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Birth

May 29th 1965, Piešťany, Slovakia

Personal

- Member of the Society of Jesus
- Roman Catholic Priest ordained in June 1997

Education:

- Harvard Divinity School, Cambridge MA (1999-2005)
Specialization: Hebrew Bible – Degree: Th.D.
- Pontificio Instituto Biblico, Rome (1996-99)
Specialization: Biblical studies– Degree: S.S.L., Magna cum laude
- École Biblique et Archéologique Française de Jerusalem, Jerusalem
Spring semester of 1998– Special studies in Archaeology and Geography of Israel
- Hebrew University of Jerusalem (summer 1995) – Specialization: Biblical Hebrew
- Pontificia Università Gregoriana, Rome(1993-96) –
Specialization: Theology – Degree: Bachelor, Magna cum laude
- Theological Institute of St. Aloisius, Bratislava (1991-93) – Specialization: Philosophy
- Slovak Technical University, Bratislava (1983-88)
Specialization: Biochemistry
Degree: Master of Sciences, Summa cum laude



Professional experience:

- Prof. of the Old Testament exegesis at Pontifical Biblical Institute in Rome, spring semester 2006-; **Courses:** *Religious reforms in the ancient Israel; Inspiration of the Bible; Comparative seminar (Rabbinic, Patristic and Christian reading of the Bible); Introduction into ancient historiography (Biblical and extra-biblical texts and inscriptions); History seminar (Syria-Palestine - first millennium BC); Solomon's Temple (Exegesis of 1 Kgs 1-9); Living under the Assyrian Empire*

(Exegesis of 2 Kgs 15–20); *Elijah and Elisha cycle* (Exegesis of 1 Kgs 17 – 2 Kgs 12); *History of Ancient Israel (13th–6th c. BC)*.

- Prof. of the Old Testament Exegesis and Hebrew at Trnava University (Slovakia) 2004-08: **Courses:** *Introduction into Pentateuch; Introduction into the historical books; Introduction into the prophetic literature; Introduction into the exegesis of Pauline letters; Introduction into the exegetical methodologies of the OT (Genesis and Exodus); Introduction into the exegetical methodologies of the NT (The Gospel of Mark)*.
- Prof. of the Old Testament Studies at Trnava University (Slovakia), spring semester of 1999-2000: **Courses:** *Introduction into the Wisdom literature; Introduction into the New Testament*.
- Prof. of Religion at Collegio Massimo in Rome, 1992-93.
- Research assistant at the Slovak Academy of Science 1989-90: research program on pumps blocked by leukemia.

Awards and grants:

- Jesuit Chair, Spring Semester of 2014, Georgetown University, Washington DC.
- Buda's prize in 2012, Badín, Slovakia
- Dean's Dissertation Fellowship in 2003, Harvard Divinity School
- Pfeiffer's grant in 2001, Harvard University
- Pfeiffer's grant in 2000, Harvard University
- Winner of the International Competition in Biochemical Technologies in 1987, Prague

Professional organizations:

- International Association for Assyriology
- Catholic Biblical Association
- Society of the Biblical Literature

Bibliography

Monographs:

1. *The Building of the First Temple: A Study in Redactional, Text-Critical and Historical Perspective*. FAT 103. Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2015.
2. *Hezekiah and the Assyrian Spies: Reconstruction of the Neo-Assyrian Intelligence Services and Its Significance for 2 Kings 18–19*, *Biblica et Orientalia* 49. Roma: Pontificio Istituto Biblico, 2006.

Edited volumes:

1. P. DUBOVSKÝ – F. GIUNTOLI (edd.), *Stones, Tablets, and Scrolls: Periods of the Formation of the Bible* (Arc B 3; Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2020).
2. DUBOVSKÝ, P. – A. GIANTO (edd.), *Changing Faces of Kingship in Syria-Palestine 1500-500 BCE* (AOAT 459; Münster: Ugarit Verlag 2018).
3. *Marek. 1, KNZ 1*. Trnava: Dobrá kniha, 2013.
4. (with P. Sonnet) *Ogni Scrittura è ispirata: Nuove prospettive sull'ispirazione biblica*. Roma; Milano: GBP; San Paolo, 2013.
5. *Genezis: Preklad a komentár*. KSZ I. Trnava: Dobrá kniha 2008.
6. (with M. Varšo) *Abdiáš, Jonáš, Micheáš*. Edited by P. Dubovský, KSZ II. Trnava: Dobrá kniha, 2010.

