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RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Empires and societies of Southwest Asia and the Eastern Mediterranean during the 2nd to 1st millennia BCE.
- Regional focus on the Central Zagros Highlands, Cyprus, the Northern Levant.
- Landscape archaeology (survey, remote sensing and GIS, paleoenvironment).
- Integrated archaeological–textual analysis of imperial geographies and frontiers.

CURRENT POSITION

2019–2026 **Principal Investigator**: 'Parthian Imperial Control and Local Agency in the Central Zagros Highlands' project funded by the Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG) as part of the 'Iranian Highlands' Priority Programme. Hosted by the Institut für Ur- und Frühgeschichte und Vorderasiatische Archäologie, Heidelberg University.

PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT

2018–19+ **Postdoctoral Researcher**: 'Rock-Reliefs of Iraqi Kurdistan' project (dir. Prof. Peter A. Miglus) funded by the Gerda Henkel Stiftung. Hosted by the Institut für Ur- und Frühgeschichte und Vorderasiatische Archäologie, Heidelberg University.

2017–2018 **Principal Investigator**: 9–month 'Transcultural Forays' fellowship for 'Rabana-Merquly Archaeological Project'. Hosted by Cluster of Excellence - Asia & Europe/Heidelberg Centre for Transcultural Studies, Heidelberg University.

2018–present Associate Member of Heidelberg Centre for Transcultural Studies, Heidelberg University.

2015–2016 **Postdoctoral Teaching and Research Assistant:** School of History, Classics and Archaeology, University of Edinburgh.

2013–2014 **Postdoctoral Researcher**: 'Land of Carchemish (Syria) Project' (dir. Prof. Tony J. Wilkinson) funded by the British Academy. Hosted by Department of Archaeology, Durham University.

2015–2021 Honorary Research Fellow in Archaeology, Durham University.

2012–2013 **Visiting Research Fellow**: 6–month residential fellowship at the British Institute Amman in Jordan from the Council for British Research in the Levant.

2006–2011 **Tutor**: Contributed tutorials and lectures to undergraduate courses across the Archaeology subject area during my postgraduate studies at the University of Edinburgh.

EDUCATION

2012 **Ph.D. Archaeology** University of Edinburgh (supervisor Prof. Edgar J. Peltenburg)
Thesis title: *'Landscapes of Settlement in South-East Cyprus: The Late Bronze Age Origins of a Phoenician Polity (incorporating the results of fieldwork by the author at Pyla-Kokkinokremos 2007–2009)'.*

2005 **MSc. Archaeology** (with Distinction) University of Edinburgh.

2016 **MSc. Brewing and Distilling** Heriot-Watt University.

2001 **B.A. (Hons) Leisure and Tourism Resource Management** (Class 2:1) Prifysgol Bangor University.

PUBLICATIONS

MONOGRAPHS

Brown, M. (ed.) (in preparation) *Mountain, Dynasty & Divinity: The Rabana Sanctuary in the Central Zagros Highlands (2nd–1st Centuries BCE)*.

Brown, M., Eberhardt, G., Henkelman, W. and Thomalsky, J. (eds.) (in preparation) *Roads and Travellers in Ancient Iran*. The Iranian Highlands Vol 6. Leiden: Sidestone.

BOOK CHAPTERS

Brown, M. (in review) 'Parthian Imperial Control and Local Agency in the Central Zagros Highlands', in T. Stöllner, W. Henkelman, S. Pollock, R. Bernbeck and J. Thomalsky (eds.) *The Iranian Highlands. Early Societies between Resilience and Integration*. The Iranian Highlands 8. Leiden: Sidestone.

Amelirad, S., **Brown, M.**, Sadeghi Rad, M. and Talebnia, P. (in review) 'Isolation, Connectivity, and Control on the Roads of Hawraman', in M. Brown, G. Eberhardt, W. Henkelman, and J. Thomalsky (eds.) *Roads and Travellers in Ancient Iran*. The Iranian Highlands Vol 6. Leiden: Sidestone.

Brown, M. (in press) 'Is This Burning an Eternal Flame? Political Crises and Dynastic Cults in Southwest Asia during Antiquity', in S. Pollock, R. Bernbeck, G. Eberhardt, and M. Kehl (eds.) *Unforeseeable Futures: Confronting Crises in the Archaeology of Highland Societies*. The Iranian Highlands 5. Leiden: Sidestone, pp. 65–80.

