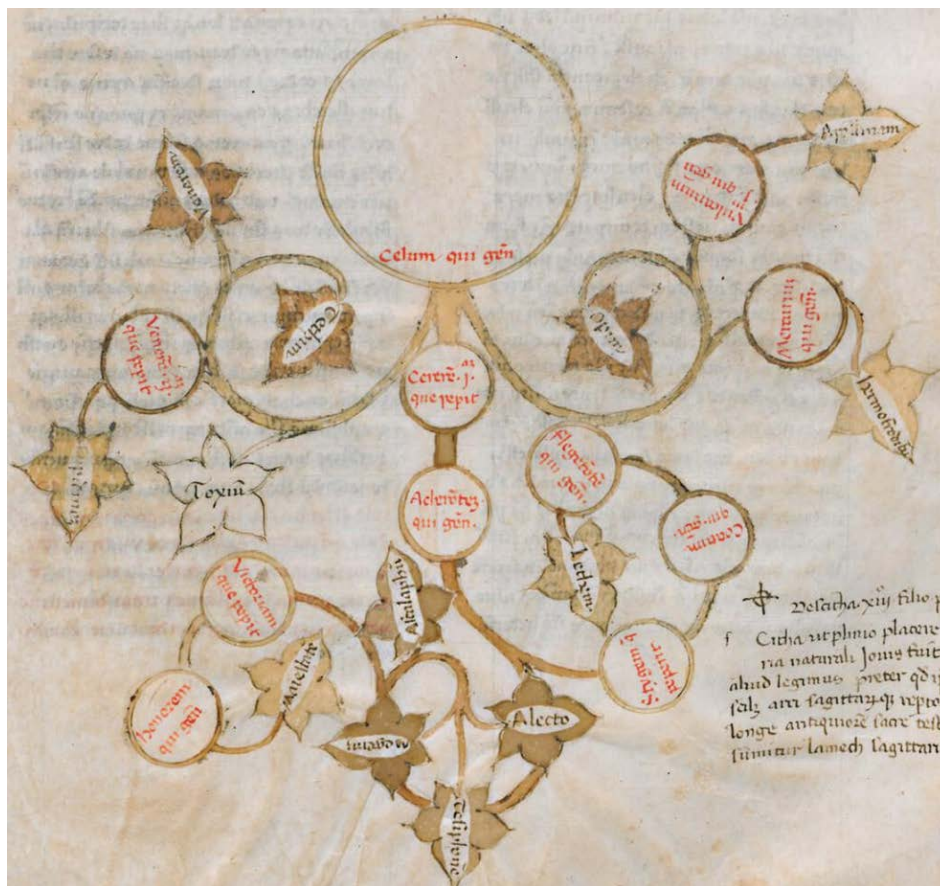




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**A source for Boccaccio's *Genealogy of Pagan Gods*
in an anonymous *descriptio* of Sicily**



In his *Genealogy of Pagan Gods*, Boccaccio incorporates many materials about pagan myths derived from medieval and pre-humanist compilations and commentaries. One of the most important sources of his *Genealogy* was a mythographic compendium written by Paolo da Perugia, entitled *Collectiones*, which did not survive. An anonymous and previously unknown *descriptio* of Sicily, preserved in only three manuscripts, shares common mythographic excerpts with Boccaccio's *Genealogy* and it could provide insight about the mythographic works circulating in Naples at the Angevin court of Robert of Anjou during the so-called 'Neapolitan period' of Boccaccio.

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