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Jainism and Narrative

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The corpus of narratives produced by Jain authors is vast, varied and rich. Constituting a fundamental part of Jain teachings, narratives can be found from the earliest available Svetāmbara scriptures and its commentarial literature, and have for over two millennia continued to be composed, written, and rewritten in various forms. This Special Issue welcomes the contribution of current research articles focusing on Jainism and narrative(s), including the following: - Papers exploring a hitherto unstudied narrative (tradition), including critical edition and translation. - Papers on a Jain narrative or narrative tradition in different regions and/or languages. - Papers on the intertextuality of (a) narrative(s). - Papers on the function of a narrative/text in the lived tradition, past and present, in various applications (performance, visual art, contemporary media, etc.) We look forward to receiving your contributions.

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