Beinecke MS 408

1 Introduction

In the following, mainly to promote easier readability and comparability, a transcription of the manuscript is provided, based on the transliteration by Takahashi (1999). Takahashi's transliteration is extracted from Schwerdtfeger (2004) and converted back into glyphs using a font by Bettencourt (n.d.).¹

Glyphs that I interpret in another way than Takahashi are printed in orange. Removed spaces are marked with —. Added spaces are indicated by —.

¹ Schwerdtfeger's Voynich Information Browser builds on an online archive of Voynich transcriptions that was maintained by Jorge Stolfi but is no longer live (for an archived version of Stolfi's website, see Stolfi 2005). Stolfi states to have worked with an "interlinear compilation of several existing machine transcriptions" from Gabriel Landini that was edited and made publicly available by Jim Reeds. Presumably, this compilation might have been the result of the European Voynich Manuscript Transcription project by Gabriel Landini and René Zandbergen. For an overview of transcription efforts, see Zandbergen (2023).

2 Transcription

2.1 Folio 1, Recto

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2.2 Folio 1, Verso

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2.3 Folio 2, Recto

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2.4 Folio 2, Verso

2.5 Folio 3, Recto

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2.6 Folio 3, Verso

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[P2, 7]

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2.7 Folio 4, Recto

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