Book sections:

1. «The Birth of Israelite Historiography: A Comparative Study of 2 Kings 13–14 and Ninth–Eighth-Century BCE Levantine Historiographies», in P. DUBOVSKÝ – F. GIUNTOLI (edd.), *Stones, Tablets, and Scrolls: Periods of the Formation of the Bible* (Arc B 3; Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2020), 65-111.
2. «Changing Mechanisms in the Transfer of Royal Power in Ancient Israel», in *Changing Faces of Kingship in Syria-Palestine 1500-500 BCE* (OAT 459; Münster: Ugarit Verlag 2018) 81-113.
3. «First and Second Kings», in J.E. AGUILAR CHIU – *al.* (edd.), *The Paulist Biblical Commentary* (New York: Mahwah, NJ: Paulist Press, 2018) 292-316.
4. “Sennacherib’s Invasion of the Levant through the Eyes of Assyrian Intelligence Services.” In *Sennacherib at the Gates of Jerusalem: Story, History and Historiography*, edited by Isaac Kalimi and Seth Richardson, 249-291. Leiden; Boston: Brill, 2014.
5. “Menahem’s Reign before the Assyrian Invasion (2 Kings 15:14-16).” In *Literature as Politics, Politics as Literature*, edited by David S. Vanderhooft and Abraham Winitzer, 29-45. Winona Lake, Ind.: Eisenbrauns, 2013.
6. “Ex 19-24.” In *Exodus*, edited by Jozef Tiño, 484-640. Trnava: Dobrá kniha, 2013.
7. “Storia, fantasia e ideologia: Il metodo storico interroga l’ispirazione.” In *Ogni Scrittura è ispirata: Nuove prospettive sull’ispirazione biblica*, edited by Peter Dubovský and Jean-Pierre Sonnet, 136-154. Roma; Milano: GBP; San Paolo, 2013.
8. “Leggere la Bibbia come unità.” In *Ogni Scrittura è ispirata: Nuove prospettive sull’ispirazione biblica*, edited by Peter Dubovský and Jean-Pierre Sonnet, 260-268. Roma; Milano: GBP; San Paolo, 2013.

9. "Dynamics of the Fall: Ashurbanipal's Conquest of Elam." In *Susa and Elam : Archaeological, Philological, Historical and Geographical Perspectives : Proceedings of the International Congress Held at Ghent University, December 14-17, 2009*, edited by Katrien de Graef and Jan Tavernier, 451-470. Leiden; Boston: Brill, 2013.
10. "King's Direct Control: Neo-Assyrian Qēpu Officials." In *Organization, Representation, and Symbols of Power in the Ancient Near East: Proceedings of the 54th Rencontre Assyriologique Internationale at Würzburg 20-25 July 2008*, edited by Gernot Wilhelm, 447-458: Eisenbrauns, 2012.
11. "Aktualizovanie Dekalógu v starovekom Izraeli." In *Legislatívne Texty Biblie III*, edited by Pavol Farkaš, 58-64. Bratislava - Nitra: UK Bratislava, 2009.
12. "Genesis 39 and the Tale of the Two Brothers." In *Bible et Terre Sainte*, edited by J. E. Aguilar Chiu, 47-61. New York; Washington: Peter Lang, 2008.
13. "Súčasná exegetická prúda versus teológia a pastorácia dnes." In *Fórum pastorálnych teológov VII: Jak vykládat Písmo Svaté*, 19-26. Olomouc: Centrum Aletti, 2008.
14. Brodňanská, E., P. Dubovský, and H. Panczová. *O Nepravé ženskej kráse*. Bratislava: Teologická fakulta Trnavskej univerzity, 2007. (About False Women's Beauty – Translations and Introduction to Tertulian's writings)
15. "Neo-Assyrian Warfare: Logistics and Weaponry During the Campaigns of Tiglath-Pileser III." In *Proceedings of the International Symposium: Arms and Armour through the Ages*, edited by M. Novotná, W. Jobst, M. Dufková, K. Kuzmová and P. Hnila, 61-67. Trnava: Trnavská Univerzita, 2006.
16. "Štruktúra patriarchálnej rodiny v Starom Zákone a jej vplyv na nerozlučnosť manželstva." In *Rodina v súčasnom svete*, 9-18. Bratislava: TF TU, 2006. (The Structure of Israelite Patriarchal Family)
17. "Melchizedek a jeho obeta v dejinách biblickej interpretácie." In *Sväté Písmo a Boží kult: Zborník z konferencie s medzinárodnou účasťou*, edited by P. Fedor, 39-58. Svit: Katolícke Biblické Dielo, 2006. (Melchizedek and his Offer: History of Interpretation)
18. "Rovnosť v teórii, nerovnosť v praxi: Pohľad Biblie na postavenie muža a ženy." In *Muž a žena z personalistického hľadiska*, edited by J. Letz and A. Démuth, 51-58. Trnava: FF TU, 2005. (Gn 1 and Gn 2: Equality in Theory and Oppression in Practice)
19. "Protoevanjelium a mariologická Interpretácia." In *Úcta k presvätej bohorodičke na kresťanskom Východe*, 175-89. Košice: Centrum Spirituality Východ-Západ Michala Lacku, 2005. (Gn 3,15: Iconographic Interpretation of the Hebrew Vocabulary)

