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APPOINTMENTSEmployment:

Singapore Management University 03.2017 –

Administrative:

Associate Provost (Research Strategy)	07.2026 –
Director, SMU Urban Institute	05.2023 –
Pillar Lead, Urban Experiences, SMU Urban Institute	08.2023 –
Associate Dean (Research & Postgraduate Education), CIS	02.2022 – 06.2026
Course Coordinator, Big Questions, CIS	07.2019 – 12.2023

Academic:

Professor of Geography, CIS	07.2024 –
Associate Professor of Geography, CIS	01.2021 – 06.2024
Assistant Professor of Humanities, SOSS	07.2018 – 12.2020
Research Fellow, SOSS	03.2017 – 06.2018

Editorial:

Editor-in-Chief, <i>Cities: Smarter Futures</i> , Elsevier	12.2025 –
Series Editor, <i>Southeast Asian Urban Futures</i> , Bristol University Press	12.2025 –

EDUCATION

PhD in Geography, National University of Singapore	01.2009 – 04.2012
BA (First Class Honours) in Geography, University College London	09.2003 – 06.2006

HONOURS & AWARDS

Stanford University's World Top 2% of Scientists	2023 –
Lee Kong Chian Fellow, Singapore Management University	07.2020 – 06.2024
Sir William Meyer Essay Prize, University College London	2005

FUNDING

S\$5,721,665	as Principal Investigator
S\$21,419,868 ¹	as Principal Investigator, Co-(Principal) Investigator, or Collaborator

¹ Approximate, given currency conversions.

Projects:

- 2026 – 2031 ‘The Curation of Blue Zone 3.0 – Examining Societal Nudges to Promote Well-being of a Super-aged Population’, MOE Academic Research Fund (Tier 3), S\$10,212,410. Co-Principal Investigator.
- 2026 – 2030 ‘Inclusive AI Governance in Southeast Asian Cities’, Social Science Research Council (Special Programmatic Grant), S\$3,422,027. Lead Principal Investigator.
- 2026 – 2029 ‘Autonomizing Environmental Governance in Asian Cities: AI, Climate Change, and Frictional Urbanisms’, MOE Academic Research Fund (Tier 2), S\$803,738. Principal Investigator.
- 2026 – 2027 ‘From Oil Palms to Data Centres: Infrastructural Pathways, Cloud Capital and Urban Sustainability in the Johor-Singapore Special Economic Zone’, LSE-Southeast Asia Centre Research Fund, GBP9,317. Co-Investigator.
- 2025 – 2027 ‘Infrastructures of Care and Everyday Elderly Mobilities in Singapore’, MOE Academic Research Fund (Tier 1, Partnerships Edition with SUTD), S\$200,000. Principal Investigator.
- 2023 – 2024 ‘Education Infrastructures and Migrant Un/Belonging: Indian Students in Singapore’, MOE Academic Research Fund (Tier 1, Partnerships Edition with the University of Toronto), S\$69,750. Principal Investigator.
- 2022 – 2025 ‘Technocratic Regionalism in Southeast Asia: The Translational Politics of Smart City Knowledge Transfer’, MOE Academic Research Fund (Tier 2), S\$653,978. Principal Investigator.
- 2022 – 2025 ‘SPACE: Shaping Public Adaptive Capacity for Environmental Infectious Diseases’, National Research Foundation Singapore, S\$3,846,150. Co-Investigator.
- 2020 – 2022 ‘Smart Cities in Global Comparative Perspective: Worlding and Provincializing Relationships’, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, C\$200,000. Co-Investigator.
- 2019 – 2022 ‘New Religious Pluralisms in Singapore: Migration, Integration and Difference’, MOE Academic Research Fund (Tier 2), S\$572,172. Principal Investigator.
- 2019 – 2022 ‘Infrastructures of Faith: Religious Mobilities on the Belt and Road’, University Grant Committee Hong Kong (Collaborative Research Fund), HK\$6,200,000. Collaborator.
- 2018 – 2019 ‘Making Smart Cities for All’, SMU Capacity Building Fund, S\$275,000. Collaborator.
- 2017 – 2019 ‘Religion and Migration: Christian Integration and the (Un)Making of Communities’, MOE Academic Research Fund (Tier 1, Category B), S\$77,439. Collaborator.

2009 – 2012 NUS Research Scholarship, National University of Singapore, monthly stipend and full tuition fee waiver.

PUBLICATIONS

[ORCID](#) | [Google Scholar](#) | [Scopus](#) | [ScholarGPS](#)

Books & edited books:

4. **Woods, O.**, Kong, L. and Goh, E. (eds) (In progress) *The Routledge Handbook of Urban Futures*. London and New York: Routledge.
3. Kong, L., **Woods, O.** and Tse, J.K.H. (eds) (2025) *Handbook of the Geographies of Religion*. Dordrecht: Springer.
2. Gomes, C., Kong, L. and **Woods, O.** (eds) (2020) *Religion, Hypermobility and Digital Media in Global Asia: Faith, Flows and Fellowship*. Amsterdam: Amsterdam University Press.
1. Kong, L. and **Woods, O.** (2016) *Religion and Space: Competition, Conflict and Violence in the Contemporary World*. London: Bloomsbury.

Guest edited journal special issues:

5. Chen, Y.S. and **Woods, O.** (In progress) 'Cities in crisis: between continuity and change', *City*.
4. **Woods, O.** and McFarlane, C. (In progress) 'Density pathways in urbanising Asia', *Urban Studies*.
3. Brail, S. and **Woods, O.** (2026) 'Urban innovation in the smart city: Technologies, transformations and new regimes of governance', *Applied Geography*, 193: 1-5.
2. **Woods, O.** and Connolly, C. (2026) 'The experimental governance of urban nature in Southeast Asia', *Environment and Planning E: Nature and Space*, 9(3): 793-799.
1. **Woods, O.** and Palmer, D.A. (2024) 'The sacred dimensions of the BRI's infrastructural commons', *Modern Asian Studies*, 58(5): 1259-1275.