Brown, M. and Dörr, R. (2023) ‚Die Bergbefestigungen von Rabana-Merquly', in J. Marzahn and D. Wicke (eds.) *Zwischen Schwarzem Meer und Persischem Golf. 125 Jahre Deutsche Orient-Gesellschaft*. Darmstadt: Wissenschaftliche Buchgesellschaft, pp. 146–151.

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Brown, M. and Smith, S. (2016) 'The Land of Carchemish and its neighbours during the Neo-Hittite period (ca. 1190-717 BC)', in T.J. Wilkinson, E. Peltenburg, and E. Barbanes Wilkinson (eds.) *Carchemish in Context: The Land of Carchemish Project, 2006-2010*. London: Oxbow, pp. 22–37.

JOURNAL ARTICLES

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Masoumian, M., Amelirad, S., Abdiyani, A., **Brown, M.**, Kreppner, F.J., Panahi, M.S. and Khani, K.M. (in press 2025) 'Zardouyan: An Iron Age Jar Burial Cemetery in Marivan, Iranian Kurdistan', *Iranica Antiqua* 60, pp. 45–79.

Brown, M. and Rashid, R. (2023) 'A Possible Parthian-Era Anahita Sanctuary at Rabana in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq', *Iraq* 85, pp. 85–102. doi:10.1017/irq.2023.6.

Brown, M., Raheem, K. and Abdullah, H. (2022) 'Rabana-Merquly: A fortress in the kingdom of Adiabene in the Zagros Mountains', *Antiquity* 96 (388), pp. 920–936.

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Miglus, P., **Brown, M.** and Aguilar, J. (2018) 'Two Parthian Rock-Reliefs from Amādiya in Iraqi-Kurdistan', *Zeitschrift für Orient-Archäologie* 11, pp. 110–129.

Brown, M., Miglus, P., Rasheed, K. and Ahmad, M. (2018) 'Portraits of a Parthian king: rock-reliefs and the mountain fortresses of Rabana-Merquly in Iraqi Kurdistan', *Iraq* 80, pp. 63–77.

Brown, M. (2018) 'Biological perspectives on Hittite brewing', *Journal of Archaeological Science: Reports* 20, pp. 596–601.

Brown, M. (2017) 'Landscape and Settlement in Late Bronze Age Cyprus: Investigations at Pyla-Kokkinokremos, 2007-2009', *Palestine Exploration Quarterly* 149(4), pp. 274–294.

Devillers, B., **Brown, M.** and Morhange, C. (2015) 'Paleo-Environmental Evolution of the Larnaca Salt Lakes (Cyprus) and the Relationship to Second Millennium BC Settlement', *Journal of Archaeological Science: Reports* 1, pp. 73–80.

Brown, M. (2013) 'Waterways and the Political Geography of South-East Cyprus in the Second Millennium BC', *Annual of the British School at Athens* 108, pp. 121–136.

Brown, M. (2009) 'Ancestral Veneration and the Settlement History of Tell Sūkās', *Palestine Exploration Quarterly* 141(2), pp. 138–151.

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NEWSLETTERS/OTHER

Brown, M. (2021) 'The Mountain Fortress of Rabana-Merquly in Iraqi Kurdistan: Short Report on the 2019 Season', *BISI Newsletter* 39, pp. 13–14.

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Brown, M. and Caraher, W.R. (2008) 'The Ancient Maritime Landscape of Pyla', *Sanctuary* 37, pp. 62–63. [UK Ministry of Defence conservation magazine].

Brown, M. (2007) 'Pyla Geophysical Survey and Aerial Photography', *CBRL Bulletin* 2(1), pp. 95–96.

Brown, M. (2007) 'Dhekelia Dig', *Cyprus Lion*, 20 July, p. 6. [British forces newspaper].

FIELDWORK

I have extensive archaeological fieldwork experience (in the Middle East, Eastern Mediterranean, and UK) including roles as Project Director (Rabana), trench supervisor, and field-school instructor.

2017–present	Rabana-Merquly Archaeological Project, Iraq (dir. Dr Michael Brown).
2017	Bakr Awa Excavation, Iraq (dir. Prof. Peter Miglus).
2016–2017	Rock-Reliefs of Iraqi Kurdistan Project, Iraq (dir. Prof. Peter Miglus).
2012	Challenging Landscapes Project, Jordan (dir. Dr Jennie Bradbury).
2011	Prastio-Mesorotsos Archaeological Expedition, Cyprus (dir. Dr Andrew McCarthy).
2007–2009	Pyla Koutsopetria Archaeological Project, Cyprus (dir. Prof. Scott Moore).
2006	Land of Carchemish Survey Project, Syria (dir. Prof. Tony Wilkinson).
2005–2007	Souskiou-Laona Settlement Excavation, Cyprus (dir. Prof. Edgar Peltenburg).

