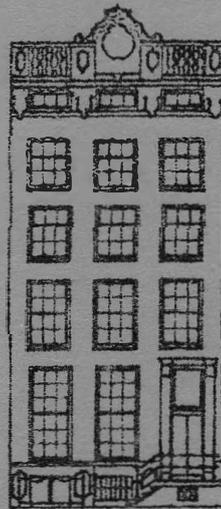


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This Proceedings 8 contains seven contributions in which current research projects are described. These papers are representative of our three main research areas:

- Perceptual and physical description of variation and invariance in speech
- Speech and language pathology.
- History of phonetics.

Most staff members have presented session papers at the Tenth International Congress of Phonetic Sciences, 1-6 August 1983, Utrecht. Several of these papers are published in the Proceedings of that Congress, some others are presented in this Proceedings in a modified version. For your information we include a complete list of publications since Proceedings 7 plus abstracts of papers accepted for publication, and a list of personnel. We invite everybody to give his comments on the papers presented in this Proceedings; this will allow us to improve the quality of a possible later publication. We thank Heleen Deighton-van Witsen for her corrections of the English text.

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