Peer-reviewed journal articles:

98. Shee, S.Y. and **Woods, O.** (Forthcoming) 'Towards more inclusive AI systems in cities', *Dialogues in Urban Research*.
97. **Woods, O.** and Connolly, C. (2026) 'The Affective Economy of Toxic Atmospheres: Sensory Governance, Ecological Intelligence, and the Performative Politics of Urban Mosquito Management', *Annals of the American Association of Geographers*, 116(5): 1045-1062.

96. Shee, S.Y., **Woods, O.** and Randle, S. (2026) 'Engineering immunity? Biotechnical governance and the experimental failures of Project Wolbachia in Singapore', *Environment and Planning E: Nature and Space*, 9(3): 835-857.
95. Das, P., **Woods, O.** and Kong, L. (2026) 'Seeing beyond the state: Private sector-led smart city governance in BSD City, Indonesia', *Environment and Planning C: Politics and Space*, 44(3): 586-604.
94. Grimley, E., **Woods, O.** and Kong, L. (2026) 'Forging more-than-Indian citizenship pathways: (Inter)national education, religious values, and new frontiers of belonging in Singapore', *British Journal of Sociology of Education*, 47(3): 538-556.
93. Shee, S.Y. and **Woods, O.** (2026) 'Conditional inclusion in the sensory contact zone: coexisting with *desis* in Singapore's *gurdwaras*', *Social & Cultural Geography*, 27(4): 439-459.
92. Grimley, E., Das, P., **Woods, O.** and Kong, L. (2026) 'How do you fix knowledge in place? Digital nomads and infrastructural stickiness', *Tourism Geographies*, 28(1): 102-121.
91. Das, P., **Woods, O.** and Kong, L. (2026) 'Modelling nature? The digital twinning and untwinning of urban farms', *Geoforum*, 170: 1-10.
90. Das, P., **Woods, O.** and Kong, L. (2026) 'Smart Cities Beyond Methodological Cityism: Foregrounding Developmentalism, Scalar Flexing and the Rebranding of the 'Urban'', *International Journal of Urban and Regional Research*, 50(1): 79-96.
89. Chen, N. and **Woods, O.** (2026) 'Assembling diasporic faith amidst China's rise: (de)territorialization and the multi-scalar production of the Guangze Zunwang cult in the Chinese diaspora', *Geoforum*, 169: 1-10.
88. **Woods, O.** and Qian, J. (2025) 'Casual killing in the home: Ecological citizenship and the micro-geopolitics of mosquito cohabitation', *Environment and Planning E: Nature and Space*, DOI: 10.1177/25148486251406804.
87. Das, P., **Woods, O.** and Kong, L. (2025) 'Navigating AI-nature frictions: Autonomous vehicle testing and nature-based constraints', *Big Data & Society*, DOI: 10.1177/20539517251406123.
86. Bunnell, T., Spicer, Z., Miller, B., Abbruzzese, T., Cardullo, P., Chang, I.-C., Charnock, G., Chung, M.-K., Heo, K., Jou, S.-C., Karvonen, A., Kordas, O., Kong, L., Ribera-Fumaz, R., Chae, S.W., Shin, H. and **Woods, O.** (2025) 'The citizen and the smart city: a global comparison of institutional logics', *Urban Geography*, DOI: 10.1080/02723638.2025.2551135.
85. Ward, K., Abbruzzese, T., Bunnell, T., Cardullo, P., Chang, I.-C., Miller, B., Ribera-Fumaz, R., Shin, H., Spicer, Z. and **Woods, O.** (2025) 'A comparison of comparisons: Evidence from an international comparative study of 'smart cities'', *Environment and Planning C: Politics and Space*, DOI: 10.1177/23996544251320261.
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83. **Woods, O.** and Randle, S. (2025) 'Ecological responsibility in the city: the surfaces and volumes of urban mosquito management', *Urban Geography*, 46(9): 2019-2041.
82. **Woods, O.**, Bunnell, T. and Kong, L. (2025) 'Island platforms and the hyper-terrestrialisation of Singapore's smart city-state', *Territory, Politics, Governance*, 13(9): 1304-1322.
81. Das, P., **Woods, O.** and Kong, L. (2025) 'Right-sizing the smart city in Southeast Asia', *Area*, 57(3): 1-9.
80. Das, P., **Woods, O.** and Kong, L. (2025) 'What Are the Limits to Smart Innovation? The Digital Underground Initiative and New Frontiers of "Smartness" in Singapore', *Planning Theory & Practice*, 26(3): 365-383.
79. **Woods, O.**, Chang, I.-C. and Shin, H. (2025) 'Remaking the smart city through the COVID-19 pandemic: Seoul, Singapore, Taipei', *Applied Geography*, 184: 1-8.
78. Grimley, E., **Woods, O.** and Kong, L. (2025) 'Educating Indians, learning 'Indianness': Navigating pluralistic educational infrastructures in diasporic Singapore', *South Asian Diaspora*, 17(2): 337-352.
77. **Woods, O.** (2025) 'The experiential value of gambling in f2p gamespaces', *Convergence*, 31(3): 1199-1213.
76. Shee, S.Y. and **Woods, O.** (2025) '(Un)mapping the Punjab Onto Singapore's *Gurdwaras*: Diasporic Territorialities and Decolonial Spaces of Sikh Socialisation', *Geopolitics*, 30(3): 1499-1524.
75. Mora, L., Gerli, P., Batty, M., Royall, E., Carfi, N., Coenegrachts, K.-F., de Jong, M., Facchina, M., Janssen, M., Meijer, A., Pasi, G., Perrino, M., Raven, R., Sancino, A., Santi, P., Sharp, D., Trencher, G., Sagar, A., van Zoonen, L., Westerberg, P., **Woods, O.**, Zhang, X. and Ziemer, G. (2025) 'Confronting the smart city governance challenge', *Nature Cities*, 2: 110-113.
74. Tan, G.K.S., Poon, J. and **Woods, O.** (2025) 'Discontent in the world city of Singapore', *Urban Studies*, 62(1): 109-126.
73. Grimley, E., **Woods, O.** and Kong, L. (2024) 'Here, There, and Elsewhere: Ethnicity, Identity, and Global Orientation at an Indian International School in Singapore', *Folk, Knowledge, Place*, DOI: 10.24043/001c.126671.
72. **Woods, O.** (2024) 'Infrastructural splintering along the BRI: Catholic political ecologies and the fractious futures of Sri Lanka's littoral spaces', *Modern Asian Studies*, 58(5): 1407-1428.
71. Das, P., **Woods, O.** and Kong, L. (2024) 'Human sensors in the city of super apps: mobilizing people as infrastructure for smart city development in Jakarta, Indonesia', *City*, 28(5-6): 812-834.

