This study of the language of insult charts abuse in classical Athenian literature that centers on the mouth and its appetites, especially talking, eating, drinking, and sexual activities. Attic comedy, Platonic dialogue, and fourth-century oratory often deploy insulting depictions of the mouth and its excesses in order to deride professional speakers as sophists, demagogues, and women. Although the patterns of imagery explored are very prominent in ancient invective and later western literary traditions, this is the first book to discuss this phenomenon in classical literature. It responds to a growing interest in both abusive speech genres and the representation of the body, illuminating an iambic discourse that isolates the intemperate mouth as a visible emblem of behaviors ridiculed in the democratic arenas of classical Athens.

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AA  Archäologischer Anzeiger
AJP  American Journal of Philology
C  F. D. Caizzi, ed. Antisthenis Fragmenta (Milan, 1966)
CA  Classical Antiquity
CJ  Classical Journal
CP  Classical Philology
CQ  Classical Quarterly
CW  Classical World
D  H. Diehl, ed. Anthologia Lyrica Graeca (Leipzig, 1949–)
FGH  F. Jacoby, ed. Die Fragmente der griechischen Historiker (Berlin/Leiden, 1923–58)
G&R  Greece and Rome
GRBS  Greek, Roman, and Byzantine Studies
HSCP  Harvard Studies in Classical Philology
IG  Inscriptiones Graeci (Berlin, 1873–)
JHS  Journal of Hellenic Studies
K  T. Kock, ed. Comicorum Atticorum Fragmenta (Leipzig, 1880)
M  A. Meineke, ed. Poetarum Comicorum Graecorum Fragmenta (Hildesheim, 1989)
N  A. Nauck, ed. Tragicorum Graecorum Fragmenta, 2nd ed. (Heidelsheim, 1964)
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