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Abstract:

This essay provides the first comprehensive examination of how the term "Wicca" - used in reference to the modern Pagan Witchcraft - has been utilised throughout the faith's history. Examining its antecedents, including the Old English the early Cardnerian "Wica", the author looks at the many definitions that the term has seen over the last seven centuries to conclusions that provide a new interpretation of not only how the term has been used in the Pagan community in the present, but also how it can most effectively be used in the future.

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