The LINGUINDIC Conference:
Modern Linguistics and Ancient India

Wolfson College, University of Oxford
12–14 June, 2025

Leonard Wolfson Auditorium (all talks)
The Buttery (refreshments and poster session)

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Thursday, 12 June

9.00–9.30   **Registration and refreshments**

9.30–10.00   **Welcome and Introduction**

10.00–11.00 **KEYNOTE LECTURE**

Analysis of Sanskrit compounds: Constituency or dependency?
Amba Kulkarni (University of Hyderabad)

11.00–11.30 **Coffee Break**

11.30–12.00 *A 5th-century grammar of contextual meaning: Bhartṛhari on factors of disambiguation*
Hugo David (École française d'Extrême-Orient)

12.00–12.30 *Words denoting universals: Addressing particular cases in Bhartṛhari's Jātisamuddeśa*
Marco Ferrante (Austrian Academy of Sciences)

12.30–13.00 *Grammatica notabiliora as intertextual markers. On an application of Aṣṭādhyāyī 3.1.60-66 borrowed from earlier works into Gaṅgādevī's Madhurāvijaya*
Tancredi Padova

13.00–14.00 **Lunch**

14.00–14.30 *Pāṇinian Lexical-Functional Grammar*
John Lowe (University of Oxford)

14.30–15.00 *Semantic etymologizing and symbolic reference*
Johannes Bronkhorst (University of Lausanne)

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15.00–15.30	*Locative alternation at the crossroads of Panini's grammar and formal syntax* **Davide Mocci (University of Cagliari & University of Genoa)**
15.30–16.00	**Coffee Break**
16.00–16.30	*Sanskrit relative-correlatives redux* **Hans H. Hock (University of Illinois at U-C)**
16.30–17.00	*Full reduplication in Sanskrit* **Adriana Molina-Muñoz (University of Oxford)**
18.30–21.00	**Conference Dinner**

Friday, 13 June

9.00–9.30	**Arrival and refreshments**
9.30–10.30	**KEYNOTE LECTURE** *My journey: From Pāṇini to linguistics, and back* **Madhav Deshpande (University of Michigan)**
10.30-11.00	**Coffee Break**
11.00–12.00	**Poster Session** *Traditional perspectives on the places of articulation of Sanskrit sounds according to the Āpiśaliśikṣā and its newly discovered commentary* **Francisca Aguilera (Yogic Studies) and Deepro Chakraborty (University of Alberta)** *A systematic treatment to the polysemy of verb ḍa (to give) in Sanskrit* **Mugdha Chandrakant Date (Research Institute Pune) and Dipesh Vinod Katira (CoEIKS, IIT Kharagpur)** *Phenomenological investigation into Bhartrihari's concept of pratibhā: A possibility or a fantasy?* **Jayashree Aanand Gajjam and Suditi Mandal (IIT Kharagpur)**

Pāṇiniya Śikṣā's phonetic apparatus and its applications for modern languages
Tushar Gandhi (University of Delhi)

Some insights from the Vyākaraṇa explanation of the concept of alaṅkāra in understanding 'Poetic astonishment'
Bhakti Jadhav and Malhar Kulkarni (IIT Bombay)

Mathematical modeling of ayādi sandhi as a function
Jyoti Janava and Malhar Kulkarni (IIT Bombay)

Śābdabodha of sentences in commentary
Shruti Kanitkar, Kondi Aniruddha Ramamurthy and Malhar Kulkarni (IIT Bombay)

Mapping the genitive case: Unveiling 100+ semantic relations in Sanskrit syntax
Tapas Khanra and Malhar Kulkarni (IIT Bombay)

Bridging linguistics: Sanskrit and modern theories on word meaning acquisition
Rahul Kumar (University of Delhi)

On the distinction between 'primary' and 'secondary' Sanskrit compounds
Christophe Vielle (University of Louvain)

12.00–12.30 *What it means to give happiness or fear: Sampradāna reinterpreted by Sanskrit grammarians and New Naiyāyikas*
Radha Blinderman (Harvard University)

12.30–13.00 *Niyamasūtra with special reference to Krādi-niyama*
Priyanka Salekar and Malhar Kulkarni (IIT Bombay)

13.00–14.00 **Lunch**

14.00–15.00 **KEYNOTE LECTURE**
On the construction of the Aṣṭādhyāyī
Paul Kiparsky (Stanford University)

15.00–15.30 **Coffee Break**

15.30–16.00 *The Ṛgvedic syllable: Insights from the Ṛgvedaprātiśākhya and modern perspectives on syllabification*
Anustup Bhattacharyya and Malhar Kulkarni (IIT Bombay)

| 16.00–16.30 | *So-called "closer" sandhis in Vedic as indicators of prosodic boundaries*
Simon Fries (University of Oxford) |
| 16.30–17.00 | *Introducing Bhaṭṭa Jagaddhara's Varṇaśikṣāsaṅkṣepa, a medieval Sanskrit compendium on phonetics*
Deepro Chakraborty (University of Alberta) |

Saturday, 14 June

9.00–9.30	**Arrival and refreshments**
9.30–10.30	**KEYNOTE LECTURE** *asti kaścit ((vāg)(vi))-śeṣaḥ?* *(Is there anything (specific) remaining (to be said)?)* **Malhar Kulkarni (IIT Bombay)**
10.30–10.55	**Coffee Break**
10.55–11.25	*Towards a unified interpretation of the cognitive process behind two types of negation in the Sanskrit grammatical tradition* **Małgorzata Sulich-Cowley**
11.25–11.55	*Fundamentals for the study of the Bhūṣaṇa and Bhūṣaṇasāra* **Yiming Shen (University of Oxford)**
11.55–12.05	**(Short break)**
12.05–12.35	*On the function of reduplication in the Sanskrit 3rd class presents* **Giovanni Luigi Fabbri (Sapienza Università di Roma)**
12.35–13.05	*The treatment of word-formation in the Sanskrit grammars published by European scholars between the Baroque and Franz Bopp* **Luca Alfieri (University Guglielmo Marconi)**
13.05–14.00	**Lunch**
14.00–14.30	*Mediativity in Classical Sanskrit: A new approach to the particle kila* **Felix Eckert (LMU München)**

14.30–15.00	*"Don't (do) worry": Support verbs and phraseological templates in Epic Sanskrit* **Alex Roy (University of California, Los Angeles)**
15.00–15.30	*New perspectives from Pāṇini's dhātu-: Towards a Ṛgvedic derivational path for -ti- and -tu- suffixes* **Leonardo Montessi (University Guglielmo Marconi)**
15.30–16.00	**Coffee Break**
16.00–16.30	*Terminological traps and how to deal with them* **Małgorzata Wielińska-Soltwedel (Polish Academy of Sciences)**
16.30–17.00	*Type logical grammar and classical Sanskrit* **Brendan Gillon (McGill University)**
17.00	**Conference ends**