CONFLICT AND CONSENSUS IN EARLY Greek Hexameter Poetry

Achilles inflicts countless agonies on the Achaeans, although he is supposed to be fighting on their side. Odysseus' return causes civil strife on Ithaca. The *Iliad* and the *Odyssey* depict conflict where consensus should reign, as do the other major poems of the early Greek hexameter tradition: Hesiod's *Theogony* and the *Homeric Hymns* describe divine clashes that unbalance the cosmos; Hesiod's *Works and Days* stems from a quarrel between brothers. These early Greek poems generated consensus among audiences: the reason why they reached us is that people agreed on their value. This volume, accordingly, explores conflict and consensus from a dual perspective: as thematic concerns in the poems, and as forces shaping their early reception. It sheds new light on poetics and metapoetics, internal and external audiences, competition inside the narrative and competing narratives, local and Panhellenic traditions, narrative closure, and the making of canonical literature.

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Abbreviations

Greek authors and works (except for the *Homeric Hymns*) are abbreviated as in LSJ, journals as in the *Année Philologique*.

Bernabé	Poetae Epici Graeci: Testimonia et Fragmenta Pars 1, ed.
<i></i>	A. Bernabé. Leipzig, 1987.
CAD	The Assyrian Dictionary of the Oriental Institute of the University
	of Chicago, 21 vols. Chicago, 1956–2010.
Davies	Epicorum Graecorum Fragmenta, ed. M. Davies. Göttingen,
	1988.
DK	Die Fragmente der Vorsokratiker, 10th edn, ed. H. Diels and
	W. Kranz. Berlin, 1961.
FGrHist	Die Fragmente der Griechischen Historiker, ed. F. Jacoby. Berlin
	and Leiden, 1923–58.
IG	Inscriptiones Graecae. Berlin, 1873–.
LfgrE	Lexicon des frühgriechischen Epos, ed. B. Snell et al. Göttingen,
18	1955–2010.
LIMC	Lexicon Iconographicum Mythologiae Classicae, 8 vols. Zurich,
	1981–99.
LSJ	A Greek-English Lexicon, 9th edn, ed. H. G. Liddell, R. Scott
LOJ	and H. Jones. Oxford, 1940.
LSS	Lois sacrées des cités grecques: supplement, ed. F. Sokolowski.
L00	Paris, 1962.
MW	
IVI W	Fragmenta Hesiodea, ed. R. Merkelbach and M. L. West.
DCC	Oxford, 1967.
PCG	Poetae Comici Graeci, ed. R. Kassel and C. Austin. Berlin, 1983
Pertusi	Scholia Vetera in Hesiodi Opera et Dies, ed. A. Pertusi. Milan,
	1955.
PMG	Poetae Melici Graeci, ed. D. L. Page. Oxford, 1962.
SEG	Supplementum Epigraphicum Graecum. Leiden, 1923–.

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TAM	<i>Tituli Asiae Minoris</i> . Vienna, 1901–.
TLL	Thesaurus Linguae Latinae. Leipzig, 1900–.
Voigt	Sappho et Alcaeus, ed. E. M. Voigt. Amsterdam, 1971.
West	Iambi et Elegi Graeci, 2 vols, 2nd edn, ed. M. L. West. Oxford,
	1989–92.