
Term: Il Lume Naturale
Quote: In the first guesses, there was no guide but what Galileo used to call il lume naturale, the Light of Nature. What is that light of nature but the analogy between our own mind and the mind of Nature?

Some men scoff at the idea of a mind in nature. [—] Whether or not there be any consciousness in or behind nature is beside our purpose; yet it is needful to recognize that Nature somehow generalizes.


References: MS [R] 211
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