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John R. Topic received his Doctorate from Harvard in 1977. His research has focused on the Inca and pre-Incaic cultures of Peru and Ecuador, exploring themes such as urbanism, craft production, warfare, bureaucracy, ethnic identity, and religious cults. He has served as an associate editor of *Latin American Antiquity*, is a member of the Executive Board of the Institute of Andean Research, was named a Huésped Ilustre by the city of Huamachuco, Peru, in 2002, won Trent's Distinguished Research Award in 2003, and was named to the Orden de José Faustino Sánchez Carrión in 2007 by the Municipalidad Provincial de Sánchez Carrión (Huamachuco).