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Academic positions:

- 2013- : associate professor of New Testament at Harvard Divinity School
- 2009-2013: assistant professor of New Testament at Harvard Divinity School
- 2008-2009: sessional teacher at the Department for the Study of Religion, University of Toronto
- 2007-2008: visiting professor at the University of Notre Dame
- Post-doctoral fellowship (2004-2007) at the Università degli Studi di Milano, Dipartimento di Scienze della Storia e della Documentazione storica: teaching courses on Introduction to New Testament and Biblical Interpretation in Jewish and Early Christian Texts

Education:

- PhD in Religious Studies at the International School “Scienze della Cultura” in Modena (2/2/2003) with a dissertation on the theme “Verus propheta. Autorità e successione nel giudeo-cristianesimo antico”
- Laurea (110/110 cum laude) in Classics at the Università degli Studi di Milano (4/12/1998), with a dissertation on the theme “Mysterium Regni. La presenza del Messia datore di vita alle origini della tradizione evangelica”

Scholarships and Awards:

- 2013-2014: Harvard CSWR grant for the colloquium “Translation of the Bible: Theory and Practice”
- Fall 2006: visiting scholar at the Centre for the Study of Religions, University of Toronto
- Fall 2005: visiting student at the Peshitta Institute, Faculty of Theology, Leiden University
- Scholarship at the “Istituto Trentino di Cultura – Istituto di Scienze Religiose” in Trento (Italy) for the year 2002-2003
- Scholarship of the State of Israel for the academic year 2000-2001 at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Monographs:

- *Autorità e successione. Figure profetiche nei testi del giudeo-cristianesimo antico*, “Studi di storia del cristianesimo e delle Chiese cristiane” 7, Biblioteca francescana: Milano 2003

In preparation:

- *Kingdom and Bureaucracy. The Political Theology of Galilean Village Scribes in the Sayings Gospel Q*, expected date of publication 2013 by Peeters, Leuven
- *Commentary on parallel sections in Matthew and Luke* in the series *Papyrological Commentaries of the New Testament*, ed. De Gruyter
- *Documentary Papyrology and New Testament*, ed. Sìgueme

Peer-reviewed articles:

- *Neo-Marxism, Language Ideology, and the New Testament*, in *The Bible and Critical Theory* 8 (2012), 16-26
- *Basileia and Debt Relief. The Debts’ Forgiveness of the Lord’s Prayer in Light of Documentary Papyri*, in *Catholic Biblical Quarterly* 73 (2011), 511-525
- *Cucurbita super caput Jonae. Translation and Theology in the Old Latin Tradition*, in *Vetus Testamentum* 60 (2010), 309-322
- *Early Christian Missionaries as Physicians. Healing and Its Cultural Value in the Greco-Roman Context*, in *Novum Testamentum* 51 (2009), 1-20
- *Il corpo della carne di Gesù Cristo (POxy I 5): conflitti ecclesiologici nel cristianesimo del II secolo*, in *Adamantius (Journal of the Italian Research Group on Origen and the Alexandrian Tradition)* 10 (2004), 100-122

Other articles and chapters in books:

- *Apelles and the Pseudo-Clementine Doctrine of the False Pericopes*, in “*Soyez des changeurs avisés*”. *Controverses exégétiques dans la littérature apocryphe chrétienne*, Cahiers de Biblia Patristica 12, eds. G. Aragione – R. Gounelle, Strasbourg: Université de Strasbourg 2012, pp. 11-32
- *Reading Apocalyptic Literature in Egypt. Manuscripts and the Social Function of a Literary Genre*, in *Lire demain. Des manuscrits antiques à l’ère digitale - Reading Tomorrow. From Ancient Manuscripts to the Digital Era*, eds. C. Clivaz – J. Meizoz – F. Vallotton – J. Verheyden, ebook edition Lausanne: PPUR 2012, pp. 443-454;
- *Il romanzo pseudo-clementino*, in C. Gianotto, *Ebrei credenti in Gesù. Le testimonianze degli autori antichi*, Milano: Paoline 2012, pp. 715-748;
- “*Be Good Moneychangers*”. *The Role of an Agraphon in a Discursive Fight for the Canon of Scripture*, in *Invention, Rewriting, Usurpation. Discursive Fights over Religious Traditions in Antiquity*, eds. J. Ulrich – A.C. Jacobsen – D. Brakke, *Early Christianity in the Context of Antiquity* 11, Frankfurt a.M.: Peter Lang 2012, 297-311;
- *La presenza di Paolo nel commento all’Apocalisse di Vittorino. Antipaolinismo nel cristianesimo del III secolo*, in *L’Apocalisse nel Medioevo*. “Atti del Convegno Internazionale dell’Università degli Studi di Milano e della Società Internazionale per lo Studio del Medioevo Latino (S.I.S.M.E.L.)”, Gargnano del Garda, 18-20 maggio 2009, ed. R.E. Guglielmetti, Firenze: Galluzzo 2011, 98-121