70. Tok, T.Q.H., **Woods, O.** and Kong, L. (2024) 'What is Beyond Measurement for Social Cohesion?', *Social Indicators Research*, 175: 109-127.
69. **Woods, O.**, Bunnell, T. and Kong, L. (2024) 'Territorialising the cloud or clouding the territory? Voluminous vulnerabilities and the militarised conjunctures of Singapore's smart city-state', *Political Geography*, 115: 1-9.
68. **Woods, O.** (2024) 'Between the commons and the cosmos: the sacred politics of the BRI in Southeast Asia and beyond', *Area Development and Policy*, 9(3): 308-324.
67. **Woods, O.** (2024) 'Gamified bodies and the illusory meaning of muscle', *Gender, Place & Culture*, 31(7): 910-931.
66. **Woods, O.**, Bunnell, T. and Kong, L. (2024) 'Insourcing the smart city: assembling an ideo-technical ecosystem of skills, talent, and civic-mindedness in Singapore', *Urban Geography*, 45(5): 735-754.
65. Shee, S.Y., **Woods, O.** and Kong, L. (2024) 'When planetary cosmopolitanism meets the Buddhist ethic: Recycling, *karma* and popular ecology in Singapore', *Transactions of the Institute of British Geographers*, 49(2): 1-15.
64. **Woods, O.** (2024) 'Neoliberal shifts and strategies of religious adaptation in post-war Sri Lanka', *Journal of Contemporary Religion*, 39(1): 69-86.
63. **Woods, O.** (2024) 'Topological spaces of embodied becoming: queens, queerness, and (infra)structural subterfuge in Singapore', *Journal of Gender Studies*, 33(4): 446-457.
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59. Gao, Q., **Woods, O.**, Kong, L. and Shee, S.Y. (2024) 'Lived religion in a digital age: technology, affect and the pervasive space-times of "new" religious praxis', *Social & Cultural Geography*, 25(1): 29-48.
58. **Woods, O.** (2023) 'The illusory infrastructure of ink: Machinic bodies and epidermic affects in Singapore', *Emotion, Space and Society*, 49: 1-8.
57. **Woods, O.**, Bunnell, T. and Kong, L. (2023) 'The state-led platformisation of financial services: Frictionless ecosystems and an expansive logic of "smartness" in Singapore', *Geoforum*, 146: 1-9.
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55. **Woods, O.** (2023) 'Reading is fun-da-mental: queering queer "safe" spaces within drag culture', *Feminist Media Studies*, 23(6): 2514-2529.
54. **Woods, O.** (2023) 'Forging a more masculine self online: demonstrating skill and sovereignty in the playing of first-person shooter games', *Feminist Media Studies*, 23(6): 2867-2882.
53. **Woods, O.** (2023) 'Framing the Muslim subject, contesting the secular citizen: Tablighi Jamaat and the (trans)nationalisation of Islam in Singapore', *Global Networks*, 23(3): 599-615.
52. Gao, Q., **Woods, O.** and Kong, L. (2023) 'Squeezed out by the market, seeking strength in the network: Makeshift temples and the spatio-affective logics of survival in Singapore', *Transactions of the Institute of British Geographers*, 48(2): 351-364.
51. **Woods, O.** and Kong, L. (2023) 'The Partial Secularisms of Singapore's Muslim Minorities: Arbitrating Model Citizenship and (In)Complete Selves at the Margins', *Annals of the American Association of Geographers*, 113(3): 616-634.
50. Gao, Q., **Woods, O.** and Kong, L. (2023) 'The Political Ecology of Death: Chinese Religion and The Affective Tensions of Secularised Burial Rituals in Singapore', *Environment and Planning E: Nature and Space*, 6(1): 537-555.
 - Reprinted as 死亡的生态政治: 新加坡丧葬改革中的土地与情感矛盾 in *World Regional Studies*, 33(4): 24-35.
49. **Woods, O.** and Kong, L. (2023) 'The demands of displacement, the micro-aggressions of multiculturalism: performing an idea of "Indianness" in Singapore', *Ethnic and Racial Studies*, 46(1): 119-140.
48. **Woods, O.** (2022) 'Infrastructure's (Supra)Sacralizing Effects: Contesting Littoral Spaces of Fishing, Faith, and Futurity Along Sri Lanka's Western Coastline', *Annals of the American Association of Geographers*, 112(8): 2344-2359.
47. **Woods, O.** (2022) 'The Economy of Time, the Rationalisation of Resources: Discipline, Desire and Deferred Value in the Playing of *Gacha Games*', *Games and Culture*, 17(7-8): 1075-1092.
46. **Woods, O.** (2022) 'Realising contingent religious subjects through relational spaces of missionary encounter', *Asia Pacific Viewpoint*, 63(2): 224-235.
45. **Woods, O.** (2022) 'From roadman to royalties: Inter-representational value and the hypercapitalist impulses of grime', *Crime, Media, Culture*, 18(3): 412-429.
44. **Woods, O.** and Donaldson, J. (2022) 'Haptic heritage and the paradox of provenance within Singapore's cottage food businesses', *Food, Culture & Society*, 25(2): 237-253.
43. **Woods, O.** and Kong, L. (2022) 'Aestheticized temples, rationalized affects: sacred modernities and the micro-regulation of Hinduism in Singapore', *Journal of Cultural Geography*, 39(2): 182-200.

