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Curriculum Vitae

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ACADEMIC DEGREES

2012-2016: Ph.D in *Cultural Sciences* (Research Program: *Religious Studies*) at Scuola Internazionale di Alti Studi, "Fondazione Collegio San Carlo", Modena – Max-Weber-Kolleg für kultur- und sozialwissenschaftliche Studien, Erfurt (joint Doctorate)

Dissertation Title: *Gli ultimi profeti. Oracoli, Scritture ed eresia nel montanismo*

Supervisors: Prof. Antonio Cacciari (Università di Bologna)

Prof. Jörg Rüpke (Max-Weber-Kolleg, Erfurt)

Referees: Prof. Richard Gordon (Max-Weber-Kolleg, Erfurt)

Prof. Marco Rizzi (Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore di Milano)

Grade: *magna cum laude/opus valde laudabile*

2007-2009: M.A. in *Classical Philology, Literature and Tradition*, Università di Bologna. Focus: *New Testament Philology and Exegesis*

Dissertation title: *Matrimonio e continenza alle origini del movimento montanista. Fonti e problemi*

Supervisor: Prof. Antonio Cacciari

Referee: Prof. Camillo Neri

Grade: 110/110 *cum laude*

2003-2006: B.A. in *Classical Studies* (focus: *Classical Philology*), Università di Bologna. Focus: *Early Christian Literature*

Dissertation title: *Il cristianesimo colto di Basilio di Cesarea. Analisi dell'Epistola 2 a Gregorio di Nazianzo*

Supervisor: Prof. Lorenzo Perrone

Grade: 110/110 *cum laude*

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- September 2019 – August 2021: Marie Skłodowska-Curie Individual Fellow, Post-doc, Institut for Historie (Center for Medieval Literature), Syddansk Universitet, Odense, Danmark
- Research Project: *Eschatological time as women's time? Gendered temporality and female holiness in Early Christianity and Byzantium*
- Supervisor: Prof. Aglae Massima Valeria Pizzone
- September 2018-August 2019: Postdoctoral Scholarship at “Associazione Amici della Peterson” (Università di Torino).
- Research Project: *Il controllo del corpo tra ascetismo ed esperienze visionarie: per un'analisi del De ieiunio adversus psychicos di Tertulliano*
- Supervisor: Prof. Clementina Mazzucco

GRANTS AND AWARDS

- September 2019 – August 2021: Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions, Individual Fellowship, Institut for Historie (Center for Medieval Literature), Syddansk Universitet, Odense, Danmark
- May-November 2015: Doctoral Scholarship for a position as a PhD Visiting Student at “Max-Weber-Kolleg”, Erfurt
- Supervisor: Prof. Jörg Rüpke
- May-June 2014: Doctoral Scholarship for a position as a PhD Visiting Student at “Max-Weber-Kolleg”, Erfurt
- Supervisor: Prof. Jörg Rüpke
- October 2013-March 2014: Doctoral Scholarship for a position as a PhD Visiting Student at Humboldt- Universität zu Berlin (Theologische Fakultät)
- Supervisor: Prof. Christoph Marksches

ORGANIZED CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS

- 11-12 May 2021: Organization and scientific coordination of the Conference *Gendered Temporality and Female Holiness in Early Christianity and Byzantium*, Odense (Centre for Medieval Literature/University of Southern Denmark)
- 1-3 October 2020: Scientific coordination (with Mario Resta) of the Unit *Gender Studies and Early Christian History*, International Annual Meeting on Christian Origins, Bertinoro (Università di Bologna). Postponed until 2021
- 26-28 September 2019: Scientific coordination (with Roberto Alciati) of the Unit *Experiencing and Narrating the Body: Ascetic Discourses and Practices in Early Christianity*, International Annual Meeting on Christian Origins, Bertinoro (Università di Bologna)
- 27-29 September 2018: Scientific coordination (with Roberto Alciati) of the Unit *Experiencing and Narrating the Body: Ascetic Discourses and Practices in Early Christianity*, International Annual Meeting on Christian Origins, Bertinoro (Università di Bologna)

