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This study focuses on the structure and the origin of compound words in Pattani-Malay dialect.

The structure of compound words in Pattani-Malay dialect can be classified into two types: compound words with no consituent as a construction and compound words with one consituent as a construction. Each of these two types is further subclassified into two types: compound words which are in the subordinative endocentric construction type and those in the exocentric construction type. Words which can occur as a consituent may come from any word-classes such as noun, intransitive verp, transitive verb, adjective, adverb, preposition, numeral word and classifier. The compounds themselves can be nouns, verbs, adjectives and prepositions.

The compound words are of 4 types according to their origin: cognate compound words, borrowed compound words, loan translation compound words and new compound words.