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Professional preparation:

B.Sc. Geology and Physics, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem (October 1982). Ph.D. Geophysics and Seismology, University of Southern California (August 1990).

Appointments:

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Research Interests:

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Publications:

- (i) 5 recent publications closely related to the proposed project
- Ben-Zion, Y., Stress, slip and earthquakes in models of complex single-fault systems incorporating brittle and creep deformations, *J. Geophys. Res.*, **101**, 5677-5706, 1996.
- Eneva, M. and Y. Ben-Zion, Techniques and parameters to analyze seismicity patterns associated with large earthquakes, *J. Geophys. Res.*, **102**, 17785-17795, 1997.
- Ben-Zion, Y. and D. J. Andrews, Properties and Implications of Dynamic Rupture Along a Material Interface, *Bull. Seism, Soc. Am.*, **88**, 1085-1094, 1998.
- Ben-Zion, Y., K. Dahmen, V. Lyakhovsky, D. Ertas and A. Agnon, Self-Driven Mode Switching of Earthquake Activity on a Fault System, *Earth Planet. Sci. Lett.*, 172/1-2, 11-21, 1999.
- Ben-Zion, Y. C. Sammis and T. Henyey, Perspectives on the Field of Physics of Earthquakes, *Seism. Res. Lett.*, 70, 428-431, 1999.
- (ii) 5 other recent significant publications
- Fisher, D. S., K. Dahmen, S. Ramanathan and Y. Ben-Zion, Statistics of Earthquakes in Simple Models of Heterogeneous Faults, *Phys. Rev. Lett.*, **78**, 4885-4888, 1997.
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- Dahmen, K., D. Ertas and Y. Ben-Zion, Gutenberg Richter and Characteristic Earthquake behavior in Simple Mean-Field Models of Heterogeneous Faults, *Phys. Rev. E*, **58**, 1494-1501, 1998.
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Miller, S. A., Y. Ben-Zion and J.-P. Burg, A Three-dimensional Fluid-controlled Earthquake Model: Behavior And Implications, *J. Geophys. Res.*, **104**, 10621-10638, 1999.

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