

## Special Issue

# The Impact of Cognates on Comprehension and Memory

### Message from the Guest Editor

The purpose of this special issue is to provide a collection of empirical and theoretical papers that reflect the state-of-the-art in terms of our scientific understanding of the ways in which cross-language activation of cognates impact comprehension and memory. We are seeking both empirical articles as well as reviews that address either the impact of cognate status on comprehension (across all modalities) or memory or both. Empirical submissions will be prioritized however, integrative reviews that provide novel insights will also be considered. For this special issue the focus is on comprehension and/or memory beyond a single word, whether it be a clause, sentence, or discourse. We are especially interested in submissions that examine the impact of cognates status in non-Indo-European languages that are underrepresented in science and/or language pairs that represent a diversity of scripts. We also encourage submissions examining the impact of cognate status on comprehension and memory in children and older adults.

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