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controversy: Āsvaghoṣa and his *Sūtrālaṃkāra***

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In the first decades of the last century, the question of whether a work called *Sūtrālaṃkāra*, written by Āsvaghoṣa, really existed, triggered a heated debate. Sylvain Lévi, the protagonist on one side, claimed the existence of such a work with the utmost vigour, while his opponent Heinrich Lüders provided weighty reasons for doubting Lévi's ideas. After years of intense debate, the dispute between the two highly renowned scholars and their respective supporters seemed to have been decided in favour of Lüders' position. Recently, however, materials have become available that contribute unexpected and confusing new evidence. In any case, they invite a reconsideration of the old dispute.

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