Articles:

1. «From Miracle-Makers Elijah and Elisha to Jesus and Apocrypha», *StBiSl* 12/1 (2020) 24-42.
2. «Assyrians under the Walls of Jerusalem and the Confinement of Padi», *JNES* 75/1 (2016) 109-126
3. “Why Did the Northern Kingdom Fall According to 2 Kings 15?” *Bib* 95, no. 3 (2014): 321-346.
4. “Did Shalmaneser V Conquer the City of Samaria? An Investigation into the *Ma/Ba*-Sign in Chronicle 1.” *Or* 80, no. 4 (2011): 423-438.
5. “Povolanie a formácia Petra v evanjeliu podľa Lukáša.” *Verba Theologica* 10 (2011): 88-106.
6. Dubovský, Peter. “Boží hnev v mezopotámských kráľovských nápisochoch a v Knihe Exodus.” *StBiSl* 2 (2010): 112-22.
7. “Riping Open Pregnant Arab Women: Reliefs in Room L of Ashurbanipal’s North Palace.” *Or* 78, no. 3 (2009): 394-419.
8. “Historicko-kritická metóda a jej uplatnenie v teologickej reflexii na Slovensku.” *StBiSl* (2008): 8-17.
9. “Assyrian Downfall through Isaiah’s Eyes (2 Kings 15-23): The Historiography of Representation.” *Bib* 89 (2008): 1-16.
10. “Conquest and Reconquest of Mušasir in the 8th Century BCE.” *SAAB* XV (2006): 141-46.
11. “Tiglath-pileser III’s Campaigns in 734-732 B.C.: Historical Background of Isa 7, 2 Kgs 15-16 and 2 Chr 27-28.” *Bib* 87 (2006): 153-70.
12. “Poklady na Slovenských farách: Latinský text Frankfurtského vydania.” In *Studia Biblica Slovaca 2006*, edited by B. Štrba, 108-144. Svit: Katolícke Biblické Dielo, 2006. (Discovery of Pagnino’s Bible in Slovakia)
13. “Poklady na Slovenských farách: Frankfurtské vydanie Vatableho úpravy Pagninovho latinského prekladu Biblie.” In *Studia Biblica Slovaca 2006*, edited by B. Štrba, 145-60. Svit: Katolícke Biblické Dielo, 2006. (Analysis of Pagnino’s Latin Bible)
14. “Postmoderná kríza hodnôt a Kniha Kazateľ.” *Teologický časopis* IV/2 (2006): 35-50. (Postmodern Crisis and Qohelet)
15. “Výklad Svätého Písma: hermeneutický model založený na teórii štyroch kultúr.” In *Studia Biblica Slovaca 2005*, 17-38. Svit: Katolícke Biblické Dielo, 2005. (New Hermeneutic Model Based on the Theory of the Four Cultures of the West)
16. Dubovský, P. – M. Sova. “Návrh transliterácie a prepisu hebrejských spoluhlások a samohlások do slovenčiny.” In *Studia Biblica Slovaca 2005*, 73-76.

Svit: Katolícke Biblické Dielo, 2005. (Transliteration of Hebrew into Slovak Language)

17. "A Sociological Reading of Slavery Legislation in the Covenant Code and Other Biblical and Extra-Biblical Documents." *Studia Aloisiana* (2004): 59-75.
18. "Cosmology in 1 Henoch." *Archív Orientální* 68 (2000): 205-218.
19. "Roveto Ardente." *Studia Aloisiana* (1999): 45-62.