42. **Woods, O.** and Kong, L. (2022) 'Class(ify)ing Christianity in Singapore: Tracing the interlinked spaces of privilege and position', *City*, 26(2-3): 373-384.
41. Kong, L., **Woods, O.** and Zhu, H. (2022) 'The (de)territorialised appeal of international schools in China: Forging brands, boundaries and inter-belonging in segregated urban space', *Urban Studies*, 59(1): 242-258.
 - *Shortlisted for the Urban Studies Best Article of 2022.*
40. **Woods, O.** (2022) 'A harbour in the country, a city in the sea: Infrastructural conduits, territorial inversions and the slippages of sovereignty in Sino-Sri Lankan development narratives', *Political Geography*, 92: 1-9.
39. **Woods, O.** (2021) '(Un)tethered masculinities, (mis)placed modernities: Queering futurity in contemporary Singapore', *Sexualities*, 24(7): 891-905.
38. Gao, Q., Tse, J.K.H. and **Woods, O.** (2021) 'What and whose Confucianism? Sinophone communities and dialogical geopolitics', *Dialogues in Human Geography*, 11(2): 244-247.
37. **Woods, O.** (2021) 'Free bodies, segmented selves: Paradoxical spaces of dancehall culture in Singapore', *Gender, Place & Culture*, 28(7): 913-932.
36. Kong, L. and **Woods, O.** (2021) 'Scaling smartness, (de)provincialising the city? The ASEAN Smart Cities Network and the translational politics of technocratic regionalism', *Cities*, 117: 1-8.
35. **Woods, O.** (2021) 'Feminist geographies of online gaming', *Digital Geography and Society*, 2: 1-9.
34. Cai, X., **Woods, O.** and Gao, Q. (2021) 'Running bodies and the affective spaces of health in and beyond marathon running in China', *Health & Place*, 70: 1-7.
33. Gao, Q., **Woods, O.** and Cai, X. (2021) 'The influence of masculinity and the moderating role of religion on the workplace well-being of factory workers in China', *International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health*, 18(12): 6250.
32. **Woods, O.** and Shee, S.Y. (2021) 'The digital void of voluntourism: Here, there and new currencies of care', *Geoforum*, 124: 46-53.
31. **Woods, O.** (2021) 'Porous Religious Economies and the Problem of Regulating Religious Marketplaces', *Review of Religion and Chinese Society*, 8(1): 9-38.
30. **Woods, O.** (2021) 'Clashing cyphers, contagious content: The digital geopolitics of grime', *Transactions of the Institute of British Geographers*, 46(2): 464-477.
29. **Woods, O.** (2021) 'Mobilising Dissent in a Digital Age: The Curious Case of Amos Yee', *Geopolitics*, 26(2): 639-660.
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21. **Woods, O.** and Kong, L. (2020) 'New cultures of care? The spatio-temporal modalities of home-based smart eldercare technologies in Singapore', *Social & Cultural Geography*, 21(9): 1307-1327.
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9. **Woods, O.** (2018) 'Spaces of the Religious Economy: Negotiating the Regulation of Religious Space in Singapore', *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*, 57(3): 531-546.
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21. **Woods, O.** (2025) 'Religion' in Winders, J. and Ashutosh, I. (eds) *Wiley-Blackwell Companion to Cultural and Social Geography*. Wiley-Blackwell.
20. **Woods, O.**, Ruwanpura, K., Chan, L. and Mah, B. (2025) 'A Debt to Whom? The Nature Questions in Sino-Sri Lankan Development Narratives' in Apostolopoulou, E., Wiig, A., Silver, J. and Cheng, H. (eds) *The Material Geographies of the Belt and Road Initiative: Infrastructures and Political Ecologies on the New Silk Road*. Bristol: Bristol University Press.
19. **Woods, O.**, Kong, L. and Lim, A. (2025) 'Sedimented surveillance in Southeast Asia's 'smart' city-state: the case of Singapore' in Oberwittler, D. and Wickes, R. (eds) *Handbook on Cities and Crime*. Cheltenham: Edward Elgar, pp. 468-482.
18. **Woods, O.**, Kong, L. and Tse, J.K.H. (2025) 'The End of the Beginning for the Geographies of Religion?' in Kong, L., **Woods, O.** and Tse, J.K.H. (eds) *Handbook of the Geographies of Religion*. Dordrecht: Springer.
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16. **Woods, O.** (2025) 'Reflections on "Veiled Meanings: Young British Women and the Negotiation of Differences"' in Kong, L., **Woods, O.** and Tse, J.K.H. (eds) *Handbook of the Geographies of Religion*. Dordrecht: Springer.
15. **Woods, O.** (2025) 'The Community Economics Shaping Alternative Spaces of Islamic Futurity in Singapore' in Kong, L., **Woods, O.** and Tse, J.K.H. (eds) *Handbook of the Geographies of Religion*. Dordrecht: Springer.
14. Tse, J.K.H., Kong L. and **Woods, O.** (2025) 'Conclusion: Geographies of Religion as Integrative Study' in Kong, L., **Woods, O.** and Tse, J.K.H. (eds) *Handbook of the Geographies of Religion*. Dordrecht: Springer.
13. **Woods, O.** (2024) 'Religion' in Cloke, P., Goodwin, M., Dombroski, K., Williams, A. and Qian, J. (eds) *Introducing Human Geographies*. London and New York: Routledge, DOI: 10.4324/9780429265853-33.
12. **Woods, O.** (2024) 'The Power and the Politics of Embodying Dancehall: Reconciling Sonic Affect and the Religious Self in Singapore' in Lorea, C. and Hackett, R. (eds) *Religious Sounds Beyond the Global North: Senses, Media and Power*. Amsterdam: Amsterdam University Press, pp. 233-246.
11. **Woods, O.** (2023) 'Volunteer tourism – 'doing it for the 'gram': Cambodia, Southeast Asia' in Lynes, A., Kelly, C. and Treadwell, J. (eds) *50 Dark Destinations: Crime and Contemporary Tourism*. Bristol: Policy Press, pp. 223-229.
10. **Woods, O.** (2023) 'Reimagining Smart Citizenship, Reconciling (Im)partial Truths: POFMA, Digital Data and Singapore's Smart Nation' in Mackinnon, D., Fast, V. and Burns, R. (eds) *Digital (In)justice in the Smart City*. Toronto: University of Toronto Press, pp. 383-393.
9. **Woods, O.** (2022) 'Digital diasporas and the religious reproduction of 'home'' in Campbell, H.A. and Cheong, P. (eds) *The Oxford Handbook of Digital Religion*. New York: Oxford University Press.
8. **Woods, O.** (2022) 'Space, Boundaries and Borders in the Study of Religion, Gender and Society' in Starkey, C. and Tomalin, E. (eds) *The Routledge Handbook of Religion, Gender and Society*. London: Routledge, pp. 136-148.
7. **Woods, O.** (2020) 'The Creation of Digitally-Mediated Christian Migrant Communities in Singapore' in Gomes, C., Kong, L. and **Woods, O.** (eds) *Religion, Hypermobility and Digital Media in Global Asia: Faith, Flows and Fellowship*. Amsterdam: Amsterdam University Press, pp. 27-45.
6. Gomes, C., Kong, L. and **Woods, O.** (2020) 'Introduction' in Gomes, C., Kong, L. and **Woods, O.** (eds) *Religion, Hypermobility and Digital Media in Global Asia: Faith, Flows and Fellowship*. Amsterdam: Amsterdam University Press, pp. 11-24.
5. **Woods, O.** (2020) 'Religion' in Kobayashi, A. et al. (eds) *International Encyclopedia of Human Geography*. Elsevier, pp. 397-401.