- *Basileia – The Q Concept of Kingship in Light of Documentary Papyri*, in *Light from the East. Papyrologische Kommentare zum Neuen Testament*, eds. P. Artz-Grabner and C.M. Kreinecker, Philippika – Marburger altertumskundliche Abhandlungen 39, Wiesbaden: Harrassowitz 2010, 153-168
- *The Bar Kokhba Revolt and Hadrian's Religious Policy*, in *Hadrian and the Christians*, ed. M. Rizzi, Millennium-Studien. Studien zu Kultur und Geschichte des ersten Jahrtausends n. Chr. 30, De Gruyter: Berlin 2010, 85-110
- *La preghiera di Manasse: peccato e penitenza*, in *Valdesi medievali. Bilanci e prospettive di ricerca*, ed. M. Benedetti, Torino: Claudiana 2009, 245-255
- *La polemica anti-sacrificale cristiana negli scritti della fine del I e dell'inizio del II secolo*, in "Ricerche Storico-Bibliche" 21 (2009), 255-270
- *La "Vetus Latina" del "Cantico dei cantici". Traduzione ed interpretazione*, in *Il Cantico dei Cantici nel Medioevo*, "Atti del Convegno Internazionale dell'Universita' degli Studi di Milano e della Societa' Internazionale per lo Studio del Medioevo Latino (S.I.S.M.E.L.)", Gargnano del Garda, 22-24 maggio 2006, ed. R.E. Guglielmetti, Galluzzo: Firenze 2008, 91-108
- *La rappresentazione di Gesu' nel romanzo pseudo-clementino*, in *Un altro Gesu'? I Vangeli apocrifi, il Gesu' storico e il cristianesimo dalle origini*, eds. E. Norelli – A. Guida, Il pozzo di Giacobbe: Napoli 2009, 102-130
- *Eve, Cain, and the Giants. The Female Prophetic Principle and Its Succession in the Pseudo-Clementine Novel*, in *Nouvelles intrigues pseudo-clémentines – Plots in the Pseudo-Clementine Romance*, eds. F. Amsler – A. Frey – C. Touati – R. Girardet, Zèbre: Lausanne 2008, pp. 313-320
- *La Preghiera di Manasse a Gerapoli. Analisi storico-testuale*, "Rendiconti della Pontificia Accademia Romana di Archeologia" 78 (2005/2006), 434-442
- (with Remo Cacitti), *Fonti e interpretazioni delle fonti. A proposito di alcuni testi recenti sulla nascita del cristianesimo*, "Annali di Storia dell'Esegesi" 21 (2004), 569-579
- *Il battesimo pseudo-clementino: contributo alla storia religiosa giudeo-cristiana*, "Annali di studi religiosi" 4 (2004), 391-418
- *Il segno di Giona. L'evoluzione dell'immagine del Salvatore nel mediogiudaismo*, "Nuova Rivista Storica" 84 (2000), 1-30

Forthcoming:

- *Village Scribes behind Q. The Social and Political Profile of the Sayings Gospel in Light of Documentary Papyri*, in *Die Q-Forschung: Rückblicke – Einblicke – Ausblicke*, ed. C. Heil, Leuven: Peeters, 2013;
- *The New Testament in the Pseudo-clementines*, in *The Reception of the New Testament in Christian Apocrypha*, edd. T. Nicklas – J.M. Roessli, Göttingen: Vandenhoeck & Ruprecht, expected date of publication 2013;
- *Healing the World. Social and Religious Practice in the Pseudo-clementine Novel* (in the acts of the international colloquium *Christian Apocrypha for the new Millennium*, University of Ottawa, 30/9-1/10/2006), Tübingen: Mohr-Siebeck, expected date of publication 2013.

