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### **Mantras and Metre: Editing Esoteric Scriptures**

'In editing (anonymous) texts like the *Ṣaṭṣāhasra Saṃhitā* there are few possibilities to reach a correct/authentic text.' Thus begins the English Summary of Tilmann Vetter's article 'Zur Metrik in einem Tantratext,' published in *IJ* in 1983. Indeed editing tantric scriptural literature poses considerable problems. My presentation will consider some of these problems, possibilities or strategies to deal, to some extent, with them, the current state of research, and prospects for future scholarly work. Some remarks will also be made in passing about contributions of Vetter and some scholars who were supervised by him.