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Linguistic means of expressing evaluation in the description of Russian weapons systems in the western media.

The article is devoted to the study of linguistic means of expressing evaluation in the materials of foreign media, which describe modern Russian weapons systems. The research material was journalistic articles of German and French periodicals published in the period from 2014 to the present. The range of linguistic means used to express positive and negative assessments is revealed, the analysis of the functions of using the studied lexical structures in media materials is given by determining the way they affect potential readers of relevant online publications. The study of the evaluation of Russian weapons based on the material of German and French sources allows us to compare the studied phenomena in different linguistic communities, identify similarities and differences in the range of linguistic means of expressing the evaluation category depending on the specific country and the author's goals.

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