Reviews:

- M. Jackson-McCabe (ed.), *Jewish-Christianity Reconsidered. Rethinking Ancient Groups and Texts*, in *BTB* 39 (2009), pp. 96-98;
- D. Stoekl-Ben Ezra, *The Impact of Yom Kippur on Early Christianity. The Day of Atonement from the Second Temple to the Fifth Century*, in *Adamantius* 11 (2005), pp. 495-498;
- T. Knittel, *Das griechische "Leben Adams und Evas". Studien zu einer narrativen Anthropologie im frühen Judentum*, in *Adamantius* 9 (2003), pp. 400-402.

Recent and Upcoming Lectures:

- *Legal Terminology and Violence in Q. The Contribution of Documentary Papyri* (read as an invited paper in the seminar *Papyrology, Epigraphy, and the New Testament* in the SNTS meeting at Murdoch University, Perth, WA, 23-27/07/2013)
- *Early Christian Texts on the Verso of Reemployed Papyri* (read as an invited paper in the session *Form, Format, and Formation: Papyrus Manuscripts in Antiquity* of the Papyrology and Early Christian Backgrounds Group at the SBL annual meeting in Chicago, 17-20/11/2012)
- *Q and the Cultural Space of Galilee* (read in the special session *Q, Space, and Archaeology* of the Q Section at the SBL annual meeting in Chicago, 17-20/11/2012)
- *Κωμογραμματαίς nell'Egitto greco e romano: profilo culturale e sociale* (seminar at the Center for Papyrological Studies, Università del Salento, Lecce, 10/5/2012)
- *Gesù storico e prime tradizioni cristiane scritte* (seminar at the Istituto Superiore Universitario di Formazione Interdisciplinare, Università del Salento, Lecce, 17-18/2/2012)
- *Alla ricerca del Gesù storico* (conference at the Catholic University of the Sacred Heart, Brescia, 4/12/2011)
- *The Historical Jesus and Hellenistic Royal Ideology in the Lord's Prayer* (read as an invited paper in the *Historical Jesus* section at the SBL annual meeting in San Francisco, 19-22/11/2011)
- *Ancient Religious History on Papyri* (read at the *Erasure History Colloquium*, University of Toronto, Toronto, 11-13/11/2011)
- *Reading Apocalyptic Literature in Egypt. Manuscripts and Social Function of a Literary Genre* (read at the international colloquium *Des manuscrits antiques à l'ère digitale. Lectures et littératies*, Lausanne, 23-25/08/2011)
- *Village Scribes behind Q. The Social and Political Profile of the Sayings Gospel in Light of Documentary Papyri* (read at the international colloquium *Die Q-Forschung: Rückblicke – Einblicke – Ausblicke*, Graz, 20-23/07/2011)
- *Apocalyptic Literature on Papyri in Roman Egypt* (read in the section on *Culture and Society in Greek, Roman, and Early Byzantine Egypt* at the APA annual meeting, San Antonio, 6-9/01/2011)
- *Neo-Marxism, Language Ideologies, and the New Testament* (read in the section on *Ideological Criticism* at the SBL annual meeting, Atlanta, 20-23/11/2010)
- *"Be Good Moneychangers": The Role of an Agraphon in the Battle for Scripture* (read at the international conference *Invention, Rewriting, Usurpation. Discursive*

