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# Editor's Note



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Anomalies, in a sense, highlight the limits of human knowledge. They provide us with markers of what is yet to be discovered, and may signify aspects of reality we may never know. Anomalies exist at the heart of science. They are the exceptions which prove the rules are incomplete, the riddles awaiting an answer, and the splinters in our understanding that demand resolution. An anomaly both entices and unsettles—it teases with the promise of new realms of understanding while reminding us that our grasp of the fundamental workings of nature is still finite. In the face of the infinite universe, this can prove challenging.

Within these next pages, we at the *Berkeley Scientific Journal* embrace the persistent anomalies that reshape how we look at the world around us and our place within it. For as long as our scientific curiosity and drive to understand persists, so too will the eternal presence of anomalies light the way into the unknown.

Because of this, we chose the theme Anomaly for its broadness. Anomalies are not just persistent features of science, but inescapable companions on the never-ending journey to explain the complexities of our universe. They are prodding us forward, challenging us to look beyond the blind spots of current scientific paradigms. As you read through this issue, we encourage you to challenge the anomalies you see within your own reality, and use their mystique to discover something new.

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