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been appointed to the University Lectureship in Nonlinear Analysis at Oxford University with effect from October 2002. He is an authority on multi-dimensional calculus and related issues in the calculus of variations, with application in particular to materials science.

: John Ball.

Claudia Wulff has been appointed Lecturer in Mathematics at Surrey, starting August 2002. Claudia received her PhD in 1996 from the Free University in Berlin supervised by Bernold Fiedler. Since then she has held postdoctoral appointments at the Free University and the University of Warwick. She currently holds an EU Marie Curie Fellowship, and is a long-term participant in the Warwick Symposium on Geometry and Mechanics. Claudia's research includes the theory of meandering and drifting spiral waves in reaction-diffusion systems, equivariant dynamical systems, Hamiltonian dynamics, centre-bundle reductions, nonlinear PDEs, and the bifurcation and stability of relative equilibria.

: Tom Bridges.

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Contact Information: Dr. Shouchuan Hu, Director, American Institute of Mathematical Sciences 901 S. National Avenue P.O. Box 2604 Springfield, MO 65801-2604, USA E-mail: shh209f@smsu.edu Phone: (417) 836-5377 Fax: (417) 886-0559 Fitzroy Dearborn's Encyclopedia of Nonlinear Science, edited by Alwyn Scott, is scheduled for publication in late 2003. A small number of entries remain unassigned and we are seeking authors for these so that the list of entries can be closed and we can proceed with the review and editorial phases. Academics who are interested in contributing some of the remaining unassigned entries should look at the project web site where they will find the list of unassigned entries as well as other useful information about the project. Contributors will receive a copy of the Encyclopedia and be fully credited in the Encyclopedia. Deadlines will be from 31 August, or by arrangement. Offers to write entries should be emailed to the publishers, at nonlinear@fitzroydearborn.co.uk, or faxed on +44 (0)20 7636 6982, giving brief background details of academic position and research.

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Last year, I attended the meeting on Modelling Cell Systems: the Post Genomic Challenge, and I have been very interested by the CoMPLEX centre on that occasion.

Today, I have the pleasure to announce the launch of an Interdisciplinary Research Institute, which is will be built in Lille (France). In this perspective, we organize an interdisciplinary school on Imaging, modelling and manipulating transcriptional regulatory networks (<u>http://www.ibl.fr/immagene/</u>). On