

Luca Arcari

Short CV

Luca Arcari (b. 1977) is Associate Professor of History of Christianity at the Department of Humanities of Federico II University in Naples, where he has been teaching since 2013. He studied Classics and Ancient History at the University of Naples "Federico II" (1996–2000) and he received his Ph.D. in Second Temple Judaism and Early Christianity at the Department of History "Ettore Lepore", University of Naples Federico II (2001). He also studied at the Pontifical Biblical Institute in Rome (Biblical Hebrew, Aramaic, Coptic and Syriac; 2002-03) and he received scholarships from the Italian Academy of Lincei in Rome (2010-11) and the "Michele Pellegrino" Foundation (University of Turin, 2011-13).

His research interests lie mainly in the field of Jewish (and proto-Christian) visionary texts, Jewish-Hellenistic literature, New Testament and Early Christian Apocrypha and/or Pseudepigrapha. He is also interested in reception studies, mainly in the reception of ancient Jewish and Early Christian texts in European historiography between the 19th and the 20th cent.; in theories for the study of Religion/s; and in methodologies for the analysis of ancient religious groups in the Hellenistic-Roman cities. Prominent among his publications are the monographs *"Una donna avvolta nel sole..." (Apoc 12,1). Le raffigurazioni femminili nell'Apocalisse di Giovanni alla luce della letteratura apocalittica giudaica* (EMP: Padova, 2008); *Visioni del figlio dell'uomo nel Libro delle Parabole e nell'Apocalisse* (ANT 19; Morcelliana: Brescia, 2012); the recent *Vedere Dio. Le apocalissi giudaiche e protocristiane (sec IV a.C.-sec. II d.C.)* (Frecce 291; Carocci: Roma 2020); and the edited book *Beyond Conflicts. Religious and Cultural Cohabitations in Alexandria and Egypt between the 1st and the 6th cent. CE* (STAC 103; J.C.B. Mohr Siebeck: Tübingen, 2013). Luca Arcari has also co-edited, with Alessandro Saggiaro, the book *Sciamanesimo e sciamanesimi. Un problema storiografico* (Sapienza sciamanica 3; Bulzoni: Roma, 2012) and the proceedings of the international conference *Signs of Cohabitations in the Urban Spaces of the Roman Near East (1st-6th cent. CE)*, Monographic section in "La parola del passato" 71/1-2, 2016.

Luca Arcari is member of scholarly societies and institutions, such as the Enoch Seminar, the European Association for the Study of Religion, the Italian Group for the Study of Origen and the Alexandrian Tradition (GIROTA), the Italian Society for the History of Religions (SISR). Between 2013 and 2016 he was appointed by the Italian Ministry of the University and the Scientific Research as the general coordinator of the FIRB Project - Future in Research 2012 on "The Construction of Space and Time in the Transmission of Collective Identities. Religious Cohabitations and/or Polarizations in Ancient World (1st-6th cent. CE)". Luca Arcari is part of the scientific committee of the Annual Meetings on Christian Origins (Italian Centre for Advanced Studies on Religions [CISSR]) and he is member of the executive board of the journal "Annali di storia dell'esegesi" (EDB). At this time, Luca Arcari is also Fellow in the following international projects: "Jenseits des Kanons: Heterotopien religiöser Autorität im spätantiken Christentum", DFG-Kolleg-Forschungsgruppe (FOR 2770), Universität Regensburg; "Religion and Urbanity: Reciprocal Formations" - Humanities Centre for Advanced Studies/Kolleg-Forschungsgruppe (KFG) (FOR 2779), Max-Weber-Kolleg, Universität Erfurt.