Book reviews:

1. Young, R. A. *Hezekiah in History and Tradition* (VTS 155; Leiden – Boston, Brill, 2012) in *Bib* 9572 (2014): 292-295.
2. Monroe, L. A. S. *Josiah's Reform and the Dynamics of Defilement: Israelite Rites of Violence and the Making of a Biblical Text* (New York – Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2011) in *CBQ* 74 (2012): 795-796.
3. Chapman, C. R. *The Gendered Language of Warfare in the Israelite-Assyrian Encounter* (Harvard Semitic Monographs 62; Winona Lake: Eisenbrauns, 2004) in *BiOr* 69/1-2, 129-131.
4. Peetz, M. *Abigajil, die Prophetin: Mit Klugheit und Schönheit für Gewaltverzicht: Eine exegetische Untersuchung zu Sam 25* (FB 116; Würzburg: Echter Verlag, 2008) in *CBQ* 73 (2011): 591-92.
5. Garbini, G. *Scrivere la storia d'Israele: Vicende e memorie ebraiche* (Biblioteca di storia e storiografia dei tempi biblici 15; Brescia: Paideia, 2008) in *CBQ* 72 (2010): 109-110.
6. Abate, E. *La fine del regno di Sedecia* (Textos y studios «Cardenal Cisneros» de la Biblia Políglota Matritense 76; Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas; Madrid 2008) in *Estudios Bíblicos* 67 (2009): 511-13.

Talks and lectures:

- October 20th-22nd 2015, "Metodo storico-critico", La interpretación de la Biblia, Salamanca.
- August 1st-4th 2015, "The Reconstruction of the Building of the First Temple", CBA meeting in New Orleans.
- April 18th-19th 2015, "Elijah Cycle", Seminary in Nitra, Slovakia.
- April 7th 2015, "Does the Bible teach History", Annual talk in honor of Svoradov, Bratislava.
- March 27th-28th, 2015, "Suspicious Similarities: A Comparative Study of the Fall of Samaria and Jerusalem," International conference "The Fall of Jerusalem and the Rise of the Torah", PBI, Rome.
- December 22nd, 2014, "Jeremiah" Center of Spirituality, Ivanka, Slovakia.

- November 21st-25th, 2014, "How and why the Jerusalem Temple changed? "Historiography" of religious architecture" SBL meeting in San Diego.
- November 13th, 2014, "Queen of Saba", *lectio magistralis* at International Theological Institute, Trumau, Austria.
- April 24th, 2014, "Solomon's temple versus Josiah's temple: the same or different?" Conference at Duke University.
- April 3rd, 2014, "First Intelligence Services of the World": Neo-Assyrian Empire (8th-7th c. BCE Iraq); Jesuit Chair Lecture, Georgetown University, Washington DC.
- September 19th-20th, 2013, *Historical Books: Canon, Text, and Inspiration*, Biblical Studies East and West: Trends, Challenges, and Perspectives. International conference in Lvov, The Ukraine.
- September 12th-14th, 2013, *Psalms 80*, Psalm Workshop in Martin, Slovakia.
- August 4th-9th, 2013, *1 Kings 6-7: How Many Temples?*, IOSOT meeting in Munich.
- July 7th-11th, 2013, *Sennacherib: An Example of the Neo-Assyrian Control of the Levant*, ISBL meeting in St. Andrews.
- November 17th-20th, 2012, *Assyrians under the Walls of Jerusalem*, SBL meeting in Chicago.
- October 1st, 2012, *Judáš a teológia zrady*, *Lectio magistralis* TF TU, Bratislava, Slovakia.
- September 13th-14th, 2012, *The term Hekal and its use in Kings and Psalms; Psalms - Through the eyes of their authors and later reception* in Badín, Slovakia.
- February 22nd, 2012, *Bibel et Babel*, SMEA, CNR-Roma.
- August 6th-9th 2011, *Invasion Reports in 1-2 Kgs: Narrative device or historical facts?* CBA meeting Worcester, Mass.
- July 4th-8th, 2011, *Neo-Assyrian Intelligence Network: Old tradition reshaped by the Sargonid Kings*. RAI 57th, Roma Università di Sapienza. May 23rd-24th, 2011, *The Old Tradition and the New Teacher (Mc 7,1-23)*. Congress on Law and Freedom in Olomouc, Czech Republic.
- November 11th-23rd, 2010, *Did Shalmaneser Conquer Samaria*. SBL in Atlanta.
- October 8th-9th, 2010, *Rhetorical and Historico-Critical Analysis of Mark*. New Testament Seminar in Nitra, Slovakia.
- September 10th-11th, 2010, *Divine Anger in the Book of Exodus*. Conference on Exodus - Modern Interpretation of an Ancient Book in Badin, Slovakia.
- July 31st-August 2nd, 2010, *Samaritan Lions*. CBA Meeting in Los Angeles.

