

PETRAEUS, THEODOR (1624-1672)

A Danish Orientalist. He studied Oriental languages in Leiden (1650) and visited Syria, Palestine, and Egypt (1656), where he continued his [linguistic](#) studies, adding Coptic. From Egypt he brought Coptic manuscripts (among them *scalae*) to Europe, which are now in the Prussian State Library in Berlin. Petraeus published the first Psalm in Coptic with [Arabic](#) and Latin translation: *Psalterium Davidis in Lingua Coptica seu Aegyptiaca Una cum Versione Arabica nunc Primum in Latinum Versum et in Lucem Editum a M. Theodoro Petraeo* (Leiden, 1663).

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