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Research/ significant publications:

“If Bošković had not been a Jesuit: On the relationship between religious culture and scientific creativity” in RIThink Vol. 1, 2012. pp. 10-23. [<http://www.rithink.hr/?act=archives>]

“What makes a Bell rings: The Buddhist Golden Rule and Its Means of Implementation” in Comparative Culture: The Journal of Miyazaki International College, 15, 2010, pp. 2-12.

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Other publications

“On the Origin of Religious Discourse” in The Dialectics of the Religious & the Secular: Studies on the Future of Religion. Edited by Michael R. Ott. Koninklijke Brill NV, Leiden, The Netherlands, 2014.

“Buddhism” in A Catholic Engagement with the World Religions in coll. with Franco Sottocornola and Maria de Giorgi, Maryknoll, New York: Orbis Book, 2010, pp. 438-443.

“Asking the Right Question” in Asian Texts - Asian Contexts: Encountering the Philosophies and Religions of Asia. Albany: SUNY Press, 2010, pp. 188-196.

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