- July 26th-30th, 2010, *Angry Gods Intervene into Human History*. 56th RAI in Barcelona.
- February 12th-14th, 2010, *Legal Texts of Ex 21-24*. Exodus Seminar in Badin, Slovakia.
- January 14th-15th, 2010, *Mark 14: Literary Analysis*. New Testament Seminar in Badin, Slovakia.
- December 14th-17th 2009, *The Last Days of Elam: Analysis of ABL 280*. Susa and Elam: Archaeological, Philological, Historical and Geographical Perspectives in Gent, Belgium.
- October 9th, 2009, *Aktualizovanie Dekalógu v starovekom Izraeli (Actualization of the Decalogue in the Ancient Israel)*, Third Congress on Legislative text of the Bible in Nitra, Slovakia.
- August 1-4th, 2009, *Causes of the Downfall of Samaria*; CBA Meeting in Omaha, USA.
- June 30th-July 4th, 2009, *Before the Fall*; SBL International Meeting in Rome
- September 24th-26th, 2008, *Exegesis of Ex 19*; Exodus Seminar in Badin (Slovak Republic).
- July 20th-25th, 2008, *The Direct Control of the King: The Role of qiāpu Officials in Neo-Assyrian administration*; 54th RAI in Würzburg.
- May 13th, 2008, *Trends in Modern Exegesis*, International Symposium on Theology and Bible in Olomouc (Czech Republic).
- December 21st, 2007, *Assyrian Spies in Iraq*; Faculty Seminar Organized by the Department of Classical Archaeology at TF TU, Trnava.
- November 16th-19th, 2007, *Cult Area in Korocu Kale: The Results of Archaeological Survey in Eastern Turkey in 2004*; Cult and Sanctuary in Antiquity: International Archaeological Congress in Časta, Slovakia, organized by Universities and Institutes of Classical Archaeology Trnava-Konya-Bursa and Slovak Archaeological Society.
- November 12th-14th, 2007, *The Books of Kings in the Light of the Cuneiform Documents*; A Series of Lectures at Four Universities in Slovakia organized by the Slovak Ministry of Education.
- November 24th, 2006, *Structure of Patriarchal Family in the Old Testament and its Influence on marriage*; 2nd Conference on Family in the Contemporary World in Bratislava.
- September 14th, 2006, *The siege of Jerusalem from the Assyrian Point of View*; Meeting of Studia Biblica Slovaca in Badín.

- July 17th-21st, 2006, *The Role of Intelligence Services in Planning Campaigns: A Case-Study of the Urarto-Cimmerian War and Sargon's 8th Campaign*; 52e Rencontre Assyriologique Internationale in Münster.
- November 26th, 2005, *Protoevangelium and its Mariological Interpretation*; International Conference Organized by the Center of Spirituality East-West of Michal Lacko in Košice.
- November 20th, 2005, *Arms and Warfare Techniques in the Neo-Assyrian Period*; International Symposium Arms and Armour Through the Ages (from the Bronze Age to Late Antiquity) organized by Universities and Institutes of Classical Archaeology Trnava-Konya-Bursa and Slovak Archaeological Society.
- October 14th, 2005, *Equality in theory inequality in praxis: biblical view of man and woman*; International Colloquium Man and Woman from a personalistic point of view organized the Philosophical faculty of Trnava University.
- April 28th, 2005, *Mechanics of Neo-Assyrian Empire: Reconstruction of the Neo-Assyrian Services during the 8th and 7th century B.C.E.*; faculty seminar at Trnava University.
- April 25th, 2005, *Melchizedech in the context of Gn 14 and Later Interpretations*; International Conference Bible and Cult organized by KBD and GBF Prešov.
- December 13th, 2004, *Post-modern Values in the Context of the Book of Qohelet*; faculty seminar at the Catholic University of Slovakia in Ružomberok.