Editorial

The editors are pleased to welcome you to first issue of the sixth volume of FULL, an open access international journal providing a platform for linguistic research on modern and older Finno-Ugric or other Uralic languages and dialects. FULL publishes comparative research as well as research on single languages, including comparison of just Uralic languages or comparison across family lines. We welcome formal linguistic accounts as well as empirically oriented contributions.

The first article of this issue, by Andrea Deme, Katalin Gugán, Bálint Sass, and Katalin Mády is about the identification and measurement of implicit attitudes towards linguistic innovations, a key factor in language change. The authors argue that a method borrowed from social psychology, the Implicit Association Test, can be fruitfully adapted for the purpose. In the paper they put forward their version of the IAT, and test it on data from Hungarian in two experiments.

The second article, by Bernadett Bíró and Katalin Sipőcz, is a study of two ditransitive constructions in the Ob-Ugric language Mansi. They show that the two constructions are a special case of the cross-linguistically common alternation between indirective and secundative ditransitive syntax. The study demonstrates that the alternation is mainly determined by topicality.

The third article, by Merilin Miljan, Elsi Kaiser, and Virve-Anneli Vihman, concerns how semantic roles are assigned to arguments in sentence processing, with particular focus on the role of case. The language investigated is Estonian. They report an experiment exploring the complex interplay of case, animacy, and number in determining the semantic roles of arguments in the initial part of utterances that is processed before parsing the verb.

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