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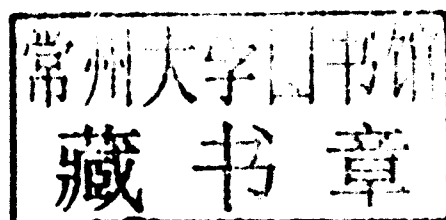
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CONSTRUCTION Grammar has been around for more than twenty years and during that time has attracted the interest of formalists and functionalists, psycholinguists and neurolinguists, language acquisition researchers, and linguists working on language variation and change. And yet, until now, no single volume has been available to students and researchers that gives a full overview of what the various Construction Grammar approaches have in common, what their major differences are, and how Construction Grammar may be applied to other domains of linguistic enquiry, such as second language acquisition and sociolinguistic variation. We were therefore very grateful when Oxford University Press asked us whether we wanted to edit the *Oxford Handbook of Construction Grammar*.

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ABBREVIATIONS

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3SG	3rd person singular
A(DJ)	adjective
ADV	adverb
ADVP	adverb phrase
ACC	accusative case
AGR	agreement
ALL	allative case
ASP	aspectual marker
AVM	attribute-value-matrix
BCG	Berkeley Construction Grammar
BNC	British National Corpus
DAR	definite article reduction
CAT	category
CCG	Cognitive Construction Grammar
CG	Cognitive Grammar
CEEC	Corpus of Early English Correspondence
CLMET	Corpus of Late Modern English Texts
COCA	Corpus of Contemporary American English
DAT	dative case
DET	determiner
ECG	Embodied Construction Grammar
FCG	Fluid Construction Grammar
GEN	genitive case
HPSG	Head-Driven Phrase-Structure Grammar
ICE	International Corpus of English
L1	first language
L1A	first language acquisition
L2	second language
L2A	second language acquisition
LFG	Lexical Functional Grammar
LOB	Lancaster-Oslo-Bergen Corpus
LVC	Language Variation and Change
MGG	Mainstream Generative Grammar
MP	Minimalist Program
N	noun
NLP	natural language processing

NOM	nominative case
NP	noun phrase
Obj	object
Obl	oblique
OE	Old English
<i>OED</i>	<i>Oxford English Dictionary</i>
OVS	object–verb–subject
P	preposition
PDE	Present Day English
PLUR	plural
PP	prepositional phrase
PPCEME	The Penn Parsed Corpus of Early Modern English
Prt	particle
PST	past tense
RCG	Radical Construction Grammar
RRG	Role and Reference Grammar
SAI	subject–auxiliary inversion
SBCG	Sign-Based Construction Grammar
SED	Survey of English Dialects
SEM	semantic meaning
Subj	subject
SVO	subject–verb–object
SUP	superlative
TAM	tense–aspect–mood
THAT-CL	<i>that</i> -clause
UG	Universal Grammar
V	verb
VP	verb phrase
V _{TR}	transitive verb
WXDY	<i>What's X doing Y?</i> construction
YCOE	The York-Toronto-Helsinki Parsed Corpus of Old English Prose
YORK	Corpus of York English
YPC	The York-Helsinki Parsed Corpus of Old English Poetry

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