MEMBERSHIP OF PROFESSIONAL AND LEARNED SOCIETIES

- 2014 - C.I.S.S.R. - Centro Italiano di Studi Superiori sulle Religioni
2019-2020 EUARE - European Academy of Religion
2020 - CUSCC - Consulta Universitaria di Storia del Cristianesimo e delle Chiese
2020 - SBL – Society of Biblical Literature
2020 - BSANA - Byzantine Studies Association of North America

LECTURES AT CONFERENCES AND SYMPOSIA

- 1) *Time and gender in early Christianity. The Acts of Thomas as a case study*, SBL Annual Meeting, Boston, 29 November-10 December 2020 (on line)
- 2) *Female Holiness and “New” Temporalities in the Life of Mary the Younger and the Life of Thomaïs of Lesbos*, Byzantine Studies Conference, Cleveland, 23-25 October 2020 (on line)
- 3) *The End That Never Came. On the Relationship Between Time and Gender in Some Byzantine Hagiographical Texts*, Symposium “Crisis, Gender and the Politics of Time in the Medieval and Early Modern Periods”, Odense (Centre for Medieval Literature), 5-6 November 2019
- 4) *Guardare e apparire. La costruzione visiva dell’agire sociale delle donne nel cristianesimo antico*, “Vedere e guardare attraverso le parole”. Convegno Internazionale “Contributi per una storia della cultura visuale del cristianesimo antico e tardoantico”, Torino, 9-11 October 2019
- 5) *Controlling the Body: Bodily Knowledge, Asceticism and Visionary Experiences in Tertullian’s On Fasting*, International Annual Meeting on Christian Origins, Bertinoro, 26-29 September 2019

- 6) *«In forma di donna venne a me Cristo e mi instillò la sapienza» (Epiph. Pan. 49,1,3): leadership femminile e gerarchia ecclesiastica nella letteratura eresiologicala*, XLVII Incontro di Studiosi dell'Antichità Cristiana, Roma, 9-11 May 2019
- 7) *“Fasts will merit from God the recognition of mysteries” (Tert. ieiun. 7,6): on the relationship between fasting and prophecy in Early Christianity*, Annual Conference of the European Academy of Religion, Bologna, 4-7 March 2019 (Invited)
- 8) *Profeti e martiri: il sovvertimento escatologico della vita dell'uomo nel cristianesimo del II secolo*, XLVI Incontro di Studiosi dell'Antichità Cristiana, Roma, 10-12 May 2018
- 9) *La figura di Gesù nella letteratura contemporanea: Saramago e Bulgakov*, Laboratorio di ricerca interdisciplinare “Religions Matters. Metodi, teorie e tendenza della ricerca”, Università di Bologna, 6 March 2018 (Invited)
- 10) *L'estasi di Montano. Fonti e problemi*, “Seminario bolognese di letteratura cristiana antica”, Università di Bologna, 20 April 2017 (Invited)
- 11) *«They are not the words of a rational man»: ecstatic prophecy in Montanism*, Concluding conference of the research program “Lived Ancient Religion”: *Leaving the (disciplinary) comfort zone – Lived Ancient Religion AD 1 to 800*, Eisenach, 3-5 April 2017 (Invited)
- 12) *Oracoli montanisti e Scritture: echi, allusioni, citazioni*, Convegno annuale di Letteratura cristiana antica, Assisi, 30-31 October 2015 (Invited)
- 13) *Le pratiche estatiche nei circoli montanisti: il caso di Teodoto*, International Annual Meeting on Christian Origins, Bertinoro, 3-5 October 2014
- 14) *Constructing Heresies: Marcus the Magician and Montanus*, Humboldt Universität, Theologische Fakultät, Berlin, 12 July 2014 (Invited)
- 15) *Interpretazione scritturistica e dibattito esegetico su vera e falsa profezia nella controversia montanista: la testimonianza di Epifanio di Salamina (Pan. 48)*, International Meeting “Interpretazione, fra storia culturale e storia intellettuale”, Fondazione San Carlo, Modena, 20-21 June 2013

LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

a) Monographs

- 1) *Il De ieiunio adversus psychicos di Tertulliano. Introduzione, traduzione e commento*, Paoline, Milano 2022 (Accepted. In preparation)
- 2) *L'ultima profezia. La crisi montanista nel cristianesimo antico*, Il pozzo di Giacobbe, Trapani 2020

b) Translations

- 1) J. Lieu, *Marcione. Come si fabbrica un eretico*, Paideia, Torino 2020
(Original Edition: J. Lieu, *Marcion and the Making of a Heretic. God and Scripture in the Second Century*, Cambridge University Press, Cambridge 2015)
- 2) (with R. Alciati) J. Rüpke, *Pantheon. Una nuova storia della religione romana*, Einaudi, Torino 2018
(Original Edition: J. Rüpke, *Pantheon. A New History of Roman Religion*, Princeton 2018)

c) Articles

- 1) *Guardare e apparire. Esempi di costruzione visiva delle donne nel cristianesimo antico*, in *Adamantius* 26 (2020). Submitted. To be published in 2021
- 2) *Fasting, visions and prophecy in and outside the Bible: the figure of Daniel in Tertullian's De ieiunio adversus psychicos*, in *Biblical Figures in and outside the Bible*, Brepols, 2021. Submitted. To be published in 2021
- 3) *Shaping Women's Agency Through Temporality in The Life and Activity of the Holy and Blessed Teacher Syncretica*, in *Studia Philologica Valentina* 22 (2020). To be published in 2021, in press
- 4) *"In forma di donna venne a me Cristo e mi instillò la sapienza" (Epiph. Pan. 49,1,3): leadership femminile e gerarchia ecclesiastica nella letteratura eresiologica*, in *XLVII Incontro di Studiosi dell'Antichità Cristiana (Roma, 9-11 maggio 2019)*, Roma 2020, 209-216
- 5) *'They are not the words of a rational man': ecstatic prophecy in Montanism*, in *Lived Religion in the Ancient Mediterranean World. Approaching Religious Transformations from Archaeology, History and Classics*, edited by V. Gasparini – M. Patzelt – R. Raja – A.-K. Rieger – J. Rüpke – E. Urciuoli, De Gruyter, Berlin 2020, 71-86
- 6) *"Fasts will merit from God the recognition of mysteries" (Tert. ieiun. 7,6): on the relationship between fasting and prophecy in early Christianity*, in *Adamantius* 25 (2019), 436-444
- 7) *Martiri e profetesse: il sovvertimento escatologico della vita terrena nel cristianesimo antico*, in *Tempo di Dio, tempo dell'uomo. XLVI Incontro di Studiosi dell'Antichità Cristiana (Roma, 10-12 maggio 2018)*, Roma 2019, 53-60
- 8) *Montanism and Ecstasy: the case of Theodotus' death (Eusebius, Historia Ecclesiastica V,16,14-15)*, in *Texts, Practices and Groups. Multidisciplinary Approaches to the History of Jesus Followers in the First Two Centuries. First Annual Meeting of Bertinoro (2-4 October 2014)*, edited by A. Destro – M. Pesce, Brepols, Turnhout 2017, 377-394
- 9) *Il dibattito esegetico su vera e falsa profezia in Epiph. Pan. 48: la costruzione retorica del fenomeno profetico montanista*, in *Adamantius* 21 (2015), 195-210

d) Book Reviews

- 1) C.R. Moss, *Resurrecting Perfection in the New Testament and Early Christianity*, New Haven and London 2019, in *Annali di Storia dell'Esegesi* 38/2 (2021). To be submitted in March 2021
- 2) E.H. Karaman, *Ephesian Women in Greco-Roman and Early Christian Perspective*, Tübingen 2018, in *Adamantius* 27 (2021). To be published in 2022
- 3) *Women and Knowledge in Early Christianity*, edited by U. Tervajauta – I. Miroshnikov – O. Lehtipuu – I. Dunderberg, Leiden-Boston 2017, in *Adamantius* 24 (2018)
- 4) Stephen E. Potthoff, *The Afterlife in Early Christian Carthage. Near-death experience, ancestor cult, and the archaeology of paradise*, London and New York 2017, in *Annali di Storia dell'esegesi* 36/1 (2019)