

THE NINTH EDWARD ULLENDORFF
MEMORIAL LECTURE

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**Theodor Nöldeke's *Mandäische Grammatik*
(1875) in Retrospect:
150 Years of Babylonian Aramaic Studies**

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Abstract: The publication of Theodor Nöldeke's *Mandäische Grammatik* (1875) was a turning point in the study of the Mandaic dialect and of Mandaic literature in general, and it remains one of the cornerstones of research on Babylonian Aramaic to this day. This lecture will consider the legacy of Nöldeke's seminal study, while also discussing more recent developments in the research of the Babylonian Aramaic dialects which have supplemented his work and better placed it in its linguistic context.



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6:00 pm (UK time)

This lecture will be a hybrid session which will be accessible both online (see below) and in person in the Catherine Lewis Lecture Room, Clarendon Institute. Refreshments to follow.

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