TEACHING

Ruprecht Karl University of Heidelberg

BA Thesis Examination (Zweitgutachter) 2026
Served as second examiner for a Bachelor's thesis in Archaeology.

Mesopotamia under Arsacid dominion (Convenor) 2022–2023
Designed and delivered seminar course for BA and MA students in Near Eastern archaeology.

Environmental and Landscape Archaeology (Co-Convenor) 2020–2021
Jointly designed and delivered seminar course for BA students in Near Eastern archaeology and European prehistory.

Cyprus Study Excursion (Convenor) 2019
Designed and led 8-day study excursion for undergraduate students to Cyprus.

University of Tennessee

Haslam Scholars (Tutor) 2015
Year 1 summer study abroad program. Individual tuition for students in archaeology and anthropology.

University of Edinburgh

Archaeology 2B (Lecturer and Tutor) 2016
Year 2 team-taught course. Delivered lecture and led seminar on obsidian and exchange in the prehistoric Mediterranean.

Archaeology 1B (Lecturer) 2016
Year 1 team-taught course. Delivered lecture on prehistoric Malta.

HCA E-Learning Roberts Project (Assistant) 2011
Content development for online study-skills course for postgraduate students in History, Classics & Archaeology.

From Bronze to Iron – The Eastern Mediterranean c. 1200 BC (Lecturer) 2009
Years 3–4 (honours) team-taught course. Delivered two lectures on Late Bronze Age Cyprus and the northern Levant.

Archaeology 1A–B (Tutor) 2006–2011
Year 1 team-taught course. Led numerous introductory seminars for archaeology foundation course.

Freie Universität Berlin

Cyprus in the Late Bronze Age (Convenor) 2006
Years 3–4. Designed and delivered upper-level undergraduate course.

GRANTS AND AWARDS

2019–2026	2 x Project Grants with Eigene Stelle – Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG): **1.009.235 €**.
2020–2021	RESA program – Planet Labs/German Space Administration (DLR): satellite imagery quota.
2018	Fieldwork Grant (Rabana-Merquly, Iraq) – Deutsche Orient-Gesellschaft: 4.005,96 €.
2018	Fieldwork Grant (Rabana-Merquly, Iraq) – British Institute for the Study of Iraq: £ 2265.
2017–2018	Start-up Research Grant – Heidelberg Centre for Transcultural Studies: 9-month salary.
2015–2016	Career Development Award – Heriot-Watt University/Scottish Funding Council: £ 4980.
2009	Fieldwork Grant – Moray Endowment Fund, University of Edinburgh: £ 135.
2007–2008	Travel Grant – Council for British Research in the Levant: £ 570 + £ 334.
2007	O'Donovan Fellowship – Cyprus American Archaeological Research Institute: $ 750.
2006–2008	Travel Award – Abercromby Fund, University of Edinburgh: £ 500 + £ 400 + £ 700.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND MEMBERSHIPS

2026	**Session chair** (with Claudia Glatz): 'Final conference of the DFG-SPP 2176 Iranian Highlands', Orient-Institut Istanbul, 9th April 2026.
2026	**Speaker** (with Hashim Hama): Police liaison event held at the Slemani Museum, 19th February 2026.
2024–2025	**Organizing committee**: 'Roads and Travellers in the Iranian Highlands' SPP Iranian Highlands workshop, Heidelberg University, 5–7th March 2025.
2020–2024	**Mittelbau (mid-level academic staff) representative**: Fachrat committee Institut für Ur- und Frühgeschichte und Vorderasiatische Archäologie, Heidelberg University.
2017–present	**Reviewer**: Various journal and monograph publications. I also review funding applications for various academic organisations.
2016	**Organizing committee**: 'Archaeology of Brewing' session, Chartered Institute for Archaeologists (CIfA) annual conference, University of Leicester, 21st April 2016.
2014	**Organizing committee**: 'New Agendas in Remote Sensing (T.J. Wilkinson Festschrift)' workshop at the British Association of Near Eastern Archaeologists meeting in Reading, 10th January 2014.
2006	**Organizing committee and session chair**: Postgraduate Cypriot Archaeology (POCA) conference in Edinburgh, 27–28th October 2006.
2005+2010	**Postgraduate representative**: Member of two student-staff liaison committees within the School of History, Classics and Archaeology: University of Edinburgh.

