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The Construction and Application of Translational Writing: A Statistical Review of Translational Writing Articles Published on CNKI

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ABSTRACT Translational writing is an emerging translation theory proposed by a Chinese scholar early this century. The objectives of this research are to unravel the inevitability of the construction of translational writing theory, the feasibility of the application of this theory and finally its possible trajectory and its implications to translation studies and teaching. This study searches 175 articles on translational writing from 2011 to 2018 published on CNKI (China National Knowledge Infrastructure) and finds that the construction of translational writing theory is building on descriptive studies, Western linguistic theories and traditional Chinese translation theories. Its core operating mechanisms are widely used in teaching, literary translation, and practical translation, which yields positive results.