EARLY BIBLICAL INTERPRETATION SEMINAR
2020 Trinity Term
Convener: Prof Hindy Najman (Oriel)
THURSDAY at 10.00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m.
Location: Harris Seminar Room, Oriel College
Consult the Oriel College Porter's Lodge for the 4-digit passcode and enter by gate
Weeks 1, 2, 3*, 4, 5**, 8 (no meetings weeks 6, 7)

Week 1: April 30
Sacha Stern (UCL) – Rabbanite and Qaraite New Moon Sighting in the 9th-10th Centuries: Sectarianism, Local Traditions, and Political Rivalry

Week 2: May 7
Ra’anan Boustan (Princeton) – Cosmopolitan Province? The Cultural World of the Huqoq Synagogue

Week 3: May 14
Hindy Najman (Oriel) and Menahem Kister (Jerusalem)

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**5.00-6.30 p.m. followed by a reception, Harris Lecture Theatre, Oriel College**
The Annual Bible in the Humanities Lecture
Speaker: Geoffrey Khan (Cambridge)

Week 4: 21 May
Hindy Najman (Oriel) and Menahem Kister (Jerusalem)

Week 5: 28 May**
**9.00-11.00am**
Catherine Hezser (SOAS) – Health and Hellenism: The Significance of Physical Wellbeing in the Writings of Philo of Alexandria and the Stoics

Week 6: 4 June
No seminar this week

Week 7: June 11
No seminar this week

Week 8: June 18
John Day (Oxford) – From Abraham of Ur to Abraham in the Fiery Furnace in Jewish, Christian and Islamic Interpretation

Note
Conference:
Liturgical Space and Practices of Reading in Antiquity: Philo of Alexandria and his World
Conveners: Hindy Najman (Oriel) and Sarah Pearce (Southampton)
Tuesday 16 and Wednesday 17 June, Oriel College

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