Pronoun Ordering in Kalamianic

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Agutaynen and Kalamian Tagbanwa, members of the Kalamianic microgroup of Philippine languages, display a typologically unusual phenomenon with regard to pronoun ordering and marking. In general, transitive (Patient-Voice) clauses in Kalamianic contain Genitive-marked Actors which immediately follow the verb or predicate. However, when both Actor and Patient are overt pronouns, the (Nominative-marked) Patient takes the immediate post-verbal position, and is followed by an Oblique-marked Actor. If the Patient pronoun should occur before the verb, for example when attracted through Wackernagel clisis to a Negative or other fronted adverbial, then the Actor pronoun occurs in the immediate post-verbal position, and in the "expected" Genitive form. This paper outlines Agutaynen and Kalamian Tagbanwa pronoun sets, and gives examples from both languages to demonstrate ordering and marking within post-verbal pronoun clusters, as well as in clauses where some members of the pronoun cluster occur in pre-verbal position.