sec. XV, a 2a jum.</date>
      <origPlace>Europa centrala?</origPlace>
    </summary>
    <msItem n="1">
      <locus from="1r" to="64v">ff. 1r-64v</locus>
      <author>Giovanni Boccaccio</author>
      <title>De claris mulieribus</title>
      <bibl>G. Boccaccio, De Mulieribus Claris (ed. Virginia Brown),
        Harvard:Harvard University Press 2001</bibl>
    </msItem>
    <msItem n="2">
      <locus from="65r" to="117v">ff. 65r-117v</locus>
      <title>Commentarius super Aristotelis libros</title>
    </msItem>
  </msContents>
</msDesc>
```

CLUJ-NAPOCA
Biblioteca Academiei

Cod. lat. 9

a. GIOVANNI BOCACCIO, *De claris mulieribus* (1r–64v) — b. *Commentarius super Aristotelis libros* (65r–117v).

Orig.: Europa centrală?; XV².

ADRIAN PAPAHAĞI, ADINEL-CIPRIAN DINĂ, în colab. cu ANDREEA MÂRZA, *Manuscrisele medievale occidentale din România: Census*, Iași: Polirom, 2019

TEI-XML

```
<p>  
    ... Boccaccio in the Cluj manuscript <ptr target="#MsCj9"/>  
</p>
```

- for the critical apparatus in TEI, the witnesses are described by the elements `<listWit>` `<witness>`

`<listWit>` parent element for witnesses list; appears in `<sourceDesc>` or in `<body>`, `<back>`, `<abstract>`...

`<witness>` describes or indicates a witness

`xml:id="□"` attribute which specifies the unique identifier

- the witness may be summarily described between the tags `<witness></witness>`

☞ `<witness xml:id="Cj9">Cluj, Bibl.Acad., Cod.lat.9</witness>`

- can be indicated through a link to a `msDesc` element

☞ `<witness xml:id="Cj9" sameAs="#MsCj9"/>`

- or can be described completely with `msDesc`

☞ `<witness xml:id="Cj9"><msDesc>[...]</msDesc></witness>`

Some details noticed in manuscripts are indicated inside the transcribed text, in the place where they are noticed.

`<pb/>` page break

`<cb/>` column break

`<lb/>` line break

`<locus/>` place that needs details

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<p>Omnes homines natura <lb ed="#M"/> scire desiderant. Signum autem  
<cb ed="#M" n="12vb"/> est sensuum dilectio; <pb ed="#N" n="42"> praeter  
enim et <locus target="#M" facs="img12_002.jpg"/> utilitatem propter se  
ipsos diliguntur, et maxime aliorum qui est per oculos.</p>
```

Encode in TEI the following manuscripts:

ALBA IULIA
Biblioteca Batthyaneum

MS I.56

a. *Quaestiones (in Sententias?)* (1r–73r) — b. *Sermones quadregesimales* (74r–165v) — c. *Tabulae astronomicae cum canone* (166r–205v) — d. *Tabulae Alphonsinae* (206v–237v) — e. IOANNES DUNS SCOTTUS, *Quaestiones in Aristotelis Analytica Priora* (238r–254r) — f. GUILIELMUS DE HENTISBURY?, *Sophismata* (254r–301v).

Orig.: Cracovia?; 1383.

MS I.64

a. BERNARDUS CLARAEVALLENSIS, *Sermones in purificatione Beatae Mariae Virginis* (1r–66v) — b. LOTHARIUS SIGNINUS/INNOCENTIUS PAPA III, *De miseria humanae conditionis* (68r–84v) — c. S. AUGUSTINUS, *Soliloquia* (84v–111v) — d. ALANUS AB INSULIS, *Anticlaudianus* (111v–115r) — e. PSEUDO-ARISTOTELIS, *Secretum secretorum* (115v–143r) — f. BERNARDUS CLARAEVALLESIS, *Meditationes* (143r–152v) — g. GREGORIUS PAPA I?, *De conflictu vitiorum et virtutum* (153r–159r) — h. *‘Auctoritates diverse secundum ordinem alphabeti’* (159r–198r) — i. *Excerpta* (198v–199v).

Orig.: Cehia/Moravia/Silezia?; s. XIV/XV.