

Abstract: In old Romanian literature, there are scarcely any attestations of names designating, by reference to Greek-Latin mythology, gods and goddesses and their distribution is mainly accounted for by the form and content of the sources used by translators. The rare quotation and use of the names of Greek or Latin deities in old writing, as well as the current meaning of the plural form *dumnezei* (*gods*) and *dumnezeițe* (*goddesses*), or *dumnezeoaie* should be accounted for not by the absence of knowledge regarding the Greek-Latin mythology, but by the interdiction of the church officials (constantly promoted by the canonical texts) to use the names of the “idols, pagan gods”, considered to be the result of the pagan belief’s influences.

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