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ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

1999-2000: Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster, Sonderforschungsbereich 231
'Pragmatische Schriftlichkeit im Mittelalter'.

Wissenschaftliche Mitarbeiterin [collaborator] in Project D 'Die Rolle der Enzyklopädie im Mittelalter' devoted to the development of encyclopedic culture (director: Prof. Dr. Christel Meier-Staubach).

2000-2001: University of Salerno, Italy, Dipartimento di Latinità e Medioevo [Department of Medieval Studies].

One year European Community post-doc fellowship to carry out research on the encyclopedic culture of the Dominican Order in the fourteenth century.

2002-2004: University of Salerno, Italy, Dipartimento di Latinità e Medioevo [Department of Medieval Studies].

Three-year Assegno di Ricerca [research contract] provided by the University of Salerno to carry out research on Medieval and Early Modern encyclopedias and on the role of medicine and pharmacology in Late Medieval scientific culture.

2004-2006: Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster, Seminar für Lateinische Philologie des Mittelalters und der frühen Neuzeit.

Two-year DFG [German Research Council] contract as redactor and coordinator of a project to produce a critical edition (8 volumes) of Bartholomew the Englishman's *De proprietatibus rerum*, a Latin encyclopedia from the thirteenth century. The project is directed by Christel Meier-Staubach (Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster), Heinz Meyer (Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster), Baudouin Van den Abeele (Université Catholique de Louvain), and Iolanda Ventura (Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster/Université de Nancy2).

2004-2010: Università degli Studi di Salerno, Italy.

Docente a contratto [visiting professor]: One semester course, 'The History of the Medical School of Salerno' (see Teaching Experience).

2006-2007: ARTeM – Atelier Vincent de Beauvais – UMR 7002 'Moyen Age' – Université Nancy 2.

One-year post-doctoral fellowship provided by the Université Nancy 2 and the Région Lorraine to collaborate in creating a free-access database of the scientific sources of thirteenth-century encyclopedias. My share is the identification of the medical and pharmacological sources employed by Vincent of Beauvais' in books IX-XIV of his *Speculum naturale* and by Thomas of Cantimpré in books X-XII of the *De natura rerum*, for which I will create entries in the database. I am also helping to design the database itself. This work will also contribute to my current research into the role of medicine in encyclopedic literature of the Middle Ages and early modern period (see the list of current research below).

2007-2009: Université Catholique de Louvain – Faculté Lettres – Unité d’Histoire du Moyen Age
Two-years post doctoral fellowship provided by the Univeristé Catholique de Louvain to collaborate in the researches on medieval encyclopaedic culture carried out by the members of the FSR – Project “Cyclopes. Encyclopédies arabes et latines médiévales”, with special reference to the ways of diffusion of medical culture among well educated readers.

October 1st, 2009-August 31th, 2011: Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster, Seminar für Lateinische Philologie des Mittelalters und der frühen Neuzeit.

Three-year DFG [German Research Council] contract as redactor and coordinator of a project to produce a critical edition (8 volumes) of Bartholomew the Englishman’s *De proprietatibus rerum*, a Latin encyclopedia from the thirteenth century. The project is directed by Christel Meier-Staubach (Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster), Heinz Meyer (Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster), Baudouin Van den Abeele (Université Catholique de Louvain), and Iolanda Ventura (Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster).

September 1st, 2011-July 9th, 2017: «Maître de conférences» in History of Science at the University of Orléans. From September, 1st, 2011, to August 31th, 2016: researcher («en délégation») at the Institut de Recherche et d’Histoire des Textes (CNRS – UPR 841) and member of the «Pôle Quadrivium» (Research Unit in History of Medieval Science); Distinguished Research CNRS Professor («lauréat de la Chaire Mixte d’Excellence CNRS») in History of Medieval Science.

July 10th, 2017-present: Associate Professor of Medieval Latin at the University of Bologna «Alma Mater Studiorum», Department of Classical Philology and Italian Studies.

EDUCATION

February 16th, 1993: Laurea [B.A.], *cum laude*, Honors in Classical and Medieval Literature and Philology, Università degli Studi di Salerno.

June 1st, 1995 – June 30th, 1996: European Community Grant, postgraduate specialization course in Classical, Medieval, and Renaissance Literature, Philosophy and Arts held at the University of Siena in collaboration with the Scuola Normale Superiore of Pisa, the Istituto di Studi sul Rinascimento (Florence), the Società Internazionale per lo Studio del Medioevo Latino (SISMEL; Florence), the Lessico Intellettuale Europeo (Rome), the Institute and Museum for the History of Science (Florence), and the Warburg Institute (London).

