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Research areas: biblical monotheism, Jewish literature of the Hellenistic period, gender perspectives on holy scriptures in Judaism, Christianity, and Islam, modern Jewish history and Anti-Semitism. 2004-2017 member of the editorial board of "Concilium".

Recent publications: *Baruch and the Letter of Jeremiah* (Wisdom Commentary 31), Collegeville: Liturgical Press 2016; *Early Jewish Writings* (edited with Eileen Schuller), Atlanta 2017 (Bible and Women 2.1); "Women's Leadership in the Roman Catholic Church: A Survey of Half a Century's Development with Particular Reference to Germany", in: Harmut Bomhoff, Denise L. Eger, Kathy Ehrensperger, and Walter Homolka (eds), *Gender and Religious Leadership. Women Rabbis, Pastors, and Ministers*, Lanham e.a.: Lexington Books 2019, 225-244.

Along with a team of collaborators she launched, in spring 2015, the website www.juedischer-friedhof-muenster.de, a photographic, inscriptional, and biographical documentation of the Jewish cemetery in the city of Muenster with its 400 tombstones since 1816, to create awareness of that place and to root it in the collective memory of that city as an important site of Jewish presence in Germany before and after the Shoah.