

Aristotle (348-322 BC)
Claudius Ptolemy (100-170 AD)
Nicolas Copernicus (1473-1543)
Johannes Kepler (1571-1630)
Galileo Galilei (1564-1642)

Cosimo de Medici II (1590-1621)
Ferdinand de Medici II (son of Cosimo)
Grand Duchess Christina of Lorraine (mother of Cosimo)

Fra Paolo Sarpi (Venice)
Antonio Santini (Venice)
Thomas Hariot (England)
Nicolas Peiresc (France)

Christopher Clavius (1537-1612)

Cardinal Robert Bellarmine (1542-1621)
Pope Paul V (d. 1621)
Pope Gregory XV
Cardinal Maffeo Barberini / Pope Urban VIII

Giovanni Magini
Ludovico delle Colombe
Christopher Scheiner
Niccolo Lorini
Tommaso Caccini

Benedetto Castelli

Filippo Salviati
Giovanfrancesco Sagredo
Simplicio

Nicolo Ricciardi