

belonged to the A recension up to and including the entry for 788. From the next entry onwards, the *Annales Mettenses priores* show close proximity to ArF-C for both the part up to 805 as well as the entries for 806 up to and including the entry for 829 although its exact relation to any of those witnesses remains undetermined. Hoffmann specifically narrowed it down to a version between the hypothetical Cx and Cy versions as first suggested by Hans Wibel, at least, according to Hoffmann⁶⁸. Thereafter follows a unique continuation that ends with events in the winter of 830/831. Despite being possibly written by a member of the Carolingian family itself, the dissemination of the *Annales Mettenses priores* seems to have been rather limited. Perhaps it had focused too much on the Carolingian family, in particular the sons of Charlemagne, which ultimately predeceased him, for the text to be of any more relevance after Louis the Pious ascended to the throne.

Around the same time, the ArF were also used in the *Chronicon Laurissense breve*. This work was initially edited as the *Annales Laurissenses minores* by Pertz in the first volume of the *Scriptores* in 1826 and as the “kleine Lorscher Franken-Chronik” by Georg Waitz in a little-known edition⁶⁹. Its present-day title is an invention by its most recent editor, Hans Schnorr von Carolsfeld, who reedited the work in 1911 and basically translated the title Waitz had given to the work into Latin⁷⁰. It was supposedly written in Lorsch in about 807. Richard Corradini thoroughly analysed the contents of the text and concluded that the compiler must have had access to a version closely related to Kurze’s C3⁷¹.

68) HOFFMANN, *Untersuchungen* (as in n. 66) p. 38–41, esp. p. 39f.; his reference to WIBEL, *Beiträge* (as in n. 34) p. 70, about the Cx and Cy versions is difficult to follow, however, for Cx does not occur in his stemma on that page. It remains unclear, moreover, which particular version of the possibilities Hoffmann discusses he actually favours or whether he was indifferent to the matter.

69) *Annales Laurissenses minores*, ed. Georg Heinrich PERTZ (MGH SS 1, 1826, p. 112–123); Georg WAITZ, *Über die kleine Lorscher Franken-Chronik*, in: SB Berlin 19 (1882) p. 399–415, with the edition at p. 409–415.

70) Hans SCHNORR VON CAROLSFELD, *Das Chronicon Laurissense breve*, in: NA 36 (1911) p. 13–39, with the edition at p. 23–39.

71) Richard CORRADINI, *Die Wiener Handschrift Cvp 430**. Ein Beitrag zur Historiographie in Fulda im frühen 9. Jahrhundert (Fuldaer Hochschulschriften 37, 2000) p. 70 n. 264; cf. also Sören KASCHKE, *Fixing dates in the early Middle Ages: The Chronicon Laurissense breve and its use of time*, in: *Zwischen Niederschrift und Wiederschrift. Hagiographie und Historiographie im Spannungsfeld von Kompendienüberlieferung und Editionstechnik*, hg. von Richard CORRA-