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'An Invitation to a free and generous Communication of Secrets and Receits in Physick’, in Chymical, Medicinal, and Chyrurgical Addresses: Made to Samuel Hartlib, Esquire (1655) [Works, vol. 1]
Some Motives and Incentives to the Love of God. Pathetically Discours’d of, in a Letter to a Friend (1659), usually known as Seraphic Love [Works, vol. 1]
New Experiments Physico-Mechanickal, Touching the Spring of the Air and its Effects (1660) [Works, vol. 1]
Certain Physiological Essays, Written at Distant Times, and on Several Occasions, including 'A Physico-Chymical Essay, containing an Experiment with some Considerations touching the differing Parts and Redintegration of Salt-petre' (1661; 2nd edition, 1669, including Of Absolute Rest in Bodies) [Works, vol. 2]
The Sceptical Chymist: or Chymico-Physical Doubts & Paradoxes (1661) [Works, vol. 2]
Some Considerations Touching the Style of the Holy Scriptures (1661) [Works, vol. 2]
A Defence of the Doctrine Touching the Spring and Weight of the Air (1662) [Works, vol. 3]
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Some Considerations touching the Usefulness of Experimental Naturall Philosophy. The First Part (1663) [Works, vol. 3]
Some Considerations of the Usefulness of Naturall Philosophy. The Second Part. The First Section. Of It’s Usefulness to Physick (1663) [Works, vol. 3]
Experiments and Considerations Touching Colours (1664) [Works, vol. 4]
New Experiments and Observations Touching Cold, or an Experimental History of Cold, Begun (1665) [Works, vol. 4]
Occasional Reflections Upon Several Subjects (1665) [Works, vol. 5]
Hydrostatical Paradoxes, Made out by New Experiments, (For the Most Part Physical and Easie) (1666) [Works, vol. 5]
The Origine of Formes and Qualities, (According to the Corpuscular Philosophy) (1666-7) [Works, vol. 5]
A Continuation of New Experiments Physico-Mechanical, Touching the Spring and Weight of the Air, and their Effects. The First Part (1669) [Works, vol. 6]
TractsWritten by the Honourable Robert Boyle About the Cosmical Qualities of Things [etc.] (1670) [Works, vol. 6]
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An Essay about the Origine & Virtues of Gems (1672) [Works, vol. 7]
Tracts Written by the Honourable Robert Boyle Containing New Experiments, touching the Relation betwixt Flame and Air [etc.], including 'An Hydrostatical Discourse occasion’d by some Objections of Dr Henry More against some Explications of New Experiments' (1672) [Works, vol. 7]


Tracts Consisting of Observations About the Saltness of the Sea [etc.] (1673) [Works, vol. 7]

The Excellency of Theology, Compar’d with Natural Philosophy, including 'About the Excellency and Grounds of the Mechanical Hypothesis' (1674) [Works, vol. 8]

Tracts: Containing Suspicions about Some Hidden Qualities of the Air [etc.] (1674) [Works, vol. 8]

Some Considerations about the Reconcileableness of Reason and Religion, including 'Some Physico-Theological Considerations about the Possibility of the Resurrection' (1675) [Works, vol. 8]

Experiments, Notes, &c. about the Mechanical Origine or Production of Divers Particular Qualities (1675-6) [Works, vol. 8]

An Historical Account of a Degradation of Gold Made by an Anti-Elixir: a Strange Chymical Narrative (1678) [Works, vol. 9]

Experiments and Notes About the Producibleness Of Chymicall Principles, appended to the 2nd edition of Sceptical Chymist (1680) [Works, vol. 9]

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A Discourse of Things above Reason. Inquiring Whether a Philosopher Should Admit There Are Any Such (1681) [Works, vol. 9]

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Memoirs for the Natural History Of Humane Blood, Especially The Spirit of that Liquor (1684) [Works, vol. 10]

Experiments and Considerations About the Porosity of Bodies, in Two Essays (1684) [Works, vol. 10]

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Short Memoirs for the Natural Experimental History of Mineral Waters (1685) [Works, vol. 10]

An Essay Of the Great Effects of Even Languid and Unheeded Motion, including 'An Experimental Discourse of Some Unheeded Causes of the Insalubrity and Salubrity of the Air' (1685) [Works, vol. 10]
Of the Reconcileableness of Specifick Medicines to the Corpuscular Philosophy (1685) [Works, vol. 10]

A Free Enquiry Into the Vulgarly Receiv'd Notion of Nature; Made in an Essay, Address'd to a Friend (1686) [Works, vol. 10]

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Some Receipts of Medicines, For the most part Parable and Simple. Sent to a Friend in America (1688) [Works, vol. 11]


Medicina Hydrostatica: or, Hydrostaticks Applyed to the Materia Medica (1690) [Works, vol. 11]

The Christian Virtuoso: Shewing, That by Being Addicted to Experimental Philosophy, a Man is Rather Assisted, than Indisposed, to be a Good Christian (1690-1) [Works, vol. 11]

Experimenta & Observationes Physicae Wherein are Briefly Treated of Several Subjects Relating to Natural Philosophy in an Experimental Way (1691) [Works, vol. 11]

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Medicinal Experiments: Or, a Collection Of Choice and Safe Remedies, For the Most Part Simple, and Easily Prepared (3 vols., 1692-4) [Works, vol. 12]

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