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SOME OBSERVATIONS ON THE NATURAL-HISTORY CONCEPTS IN *HEXAMERON*  
AND *NEBESSA* BY JOHN THE EXARCH OF BULGARIA  
(*Textual Aspects*)

(*Summary*)

After systematizing the natural-history concepts presented in Exarch's *Hexameron*, we find that the facts about the plants and the animals are translated mainly from the analogous work of Basil the Great; the facts about the rivers and some meteorological phenomena – from the *Hexameron* of Severianus of Gaval; and those about the heavenly bodies and man – from Aristotle.

It is interesting to note the almost complete textual coincidence of some passages from Exarch's *Hexameron* and *Dialogues* of Pseudo-Kesarius, the poetic description of the calm sea, the presentation and the refutation of some astrological notions, the argumentation about the Earth-water basin, etc.