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Cistercian Horizons is an interdisciplinary project for the examination of illuminated liturgical manuscripts produced in the scriptorium of Alcobaça from the end of the twelfth to the early-sixteenth centuries.

Analysis of materials (including pigments, illuminated-decoration and bookbinding methods) and of liturgical content is conducted in tandem with a systematic selection of exemplars enabling more rigorous dating than hitherto achieved in order to reveal details of evolution of techniques and variations in materials used.

Liturgical aspects are evaluated within the Cistercian context, comparing local elements with global Cistercian precepts. Key issues include appraisal of the extent to which liturgical practices in Alcobaça were idiosyncratic, i.e., falling outside the Cistercian ideal of liturgical unanimity, and the identification of characteristics specific to Alcobaça in matters of materials, artistry and aesthetics.

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