Table of Contents

Contributors	vii
Preface	ix
Introduction Olga Fischer and Anette Rosenbach	1
A lovely little example: Word order options and category shift in the premodifying string Sylvia Adamson	39
The grammaticalization of the verb 'pray' Minoji Akimoto	67
The grammaticalization of concessive markers in Early Modern English Guohua Chen	85
Combining English auxiliaries David Denison	111
Grammaticalisation: Unidirectional, non-reversable? The case of to before the infinitive in English Olga Fischer	149
Remarks on the de-grammaticalisation of infinitival to in present-day American English Susan Fitzmaurice	171
The role of person and position in Old English Elly van Gelderen	187
Remarks on (uni)directionality Roger Lass	207

TABLE OF CONTENTS

Soplice and witodlice: Discourse markers in Old English Ursula Lenker	229
Onginnan/beginnan with bare and to-infinitive in Ælfric Bettelou Los	251
Some suggestions for explaining the origin and development of the definite article in English *Robert McColl Millar*	275
Parallelism vs. asymmetry: The case of English counterfactual conditionals *Rafat Molencki*	311
The grammaticalization of the present perfect in English: Tracks of change and continuity in a linguistic enclave Sali A. Tagliamonte	329
Grammaticalization versus lexicalization: 'Methinks' there is some confusion Ilse Wischer	355
Name index	371
Subject index	377