

Roundtable: ERC Synergy Project MIDRASH: Outline and Possibilities for Interaction

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Following the recent decision to award an ERC Synergy grant to the project “MIDRASH - Migrations of Textual and Scribal Traditions via Large-Scale Computational Analysis of Medieval Manuscripts in Hebrew Script,” which will start in autumn 2023 and run for six years, we want to present our plans in broad strokes and open a discussion how best to encourage interaction with our consortium, its data, code and algorithms during the time of the project.

MIDRASH will comprise a massive automatic computational process of layout analysis, transcription, linguistic parsing, intertextual mapping, paleographical dating and provenancing of several tens of thousands of complete and fragmentary literary medieval manuscripts of the world’s public and private collections digitally assembled in KTIV and FGP by combining state-of-the-art conventional and computational methods.