4. Kong, L. and **Woods, O.** (2019) 'Geographical and demographic approaches to leaving religion' in Enstedt, D., Larsson, G. and Mantsinen, T.T. (eds) *Handbook of Leaving Religion*. Leiden: Brill, pp. 267-277.
3. **Woods, O.** (2018) 'Religion and Development' in McGregor, A., Law, L. and Miller, F. (eds) *The Routledge Handbook of Southeast Asian Development*. London and New York: Routledge, pp. 250-260.
2. **Woods, O.** and Kong, L. (2017) 'Mobile cities, modelling policies: importing/exporting the Singapore 'model' of development' in Short, J. (ed) *A Research Agenda for Cities*. Cheltenham: Edward Elgar, pp. 206-217.
1. **Woods, O.** (2017) 'Cultural Politics' in Castree, N., Goodchild, M., Liu, W., Kobayashi, A., Marston, R. and Richardson, D. (eds) *International Encyclopedia of Geography: People, the Earth, Environment, and Technology*. Wiley, pp. 1-8.

Occasional papers & case notes:

9. **Woods, O.** (2026) 'What is the Value of Urban Resilience?', SMU City Dialogues White Paper.
8. **Woods, O.** and Doneva, L. (2025) 'Smart city development: Why does it matter for Southeast Asia?', *Asian Management Insights*, Singapore Management University (November 2025).
7. He, S., Lee, N.J., Phang, S.Y., **Woods, O.**, Zheng, S. and Doneva, L. (2025) 'Sustainable Urbanisation in Asia: Drivers and Consequences', Singapore Management University.
6. **Woods, O.**, Wong, A. and Lim, T. (2025) 'Heritage as a Bridge: Singapore's Journey for UNESCO Inscription Bids and Regional Collaboration', Singapore Management University (SMU-25-0014).
5. **Woods, O.**, Wong, A. and Ang, J. (2025) 'Fostering Multiculturalism and Harmony: The Singapore Approach', Singapore Management University (SMU-25-0016).
4. **Woods, O.** and Mah, B. (2024) 'Reconciling the Costs of Sustainable Cities', SMU City Dialogues White Paper.
3. Shee, S.Y. and **Woods, O.** (2024) 'Rethinking the Inclusionary Potential of Religious Institutions: The Case of *Gurdwaras* in Singapore', *Interreligious Relations*, Issue 30 (July-December): 1-16.
2. Kong, L., **Woods, O.**, Cheah, S.M. and Bunnell, T. (2022) 'OneMotoring: Driving the digital transformation of vehicle services in Singapore', Singapore Management University (SMU-22-0018).
1. Kong, L., **Woods, O.** and Abdul Wahid, A. (2020) 'Countering Exclusivism, Promoting Inclusivism: The Way Forward for Singapore', *Interreligious Relations*, Issue 19 (August): 1-14.

Book reviews:

3. **Woods, O.** (2024) 'Of Gods, Gifts and Ghosts: Spiritual Places in Urban Spaces' by Terence Heng, *SOJOURN: Journal of Social Issues in Southeast Asia*, 39(2): 342-344.
2. **Woods, O.** (2021) 'Transnational Religious Spaces: Religious Organizations and Interactions in Africa, East Asia, and Beyond' edited by Philip Clart and Adam Jones, *International Bulletin of Mission Research*, DOI: 10.1177/23969393211006400.
1. **Woods, O.** (2019) 'Experimental practice: technoscience, alterontologies, and more than social movements' by Dimitris Papadopoulos, *Social & Cultural Geography*, 20(5): 755-756.

INVITED KEYNOTES, LECTURES, WORKSHOPS & SYMPOSIA

- 2026 'From autonomy to inclusion: AI and the next wave of urban transformation in Southeast Asia's cities', invited keynote speaker at the 6th International Conference on Smart City Innovation, Jakarta, Indonesia.
- 2026 'When Fandom Meets Faith: *Gacha* Gaming and Religious Governance in Southeast Asia', invited speaker at GachaCon 2026: Genshin Impact conference, City University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong.
- 2025 'Fixing knowledge in place? Digital nomads and smart city formation in Thailand', invited speaker at the Digital Work, Mobilities, and Changing Cities in Asia workshop, Asia Research Institute, Singapore.
- 2025 'Technocratic urban governance hubs and the spectre of AI: Singapore in Southeast Asia', invited speaker at the conference 'Managing Population and Policy Challenges in the AI Era: Asian Insights, Global Comparisons', The University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong.
- 2025 'Anxiety urbanisms and anticipatory future-making in Singapore', invited speaker at the workshop 'Anxieties of Urban Transformation: Southeast Asian Cities Across Space and Time', Universiti Brunei Darussalam, Brunei.
- 2025 'Infrastructures of Governance', invited discussant at the 'Law and Geography in Urban Asia' workshop, Asia Research Institute, Singapore (*delivered online*).
- 2024 'The dengue crisis and the forging of ecological citizenship in Singapore', invited speaker at the symposium 'Cities in Crisis: Planning and Design, Governance, and Daily Life', The University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong.
- 2024 'Lived religion in a digital age: technology, affect and the pervasive space-times of 'new' religious praxis', invited speaker at the Asia Research Institute, Singapore.
- 2024 'Growing Asia's Secondary Cities – Challenges and Opportunities', invited panellist at City Dialogues – Bangkok, Thammasat University, Thailand.
- 2023 'Infrastructural splintering along the BRI: Catholic political ecologies, more-than-material affects and the fractious futures of Sri Lanka's littoral spaces', invited speaker at the

