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Marissa Griesel focussed on development of machine translation systems for resource scarce languages and research into developing core technologies for the South African environment. She also worked as project manager for such projects and has taught Computational Linguistics to undergraduate students.

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