Francisco Suárez is arguably the most important neo-scholastic philosopher, and a vital link in the chain leading from medieval philosophy to that of the Renaissance and the Enlightenment. Long neglected by the Anglo-Saxon philosophical community, this sixteenth-century Jesuit theologian is now an object of intense scholarly attention. In this volume, Daniel Schwartz brings together essays by leading specialists which provide detailed treatment of some key themes of Francisco Suárez’s philosophical work: God, metaphysics, meta-ethics, the human soul, action, ethics and law, justice and war. The authors assess the force of Suárez’s arguments, set them within their wider argumentative context, single out influences and appraise competing interpretations. The book is a useful resource for scholars and students of philosophy, theology, philosophy of religion and history of political thought, and provides a rich bibliography of secondary literature.

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Abbreviations and method of citation

The following abbreviations have been used:

*Anim.* Francisco Suárez, *De anima* (disputation, question, paragraph)

*DDB* Francisco Suárez, *Disputatio de bello* (section, paragraph)

*DF* Francisco Suárez, *Defensio fidei catholicae, et apostolicae adversus anglicanae sectae errores* (book, chapter, paragraph)

*DL* Francisco Suárez, *De legibus ac Deo legislatore* (book, chapter, paragraph)

*DM* Francisco Suárez, *Disputationes metaphysicae* (disputation, section, sub-section)

*ID* Francisco Suárez, *Disputatio de iustitia* (section, sub-section)

*In ST* Commentary on Thomas Aquinas’s *Summa theologiae*

*IV* Francisco Suárez, *De incarnatione verbi* (disputation, section, sub-section)

*RL* Francisco Suárez, *Relectio theologica de libertate voluntatis divinae* (section, sub-section)

*RM* Francisco Suárez, *Relectio de merito* (chapter, section)

*ST* Thomas Aquinas, *Summa theologiae* (1, 1–11, 11–11, 11, Suppl.)

a. = article

ad. = reply to objection

c. = corpus

d. = distinction

q. = question

sc. sed contra