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Manias named editor of *Materials Letters*

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Elsevier has named Evangelos Manias, Professor of Materials Science and Engineering at Penn State, as Editor of *Materials Letters*. *Materials Letters* is Elsevier's leading rapid communications interdisciplinary journal in the field of materials science.

Manias has been an active member of the *Materials Letters* editorial board for many years; in his new role as a Principal Editor, he will spend the majority of his energy on developing and managing a featured letter thematic section, highlighting specific topics of high current interest through invited *Featured Articles*. In addition, as an editor he will handle incoming submissions that fit with areas of his expertise, i.e., broader field of polymers, composites, and nanocomposites. His appointment as an editor is effective February 1, 2011.

Evangelos Manias is a Professor in the Department of Materials Science and Engineering, and was the director of its Polymer Science and Engineering Option (2003-07). He joined Penn State in 1998, with a B.Sc. in Physics from Aristotle University of Thessaloniki (Greece, 1991) and a PhD in Chemistry from the University of Groningen (Netherlands, 1995). Manias has received numerous awards for his research and leadership in the field of polymer physical chemistry and polymer nanocomposites, including: the 2006 American Physical Society's *JPSB-Polymer Physics Prize*, two faculty fellowship through the National Academies (was a CoBaSE fellow in 2005 and an SFFP fellow in 2004); and the 2002 American Society of Composites' *Polymer Matrix Composites Award*. Earlier he has been an invited lecturer in the *Ecole de Physique Theoretique des Houches* (France). His publications on nanocomposites have been impacting the international field, as indicated by 400 to 600 citations-per-year each year since 2003[1].

Materials Letters is an interdisciplinary rapid publication journal devoted to rapid communications of cutting edge research on the science, applications and processing of materials. *Materials Letters* publishes 24 issues annually, featuring about 800 papers, and is impacting the broad materials science community, as evidenced by 16000 citations per year and an impact factor of 1.94. The *Materials Letters* editor team is comprised of an editor-in-chief and five editors, including Manias, covering the broad spectrum of materials science and research published in the journal.

[1] <http://www.researcherid.com/rid/A-7557-2011> à "Citation Metrics"