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Sommario/riassunto

This paper sets out to explore and evaluate several corpus search methods that are applied to uncover linguistic devices expressing 'quantity approximation' in a corpus of business English from an onomasiological perspective. The study is carried out within the framework of a project exploring quantity approximation in various business genres using a contrastive, corpus-driven approach (in Dutch, English and French). The paper sheds light on the advantages and disadvantages of using annotated corpora (part-of-speech and semantic tagging) and automatically extracted word lists for onomasiologic