February 23, 1999: Ph.D., Università degli Studi di Firenze. Dissertation: “Il Liber similitudinum naturalium di Corrado di Halberstadt” (see below, Books in Preparation). Emphasis: Medieval Latin Literature and Philology.

June 7th, 2011: qualification as «Maître de conférences» in Medieval History and Medieval History of Science (granted by the French Ministry of Education).

LANGUAGES

Italian (first language); fluent reading, speaking, and writing knowledge of English, German (KDS Certificate, Goethe-Institute, Naples), and French; reading (and some speaking)

knowledge of Spanish; reading knowledge of Latin, Classical Greek, Old French, Dutch, Danish, Swedish, Portuguese.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2004-2010: *The History of the Medical School of Salerno* (Salerno, Università degli Studi; 30-hour course; Graduate/Master students in Medieval Philosophy).

2008-2010: Co-Promotor and Member of the Staff coordinating the PhD Course in Medieval Philosophy and Science, Università di Salerno.

2010-2011: *Medieval Latin* (subjects: 1) Poetry, Philosophy and Natural Science: Latin Didactic Poems of the Twelfth Century; 2) The Latin Literature of the Tenth Century; 3) The Exemplum in Medieval Rhetoric and Literature; Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster, Seminar für Lateinische Philologie des Mittelalters, 30-hour reading seminary; Graduate/Undergraduate Students in History, Classical Philology, Modern Languages).

2011-2017: *Medieval Paleography* (University of Orléans, UFR Lettres [Faculty of Arts], 10 hour seminary; Graduate Students in History); *History of Medieval Libraries* (University of Orléans, UFR Lettres [Faculty of Arts], 10 hour seminary; Undergraduate Students in History and Literature); *History of Written Culture* (University of Orléans, UFR Lettres [Faculty of Arts], 8 hour seminary; Undergraduate Students in History); *Medieval History and Historiography* (several seminaries and «ateliers»; University of Orléans, UFR Lettres [Faculty of Arts], 48 hours; Undergraduate Students in History).

2011-2017: *History of Early Modern Science* (University of Orléans, Ecole Doctorale en Sciences, Mathématiques et Technologies [PhD School in Sciences, Mathematics, and Technologies], 20 hour seminary; PhD Students in Physics, Chemistry, Engineering, and Geology); *History of the Conceptions of Time, Space, and Energy* (University of Orléans, Ecole Doctorale en Sciences, Mathématiques et Technologies [PhD School in Sciences, Mathematics, and Technologies], 20 hour seminary; PhD Students in Physics, Chemistry, Engineering, and Geology), in cooperation with Prof. Dr. Yann Vajls (University of Orléans, Faculty of Physics).

2011-2016: *Introduction to the Study of Scientific Manuscripts* («Initiation à l'étude des manuscrits scientifiques»; Paris, Institut de Recherche et d'Histoire des Textes [IRHT, CNRS, UPR 841, 90 minutes seminary held during the «Stage d'initiation au manuscrit médiéval, domaine latin et roman»).

2017-: *Medieval Latin* (Bologna, Faculty of Arts).

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- History of Medicine and Pharmacy of the Middle Ages and the Renaissance
- History of Encyclopaedic Culture of the Middle Ages and the Renaissance
- Medicine and Learned Culture in the Early Modern Time
- Philosophical and Scientific Commentaries of the Middle Ages and the Early Modern Time
- Medicine and Sciences in Medieval Libraries
- Teaching of Medicine in Early Modern German and Italian Universities

RESEARCH PROJECTS

SaRC: Santé en Région Centre (principal investigator: Concetta Pennuto, Centre d'Etudes Supérieures de la Renaissance): three-year project, funded by the Région Centre, aims at preparing a catalog of books, documents, manuscripts, objects witnessing the development of a medical culture in centres like Orléans, Tours, Issoudun, Bourges during the Middle Ages and the Early Modern Time. As a member of the team, I coordinate the research group based at the Institut de Recherche et d'Histoire des Textes that prepares the catalog of Medieval and Early Modern medical manuscripts preserved in the libraries of the Région Centre, or written in this area.

Power and Paratext in Medieval Culture (principal investigator: Rosalind Brown-Grant, University of Leeds): two-year project, funded by the Le-Studium Institute for Advanced Studies, University of Orléans and University of Tours, focuses upon paratextual elements in literary, juridical, liturgical, and scientific manuscripts with the aim of emphasizing aspects of continuities and disruptions in the development of the mise en page and organization of the text in Medieval books. As a member of the research group, I devote my attention to the study of paratextual elements in scientific and medical manuscripts written between the 12th and the 15th century.

