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*A CONTRASTIVE ANALYSIS OF DETERMINATION
IN BULGARIAN AND HUNGARIAN IN THE CONTEXT
OF BULGARIAN LANGUAGE ACQUISITION BY HUNGARIANS*

The present article examines the acquisition of the grammatical category determination in Bulgarian by Hungarian speakers. For the purpose of the investigation the means of determination in the two languages are compared in order to point at the idiosyncrasies and the exceptions which can trigger overgeneralization, and native language transfer, respectively. Language data comprising of a corpus of errors is analyzed and the results confirm the statement that contrastive analysis allows to predetermine errors stemming from these two processes, however, it cannot account for the errors resulting from other psycholinguistic factors.