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# Einladung zum Vortrag

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**The current state  
of research on the  
authorship of the  
Pātañjalayoga-  
śāstravivarāṇa**

Whether the *Pātañjalayogaśāstravivarāṇa* (YVi), a commentary on the *Pātañjalayogaśāstra* (the *Yogasūtra* plus the *Yogabhāṣya*), is a work of the famous Śāṅkara, the author of the *Brahmasūtraśāṅkarabhāṣya* (BSBh), is an open question. In the present talk, I will first present a chronology of various views regarding this problem. This will be followed by examinations of underlying theoretical and technical issues. I will then discuss my personal views and approaches to the problem that have evolved over the years. The final part of the presentation will introduce my current focuses that might finally give some answers to the authorship problem. One focus is the question if Maṇḍana Mīśra, whom I consider to have known both the BSBh and the YVi, thought that the two works have the same author.