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Publications

Embodied emotions in ancient Neo-Assyrian texts revealed by bodily mapping of emotional semantics

Lahnakoski, J. M., Bennett, E., Nummenmaa, L., Steinert, U., Sams, M. & Svärd, S., 20 Dec 2024, In: *iScience*. 27, 12, 15 p., 111365.

Letters have weight: weighted k-shells in a Neo-Assyrian co-attestation network

Bennett, E., Tambs, L. & Linden, K., 3 Sept 2024, In: *Journal of Historical Network Research*. 10, 1, p. 150-197 48 p.

Social group identities and semantic domains in the ancient Near East

Lindén, K., Svärd, S., Alstola, T., Jauhiainen, H., Hardwick, S., Sahala, A., Debourse, C., Bennett, E., Tambs, L., Wasmuth, M., Holmqvist, E., Bonnie, R. & Lorenzon, M., 8 Aug 2024, In: *Digital Scholarship in the Humanities*. 39, 3, p. 917–935 19 p.

Collaboration and Cowriting in Ancient Near Eastern Studies: A White Paper by the Centre of Excellence in Ancient Near Eastern Empires

Bennett, E., Bonnie, R. & Töyräänvuori, J., 3 Jun 2024, 17 p.

The Queens of the Arabs During the Neo-Assyrian Period

Bennett, E., 14 May 2024, University Park: Eisenbrauns. 210 p. (State Archives of Assyria Studies; vol. 33)(Publications of the Foundation for Finnish Assyriological Research; no. 29)

Using Word Embeddings for Identifying Emotions Relating to the Body in a Neo-Assyrian Corpus

Bennett, E. & Sahala, A., 8 Sept 2023, *Proceedings of the Ancient Language Processing Workshop associated with The 14th International Conference on Recent Advances in Natural Language Processing, RANLP 2023*. Anderson, A., Gordin, S., Klein, S., Li, B., Liu, Y. & Passarotti, M. C. (eds.). Shumen: INCOMA, p. 193-202 10 p.

Age and Masculinities during the Neo-Assyrian Period

Bennett, E., 2023, In: *Journal of Cuneiform Studies*. 75, p. 123-154 32 p.

Beards as a Marker of Status during the Neo-Assyrian Period

Bennett, E., 2022, *The King as a Nodal Point of Neo-Assyrian Identity*. Bach, J. & Fink, S. (eds.). Münster: Zaphon, p. 81-105 25 p. (Kasion; no. 8).

The Masculinities of the Neo-Assyrian "Queens of the Arabs"

Bennett, E., 2022, In: *Hebrew Studies*. 63, p. 79-98 20 p.

The "Queens of the Arabs" During the Neo-Assyrian Period

Bennett, E. R., 2021, Helsinki: University of Helsinki. 305 p.

"I am a Man": Masculinities in the Titulary of the Neo-Assyrian Kings in the Royal Inscriptions

Bennett, E. R., 2020, In: *Kaskal*. 16, p. 373-392 20 p.

Activities

69th Rencontre Assyriologique Internationale

Auranne, T. (Secretary of organizing committee), Svärd, S. (Chair of organizing committee), Valk, J. (Member of organizing committee), Lorenzon, M. (Member of organizing committee), Töyräänvuori, J. (Member of organizing committee), Alstola, T. (Member of organizing committee), Bennett, E. R. (Member of organizing committee) & Uotila, R. (Member of organizing committee)

8 Jul 2024 → 12 Jul 2024

Gender and Methodology in the Ancient Near East Community Board (External organisation)

Bennett, E. R. (Board member), Gansell, A. (Board member), Thomason, A. (Board member) & Jacobs, S. (Board member)

11 Apr 2024 → 2028

Wombs, penises, testicles, oh my! A distant-reading approach to genitalia in a Neo-Assyrian corpus.

Bennett, E. R. (Speaker)

11 Apr 2024

Gender, Methodology and the Ancient Near East (GeMANE) 6

Bennett, E. R. (Member of organizing committee), Svärd, S. (Member of organizing committee), Garcia-Ventura, A. (Member of organizing committee), Cifarelli, M. (Member of organizing committee), Mizzi, D. (Member of organizing committee) & N'Shea, O. (Member of organizing committee)

8 Apr 2024 → 11 Apr 2024

ASOR Annual Meeting 2023

Bennett, E. R. (Chair) & Mohr, S. (Chair)

18 Nov 2023

Hot Heads and Livers: Comparing Akkadian and English Embodiments of 'Anger'

Bennett, E. R. (Speaker)
18 Nov 2023

Embodied Emotions of the Liver in Neo-Assyrian Texts Using Networks and Word Embeddings

