

# Robert Grosseteste and His Intellectual Milieu

Robert Grosseteste (ca 1170–1253) has many claims on our attention. As a theologian, philosopher, scientist, translator, educator, pastor, and bishop he left an enduring mark on the scholarly, ecclesiastical, and political life of England. This volume focuses on his place in the intellectual life of his time and on his written legacy. It includes scholarly editions and English versions of Grosseteste's *On Light*, his Latin translation of John of Damascus's *Dialogue of the Christian and the Saracen*, and his Sermon 86 on the Ten Commandments – three texts which demonstrate the range of their author's thought and make important contributions to their respective fields. Introductions to Grosseteste's sermons to the Friars Minor and to his extensive collection of *dicta* survey what is known about these texts and what may be deduced about the circumstances of their production. Essays on Grosseteste's work as a theologian and philosopher address his ideas on free will, human dignity, and spirituality. His intellectual milieu is explored in a section on medieval science and natural philosophy in chapters that discuss Grosseteste's relationship to the work of Ptolemy, Richard Fishacre, Richard Rufus, Robert Kilwardby, and Adam of Exeter. The volume ends with an account of Grosseteste's early modern reputation and the role it played in religious disputes centuries after his death.



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## Abbreviations

ABMA	Auctores britannici medii aevi (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1969– )
BL	British Library
BPM	<i>Bulletin de philosophie médiévale</i>
BSGR	Bibliotheca scriptorum graecorum et romanorum teubneriana
CCCM	Corpus Christianorum: Continuatio medievalis (Turnhout: Brepols, 1966– )
CCSL	Corpus Christianorum: Series latina (Turnhout: Brepols, 1953– )
CSEL	Corpus scriptorum ecclesiasticorum latinorum (Vienna: Hölder – Pichler – Tempsky – Österreichische Akademie der Wissenschaften, 1866– )
Loeb	Loeb Classical Library (London and Cambridge, MA: Heinemann and Harvard University Press, 1911– )
ODNB	<i>Oxford Dictionary of National Biography Online</i> (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2004– )
PL	Patrologiae cursus completus: Series latina (Paris: Migne and Garnier, 1844–90)
RTAM	<i>Recherches de théologie ancienne et médiévale</i> (Louvain: Abbaye du Mont César, 1929–96)
RTPM	<i>Recherches de théologie et philosophie médiévales</i> (Leuven: Peeters, 1997– )





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Scholar, Teacher, Friend

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