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that defined faith and magic tied together? How did western and

eastern religious influences manifest themselves in Finnish magic? Faith

and Magic in Early Modern Finland shows us how peripheral Finland can shed light on the wider context of European magic and religion.