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Graduate and post graduate studies:	
BA ~ 1992–1997	Philosophy and Theology in L'viv-Rudno – Ukraine.
1997–1998	Propaedeutic year at the Pontifical Biblical Institute in Rome – Italy: www.biblico.it/
Diploma ~ 1998–1999	Intensive course of Modern Hebrew followed by a semester of biblical studies at the Rothberg International School of the Hebrew University in Jerusalem – Israel: https://overseas.huji.ac.il/
SSL ~ 1998–2002	Licentiate in Sacred Scripture at the Pontifical Biblical Institute in Rome. The final paper focused on Genesis 18:17-19 and was directed by Prof. Jean Louis Ska SJ.
Diploma ~ 2003 (Nov.)	One month of intense rabbinic studies on the interpretation of the Book of Leviticus in classical and medieval rabbinic sources and on Judaic liturgy, at the Bat Kol Institute in Jerusalem: www.batkol.info
2003–2004	<i>Annus ad doctoratum</i> at the Pontifical Biblical Institute under the guidance of Prof. Joseph Sievers.
SSD ~ 2005–2010	Doctorate in Sacred Scripture at the Pontifical Biblical Institute. The dissertation under the title 'The Institution of the Hasmonean High Priesthood' was directed by Prof. Joseph Sievers; the second reader was Prof. Jean Louis Ska SJ; the thesis was discussed on May the 28 th , 2010 [n. 400 in the history of the Biblicum's dissertations].
Teaching activities:	
2000–2001	Lecturer at the "Holy Spirit" Seminary of the Ukrainian Catholic University: www.lds.lviv.ua
2010–2014	Lecturer at the Pontifical Gregorian University: https://www.unigre.it/en
2012–2019	Invited professor at the Pontifical Beda College: www.bedacollege.com
2013 –	Invited professor at the Pontifical University of St. Thomas Aquinas "Angelicum": www.pust.it
2014	Invited professor at the Pontifical Biblical Institute: www.biblico.it
2014 –	Associate professor at the Gregorian University: www.unigre.it
2015, 2017, 2019	(Sept.) Lectures on 'Jewish Diaspora, the Torah, and the Temple at the Time of St. Paul' as part of the courses in Greece organized by Scott Brodeur SJ for the PUG students.
Scientific publications:	
2010	<i>The Institution of the Hasmonean High Priesthood</i> (Romae 2010 [excerpt of my doctoral dissertation]).
2014	<i>The Institution of the Hasmonean High Priesthood</i> (Supplements to the Journal for the Study of Judaism 165; Leiden – Boston, MA: Brill 2014) [ISBN 978 90 04 25177 9: http://www.brill.com/products/book/institution-hasmonean-high-priesthood]
2015	"Dai Salmi al Salterio: I Salmi tra la tradizione biblica e liturgica," in <i>Žalmy ako prameň liturgického života</i> (Ad fontes liturgicos 6; Prešov 2015) 48-69. "The Vulgata in Church Tradition," in <i>Η Μετάφραση της Βίβλου στην</i>

	Εκκλησία και στην Εκπαίδευση (Athens 2015) 47-58.
2016	- et alii, "Abraham: Critical Issues", "Moses: Critical Issues", "Aaron, the High Priest: Critical Issues", "Sanhedrin: Critical Issues", in <i>Lexham Bible Dictionary</i> for Logos Software Bible (Bellingham, WA: Lexham Press 2016).
2017	"The Parabiblical Texts: From Biblical Texts to <i>Pesharim</i> ," <i>Henoch</i> 39/1 (2017) 44-55. "I calendari liturgici al tempo di Gesù," <i>Il tempo e il calendario liturgico</i> (Ad fontes liturgicos 7; Nyíregyháza 2017).
2019	"The Latin Version of the Prayer of Manasseh," in <i>Textual History of the Bible</i> , Vol. 2C (Leiden – Boston, MA: Brill 2019) 250-54.
2020	"Alexander Janneus as High Priest and King: Struggling between Jewish and Hellenistic Concepts of Rule," <i>Religions</i> 11, 40 (2020): 1-17 [https://doi.org/10.3390/rel11010040] "The Wicked Priest, the Righteous Teacher, and the <i>Yahad</i> : Basic Questions and Some Proposals," in <i>Sacred Texts and Disparate Interpretations: Qumran Manuscripts Seventy Years Later</i> . Ed. Henryk Drawnel (STDJ 133; Leiden: Brill 2020) 112-42. "ἀρνέομαι κτλ.," in <i>Historical and Theological Lexicon of the Septuagint, Volume I: Alpha – Gamma</i> . Ed. Eberhard Bons (Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck 2020): 1151-56. "The Sons of Zadok, the Hasmonean Royal High Priesthood, and the Book of Ezekiel," <i>RevQ</i> 32/1 (2020): 79-116.
