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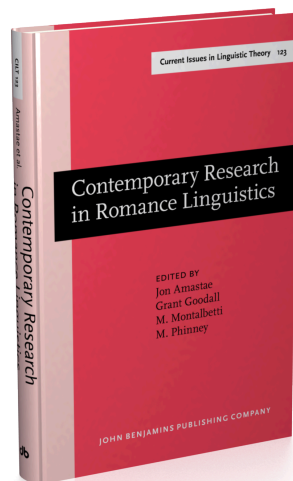
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This is a collection of papers presented at the 22nd Linguistic Symposium on Romance Languages organized by the University of Texas at El Paso and the Universidad Autónoma de Ciudad Juárez on February of 1992. The conference was held 500 years after that "eventful year of 1492" which witnessed among other things two worlds coming into contact and conflict and the publishing of the first systematic study of any Romance language, Antonio de Lebrixa's Spanish grammar. Though the conference was not organized around the consequences, linguistic or otherwise, of this event, its presence lurked in the background (and sometimes in the foreground, as in Carlos Otero's paper) as a constant reminder of the historical nature not only of language but also of linguistics. And as if to further underline the special circumstances surrounding this version of LSRL, the conference was held both in the city of El Paso (Texas) and in Ciudad Juárez (México).

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