- BRINFAITH Online Lecture Series, The University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong
(*delivered online*).
- 2023 'Global China in a Religious World', invited discussant at The University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong.
- 2023 'Digital Futures', invited panellist at the Malaysian Futures Forum, Khazanah Research Institute, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.
- 2023 'The worlding and provincializing of Singapore as a "Smart Nation"', invited speaker at the Centre for Southeast Asian Studies, SOAS, UK (*delivered online*).
- 2023 'Worlding and provincialising Singapore's "Smart Nation" initiative', invited speaker at the Urban Research Group Seminar Series, City University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong (*delivered online*).
- 2023 'New Religious Pluralisms in Singapore: Understanding Social Diversity in a Complex World', invited speaker at the Home Team Research Community of Practice, Ministry of Home Affairs, Singapore.
- 2022 'Infrastructural splintering along the BRI: Catholic political ecologies, more-than-material affects and the fractious futures of Sri Lanka's littoral spaces', invited speaker at The University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong (*delivered online*).
- 2022 'Expanding Boundaries: Christianity, Racism, and the Changing Socio-Religious Landscape with New Singaporeans', invited speaker at the SRP Executive Programme, S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies, Singapore.
- 2022 'Worlding and provincialising Singapore's "Smart Nation" initiative', invited speaker at the Urban Research Group Seminar Series, City University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong (*delivered online*).
- 2021 'Entrepreneurial artistry in a digital age: grime's three pathways to power', invited speaker at the Music and Sonic Studies Seminar Series, Manchester Metropolitan University, UK (*delivered online*).
- 2021 'Reimagining World Cities', invited panellist at the Lien Centre for Social Innovation, Singapore (*delivered online*).
- 2021 'Singapore's Tablighi Jamaat community and the transnational politics of integrating (through) otherness', invited speaker at the Asia Research Institute, Singapore (*delivered online*).
- 2020 'Infrastructure's (supra)sacralising effects: Contesting littoral spaces of fishing, faith and futurity along Sri Lanka's Western coastline', invited speaker at The University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong (*delivered online*).
- 2020 'Affective cosmopolitanisms in Singapore: Dancehall and the decolonisation of the self', invited speaker at Singapore Management University, Singapore.

- 2020 'The power and the politics of embodying dancehall: Reconciling sonic affect and the religious self in Singapore', invited speaker at the Asia Research Institute, Singapore.
- 2019 'Global Urban Network Workshop', invited participant at the University of Toronto, Canada.
- 2019 'Parallels and paradoxes: New religious formations in response to the BRI in Sri Lanka', invited speaker at Singapore Management University, Singapore.
- 2019 'Infrastructural Geographies', invited speaker at The University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong.
- 2018 'Parallels and paradoxes: New religious formations in response to the BRI in Sri Lanka', invited speaker at The University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong.
- 2018 'Disjunctures of belonging and belief: Christian migrants and the bordering of identity in Singapore', invited speaker at The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong.
- 2018 'Sonic Spaces, Spiritual Bodies: The Affective Experience of the Roots Reggae Soundsystem', invited speaker at Singapore Management University, Singapore.
- 2017 'The Geographies of Non-Religion', invited speaker at Guangzhou University, China.

CONFERENCE & WORKSHOP PRESENTATIONS

- 2026 'What are the limits to care? Service boundaries and the spatialisation of eldercare in Singapore', 13th International Conference on Population Geographies, Nanjing University, China.
- 2025 'Rethinking ecological citizenship through mosquito cohabitation in Singapore', SPACE Closing Workshop, CREATE, Singapore.
- 2024 'New cartographies of more-than-human killing and control: The remapping of responsibility and the forging of ecological citizenship through mosquito cohabitation in Singapore', RGS-IBG Annual Conference, London, UK.
- 2023 'Living with Mosquitoes in Singapore: Re-Animating the Urban Through and With Ecological Knowledges', SPACE Workshop, Paris, France.
- 2023 'The state-led platformisation of financial services: Frictionless ecosystems and the expansive logics of "smartness" in Singapore', RGS-IBG Annual Conference, London, UK.
- 2023 'The illusory infrastructure of ink: Machinic bodies and epidermic affects in Singapore', AAG Annual Conference, Denver, USA.
- 2023 Panellist for 'Digital (In)Justice in the Smart City', AAG Annual Conference, Denver, USA.
- 2022 'The partial secularisms of Singapore's Muslim minorities: Arbitrating model citizenship and (in)complete selves at the margins', SSSR Annual Conference, Baltimore, USA.

- 2022 'The demands of displacement, the micro-aggressions of multiculturalism: Performing an idea of "Indianness" in Singapore', RGS-IBG Annual Conference, Newcastle, UK.
- 2022 'The partial secularisms of Singapore's Muslim minorities: Authoritarian space-times and the state-led structuring of citizenship at the margins', AAG Annual Conference, New York, USA (*delivered online*).
- 2021 'Free bodies, segmented selves: Paradoxical spaces of dancehall culture in Singapore', RGS-IBG Annual Conference, London, UK (*delivered online*).
- 2019 'Affective cosmopolitanisms in Singapore: Dancehall and the decolonisation of the self', RGS-IBG Annual Conference, London, UK.
- 2019 'Creating alternative spaces of value in Singapore's postsecular Christian landscape', EASSSR Annual Conference, Hokkaido University, Japan.
- 2019 'Class(ify)ing Christianity in Singapore: Tracing the inter- and intra-spatialities of privilege and position', AAG Annual Conference, Washington DC, USA.
- 2018 'Religious urbanism in Singapore: Competition, commercialism and compromise in the search for space', NZASR and AASR Annual Conference, University of Auckland, New Zealand.
- 2018 'Christian inclusions, ethnic exclusions: Parallel spaces of migrant (dis)integration in Singapore', RGS-IBG Annual Conference, Cardiff University, UK.
- 2018 'Fractured lives, newfound freedoms? The politics of religious seekership amongst Chinese migrants in Singapore', EASSSR Annual Conference, Singapore Management University, Singapore.
- 2012 'Converting Disaster into Opportunity: Evangelical Christianity and the Politics of Salvation in Sri Lanka', Asia Research Institute, Singapore.