2021	"In Search of the Origins of the Pharisees," in <i>The Pharisees</i> . Ed. J. Sievers and A.-J. Levine (Grand Rapids, Michigan: W. B. Eerdmans 2021) 41-57 [also Italian & German].
2023	"Gli anziani nel Giudaismo del mondo greco-romano," in <i>Vescovo, Presbiterio e Modelli di Leadership</i> . Ed. D. Righi (Teologia 20; Brescia: Morcelliana 2023) 7-30. "La Torre di Babele, la questione del linguaggio, e il Dio delle nazioni in Gen 11,1-9," in <i>Il fuoco della Parola: Il lezionario e l'eucologia della solennità di Pentecoste</i> . Eds. N. Caldusch-Benages, F. Ficco & P. Rocca (Roma: GBP - San Paolo 2023) 15-33. "The Temple in the <i>Psalms of Solomon</i> ," in <i>Essays on the Psalms of Solomon</i> . Ed. K. Atkinson, P. Pouchelle & F. Albrecht (Parabiblica 2; Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck 2023) 29-47. "Dai Salmi al Salterio: tra formazione, versioni, canoni ed edizioni critiche," <i>Rivista Biblica</i> 1 (2023): 5-41 [& Ukrainian]. "Gli Oniadi e il loro tempio a Leontopoli: il ruolo del tempio nella formazione della diaspora," <i>Ricerche storico-bibliche</i> 12/1 (2023): 91-108. "High Priests in Josephus's Writings," in <i>The Oxford Handbook of Josephus</i> . Ed. K. Atkinson (Oxford: University Press 2023) [forthcoming]. "Choosing and Depicting Characters from the Former Prophets in the Deuterocanonical Literature," <i>Studia Biblica Slovaca</i> [in progress]. "The Use of Ezekiel in 'Sectarian' Dead Sea Scrolls," [in progress]. "The Emergence of the Sons of Zadok in Ezekiel 40-48: A Literary, Historical, and Theological Approach," [in progress].

Reviews: 2005-2016 2012 – Conference papers: 2005	“ἐρμηνεία, ἐρμηνευτής, ἐρμηνεύω κτλ.,” in <i>Historical and Theological Lexicon of the Septuagint [HTLS]</i>, Vol. 2 (Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck) [in progress]. “εὐαγγελία, εὐαγγέλιον, εὐαγγελίζω κτλ.,” in <i>HTLS</i>, Vol. 2 [in progress]. “ἔσχατος κτλ.,” in <i>HTLS</i>, Vol. 2 [in progress]. “ἱερατεία, ἱεράτευμα, ἱερατεύω, ἱερεὺς, ἱερωσύνη κτλ.,” in <i>HTLS</i>, Vol. 2 [in progress]. “ἱερόδουλος κτλ.,” in <i>HTLS</i>, Vol. 2 [in progress]. “ἱερός κτλ.,” in <i>HTLS</i>, Vol. 2 [in progress]. Collaboration with the <i>Journal for the Study of Judaism in the Persian, Hellenistic and Roman Period</i> (Brill), where I yearly published in the issues 2 & 4/5 my reviews of articles selected from about 20 various journals whose fields of interest include biblical studies, ancient Judaism, Near Eastern Studies, and early Christianity. These journals are published mostly in Italy, while others in Croatia, Poland, Romania, Russia, Slovakia, and Spain. Rev. of R. Metzner, <i>Kaiphaz: Der Hohepriester jenes Jahres. Geschichte und Deutung</i> (AJEC 75; Leiden – Boston, MA: Brill 2010) in <i>Biblica</i> 93/1 (2012): 145-148. Rev. of M. Saur, <i>Einführung in die alttestamentliche Weisheitsliteratur</i> (Wissenschaftliche Buchgesellschaft 168; Darmstadt 2012) in <i>Gregorianum</i> 95/2 (2014): 442. Rev. of R. Egger-Wenzel and Jeremy Corley (eds.), <i>Emotions from Ben Sira to Paul</i> (Deuterocanonical and Cognate Literature Yearbook 2011; Berlin: De Gruyter 2012) in <i>Gregorianum</i> 95/2 (2014): 407-409. Rev. of W. Groß & E. Gaß, <i>Studien zum Richterbuch und seinen Völkernamen</i> (Stuttgarter biblische Aufsatzbände 54; Stuttgart: Katholisches Bibelwerk 2012) in <i>Gregorianum</i> 95/3 (2014): 662-663. Rev. of T. Willi, <i>Israel und die