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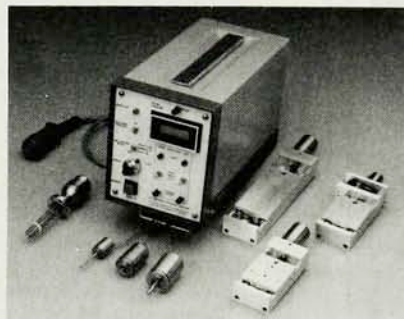
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tem? The data suggest that the latter is true. Two final comments seem in order. First, I contend that because of their subjectivity, current ranking systems are a detriment to the discipline. They may impede professional mobility, reward status over achievement and result in programs of lesser renown being bypassed, even though they may merit as high or higher recognition than do those of the elite. Second, I believe that current, subjective ranking systems incorporate serious distortions and misrepresentations. Because they have the potential to do as much harm as good, I recommend that as they are presently constituted, subjective systems of departmental ranking should be routinely ignored.

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Corrections

November, page 17—In the news story about ultrahigh-energy cosmic gammas, the photo credit on page 17 should have referred to the University of Athens-Columbia-Purdue-University of Wisconsin collaboration. On page 20 the rest-mass limit on the particles from Hercules X-1 should have been stated to be $\frac{1}{20}$ the neutron mass. The journal in reference 7 (page 21) should have been *Physical Review B*.

October, page 20—In the penultimate paragraph of the news story about CP violation experiments, the upper limit on ϵ'/ϵ should have been given as 1×10^{-2} .