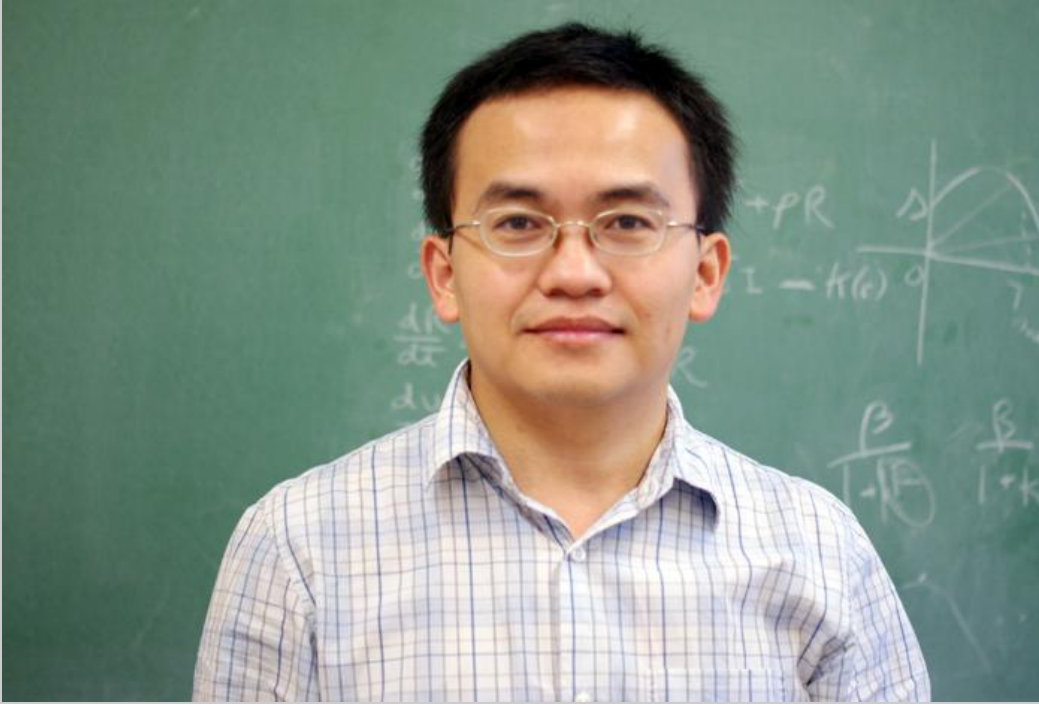


Rong receives Postdoc Publication Prize in Theoretical Physics

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Libin Rong

Libin Rong received the 2012 Leon Heller Postdoctoral Publication Prize in Theoretical Physics. He was a postdoc research associate in Theoretical Biology and Biophysics (T-6) and is now an assistant professor in the Department of Mathematics and Statistics and Center for Biomedical Research at Oakland University.

His winning paper, *Rapid Emergence of Protease Inhibitor Resistance in Hepatitis C Virus*, was published in the May issue of *Science Translational Medicine*. The paper was co-authored by Harel Dahri, Ruy Ribeiro and Alan Perelson but Rong was the intellectual leader behind the paper. Perelson, also of T-6, nominated Rong for the prize.

Rong will discuss the research described in the paper and receive a certificate and monetary award at a Physics/Theoretical divisions colloquium. It is open to all LANL badge holders.

When: 3:45 p.m., **Nov. 8.**

Where: Physics Building Auditorium, TA-3.

This biennial prize, sponsored by LANL and endowed by retired staff member Leon Heller, is awarded for the best article in theoretical physics published or accepted for publication after Jan. 1, 2010. The article must describe work performed primarily during the tenure of the postdoctoral appointment.