

## One Hundred Volumes of *Neophilologus*

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The attentive reader will have noticed that this year we have entered the one-hundred and first year of the existence of our journal and simultaneously have reached the one-hundredth volume. *Neophilologus* started its existence in Amsterdam in 1916, when in the neighbouring countries the Great War was raging. It would be logical therefore to have started 2016 with the 101th volume, were it not for the German occupation of the Netherlands during World War II and the subsequent liberation by the Allied Forces, that no volume appeared in 1945. It is only proper for a journal that celebrates the appearance of its centenary anniversary to mark this event with appropriate attention. In consultation with the publisher, it was decided to do so with a special book. In order to achieve this publication, the Editorial Board selected from their midst a team, consisting of Frans Ruiter, Usha Wilbers, Thijs Porck and myself, to produce *Tracing Paradigms: One Hundred Years of Neophilologus*. In addition to an editorial introduction, an anecdotal evaluation of *Neophilologus*' history and a survey of all the editors up to the present day, the Editorial Board also desired to showcase a profile of the journal by publishing a number of pivotal contributions. To this end, the editors of this celebratory volume asked past and present members of the journal's editorial board to select one or two articles from the past one hundred volumes that in their opinion not only represented their field in a conspicuous way, but also played a role in the subsequent scholarship. Moreover, the contributors were requested to write an essay in which they accounted for their particular choice by critically placing the article in context. Such a set-up, it was deemed, would provide an added value and was to be preferred over a mere anthology of remarkable contributions. It is hoped that these highlights from *Neophilologus*' rich past, provided with comments from the present, will contribute to the paradigms for its future.

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