Record Nr. UNINA9910792277103321 Autore Aeneas, of Gaza, <active 5th century, > Titolo Theophrastus / Aeneas of Gaza; translated by John Dillon and Donald Russell. With, Ammonius / Zacharias of Mytilene; translated by Sebastian Gertz London,: Bristol Classical Press, 2012 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 1-4725-5152-4 1-4725-0037-7 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (216 p.) Collana Ancient commentators on Aristotle Altri autori (Persone) Zacharias, Bishop of Mytilene Disciplina 186.4 Soggetti Neoplatonism Philosophy and religion Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali "Paperback edition first published 2014"--T. p. verso. Includes index. Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and indexes Nota di contenuto Introduction -- Part One: Aeneas of Gaza: Theophrastus -- Textual Emendations -- Translation -- Notes -- Bibliography -- English-Greek Glossary -- Greek-English Index -- Index of Passages Cited -- General Index -- Part Two: Zacharias of Mytilene: Ammonius -- Textual Emendations -- Translation -- Notes -- Bibliography -- English-Greek Glossary -- Greek-English Index -- Index of Passages Cited -- General Index Sommario/riassunto "50 years before Philoponus, two Christians from Gaza, seeking to influence Alexandrian Christians, defended the Christian belief in resurrection and the finite duration of the world, and attacked rival Neoplatonist views. Aeneas addresses an unusual version of the food chain argument against resurrection, that our bodies will get eaten by other creatures. Zacharias attacks the Platonist examples of synchronous creation, which were the production of light, of shadow, and of a footprint in the sand. A fragment survives of a third Gazan contribution by Procopius. Zacharias lampoons the Neoplatonist professor in Alexandria, Ammonius, and claims a leading role in the riot which led to the cleverest Neoplatonist, Damascius, fleeing to

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