I am a member of the Deutsche Orient-Gesellschaft (DOG), the British Institute for the Study of Iraq (BISI), and the British Association of Near Eastern Archaeologists (BANEA). I have previously been a member of the Council for British Research in the Levant (CBRL) and the Palestine Exploration Fund (PEF).

CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

2016–2019	**German language course:** International Study Centre, Heidelberg University.
2016	**Guide-lecturer for Andante Travels**: 'The Hittites' tour (Turkey).
2012	**Broadcast Media Workshop**: BBC Scotland.
2011	**Broadcast Media Workshop**: Arts and Humanities Research Council UK.

ACADEMIC TALKS PRESENTED

'**Parthian Imperial Control and Local Agency in the Central Zagros Highlands**', presented at "Final conference of the DFG-SPP 2176 Iranian Highlands", Orient-Institut Istanbul, 9th April 2026.

'New results from archaeological excavations at Rabana in Iraqi Kurdistan', Paper presented at CATS (Centre for Asian and Transcultural Studies) Forum, Heidelberg University, 11th July 2025.

'**The Rabana 'Sanctuary': Dynastic Cult And Socio-Political Authority in the Central Zagros (2nd-1st Centuries BCE)**', presented at "Ritual and Society in the Parthian and Sasanian Periods" workshop, Freie Universität Berlin, 27thJune 2025.

'**Mountain, Dynasty, and Divinity: The Rabana 'Sanctuary' and a Royal Cult of Adiabene in the Central Zagros (2nd-1st Centuries BCE)**', presented at the Institut für Ur- und Frühgeschichte und Vorderasiatische Archäologie Forschungskolloquium, Heidelberg University, 27th May 2025.

(with S. Amelirad) '**The Roads of Hawraman: A Study of Isolation, Connectivity and Control**', presented at "Roads and Travellers in the Iranian Highlands" SPP Iranian Highlands workshop, Heidelberg University, 7th March 2025.

'**Is This Burning an Eternal Flame? Political Crises and Dynastic Cults in Southwest Asia during Early Antiquity'**, presented at "Crises in Ancient Highland Societies" SPP Iranian Highlands workshop, Universität Koblenz, 8th March 2024.

'**Recent results from fieldwork at the mountain fortress of Rabana-Merquly**', presented at British Association of Near Eastern Archaeologists (BANEA) annual meeting, University of Oxford, 5th January 2024.

'**The Mountain Fortress of Rabana in Iraqi Kurdistan**', presented at Deutsche Orient-Gesellschaft 125 Jahre Festkolloquium, James-Simon-Galerie, Museumsinsel, Berlin, 24th June 2023.

'**The Mountain Fortresses of Rabana-Merquly in Iraqi Kurdistan**', presented at Vorderasiatische Archäologie Forschungskolloquium, Heidelberg University, 8th February 2022.

(with P. Miglus) '**Tracking Adiabene: Kingship and Cult Iconography in the Zagros**', presented at "Trans-Regional Encounters: Kingdoms and principalities of the Taurus, Zagros, and Caucasus regions between 300 BCE and 200 CE" conference, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster, 20th January 2022.

(with S. Amelirad) '**Imperial Control and Highland Resilience in the Parthian Zagros**', presented at "Coming to Terms with the Future: Concepts of Resilience for the Study of Premodern Societies" SPP Iranian Highlands conference, Ruhr-Universität Bochum (online), 5th December 2021.

'**Imperial Control and Highland Resilience in the Parthian Zagros**', presented at Vorderasiatische Archäologie Forschungskolloquium, Heidelberg University, 12th May 2021.

'**Parthian-Era Rock-Reliefs in the Zagros Highlands of Iraqi Kurdistan**', presented at the Institut für Archäologische Wissenschaften, Goethe-Universität Frankfurt am Main (online), 16th June 2020.

'**Transcultural Perspectives on the Parthian Empire: The Mountain Fortress of Rabana-Merquly**', presented at CATS (Centre for Asian and Transcultural Studies) Forum, Heidelberg University, 31st January 2020.

'**Rabana-Merquly: a royal city of Adiabene in the Zagros Mountains, Iraqi Kurdistan**', presented at British Association of Near Eastern Archaeologists (BANEA) annual meeting, University of Oxford, 11th January 2020.

