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Foreword: The Old English elegies are seven short poems ("Deor," "The Husband's Message," "The Ruin," "The Seafarer," "The Wanderer," "Wulf and Eadwacer," "The Wife's Lament") which are all in the Exeter MS and which share certain characteristics (e.g. they are reflective, personal, inspired by a form of exile made more poignant by recollections of former felicity, and usually include some philosophizing on the mutability theme). Unlike much of Old English literature, these seven intriguing poems have attracted a substantial body of criticism; this bibliography provides an exhaustive guide to that body of criticism.

Scope: This bibliography includes all references to *criticism* of the individual Old English elegies which has appeared in any periodical written in any language from the nineteenth century through mid-1970.¹ In addition the important articles which have appeared in Festschriften and other anthologies as well as certain important books which devote substantial space to consideration of the elegies have been included. Selections from the following categories are also included: (1) Works that deal with Old English poetry in general; (2) Translations (except that translations in periodicals which are accompanied by a substantial amount of criticism are always included); and (3) Texts of the poems in Old English.

¹ In addition many major journals which publish articles on Old English poetry have been searched through December, 1971 (these journal are: Anglia, Archiv, ES, JEGP, M.Æ, MLN, MLQ, MLR, MP, Neo, NM, PMLA, PQ, RES, SP, and Speculum; see list of abbreviations at the end of this introduction).

Arrangement: This bibliography is arranged into eight sections (one general section and one section for each of the seven elegies) in the following order:

SECTION	Reference Code	
General	Α	
"Deor"	D	
"The Husband's Message"	HM	
"The Ruin"	R	
"The Seafarer"	S	
"The Wanderer"	W	
"Wulf and Eadwacer"	WE	
"The Wife's Lament"	WL	

Note that the arrangement is alphabetical by reference code. Each entry is labeled to facilitate cross-referencing (e.g. HM19 is the nineteenth entry under "The Husband's Message"). In each section the references are arranged alphabetically by the author's surname. Articles by the same author are subarranged alphabetically by the title of the article. At the beginning of all sections except the general section a chronology of all the citations in that section is given (the chronologies run from oldest to most recent). Each chronology has been divided into three parts (viz. Pre-1930, 1930-1960, and Post-1960); the number of citations in each of these parts tells at a glance a great deal about the history of the criticism on the elegy in that section.

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Abbreviations: The following abbreviations are used throughout this bibliography:

Archiv	Archiv für das Studium der neuren Sprachen
DA	Dissertation Abstracts
Diss.	Dissertation
ES	English Studies
JEGP	Journal of English and Germanic Philology
MÆ	Medium Ævum
MLN	Modern Language Notes
MLQ.	Modern Language Quarterly
MLR	Modern Language Review
MP	Modern Philology
Neo	Neophilologus
NM	Neuphilologische Mitteilungen
NS	New Series
OE	Old English
OIcel	Old Icelandic
PQ	Philological Quarterly
PMLA	Publications of the Modern Language Association
RES	Review of English Studies
SP	Studies in Philology
TLS	Times Literary Supplement
ZfdA	Zeitschrift für deutsches Alterhum
ZfdP	Zeitschrift für deutsche Philologie

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of the	1930-1960:	D29, D17, D26, D11, D28, D35, D34, D4,
and and the formation of		D50, D54, D23, D27, D47, D51, D5, D53,
		D19, D3, D48.
Citations)	Post-1960:	D15, D14, D12, D7, D16, D49, D1, D24,
		D2, D36, D9, D25, D10, D30, D21, D8,
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1		S14, S30, S33, S32, S38.
of the	1930-1960:	S37, S7, S54, S44, S2, S52, S43, S1, S56,
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