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#### Binding:

Binding made of marbled paper, made at the Königliche Bibliothek in Berlin: the marbled paper is very ordinary, typical of the bindings made at this library in the first half of the 19<sup>th</sup> century. It seems that for a long time the manuscript remained without a binding; the present binding, although it was not made at the same time as the manuscript, might be the first binding of this manuscript.

#### History:

The manuscript does not seem to be an autograph and it is probably just a regular copy. The writing is characteristic of the 18<sup>th</sup> century. The manuscript contains the speech delivered in Louvre on the 26<sup>th</sup> of October 1784. Therefore the date of origin of the manuscript has to be placed between this date and the end of the 18<sup>th</sup> century. The place of origin of the manuscript is not certain. The date and the place of origin of this copy are the same as in the case of the gall. fol. 152 manuscript. This manuscript and the gall. fol. 152 manuscript have common history. Because the manuscript does not have an accession pressmark, it must have reached the Königliche Bibliothek in Berlin before 1828 (the year when the accession register was introduced).

#### Content:

The speech included in the manuscript was delivered by a man called Vicq-D'Azyr, the secretary of the Société Royale de Médecine. The text was published in the «Histoire de la Société Royale de Médecine», chez Théophile Barrois, MDCCLXXXVII, pp. 113-115. The manuscript contains as many paragraphs as the printed edition. Detailed analysis enables us to state that neither was the edition made on the basis of the manuscript, nor was the manuscript made on the basis of the edition, because the textological differences are too distinct. With reference to this manuscript, cf. Lemm, p. 9.