

## Letter to the Editor

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In his article “A Re-Interpretation of the Concept of Mass and of the Relativistic Mass-Energy Relation” (*Foundations of Physics* 39 (2009): 1394–1406), Dr. Re Fiorentin writes about “some claims that the reasoning that brought Einstein to the mass-energy relations was somehow approximated or even defective” and includes “John Stachel and Roberto Torretti in 1982” in a list of such claimants. Actually, as a perusal of the paper in question (John Stachel and Roberto Torretti, *American Journal of Physics* 50 (1982):76–763, reprinted in John Stachel, *Einstein from ‘B’ to ‘Z’* (Boston/Basel/Berlin: Birkhauser 2002), pp. 215–222) shows, its purpose was just the opposite: to refute such claims, and show that Einstein’s argument was neither approximate nor logically defective.

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