Séries de problèmes: un genre au carrefour des cultures (coordinator: Alain Bernard, Université Paris-Créteil/Centre Alexandre Koyré): long-term project aiming at analysing the nature, the use, and the purpose of the question-answer form in mathematical, literary, and scientific works written in Greek, Arabic, and Latin between the Antiquity and the Early Modern Time. As a member of this group, I am putting together a catalogue of the encyclopaedias written in Latin and Vernacular in question-answer form during the Early Modern Time.

I also collaborate to the preparation of a *Catalog of French and Occitan manuscripts preserved at the Vatican Library* (project leader: Marie-Laure Savoye, Institut de Recherche et d'Histoire des Textes). As a member of the team, I am in charge with the description of 7 medical and scientific manuscripts and the identification of the texts they hand over.

GRANTS AND FUNDING

2000-2001: Young Researchers Grant from the University of Salerno (Italy) to subvent ongoing research on medieval commentaries and glosses to scientific and philosophical works.

2001-2002: Young Researchers Grant from the University of Salerno (Italy) to subvent ongoing researches on medieval commentaries and glosses to the Pseudo-Aristotelian *Problemata*.

2013-2014: Amplonius-Stipendium (University of Erfurt, Faculty of Theology – University Library Erfurt, Collectio Amploniana), a 3 months scholarship supporting my ongoing researches on Medieval pharmaceutical works and collections and their manuscript transmission.

2014: Premio Internazionale di Storia della Medicina (Salerno, Ordine dei Medici e degli Odontoiatri).

2015: COFUND Senior Fellow of the University of Durham (3 months scholarship, October 2015-December 2015).

2016: Invited Researcher, University of Padua, Institute of Philosophy.

MEMBERSHIPS

2003-present: Member of the Société Internationale Rénardienne [International Reynard Society].

2004-present: Member of SISMEL (Società Internazionale per lo Studio del Medioevo Latino) [International Society for the Studies of the Latin Middle Ages].

2006-present: Member of the SIHSPAI (Société Internationale d'Histoire des Sciences et des Philosophies Arabes et Islamiques) [International Society of History of Arabic and Islamic Science and Philosophy].

2006-present: Member of the SIEPM (Société Internationale pour l'Etude de la Pensée Médiévale) [International Society for the Studies of Medieval Philosophy].

2017-present: Member of the SISPM (Società Italiano per lo Studio del Pensiero Medievale).

OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS

1996-2006: Collaboration at the preparation of 'Medioevo Latino', a complete bibliography of the researches concerning Medieval literature and history published every year by SISMEL – Edizioni del Galluzzo.

2003-2008: Collaboration in the preparation of the 'Bulletin Codicologique', a bibliography on manuscript studies published in the journal *Scriptorium*.

2003-2006: Collaboration in the preparation of reviews for the review *Ariel*.

2004-present: Coordinator, general redactor, and member of the Editorial Board of the project of edition of Bartholomew the Englishman's *De proprietatibus rerum*, together with Prof. Dr. Christel Meier (Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster), Prof. Dr. Heinz Meyer (Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster), and Prof. Dr. Baudouin Van den Abeele (Université Catholique de Louvain).

2008-present: Member of the Editorial Board of the Project of Edition of the *Expositio succincta problematum* written by Peter of Abano (see Current Research).

2008-present: Cooperation at the on-line Database "SOURCENCYME" developed by the "ERL 7229- Médiévisique", the "Atelier Vincent de Beauvais" (Université Nancy2, France). Aim of the database is to offer an electronic version of the text of the main Latin

encyclopaedias written during the thirteenth century, together with a full commentary and source apparatus.

2007-present: Expert Evaluator of scientific projects submitted to the Czech Academy of Science.

2013-present: Member of the Scientific Council (Wissenschaftlicher Beirat) of the Handschriftenkatalogisierungszentren (research centres in charge with the preparation of the catalogues of manuscripts preserved in German libraries and collections) sponsored by the Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft.

2013-2017: Coordinator of the Research Strand «COMMENT-R» of the Laboratoire d'Excellence HASTEC «Histoire et anthropologie des savoirs, des techniques et des croyances» (in cooperation with Dr. Martin Morard, CNRS; see <http://www.hesam.eu/labexhastec/>).