Völker. Studien zur Literatur und Geschichte Israels in der Perserzeit</i> (Stuttgarter biblische Aufsatzbände 55; Stuttgart: Katholisches Bibelwerk 2012) in <i>Gregorianum</i> 95/3 (2014): 665. Rev. of K. Atkinson, <i>A History of the Hasmonean State: Josephus and Beyond</i> (Jewish and Christian Texts 23; London – New York: Bloomsbury, 2016) in <i>Journal of Semitic Studies</i> [forthcoming]. Rev. of L.T. Stuckenbruck & D.M. Gurtner (eds.), <i>T&T Clark Encyclopedia of Second Temple Judaism</i>, 2 vols. (London: T&T Clark 2019) in <i>Journal for the Study of Judaism</i> [forthcoming]. Rev. of I. Carbajosa, <i>Hebraica veritas versus Septuaginta auctoritatem: ¿Existe un texto canónico del Antiguo Testamento?</i> (Estella (Navarra), España: Editorial Verbo Divino 2021) [forthcoming]. Rev. of P. Merlo, <i>Storia di Israele e Giuda nell-Antichità</i> (Cinisello Balsamo, (MI): San Paolo 2022) in <i>Henoch</i> [forthcoming]. (March 7-12): “Messianic Ideas in Early Hasmonean Times: The Case of
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	the Hasmonean High Priesthood," at the <i>The Fourth World Jewish Congress on the Interaction of Cultures</i> , organized by the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel.
2013	(Sept. 19-20): "The Importance of the Judean Desert Greek Biblical Scrolls for the Study of the Greek Bible," at the <i>International Biblical Conference «Biblical Studies, West and East: Trends, Challenges and Prospects</i> , organized by the Ukrainian Catholic University of L'viv, Ukraine.
2014	(Dec. 12-13): "The Importance of <i>Vulgata</i> in the Catholic Church," at the <i>Η Μετάφραση της Βίβλου στην Εκκλησία και στην Εκπαίδευση</i> , organized by the Hellenic Bible Society in Athens, Greece.
2015	(Nov. 20-21): "Dai Salmi al Salterio: I Salmi tra la tradizione biblica e liturgica," at <i>Žalmy ako prameň liturgického života</i> , organized by the <i>Gréckokatolícka teologická fakulta Prešovskej Univerzity v Prešove</i> in Preshov, Slovakia.
2016	(April 13-14): "The Hasmonean High Priesthood, the Opposition(s) Groups, and the Composition of Some Dead Sea Scrolls," at <i>The Fifth Groningen–Leuven Encounter on the Dead Sea Scrolls: Dead Sea Scrolls and Hellenism</i> , organized by the Qumran Institute in Groningen, Netherlands. (Sept. 20-22): "From <i>Parabiblical</i> to <i>Pesharim</i> Texts," at the <i>Nuove luci sulla Bibbia e l'Ebraismo: I manoscritti di Qumran a settant'anni dalla scoperta (1947-2017) e il Sefer Torah della Biblioteca Universitaria di Bologna</i> , organized by the Associazione Italiana per lo Studio del Giudaismo in Ravenna – Bologna, Italy. (Oct. 25-26): "I calendari liturgici al tempo di Gesù," at the <i>Il tempo e il calendario liturgico</i> , organized by the St. Athanasius Greek-Catholic Institute in Nyíregyháza, Hungary. (Dec. 3-4): "Alexander Janneus as High Priest and King: Struggling Between Jewish and Hellenistic Concepts of Rule," at the <i>Kings and Powers: Exploring Jewish Texts in Their Hellenistic Contexts</i> , organized by the Academy of Finland's Centre of Excellence of the University of Helsinki, Finland.
2017	(Oct. 25-26): "The Teacher of Righteousness, the Wicked Priest, and the <i>Yahad</i> : An Assessment of Older and More Recent Theories," at the <i>Seventieth Anniversary of the First Discoveries at Qumran and Elsewhere in the Judean Desert</i> , organized by the John Paul II Catholic University of Lublin, Poland.