'**Cultural Heritage in the Middle East: Managing a Threatened Resource**', presented as part of the lecture series „Das kulturelle Erbe der Menschheit—Chancen und Problematik eines populären Konzepts" at the Heidelberg Center for Cultural Heritage, 2nd December 2019.

'**The Mountain Fortresses of Rabana-Merquly in Iraqi Kurdistan**', presented at 4th Berner Altorientalisches Forum (BAF), University of Bern, 12th June 2019.

ACADEMIC TALKS PRESENTED CONT.

'**Parthian Rock-Reliefs from Amādiya in Iraqi Kurdistan**', presented at British Association of Near Eastern Archaeologists (BANEA) annual meeting, University of Liverpool, 23rd February 2019.

'**Two Parthian Rock-Reliefs from Amādiya, Iraqi Kurdistan**', presented at Vorderasiatische Archäologie Forschungskolloquium, Heidelberg University, 13th June 2018.

'**The Parthian Mountain Fortresses of Rabana-Merquly in Iraqi-Kurdistan: Investigations 2016-17**', presented at British Association of Near Eastern Archaeologists (BANEA) annual meeting, Durham University, 29th March 2018.

'**Landscape and settlement in south-east Cyprus during the 2nd millennium BC**', presented at Vorderasiatische Archäologie Forschungskolloquium, Heidelberg University, 7th June 2017.

'**Forced Migration in the Middle Euphrates Valley: Ancient Empires and Modern Perspectives**', presented at "The Archaeology of Forced Migration: Conflict-induced Movement and Refugees in the Mediterranean at the End of the 13th century BC" conference, Université catholique de Louvain, Louvain-la-Neuve (Belgium), 17th March 2017.

(with B. Devillers) '**Environmental Change and State-Level Agency in Protohistoric Cyprus: Infilling of the Yialias Ria**', presented at "Environment, Landscape and Society: Diachronic Perspectives on Settlement Patterns in Cyprus" conference, Cyprus American Archaeological Research Institute, Nicosia, Cyprus, 18th February 2017.

(with P.A. McGovern) '**Ancient Ales and Extreme Beverages: An Interview with Patrick E. McGovern**', presented at "Archaeology of Brewing" session, Chartered Institute for Archaeologists (CIfA) annual conference, University of Leicester, 21st April 2016.

'**Frontiers and Empires in the Middle Euphrates Valley: Results from the Land of Carchemish (Syria) Project**', presented at British Association of Near Eastern Archaeologists (BANEA) annual meeting, University College London, 8th January 2015.

'**New data on the Late Bronze Age and Early Iron Age of the Middle Euphrates**', presented at "Landscapes of Complex Society" seminar, Durham University, 19th May 2014.

'**Geoarchaeology in Cyprus and the Bronze Age kingdom of Alashiya**', presented at the British Institute Amman, Jordan, 4th February 2013.

'**Landscapes of Settlement in Late Bronze Age Cyprus**', presented at the School of History, Classics and Archaeology, University of Edinburgh, 2nd February 2012.

'**New investigations at Pyla-Kokkinokremos**', presented at the 9th annual Postgraduate Cypriot Archaeology (POCA) Conference, Oxford, 20th November 2009.

(with W.R. Caraher et al.) '**Pyla Koutsopetria Archaeological Project: The Seventh Season**', presented at the 27th annual CAARI Archaeological Workshop, Nicosia, Cyprus, 20th June 2009.

(with W.R. Caraher et al.) '**Pyla Koutsopetria Archaeological Project: The Sixth Season**', presented at the 26th annual CAARI Archaeological Workshop, Nicosia, Cyprus, 21st June 2008.

(with W.R. Caraher et al.) '**Pyla Koutsopetria Archaeological Project: The Fifth Season**', presented at the 25th annual CAARI Archaeological Workshop, Nicosia, Cyprus, 23rd June 2007.

'**Intrasite Spatial Analysis and the Bronze-to-Iron Age Transition in Cyprus and the Northern Levant**', presented at "Island Dialogues: Cyprus in the Mediterranean Network" - 6th annual Postgraduate Cypriot Archaeology Conference (POCA), Edinburgh, 28th October 2006.

'**Intrasite Spatial Analysis and the Settlement History of Tell Sūkās**', presented at the Institut für Vorderasiatische Archäologie, Freie Universität Berlin, 21st June 2006.

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