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I have recently been doing some research finding all of the Scorpio images with six or less legs depicted in manuscripts from about the time of the Voynich manuscript's dating or before.

I think I found somewhere about 135 no-legged, two-legged, four-legged and six-legged Scorpios, some equipped with pincers and/or wings and/or short tails and/or a turtle's shell. There are even a few with two heads.

To show all 135 would probably require more individual sendings of images than I want to send or you would want to download.

So, I am just going to send the images of the ones that have four legs, no pincers, wings or turtle shells. You will probably recognize many of them as having been stolen from the offerings of others. Maybe from some of you. That's the kind of low-down, dirty, no-good guy I am.

Please bear with me - I'm usually not very good at sending stuff like this.

List C

Four-legged Scorpios - the possibles (shown oldest to newest) - I figure the VMS' illuminator/author must have gotten the general idea for a four-legged Scorpio from some other similar image, maybe one that is still in existence. These are what have shown up already on my radar. A breakdown follows at the end of the list. When completed, I hope to establish a geographical area in which the VMS' illuminator/author probably must have been at one time or another to have seen a similar image. This area may change as more is learned in the future.

(Please notice that the VMS image has four legs, a long tail, no wings, no pincers or turtle shell and only one head... just like these do. I am not trying to pick the exact Scorpio that the author of the VMS saw, only provide all the similar images I can find.)

There is a string tied to the Scorpio in the VMS and to a star image. There are three Scorpio images that may have stars in them in the following list, all from 1170 to before 1300. Two are from England, one from Germany.



Church of St-Lazare in Avallon (Burgundy), Twelfth Century.



SCORPIO panel from Column of the Zodiac Roman Pillar dates from 12th Century at Cluny Abbey Burgundy France



German, made Heidesheim, Germany, probably 1170's, Stammheim Missal, Getty Museum MS 64, f. 8v. There are some objects in the background sky that may be stars??

Possible



Walters Ms. W.26, Claricia Psalter, late Twelfth to early Thirteenth Century, made - Augsburg, Germany



Scorpio - the roo lookalike scorpion (SE Roundel Group), Canterbury, Cathedral, floor roundel, Thirteenth Century. There are two somethings above the Scorpio - possibly stars?



MS D.6 f.5v, Medallion representing Scorpio as a lizard-like creature, with four legs, a ridged back and a long tail, from the calendar at the beginning of <u>MS D.6</u>, Psalter with gloss and Hours of the Virgin. English, c. 1210-20. The are some objects in the background sky that may be stars??



Avignon - BM - ms. 0009, f. 005v, after 1220.