Bennett, E. R. (Speaker)
14 Sept 2023

Using Word Embeddings for Identifying Emotions Relating to the Body in a Neo-Assyrian Corpus

Bennett, E. R. (Speaker) & Sahala, A. (Speaker)
8 Sept 2023

What is Weighted k-Core and What does it Highlight in an Ancient Co-Attestation Network

Tambs, L. (Speaker), Bennett, E. R. (Speaker) & Linden, K. (Speaker)
25 Aug 2023

Digital Applications in Assyriology Nordic Summer School

Bennett, E. R. (Participant)
14 Aug 2023 → 18 Aug 2023

"My liver heated up": analysing the emotions felt in the liver in Neo-Assyrian texts using digital techniques

Bennett, E. R. (Speaker)
18 Jul 2023

Digital Approaches to Ancient Mesopotamian Emotions

Bennett, E. R. (Speaker)
14 Apr 2023

Challenges in Building Akkadian Co-Occurrence Networks for Comparative Research

Bennett, E. R. (Speaker)
5 Apr 2023

Embodying Emotions in Neo-Assyrian Texts: Initial Results from Co-Occurrence Networks

Bennett, E. R. (Speaker)
16 Mar 2023

Hot Heads and Hot Livers: Neo-Assyrian Emotions and the Body

Bennett, E. R. (Speaker)
27 Jan 2023

"I captured her alive". The 'Queens of the Arabs as a case study of Neo-Assyrian etiquette regarding women and physical violence

Bennett, E. R. (Speaker)
19 Nov 2022

Neo-Assyrian Arabs and Orientalist Interpretations

Bennett, E. R. (Speaker)
21 Sept 2022

Digital Applications in Assyriology Nordic Summer School

Bennett, E. R. (Teacher)
1 Aug 2022 → 5 Aug 2022

The Fifth Workshop on Gender, Methodology and the Ancient Near East

Bennett, E. R. (Member of organizing committee), Svård, S. (Chair of organizing committee), DeGraef, K. (Member of organizing committee), N'Shea, O. (Member of organizing committee), Mizzi, D. (Member of organizing committee),

Cifarelli, M. (Member of organizing committee) & Garcia-Ventura, A. (Member of organizing committee)
1 Jun 2022 → 3 Jun 2022

Mobility as Diplomacy: The Case Study of Tabū'a

Bennett, E. R. (Speaker)
Dec 2021

The šarrat aribi: bridging the gap between Assyriology and Arabian Archaeology

Bennett, E. R. (Speaker)
Nov 2021

Arabian "queens" or "female kings"? Defining šarratu during the Neo-Assyrian period

Bennett, E. R. (Speaker)
24 Sept 2021

University Pedagogics 2.1

Bennett, E. R. (Attendee)
6 Sept 2021 → 19 Nov 2021

Introduction to the King- and Queenship Project

Silverman, J. M. (Speaker), Wasmuth, M. (Speaker), Bennett, E. R. (Speaker), Wallis, C. (Speaker), Avneri Meir, R. (Speaker), Lorenzon, M. (Speaker), Sipilä, J. (Speaker) & Jokiranta, J. (Speaker)
Aug 2021

Seeing the Forest Despite the Trees: A Topological Network Analysis of Neo-Assyrian Masculinities

Bennett, E. R. (Speaker)
Jul 2021

Age and Masculinities in the Neo-Assyrian Period: A Network Analysis

Bennett, E. R. (Speaker)
4 Jun 2021

The "Queen of the Arabs" During the Neo-Assyrian Period

Bennett, E. R. (Speaker)
May 2021

"The `Queen of Sheba", or the "Queens of the Arabs"?

Bennett, E. R. (Speaker)
5 Mar 2021

University Pedagogics 1

Bennett, E. R. (Attendee)
19 Jan 2021 → 3 Mar 2021

Using Networks to Investigate Semantics of Masculinities During the Neo-Assyrian Period

Bennett, E. R. (Speaker)
8 Oct 2020

Ethnicities, Status, and Programming: Alternative Approaches to Gender in the Ancient Near East

Bennett, E. R. (Speaker)
13 Dec 2019

Questioning Assumptions: Studying Gender in the Ancient Near East

Bennett, E. R. (Speaker)
12 Dec 2019

Beards in the formulation of the gender of foreign kings in the Neo-Assyrian Period

Bennett, E. R. (Speaker)

