

Working with informants: the example of Bernát Munkácsi

The paper provides an overview of Bernát Munkácsi's work with his informants during his fieldwork among the Vogul people. It will describe how and where he came into contact with these native speakers and how they assisted him in his research. Understanding these interactions will shed light on his fieldwork methods, his relationship with the speech community and his perspectives on language endangerment. The results of fieldwork were significantly influenced by the native speakers from whom the data was collected. This overview honours the contributions of those without whom our knowledge of the Vogul language, its history, and its traditional culture would be severely limited.

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