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Using literary and feminist methodology, this study argues that an attitude of sexual aggressiveness in defence served as a model for Roman satire. The author suggests that aggressive sexual humour reinforced Roman aggressive behaviour on both the individual and societal levels.