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94: Marcel Erdal, Irina Nevskaya, Astrid Menz (Eds.)

Areal, historical and typological aspects of South Siberian Turkic

2012. 246 pages, 7 tables, 20 diagrams, pb ISBN 978-3-447-06734-8 € 62,– (D)

The volume contains a selection of articles on areal, historical and typological aspects of the South Siberian Turkic language group, written by linguists from Germany, the Netherlands, Russia, Turkey and the United States. Beside dealing with South Siberian Turkic languages (Altay Turkic, Tuvan, Shor, Khakas), the volume also presents papers on Tuvan varieties spoken in Mongolia and China and on Yellow Uyghur, a language spoken in the Qinghăi-Gānsù region of China which appears to be genetically close to South Siberian Turkic. Kazakh, a contact language to several of these idioms, is also discussed. The papers cover the typology of the sound. morphological and syntactic systems as well as the areal features and the historical development of these languages.

95: Béla Kempf

Studies in Mongolic Historical Morphology

Verb Formation in the Secret History of the Mongols 2013. 239 pages, pb ISBN 978-3-447-06895-6 € 54,- (D)

The book gives an examination of the verbalization processes as observed in the Middle Mongol period of Mongolic language history (13th–16th centuries). As primary source the Secret History of the Mongols, the epic chronicle of the

Mongols was taken, which in many ways is their most ancient record. Of the 1,100 verb types of the text, more than 380 are discussed in detail. 37 derivational verb-forming suffixes are dealt with, 15 of which are deverbal verb suffixes and 22 denominal ones.

Descriptions of the derivational elements traceable from this stage of the language include characterizations of the stems to which the suffix may be added, the distributional rules of the suffix and describing the function of the suffix, based on the semantic field of the derived verbs. If possible, every statement of characterization is exemplified by lexical data taken from the Secret History of the Mongols.

96: László Károly

Deverbal Nominals in Yakut

A Historical Approach 2013. X, 205 pages, 22 tables, pb ISBN 978-3-447-06928-1 € 42,- (D)

László Károly's study presents an elaborated analysis and description of the deverbal nominal derivational suffixes in Yakut as spoken in the pre-Soviet times. Based on the analysis, various aspects of Yakut and at the same time Turkic and Mongolic word formation processes are discussed, such as historical development of the suffixes from Old Turkic up to modern Yakut, changes in the system through language contacts, similarities to and divergency from the other Turkic languages. Besides a formal description, the functional side of the analysed derivational suffixes is presented in a systematic fashion, providing a general framework for future works on comparative derivational morphology.

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