American Physical Society and Los Alamos National Laboratory jointly announce Eli Ben-Naim as senior editor, physical review e

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RIDGE, NY and LOS ALAMOS, New Mexico, August 16, 2012—The American Physical Society (APS) and Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL) are pleased to jointly announce that Eli Ben-Naim of LANL has been appointed Senior Editor of Physical Review E, the position of leadership for the preeminent international journal in statistical, nonlinear, and soft matter physics.

Ben-Naim succeeds Gary Grest, who has been Senior Editor of PRE since 2002. “The search committee was challenged to determine a short list from among the group of
outstanding individuals who interviewed for the position,” said Katepalli Sreenivasan (NYU), chair of the search committee.

Ben-Naim received his PhD in physics from Boston University in 1994. He has been at Los Alamos since 1996 and is presently deputy group leader for physics of condensed matter and complex systems. He has a broad background in statistical, nonlinear, and soft matter physics, and current research interests include dynamics of nonequilibrium systems, granular physics, polymer dynamics, population biology, and complex systems.

Since its inception in 1993 under founding Senior Editor Irwin Oppenheim, Ben-Naim has interacted extensively with Physical Review E as an author and referee, and as a member of the editorial board. Ben-Naim is a Fellow and an Outstanding Referee of the American Physical Society. He will take on the Senior Editor position as of 1 October 2012.

“Eli definitely has the qualifications and broad research interests that the PRE Editorship requires,” said Gene Sprouse, APS Editor in Chief. “His prior involvement with PRE and his strong editorial experience with other journals were also very compelling.” Ben-Naim’s previous editorial experience was with Journal of Physics A, European Journal of Physics B, and Journal of Statistical Mechanics.

Ben-Naim will continue to work in his current position at Los Alamos during his appointment.

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