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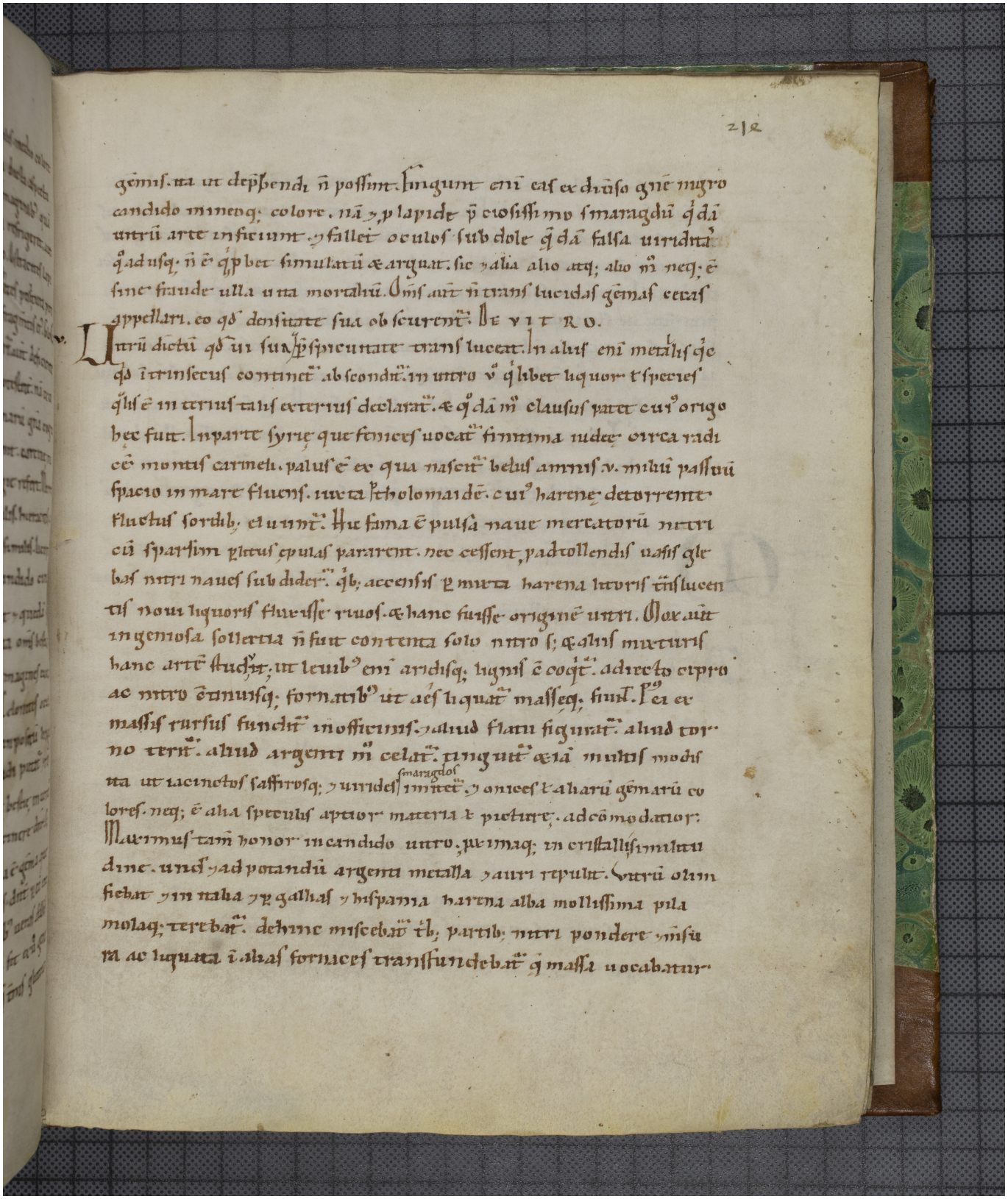

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gēmis.ta ut depbendi ñ possint. ſingum enī eas ex diūso gne nigro
candido mineoq; colore. nā ⁊ p lapide p̄ eriosissimo ſmaragdū q̄ dā
untrū arte inficiunt. ⁊ fallēt oculos sub dole q̄ dā falsa uiriditā
q̄ adusq; ñ ē q̄p bet simulatū æ arguat. sic ⁊ alia alio atq; alio mō neq; ē
sine fraude ulla uita mortalū. Omīs aūt ñ trans lucidas gēmas ceras
appellari. eo q̄d densitate sua ob scurent. De Vitro.

Untrū dictū q̄d ui sua p̄ spicuitate trans lucet. In aluſ enī metallis q̄e
q̄s ī trinsecus continēt ab scondit. in untro v̄ q̄ libet liquor t̄ species
q̄lis ē in teriusq; talis exterius declarat. æ q̄d dā mō clausus patet cui⁹ origo
hec fuit. In parte syrię que fenices uocat̄ sinuma nudę orta radi
cē montis carmeli. palus ē ex qua nasc̄t belus amnis v. miliū passuū
spacio in mare fluens. nuncupat̄ ptholomaidē. cui⁹ harenę detorrente
fluctus sordib; eluunt. Huc fama ē pulsa naue mercatorū nitri
cū spartum ignis ꝑ ustas pararent. nec cessent, p̄ tollendis uasis gle
bas nitri naues subdider. q̄b; accensis ꝑ nuta harena liquoris trāslucen
tis nou liquoris fluuisse riuos. æ hanc fuisse originē untri. Mox aūt
ingeniosa sollertia ñ fuit contenta solo nitro s; æ alijs mixturis
hanc artē studuit, ut leuib⁹ eni arcisq; ignis ē coḡt. adiecto cipro
ac nitro ēmunisq; formatib⁹ ut æs liquat̄ masseq; fiunt. P⁹ ea ex
massis rursus funditus in officinis. ⁊ alia flam figunt. alia tor
no terūt. alia argenti mō celat. tinguūt æra multis modis
ta ut iacinctos saffiros; ⁊ uiridesſmaragdos imitēt. ⁊ onices t̄ aliarū gēmarū co
lores. neq; ē alia species aptior materia t̄ pictuę. ad cōmodatior:
Maximus tam honor in candido untro, ꝓximaq; in cristallis imitatu
dine. unde ⁊ ad potandū argenta metalla ⁊ auri repulit. Untrū olim
fiebat ⁊ in naba ⁊ ꝓ gallias ⁊ hispania harena alba mollissima pila
molaq; terebat̄. dehinc misceb̄at̄ t̄b; partib; nitri pondere ⁊ mis
ta ac liquata ī alias formulas transfundebat̄ q̄ massa uocabatur