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List of Publications

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Books (as Author)

1. **Legal Exegesis of Scripture in the Works of Josephus** (London and New York: Bloomsbury, 2020), 192 pp.
2. **Josephus' Interpretation of the Books of Samuel** (London and New York: Bloomsbury 2015), 272 pp.
3. **I Sat Alone: Jeremiah among the Prophets** (Piscataway, NJ: Gorgias Press, 2009) 95 pp. Revised English Translation of my 2005 book: Nevuato shel Yirmiyahu (Tel Aviv: MOD).
4. **Nathan's Oracle (2 Samuel 7) and Its Interpreters** (Bern: Peter Lang, 2005), 230 pp.

Editing

1. **Amos Frish Jubilee Volume**, coedited with J. Jacobs and I. Amar, Bar-Ilan University Press, Forthcoming.
2. **From Josephus to Josippon and Beyond**. Edited by Michael Avioz, Jan Willem van Henten, and Carson Bay. Journal for the Study of Judaism Supplements. Leiden: Brill, 2024: <https://brill.com/display/title/69894>
3. **Studies in Bible and Exegesis**, vol. xi, Presented to Amos Frisch (in preparation)
4. **Studies in Bible and Exegesis**, vol. xi, Presented to Yaakov Kaduri, coedited with Eric Lawee and Yosef Ofer (Ramat-Gan: Bar-Ilan University Press, 2020).
5. **Ben Porat Yoseph: Studies in the Bible and Its World Dedicated to Joseph Fleishman**, coedited with Yael Shemesh and Omer Minka (Munster: Ugarit Verlag, 2019), 360 pp. (Hebrew, with an English section).
6. M. Avioz, E. Assis, and Y. Shemesh (eds.), **Zer Rimonim: Studies in Biblical Literature and Jewish Exegesis Presented to Professor Rimon Kasher** (Atlanta: SBL, 2013), 706 pp (Hebrew, with an English section).
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