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APr.	Prior Analytics
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DA	De Anima
Div. Somn.	De Divinatione per Somnum
EE	Eudemian Ethics
EN	Nicomachean Ethics
GA	Generation of Animals
GC	Generation and Corruption
HA	Historia Animalium
IA	Progression of Animals
Int.	Interpretation
Juv.	On Youth and Old Age
MA	Movement of Animals
Metaph.	Metaphysics
Meteor.	Meteorologics
MM	Magna Moralia
PA	Parts of Animals
Phys.	Physics
Pol.	Politics
Rhet.	Rhetoric
SE	Sophistical Refutations
Top.	Topics

Plato

Rep.	Republic
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