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RESEARCH

Interests	Theoretical and descriptive linguistics · structure and literatures of Mabia languages
Areas	Language and Linguistics · Linguistics and Language · Experimental and Cognitive Psychology · Communication · Artificial Intelligence · Gender Studies

RESEARCH SUMMARY

36	207	9	9	1.85	28%
Publications	Citations	h-index	i10-index	Field-weighted impact	World top 10%

Counted from the 36 publications listed below, 2008–2026. Field-weighted impact is the mean over the 18 works scored for it; 1.00 is the world average for works of the same field, type and year. 5 of the 18 papers scored for it are among the world's most cited tenth for their field, type and year.

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