MEDIA

Pokemon Go: Where the real catch is making friends along the way	2025
The REAL Cost of Gacha Games	2025
Out There Without Fear Dialogues	2021

TEACHING

Postgraduate:

Instructor, College of Integrative Studies, Singapore Management University

- INTS703: Ways of Thinking About Asian Smart Cities (AY24/25; 25/26)
- INTS706: Graduate Research Seminar for Asian Urbanisms (AY24/25)
- IDIS702: Introduction to Interdisciplinary Study (AY22/23; 23/24; 24/25; 25/26; 26/27)

Guest Instructor, Executive Education, Singapore Management University

- EMBA: Smart Cities and Urban Innovation (June 2024)

Undergraduate:

Instructor, College of Integrative Studies, Singapore Management University

- COR3001: Big Questions: Wealth & Poverty (AY22/23)
- COR3001: Big Questions: War & Peace (AY21/22)
- COR3001: Big Questions: Global & Local (AY20/21)
- COR3001/IDIS004: Big Questions: Happiness & Suffering (AY18/19; 19/20; 23/24)
- COR2206/IDIS006: Digital Cultures (AY18/19; 21/22)

Guest Lecturer, School of Social Sciences, Singapore Management University

- SOCG201: Social Stratification and Inequality (AY22/23)
- SOCG109: Contemporary South Asian Societies (AY17/18)

Teaching Assistant, Department of Geography, National University of Singapore

- GE2221: Nature and Society (AY11/12)
- GE2206: Geographies of Life and Death (AY10/11)
- GE1101: Place, Environment and Society (AY09/10)
- GE2225: Methods and Practices in Geography (AY08/09)

SUPERVISION (PLACEMENT)

Research Fellows:

2022 –	Prerona DAS ²
2020 – 2021	GAO Quan (Assistant [<i>now</i> Associate] Professor, Sun Yat-Sen University)
2018 – 2019	Menusha DE SILVA (Lecturer, National University of Singapore)
2018 – 2019	Jane Yeonjae LEE (Research Associate, Kyung Hee University; <i>now</i> Lead User Experience Researcher, Meta)

Research Associates:

2023 – 2024	Tricia TOK (Assistant Manager, Singapore Management University)
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Research Assistants:

2026 –	Muhammad Naeem SHEHRYAR
2026 –	Mishaal Hyat AYUB
2025 –	Liyana DONEVA
2022 – 2025	Emma GRIMLEY ³
2023 – 2024	Barnabas MAH (Planner [Active Mobility], LTA)
2023 – 2024	Terence TAN Wei Jian (MSocSci candidate in Geography, National University of Singapore)
2019 – 2021	Joanne HENG (Programme Executive, Viriya Community Services)

² Winner of the SMU Research Staff Excellence Award in 2025.

³ Winner of the SMU Research Staff Excellence Award in 2024.

- 2019 – 2020 Acmal Zuheyr Iefan Bin ABDUL WAHID (Research Assistant in Sociology, Nanyang Technological University; *now* PhD candidate in Malay Studies, National University of Singapore)
- 2017 – 2023 SHEE Siew Ying (PhD candidate in Geography, Durham University)

SSRC Graduate Research Fellowships:

- 2024 – 2026 SHEE Siew Ying, Durham University, Geography
- 2023 – 2025 Al LIM, Yale University, Anthropology

Marie S. Curie Global Fellowships:

- 2024 – 2026 Silvia OMENETTO, Sapienza University (Italy), Geography

PhD supervision:

- 2025 – MAO Yiding
- 2024 – Robin CHEE
- 2023 – ZENG Ziheng⁴

IM & ISM supervision:

- 2024 – Karis SOH
- 2024 – Jermaine SEE
- 2022 – 2025 Arif Ahmad WOOZEER

External advising:

- 2024 – Edgardo CLARO (PhD), Universidad Autónoma Metropolitana (Mexico)

SERVICE

Editorial:

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|---|-------------|
| Editor-in-Chief, <i>Cities: Smarter Futures</i> | 2025 – |
| Member, Editorial Board, <i>Belonging</i> | 2024 – |
| Member, Editorial Board, <i>Transitions: Journal of Transient Migration</i> | 2020 – |
| Member, Editorial Board, <i>Political Geography Open Research</i> | 2022 – 2024 |
| Associate Editor, <i>Frontiers in Human Dynamics (Digital Impacts)</i> | 2021 – 2023 |
| Member, Editorial Board, <i>Religions</i> | 2021 – 2023 |

Journal peer review:

- ACME: An International Journal for Critical Geographies* (1)
- Annals of the American Association of Geographers* (1)
- Antipode* (1)
- Area* (4)
- Asia Pacific Education Review* (1)
- Asia Pacific Viewpoint* (2)

⁴ Winner of the SMU Interdisciplinary Doctoral Fellowship in 2025.

Asian Studies Review (2)
Australian Journal of Social Issues (1)
Behaviour & Information Technology (1)
Belonging (2)
British Educational Research Journal (1)
Children's Geographies (1)
Cities (2)
Cultural Dynamics (1)
cultural geographies (7)
Digital Geography and Society (1)
Electronic Commerce Research (1)
Emotion, Space and Society (2)
Energies (1)
Energy Research & Social Science (1)
Environment and Planning C: Politics and Space (2)
Environment and Planning D: Society and Space (3)
Environment and Planning E: Nature and Space (1)
Environmental Politics (1)
Ethnic and Racial Studies (2)
European Journal of Cultural Studies (1)
Feminist Media Studies (1)
Frontiers in Sports and Active Living (1)
Gender, Place & Culture (1)
Geoforum (7)
Geopolitics (1)
Geography Compass (2)
Housing, Theory and Society (2)
Humanities & Social Sciences Communications (1)
Information, Communication & Society (1)
International Journal of Heritage Studies (3)
International Journal of Intercultural Relations (3)
International Journal of Urban and Regional Research (1)
International Journal of Urban Sciences (1)
Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion (4)
Journal of Asia Pacific Communication (1)
Journal of Asian Architecture and Building Engineering (1)
Journal of Bioethical Inquiry (1)
Journal of Contemporary Christianities in Context (1)
Journal of Contemporary Religion (2)
Journal of Cultural Geography (3)
Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies (5)
Journal of Humanistic Psychology (1)
Journal of Planning Literature (1)
Journal of Population and Social Studies (1)
Journal of Technology in Human Services (1)
Journal of the American Academy of Religion (1)
Journal of Urban Affairs (2)
Journal of Urban Technology (3)
Land (1)
Mobile Media & Communication (1)
Mobilities (2)

