

# Preface

Recent years have witnessed a revival of interest in morphology as a relatively autonomous subdiscipline of linguistics. This is partly due to the change of position of morphology in generative grammar: the lexicalist approach to word formation developed in the seventies gave a new impetus to morphological research.

It is the aim of the *Yearbook of Morphology* to support and enforce this revival of morphology. We will try to do so by publishing original research, state-of-the-art papers, substantial book reviews, and book notices. Our hope is that in this way the reader will get a representative overview of current developments and results in the area of morphology.

As will be clear from the present volume, morphology cannot be studied without investigating its relations to syntax, semantics and phonology. Therefore, we consider morphology as a *relatively* autonomous discipline. In the future, the *Yearbook* will also deal with the relations of morphology to psycholinguistics and sociolinguistics.

We hope that this initiative will be appreciated and supported by our fellow morphologists.

The Editors

