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- 1 Öpengin and Mohammadirad comprehensively describe the form, function, and distribution of pronominal clitics in Northern, Central, and Southern Kurdish, Laki, and Gorani. They supplement the data from the MDKD with data collected as part of Mohammadirad's (2020) thesis (*Pronominal clitics in Western Iranian languages: Description, mapping, and typological implications*. PhD dissertation, Sorbonne Nouvelle – Paris 3, 2020). This article perfectly complements Gündoğdu's (2022) exploration of case, pronominal clitics being another way Agents, Objects, and adpositional complements are encoded in Kurdish varieties. Additionally, the authors show examples of Northern Kurdish varieties that maintain a highly conservative clitic system while the clitics were lost in almost all other varieties. The forms of the clitics in some NK varieties (e.g., -n [1PL], -u [2PL]) reflect the inherited Old Iranian forms (cf. Avestan *nō* [1PL], *vō* [2PL]). In contrast, most Iranian languages have remade these forms on the singular with the oblique plural nominal suffix (i.e., -*m-ān* [1-PL], -*t-ān* [2-PL]). This article will remain an

important resource because of Öpengin and Mohammadirad's comprehensive descriptions, including data from various languages and dialects and historical and areal analyses.

- 2 [Voir le compte rendu de l'ouvrage collectif]

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