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E Dr. Mag. Petra Cech pala pesko bijologijako studijumo studirisardja generalno linguistika taj germanistika aj kodja ka Univerziteto Beč. De katar o bêrš 1986 kêrel voj bući paj ſomaji ſib. Voj ſicili e ſomaji ſib katar Fatma Heinschink (Beč / Izmir) taj agorisardja pesko studijumo la monografijasa paj ſomaji varijanta kata l' Sepečides (Kožnicarja) ko xoraxanipe. Koja nas kodificirime źi pe kodja vrjama. O fokusata lakê publikacije taj naučne analize si la Austrijakê ſomane varijante taj specifično i le ſomane varijante po Balkano. Pe lengi kodifikacije kêrdja vo bući ande ko-operacija le Romane Projektosa Graz taj le projektonca kata o Univerziteto Ljubljana taj Bayreuth, taj vi le projektosa Romani Morpho –Syntax Database (RMS, Univerziteto Manchester). De kata o bêrš 1991 kêrel voj specifično bući vi sar eksperto pe linguistično sama ando „Phongrammarchiv der Österreichischen Akademie der Wissenschaften“ ando Beč. Katka ſi laki bući, maškar aver, e naučno dokumentacija kata o „Sammlung Heinschink“, kethane la Christianasa Fenesz-Juhasz (PhA / OeAW) taj le Mozesosa F. Heinschink. O specifično fokusata pe kadja bući ſi e dokumentacija taj edicija katar e tradicionalno oralno ſomaji narativno kultura (dikh le do ſibengê ſomane knjigengê edicije [www.drava.at](http://www.drava.at)).

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