

## Editorial note

We are pleased to introduce the first issue of the *Catalan Journal of Linguistics* (CJL). The main purpose of CJL is to publish quality research papers developing theories on the structure of particular languages within the perspective of a general theory of the human language. We aim at actively contributing to academic debates within the international linguistics community and act as a forum for the exchange of ideas on this area of the study of language. Volumes will often be special issues on topics that are particularly relevant within linguistics nowadays. They will be coordinated by a specialist in the area with the goal of publishing a well-balanced corpus of research which will offer not only a varied picture of the selected issue, but also new data and proposals regarding it. This journal adds to the few journals on theoretical linguistics published in the Romance area and therefore should come as an agreeable novelty to scholars interested in this field. The subject of inquiry will quite naturally focus on Catalan and Romance, but is open to any other language.

CJL is made possible thanks to the cooperation of the *Grup de Gramàtica Teòrica* of the Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona (which includes linguists from the departments of Catalan Philology and Spanish Philology) with the *Institut Interuniversitari de Filologia Valenciana* (which includes linguists from the universities of València, Alacant and Jaume I at Castelló). We welcome the members of the advisory committee of CJL: Josep M. Brucart, M. Teresa Espinal, M. Lluïsa Hernanz, Sabine Iatridou, Michael Kenstowicz, Joan Mascaró, Gemma Rigau, Henriette de Swart and Rafaella Zanuttini.

This journal has grown out of its predecessor *Catalan Working Papers in Linguistics*. We would like to take this opportunity to express our gratitude to the past editors of CatWPL for their invaluable dedication: Laia Amadas, Zulema Borràs, Albert Branchadell, Anna Gavarró, Sílvia Jiménez, Núria Martí, Jaume Mateu, Blanca Palmada, Montse Pascual, Pilar Prieto, Josep Quer, Francesc Roca, Jaume Solà, Enric Vallduví, Teresa Vallverdú, and Xavier Villalba. We would also like to thank all of the past editorial board members for their service, including Sergio Balari, Anna Bartra, Eulàlia Bonet, Josep M. Brucart, Teresa Cabré, Maria Josep Cuenca, M. Teresa Espinal, Anna Gavarró, Lluïsa Gràcia, Jesús Jiménez, M. Lluïsa Hernanz, Mireia Llinàs, Maria-Rosa Lloret, Núria Martí, France Martineau, Joan Mascaró, Glyn Morrill, Blanca Palmada, Manuel Pérez Saldanya, Carme Picallo, Josep Quer, Gemma Rigau, Joana Rosselló, Paul Rowlett, Josep Serra, Jaume Solà, Teresa Solias, Mark Steedman, Avel·lina Suñer, Enric Vallduví, and Amadeu Viana.

We welcome the reader to what we hope will be an instructive and stimulating publication project.