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Two PhD Positions in Theoretical Chemistry

in the Electronic Structure Theory Department (Prof. Ali Alavi), working with Dr. David Tew. The positions are funded for three years initially.

One position will involve the development of theoretical methods and software that can reliably predict the electronic structure of large complex systems. The work will focus on designing and implementing methods that scale linearly with system size and that can efficiently exploit modern massively parallel computer architectures.

The other position will be concerned with developing theory for a quantum dynamics-classical dynamics embedding approach in the context of Gaussian wave packet dynamics, which targets the quantum mechanical study of dynamics at reaction centres in the condensed phase and at interfaces.

Successful applicants will be highly motivated and enthusiastic theorists with a strong background in physics or theoretical chemistry and experience in programming. He or she has to be fluent in English.

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Interested candidates should send an application letter, curriculum vitae and the names of two references to:

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