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## **Between monolingual bias and the celebration of diversity: Investigating individual differences in multilingual acquisition**

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**Abstract:** I start by giving a brief overview of multilingualism as a topic and as an object of scholarly investigation. The study of multilingualism is subject to interference from two opposing poles, a monolingual tradition and the ‘celebrationist’ multilingual ideology. Both interfere with research, as shown in the main part of the talk, in which I discuss empirical investigations into individual differences in the use of the multilingual repertoire.