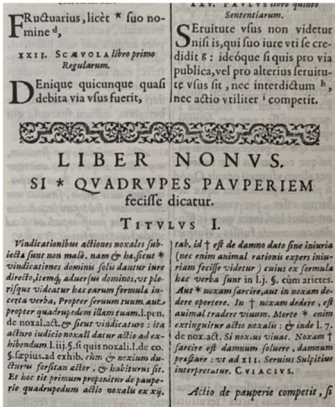


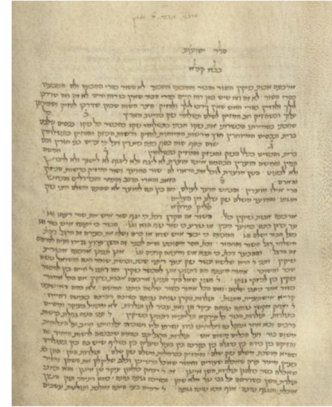


# Rabbinic Civil Law in the Context of Ancient Legal History

## A Legal Compendium to the Bavot Tractates of the Talmud Yerushalmi



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- Legal scholars generally deal with **Roman law** as the basis of modern European law, whereas **rabbinic law** is studied in the context of **Jewish Studies**.
- Rabbinic civil law, evident in the **Bavot tractates** of the **Talmud Yerushalmi** constitutes a significant Middle Eastern corpus of ancient civil law.
- Ancient rabbis were legal adjudicators who devised rules and precedents in areas of civil law that have **analogies, especially in Hellenistic and Roman law**.
- Aims of our project:
  - **analysis and comparison** of rabbinic with Hellenistic and Roman civil law
  - examination of the **impact of Roman law on the eastern provinces** and the development of a **legal hybridity** in Near Middle Eastern societies.
  - **integration of Jewish civil law within ancient legal history**

SOME EXAMPLES		
<b>y. B. Qam. 4:7(6), 4c</b>	<b>y. B. Qam. 2:5, 3a</b>	<b>y. B. Mes. 1:4, 7d-8a</b>
To what extent are the attackers liable if someone is killed by consecutive blows?	To what extent is one liable for damages caused by a fire ignited on a windy day?	Who acquires ownership of a pigeon snatched by a tenant from the top of a tree?

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