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fl. 1215

English medieval scholar (also known as Alfredus Anglicus) who was one of the earlier medieval European translators of Arabic commentaries on Aristotle's scientific works into Latin. These were fundamental to initial European commentaries that followed Latin translations of Aristotle's original works. Alfred provided a Latin translation and expansion of Ibn Sina's (Avicenna; 980-1037) commentary on Aristotle's fourth book of his *Meteorologica* and went on to provide the first European commentary (though of a summary nature) on the *Meteorologica* (about 1215).