

# Review of: "A Law for Irreversible Thermodynamics? Synergy Increases Free Energy by Decreasing Entropy"

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The article provides an interesting vision on "*thermodynamic properties of phenomena that are intuitively recognized as synergetic in a wide range of disciplines, searching for common features.*" The topic is of great relevance for the community of scientists working on foundations of complex systems, and perhaps even more relevant for the community of applied complexity researchers.

A similar endeavor was offered by Gershenson (2012) in his eight tentative laws of information that served as intellectual input for their application in the realm of commerce-consumer research by myself (Correa, 2020). Arguably, the metrics of emergence, self-organization, and complexity can be helpful in providing the necessary formalism for a interdisciplinary treatment of synergetic properties of complex phenomena in both open and close systems.

## Suggested References

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