

As a "booming" field of scholarship, Metal Music Studies has been noteworthy for its growing momentum in recent years. In this field, metal is researched as both a cultural practice and a musical genre. However, an all-embracing, multilingual, culturally diverse and globally integrative book series that is both transdisciplinary and multidisciplinary has yet to be realised.

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