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Several cult practices have been attested in ancient Egypt - from various encounters with gods, demons and the death in rituals, procession, oracles and magical spells. These cult practices are featured as well in the literature from the Middle Kingdom (ca. 2137 BC) until the Roman Imperial Period (ca. 3rd century) - in Middle Egyptian, Late Egyptian and Demotic. It is the aim of this project to analyze all passages of the ca. 180 narrative, instructive and discursive literary works mentioning such cult practices. The research is guided by the following questions: Are the cult practices presented in the literature as we know them from ritual manuscripts and/or are they described differently to serve other purposes - for example to keep the story exciting? With a twofold methodology from religious and literary studies, Dr. Naether will try to get to the bottom of this question.

Projektbeteiligte

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