2018	(July 9-11): "The Psalms of Solomon and the Temple," at the <i>Les Psaumes de Salomon: élaboration, formation, reception</i> , at <i>Les Psaumes des Salomon: 3^e colloque international</i> , organized by Centre Paul-Albert Février" (TDMAM, AMU, CNRS) and the "Centre Sèvres" in Aix-en-Provence, France. (July 30-Aug. 3): "The Sons of Zadok in the Dead Sea Scrolls and the Institution of the Hasmonean Kingship," at the Society of Biblical Literature International Meeting in Helsinki, Finland. – "The Emergence of the Sons of Zadok in Ezekiel 40–48: A Literary, Historical, and Theological Approach," at the Society of Biblical

2019 2021 2022	Literature International Meeting in Helsinki, Finland. (May 7-9): "In Search of the Origins of the Pharisees (Poster)," at the <i>Jesus and the Pharisees: An Interdisciplinary Reappraisal</i>, organized by Pontifical Biblical Institute and the Cardinal Bea Centre for Judaic Studies in Rome, Italy. (July 1-5): "LXXEzekiel 36–42 in Codex B: A Comparison with LXX-967, MT, VL-W, and other Witnesses," at the Society of Biblical Literature International Meeting in Rome, Italy. (Dec. 13-15): "Choosing and Depicting Characters from the Former Prophets in the Deuterocanonical Literature," at the <i>Intrabiblical Interpretation of the Former Prophets</i>, organized by the Studia Biblica Slovaca in Badín, Slovakia. (May 4-5): "La figura dell'anziano nella vita sinagogale dell'epoca di Gesù," at the <i>XV Convegno annuale di Facoltà: Vescovo, presbiterio e modelli di leadership ecclesiale</i>, organized by the Facoltà Teologica dell'Emilia-Romagna in Bologna, Italy [online]. (June, 3-5): "Which Text to Translate? Biblical Texts between Canons, Critical Editions, and Inspiration," at the <i>Explorări în tradiția biblică românească și europeană, Ediția a X-a</i>, organized by the Centrul de Studii Biblico-Filologice «Monumenta linguae Dacoromanorum» et al. in Iași, Romania [online]. (Sept., 5-7): "Gli Oniadi e il loro tempio a Leontopoli: il ruolo del tempio nella formazione della diaspora," at the <i>La diaspora. Realtà e significati delle diaspore giudaiche nell'età del Secondo Tempio</i>, organized by the <i>Associazione Biblica Italiana [ABI]</i> in Pescara, Italy.
Translations Italian-English: 2013 2014	In collaboration with Chris Seeman; Translation of a running commentary from Genesis through Revelation for the app "Bible World" for the iPad (Milano: Edizioni "San Paolo" 2013) [in collaboration with Chris Seeman] http://bibleworld.it/en Translation of Giovanni Deiana, <i>Introduzione alla Sacra Scrittura alla luce dei "Dei Verbum"</i> (Città del Vaticano: Urbaniana University Press 2009 [English ed. 2014]) [in collaboration with Chris Seeman] www.urbaniana.it/uup/pubbl_2013/Deiana.html
Other activities:	Revision and editorial work for the biblical series "Nuova Versione della Bibbia dai Testi Antichi" (Milano: Edizioni "San Paolo"). Revision of the new Italian ecumenical translation of the New Testament (2023) by the Italian Bible Society in the light of its textual apparatus.
Languages:	Ancient ~ <i>research level</i>: Biblical Hebrew, Biblical Greek, Church Latin, and Church Slavonic. Modern ~ <i>spoken</i>: English, Italian, Romanian, Russian, Ukrainian; ~ <i>reading level</i>: Bulgarian, Croatian, French, Modern Hebrew, German, Polish, Portuguese, Slovak, Spanish.
The interest of my teaching and/or	The institutions of biblical Israel with focus on the (high) priesthood and

<i>research covers:</i>	the temple/s; the history of the Second Temple period; the Priestly texts of the Torah; the versions of the Torah; Jewish literature of the Greco-Roman period including the Dead Sea Scrolls and Flavius Josephus; lexicon of the Septuagint; the use and interpretation of Scripture in late antique Judaism and early Christianity; textual criticism of the Hebrew Bible, Greek Bible & New Testament.
<i>Memberships (past and/or present):</i>	Society of Biblical Literature (SBL), Associazione Biblica Italiana (ABI), Catholic Biblical Association of America (CBA), European Association for Jewish Studies (EAJS), American Academy of Religion (AAR).