

1. Record Nr.	UNINA9910258753703321
Autore	Vennemann Theo
Titolo	Germania Semitica // Theo Vennemann gen. Nierfeld ; edited by Patrizia Noel Aziz Hanna
Pubbl/distr/stampa	De Gruyter Mouton, 2012 Berlin : , : De Gruyter Mouton, , 2012
ISBN	9783110301090 3110301091
Edizione	[1st ed.]
Descrizione fisica	1 online resource (xxi, 742 pages)
Collana	Trends in linguistics. Studies in monographs, , 1861-4302 ; ; 259
Classificazione	GD 8252
Altri autori (Persone)	Noel Aziz Hanna Patrizia <1972->
Disciplina	430.9
Soggetti	German philology Semitic languages - Europe - History Europe Languages History
Lingua di pubblicazione	Inglese
Formato	Materiale a stampa
Livello bibliografico	Monografia
Nota di bibliografia	Includes bibliographical references and indexes.
Nota di contenuto	Front matter -- Contents -- Preface -- Introduction: Methodology of research in prehistoric language contact -- 1. Zur Entstehung des Germanischen -- 2. English as a "Celtic" language: Atlantic influences from above and from below -- 3. Amsel und Merula -- 4. Germania Semitica: +abr- 'strong', with a reflection on Abraham Theodoric -- 5. Atlantis Semitica: Structural contact features in Celtic and English -- 6. Germania Semitica: +aþal- (OE æðel-, G Adel) 'nobility', With an appendix on Gk. " -- 7. Germania Semitica: Pre-Gmc. +-at- in E maiden, G Magd/Mädchen, Goth. magaps -- 8. Key issues in English etymology -- 9. Germania Semitica: Gmc. +drag-, +trek- (Lat. trah-, Gk. -) -- 10. On the rise of 'Celtic' syntax in Middle English -- 11. Semitic Celtic English: The transitivity of language contact -- 12. Zur Etymologie von Rauch und riechen -- 13. PGmc. +drepa-, G treffen 'to hit' -- 14. Germania Semitica: +sibj -- 15. Languages in prehistoric Europe north of the Alps -- 16. Syntax und Sprachkontakt: Mit besonderer Berücksichtigung der indogermanischen Sprachen des Nordwestens -- 17. Note on the etymology of PGmc. +smtan and +smiþaz (E smite, smith, G schmeißen, Schmied, etc.) -- 18. Sprachgeburth durch Sprachkontakt: Die Entstehung des Englischen --

19. Phol, Balder, and the birth of Germanic -- 20. Glauben wir noch an die Lautgesetze? Zur Etymologie von Phol und Balder im Zweiten Merseburger Zauberspruch -- 21. The name of the Isle of Thanet -- 22. Was Proto-Germanic a creole language? -- 23. Münze, mint, and money: An etymology for Latin Moneta -- 24. Ne'er-a-face: A note on the etymology of penny, with an appendix on the etymology of pane -- 25. A note on the etymology of Germanic +skellingaz 'shilling': With an appendix on Latin siliqua 'a small coin -- 26. Grimm's Law and loan-words -- 27. Germanische Runen und phönizisches Alphabet -- 28. Zur Reihung der Runen im älteren Fupark -- 29. Semitic influence in Celtic? Yes and No -- 30. The source of the Ing rune and of the futhark -- Abbreviations -- References -- Index of Atlantic / Hamito-Semitic etymologies -- Index of Hamito-Semitic words, word forms, and roots -- Index of Vasconic etymologies -- Index of Toponyms -- Subject Index

Sommario/riassunto

Germania Semitica explores prehistoric language contact in general, and attempts to identify the languages involved in shaping Germanic in particular. The book deals with a topic outside the scope of other disciplines concerned with prehistory, such as archaeology and genetics, drawing its conclusions from the linguistic evidence alone, relying on language typology and areal probability. The data for reconstruction comes from Germanic syntax, phonology, etymology, religious loan names, and the writing system, more precisely from word order, syntactic constructions, word formation, irregularities in phonological form, lexical peculiarities, and the structure and rules of the Germanic runic alphabet. It is demonstrated that common descent is neither a necessary nor a sufficient condition for reconstruction. Instead, lexical and structural parallels between Germanic and Semitic languages are explored and interpreted in the framework of modern language contact theory.
