

The history of the composition, fixation, and transmission of the Hebrew biblical text is still far from having been known and written. This process has been, for the most part, explained by way of theories but there still remain questions that have not been answered. What happened between the moment in which the biblical consonantal text was fixed and the appearance of the Masora, five centuries later? How was preserved the biblical text in the meantime? Which role played the rabbis and their literary works in the transmission, setting and preservation of the Hebrew biblical text?

The purpose of this symposium is to create a forum of specialists in biblical textual criticism, rabbinical, and masoretic studies, to work on the questions raised above, to foster a dialogue between diverse fields of study, and to produce an overview of the subject that at present has not been achieved.

La historia de la composición, la fijación y la transmisión del texto bíblico hebreo sigue todavía rodeada de muchas incógnitas y ha sido explicada recurriendo a diversas hipótesis de trabajo. Pero aún quedan algunas de las cuestiones principales sin responder.

Este simposio pretende ser un foro de discusión e intercambio de ideas entre los máximos especialistas de las diferentes áreas relacionadas con la historia del texto bíblico hebreo (crítica textual, estudios rabínicos y estudios masoréticos) que, tradicionalmente, lo han hecho por separado, desde diferentes períodos y metodologías, con el objeto de debatir algunas de las cuestiones que continúan abiertas.

Registration is required.

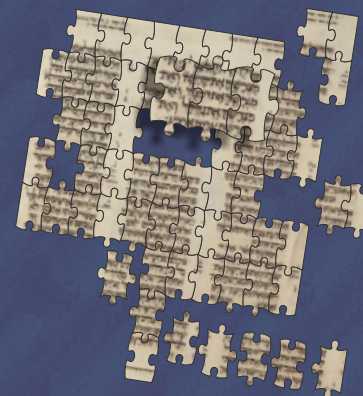
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Fixing, Transmitting and Preserving: Early Jewish and Rabbinic Literature in the History of Hebrew Bible

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20th-21st September 2010

PROGRAM

20th September

9:00-9:30 Reception and introduction

Session 1: Rabbinic Literature and the fixation of the biblical text

9:30-10:30 Emanuel Tov, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel
"The Myth of the Stabilization of the Text of the Hebrew Scripture?"

10:30-11:30 J. Van Seters, University of North Carolina, EEUU
"Did the Sopherim Create a Standard Edition of the Hebrew Scriptures?"

11:30-12:00 Coffe break

12:00-13:00 Arie van der Kooij, Universiteit Leiden, Netherland
"Rabbinic Literature and the Standardization of Biblical Text in Hebrew"

13:00-14:00 Julio Treballe Barrera, Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Spain
"From Textual Pluralism to a fixed Hebrew Text. The Variants of the Versions in 1-2 Kings (kaige-sections of the Greek text)".

14:00-16:00 Lunch

Session 2: Rabbinic Literature and the transmission of the biblical text

16:00-17:00 Giuseppe Veltri, University of Halle-Wittenberg, Germany
"Language Conceptions as Background of Rabbinic Text Transmission"

17:00-18:00 Philip S. Alexander, Center for Jewish Studies, The University of Manchester, UK
"The Polemical and Apologetic Context of the Rabbinic Choice of Text-type for their Scriptures"

21st September

Session 2: Rabbinic Literature and the transmission of the biblical text

9:00-10:00 Willem F. Smelik, University College London, UK
"Early Targumic Evidence for Masoretic Traditions of the Hebrew Text"

10:00-11:00 Günter Stemberger, Institut für Judaistik, Vienna, Austria
"Notes on Grammar and Orthography in Halakhic Midrashim: Late Additions?"

11:00-11:30 Coffe break

Session 3: Rabbinic Literature and the preservation of the biblical text

11:3-12:30 Lea Himmelfarb, Bar Ilan University, Israel
"Preservation of the Biblical Text Reading in the Rabbinic Literature"

12:30-13:30 Elvira Martín Contreras, CCHS-CSIC, Madrid, Spain
"Rabbinic Ways of Preservation and Transmission of the Biblical Text in the light of Masoretic Sources"

14:00-16:00 Lunch

16:00-17:00 Alexander Samely, School of Languages, Linguistics and Cultures, The University of Manchester, UK
"Are there Special Literary Features of Philological Comments/Statements in Midrashic Texts?"

17:00-18:00 David Marcus, Jewish Theological Seminary, New York, EEUU
"The Practical Use of the Masorah for the Elucidation of the Story of Samuel's Birth"