

Il Destino

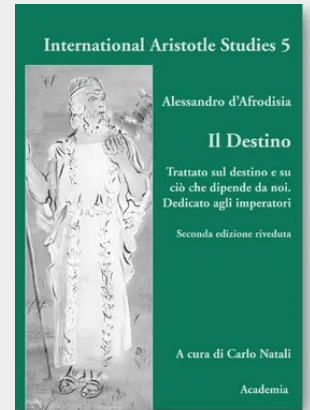
Trattato sul destino e su ciò che dipende da noi. Dedicato agli imperatori

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