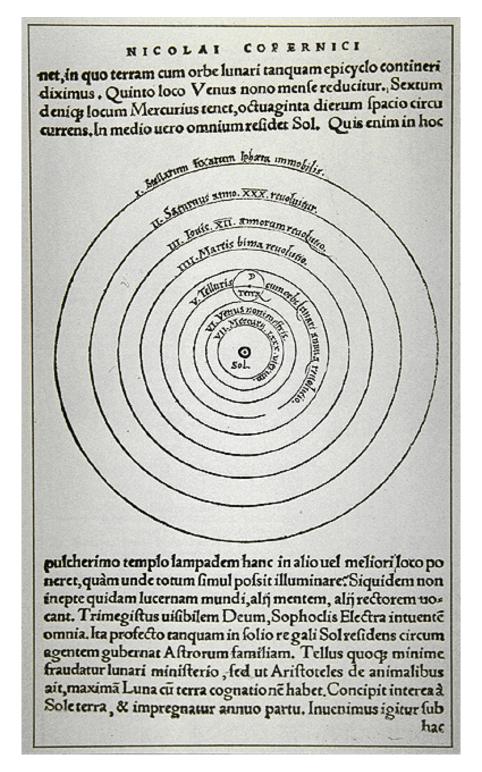
A page from Nicholas Copernicus (1473-1543) *De Revolutionibus Orbium Coelestium (On the Revolutions of the Celestial Orbs)*, published in 1543, showing Copernicus's model of the universe.



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