6 Dec 2019

Projects

ANEE: ANEE Team 1: Digital Humanities Approaches

Svärd, S. (Principal Investigator), Linden, K. (Participant), Bach, J. (Participant), Jauhiainen, T. (Participant), Jauhiainen, H. (Participant), Sahala, A. (Participant), Konstantopoulos, G. (Participant), Fink, S. (Participant), Zaia, S. (Participant), Luukko, M. I. (Participant), Bennett, E. R. (Participant), Alstola, T. (Participant), Vanderstraeten, E. (Participant), Autere, K. (Participant), Giessler, J. (Participant), Debourse, C. H. I. (Participant), Tambs, L. (Participant), Valk, J. (Participant), Uotila, R. (Participant) & Jones, C. W. (Participant)

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Silverman, J. M. (Principal Investigator), Svärd, S. (Project manager), Lahelma, A. (Principal Investigator), Nikki, N. (Participant), Töyräänvuori, J. (Participant), Jokiranta, J. (Participant), Laine, L. (Participant), Kletter, R. (Participant), Bonnie, R. (Participant), Thomas, S. (Participant), Holmqvist-Sipilä, E. (Participant), Kouki, P. (Participant), Wasmuth, M. (Participant), Wallis, C. (Participant), Lorenzon, M. (Participant), Jauhiainen, H. (Participant), Jauhiainen, T. (Participant), Alstola, T. (Participant), Bach, J. (Participant), Fink, S. (Participant), Konstantopoulos, G. (Participant), Zaia, S. (Participant), Sahala, A. (Participant), Miettunen, P. H. (Participant), Avneri Meir, R. (Participant), Aissaoui, A. I. (Participant), Arpe, O. P. (Participant), Luukko, M. I. (Participant), Kovanen, H. (Participant), Linden, K. (Participant), Bennett, E. R. (Participant), Saari, S. (Participant), Vanderstraeten, E. (Participant), Autere, K. (Participant), Debourse, C. H. I. (Participant), Kailamäki, U. (Participant), Kautonen, S. K. (Participant), Spunaugle, A. (Participant), Tambs, L. (Participant), Jones, C. W. (Participant), Wijnsma, U. Z. (Participant), Valk, J. (Participant), Gheorghide, P. (Participant), Autere, K. (Participant), Uotila, R. (Participant), Reinikainen, S. J. J. (Participant), Cutillas Victoria, B. (Participant), Holappa, M. (Participant), Kletter, R. (Participant), Smith, S. L. (Participant) & Pfoh, E. (Participant)

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Embodied Emotions: Ancient Mesopotamia and Today

Bennett, E. R. (Participant), Svärd, S. (Principal Investigator), Sams, M. (Collaborator), Nummenmaa, L. (Collaborator), Steinert, U. (Collaborator) & Lahnakoski, J. (Participant)

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Datasets

ANEE Lexical Networks v. 2.0

Sahala, A. (Creator), Jauhiainen, H. (Creator), Alstola, T. (Creator), Hardwick, S. (Creator), Bennett, E. R. (Creator), Jauhiainen, T. (Creator), Linden, K. (Creator) & Svärd, S. (Creator), University of Helsinki, 29 Sept 2022
<http://urn.fi/urn:nbn:fi:lb-2022100301>

ANEE Lexical Networks v. 2.0 - the Dataset

Sahala, A. (Creator), Jauhiainen, H. (Creator), Alstola, T. (Creator), Hardwick, S. (Creator), Bennett, E. R. (Creator), Jauhiainen, T. (Creator), Svärd, S. (Creator) & Linden, K. (Creator), Zenodo, 29 Sept 2022
DOI: 10.5281/zenodo.7124351

Borsippa: Archival Texts of the Priests of Borsippa (Oracc)

Still, B. (Creator), Waerzeggers, C. (Creator), Alstola, T. (Creator), Bennett, E. R. (Creator), Debourse, C. H. I. (Creator), Giessler, J. (Creator) & Vanderstraeten, E. (Creator), Open Richly Annotated Cuneiform Corpus (Oracc), 24 May 2023

<http://oracc.museum.upenn.edu/borsippa>

Borsippa: Archival Texts of the Priests of Borsippa (Zenodo)

Still, B. (Creator), Waerzeggers, C. (Creator), Alstola, T. (Creator), Bennett, E. R. (Creator), Debourse, C. H. I. (Creator), Giessler, J. (Creator) & Vanderstraeten, E. (Creator), Zenodo, 6 Mar 2025

DOI: 10.5281/zenodo.14978244

Letters have weight (supplementary material)

Bennett, E. R. (Creator), Tambs, L. (Creator) & Linden, K. (Creator), Zenodo, 2 Sept 2024

DOI: 10.5281/zenodo.12567509

Network Graph showing the PMI results for Akkadian words related to Masculinities

Bennett, E. R. (Creator), Zenodo, 27 Jan 2021

DOI: 10.5281/zenodo.4471329