

References

Here is a list of books, articles, and websites that can be used for research of Maria Agnesi:

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This is the translation of Agnesi's book in which the first use of witch was used to describe the curve.

Kennedy, Hubert C. "The Witch of Agnesi-Exorcised." *The Mathematics Teacher*. October 1969. 480-482.

This reference gave a brief description on Agnesi's life as well as a reference to Sister Mary Thomas who confirmed that Agnesi did not teach at Bologna.

<http://www-groups.dcs.st-and.ac.uk/~history/Mathematicians/Agnesi.html>

This website gave a great description of Agnesi's life.

<http://www.astr.ua.edu/4000ws/witch-of-agnesi.html>

A great graph of the witch can be viewed at this website.

<http://jwilson.coe.uga.edu/Texts.Folder/Agnesi/witch.html>

The proof to the parametric equations can be found here as well as great graphs.

http://xahlee.org/SpecialPlaneCurves_dir/witchofagnesi_dir/witchofagnesi.html

Great graphs of the inversions of the curve can be seen at this website.

<http://agnesscott.edu/Iriddle/women/agnesi.htm>

This is a great website for general information as well as links to other information and other mathematicians.