

## Honoring the memory of Professor Israel D. Vagner

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We would like to offer these comments for the memorial volume devoted to the scientific accomplishments of Professor Israel D. Vagner. We remember Israel with fondness from the time of all of us studying as graduate students at the Technion in Haifa, ca. 1980-1982. Israel was a personal friend, and we greatly mourn his passing as well as celebrate his memory and legacy. While our personal friendship and contacts have continued over the years, scientific interactions have also been ongoing since those graduate days [1], picking their pace up with the advent of the field of quantum information [2-4].

Israel was a leading scientist with a broad range of interests and with contacts spanning Israel, USA, Europe and the former Soviet Union. He was on the vanguard of the recent basic, interdisciplinary and applied trends in condensed matter research. His papers are very well cited and appreciated. His visits at Center for Quantum Device Technology at Clarkson University (USA) have offered mentorship to the Center's students and postdocs, as well as leadership in organizing conference events. His scientific insight and contributions, as well as guidance and collaborations, have been invaluable to all of us and will be dearly missed. Israel Vagner has left a rich and lasting scientific legacy, as well as touched the lives of many students and colleagues, most recently at Holon Institute of Technology. We will always remember him with affection and appreciation.

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