Nature Cities (1)
New Media & Society (2)
Pacific Affairs (1)
Palgrave Communications (1)
Poetics (1)
Political Geography (2)
Politics, Religion & Ideology (1)
Progress in Human Geography (1)
SAGE Open (1)
Science, Technology and Society (1)
Sexualities (1)
Singapore Journal of Tropical Geography (1)
Social & Cultural Geography (1)
SOJOURN: Journal of Social Issues in Southeast Asia (1)
Sustainability (1)
Sustainable Cities and Society (1)
Technological Forecasting and Social Change (1)
Territory, Politics, Governance (2)
The Geographical Journal (2)
The Journal of Men's Studies (1)
The Lancet Regional Health – Western Pacific (1)
The Professional Geographer (2)
Tourism Geographies (2)
Transactions of the Institute of British Geographers (6)
Transitions: Journal of Transient Migration (2)
Urban Geography (5)
Urban Planning (1)
Urban Studies (6)
Visual Studies (1)

Book manuscript review:

Bloomsbury (1)
 Routledge (2)
 Springer Nature (1)

External grant review:

National Science Centre, Poland	2025
Marsden Fund, Royal Society of New Zealand	2024
Social Science Research Thematic Grant, Singapore	2019

External examination (individual-level):

Department of Geography, Durham University (MA)	2026
Department of Real Estate, Universiti Malaya (PhD)	2026
Department of Geography, Durham University (PhD)	2025
School of Social Sciences, Nanyang Technological University (MA)	2022
School of Geography and the Environment, University of Oxford (PhD)	2022
Department of Geography, University of Hong Kong (PhD)	2022

External examination (programme-level):

Bachelor of Arts in Urban Studies, University of Hong Kong 2024 – 2028

Conference & session organisation:

- 2025 Co-organisier of the workshop *Technocratic Governance and the Politics of Smart City Knowledge Transfer*, Singapore Management University, Singapore.
- 2024 Co-organisier (with Professor Colin McFarlane) of the workshop *The Urbanisation Challenge in Asia: The Pasts, Presents and Futures of Densification, Contraction and Sprawl*, Singapore Management University, Singapore.
- 2024 Co-organisier of the symposium *Learning to Belong in the City*, Singapore Management University, Singapore.
- 2022 Co-organisier of the workshop *Migration, Thriving and Belonging*, SMU-University of Toronto.
- 2022 Co-convenor (with Professors Byron Miller, Tim Bunnell and Lily Kong) of the workshop *Smart Cities in Global Comparative Perspective: Worlding and Provincializing Relationships*, Asia Research Institute, Singapore.
- 2022 Co-organisier (with Professor Lily Kong) of the roundtable *New Religious Pluralisms in Singapore*, Singapore Management University, Singapore.
- 2022 Co-organisier (with Professor David A. Palmer) of the workshop *The Sacred Dimensions of the BRI's "Infrastructural Commons"*, University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong.
- 2019 Co-convenor (with Dr Menusha de Silva) of the session *Alternative Spaces of Learning*, RGS-IBG Annual Conference, London, UK.
- 2019 Co-convenor (with Dr Jane Yeonjae Lee) of the session *Realizing the value of interdisciplinary research: How can critical theory be 'applied' to smart cities?* AAG Annual Conference, Washington DC, USA.
- 2018 Lead of the Singapore organising committee and session chair for *Religiosity, Secularity and Pluralism in the Global East*, EASSSR Annual Conference, Singapore Management University, Singapore.

Selected university-level committees & service:

Presidential Early Career Professorship Committee	2025 –
University Research Committee (URC)	2024 –
University Research Evaluation Committee (UREC)	2026 –
	2021 – 2024
Strategic Hiring Committee	2021 – 2023
SMU Futures Thinking Group	2020 – 2022
SMU Cities Research Cluster	2019 – 2022
SMU Strategic Priority Expert Panel (Digital Transformation)	2020 – 2021

Selected school-level committees & service:

Chair, Dean's Evaluation Committee	2021 – 2026
Chair, School & Research Evaluation Committees for promotion, reappointment, and tenure review	2021 – 2025
Chair, CIS Search and Hiring Committee	2021 – 2025
Chair, Speakers & Seminars Committee	2020 – 2023
Member, CIS Second Major/D3 Committee	2020 – 2023
Prinsep Street Residences Mentor	2020 – 2023

Local co-ordination & guest lecturing for study missions to Singapore:

The University of Hong Kong (Hong Kong), China Development Studies	2023
International Christian University (Japan), Ethnographic Research Methods	2019
University of Calgary (Canada), Overseas Field School in Geography	2019

INDUSTRY SERVICE

Member, Urban Solutions and Sustainability (USS), Science of Cities Workgroup, National Research Foundation	2026 – 2031
Member, Singapore-Southeast Asia Fellowship Executive Committee, A*STAR	2026 – 2031
Executive Committee Member, Urban Land Institute Singapore	2024 – 2026

CONSULTANCY

Research advisor for Temasek Foundation's "Project Stay Safe"	2020 – 2021
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OTHER APPOINTMENTS

Senior Research Consultant, Decidedly, London, UK	2016 – 2017
Researcher, Asian Strategies, Singapore	2010 – 2016
Marketing Executive, Citi, Singapore	2007 – 2008
Account Manager, SDC Consulting, Singapore	2006 – 2007

REFERENCES

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