- Fights over Religious Traditions in Antiquity*, Aarhus, 03/06/2010)
- *The Interpretation of the Hebrew Bible in the Pseudo-clementines: an Example of Jewish-Christian Exegesis* (read at the international colloquium *La littérature apocryphe chrétienne et les Ecritures juives*, Strasbourg, 14/01/2010)
 - *Basileia. The Q Concept of Kingship in Light of Documentary Papyri* (read at the international symposium *Light from the East: 15 Jahre Papyrologische Kommentare zum Neuen Testament*, Salzburg, 3-4/12/2009)
 - *Knock and It Will Be Opened. The Contribution of Documentary papyri to New Testament Exegesis* (read in the section *Papyrology and Early Christianity* at the 2009 SBL annual meeting in New Orleans, 21-24/11/2009)
 - *Il commento all'Apocalisse fra Vittorino di Petovio e Gerolamo* (read at the International colloquium *L'Apocalisse nel Medioevo* in Milan, 12/5/2009)
 - *Dressing the Priestly Clothes of Saturn: Traditional Cults and Romanization in Africa* (read in the section *Greco-Roman Religions* at the SBL annual meeting in Boston, 22-25/11/2008)
 - *La Preghiera di Manasse* (read at the international colloquium *I Valdesi nella storiografia contemporanea* in Milan, 23-24/10/2008)
 - *Spirito e strutture del potere nelle lettere paoline* (read at the international colloquium *Spirito e Potere* in Trento, 29-30/5/2008)
 - *Judeans and Hebrews. Religious and Ethnical Nomenclature in the Pseudoclementine Novel* (read at the March 2008 meeting of the Context Group in Portland)
 - *A Socio-Rhetorical Analysis of the Commission in Q 10* (read at the 2007 annual meeting of the SBL in San Diego – section *Socio-Rhetorical Criticism*)
 - *Cucurbita super caput Ionaë. Traductions et débats théologiques dans la tradition de la Vetus Latina* (read at the Faculty of Theology of Freiburg – Switzerland, 14/5/2007)
 - *La polemica contro i sacrifici fra la fine del I secolo e il II secolo* (read at the annual meeting of the Italian Biblical Association, 12-15/9/2007)
 - *Early Christian Missionaries as Physicians. Christian Sources in the Context of Greco-Roman Medical Practice* (read at the March 2007 meeting of the Context Group in Philadelphia)
 - *Waiting for the Kingdom. Ptolemaic Royal Decrees and the Lord's Prayer in Q* (read at the 2006 annual meeting of the SBL in Washington DC – section *Papyrology and Early Christianity*)
 - *Healing the World. Social and Religious Practice in the Pseudo-clementine Novel* (read at the Department of Classics and Religious Studies, University of Ottawa, 25/11/2006)
 - *Cain and the Giants. The Feminine Prophetic Principle in the Pseudo-clementine Novel* (read at the international colloquium on pseudo-clementine literature, Genève, 31/8/2006)
 - *La traduzione Latina della Bibbia* (read at the seminar of the International Society of Franciscan Studies, Assisi, 1/7/2006)
 - *La Vetus Latina del Cantico dei cantici. Traduzione ed interpretazione* (read at the international colloquium *Il Cantico dei cantici nel Medioevo*, International

- Society for the Study of Latin Middle Ages, Gargnano sul Garda, 22/5/2006)
- *Elementi di profezia giudeo-cristiana in Ireneo di Lione* (read at the conference *Vincitori e vinti nella storia del cristianesimo*, Catholic University of Brescia, 3/10/2003)

Editorial boards:

- Harvard Theological Review (2011-)
- Papyrologica Lupiensia (2012-)

Membership in professional organizations:

- Society of Biblical Literature (2006-)
- Context group (2007-)
- Enoch Seminar (2011-)
- Societas Novi Testamenti Studiorum (2012-)

Teaching experience:

- 2008-2009: teaching a course on *Early Christian Writings* at the Department for the Study of Religion, University of Toronto;
- 2007-2008: teaching a course on *Bible and Its Interpretation* and one on *Christian Theological Tradition* in the Program of Liberal Studies of the University of Notre Dame;
- 2007-2009: teaching history of Eastern Christianity in the Master course *The Bible and European Culture* at the Catholic University of Milan;
- 2004-2007: teaching graduate and undergraduate courses of New Testament and Early Christian Literature at the Faculty of Humanities – University of Milan;
- 2003-2004: teaching Greek and Latin language and literature in the Liceo Classico “E. Cairoli” in Varese (Italy)

Languages:

- Greek and Latin: highly proficient in reading
- Hebrew, Aramaic, and Syriac: proficient in reading
- Italian: mother tongue
- English and French: fluent
- German, Spanish, and Portuguese: highly proficient in reading