

relevant segments of the translations serves to observe the transfer, transformation and sometimes omission of conceits or their semantically important elements.

Findings – The paper addresses the following questions: whether the Lithuanian translators recognise the conceits, whether they render the content of the original conceits, what are the reasons for changing or omitting the elements of conceits.

Practical implications – The research results may be useful for raising awareness to the philology/translation students and for the future poetry translations into Lithuanian.

Originality/Value – This paper presents one of the first attempts to analyse the transfer of conceits in poetry translations into Lithuanian.

Keywords: conceit, poetry translation, Shakespeare's sonnets

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► CAUSE DISCOURSE MARKER *BECAUSE* ANNOTATED IN TED TALKS

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Purpose – The advance of technologies enables linguists to apply linguistic corpora annotation for language analysis at the same time enhancing applied language use in the new appearing technologies. Computer-mediated language use implies the issues of pragmatic text relations and coherence. Discourse markers work on pragmatic level ensuring clear relations between sentences and text coherence. The research focuses on the expression of cause comparing the use of the discourse marker *because* in annotated TED talks in the Lithuanian and English languages.

Design/methodology/approach – First, discourse markers are discussed on theoretical level trying to provide the discourse marker definition,

present the annotation scheme used in the research and discuss causality. The empirical research consists of two stages. Initially, discourse marker *because* and its Lithuanian counterparts are compared by applying Crible's taxonomy of domains and functions of discourse markers. Then, the translations of *because* into Lithuanian, found in TED talks translations, are analyzed.

Findings – The discourse marker *because* and its Lithuanian counterpart are closely associated with causative meaning as the occurrences in the annotated sample express ideational cause. However, quite a number of occurrences are related to the rhetorical domain of discourse management when the speakers express their own opinions. The most frequent variants of translation in the sample are the variants provided by the bilingual English-Lithuanian dictionaries. The cases of paraphrases into a particle or a verb are chosen by the translators aiming to convey the pragmatics of the spoken-like texts.

Research limitations/implications – The research focuses on spoken-like texts of TED talks, the annotation of which has recently started in the Lithuanian language. The pilot annotated corpus of TED talks in English and Lithuanian is used for the research which naturally implies certain limitations of quantity of the annotated texts. It is planned in the future to expand the scope of annotated texts of TED talks and the scope of research.

Practical implications – The comparative research of discourse markers gives more opportunities for language learners and translators. Knowledge of pragmatic functions and semantic meaning provides easily identifiable advice on how discourse markers could be used and translated.

Originality/Value – The object of the research is comparatively new in Lithuania and adds to the research field related to discourse relations studies. The research has been carried out within the framework of TextLink COST action IS1312.

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