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Professor P. M. Rodger  
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Dear Mark,

**Autumn Academy — Andrew Jenkins**

Andrew Jenkins began a PhD project under my supervision in January 2010. His work is to explore and develop a new method for molecular electronic structure, and he is doing this within the framework of the Molpro quantum chemistry package. So far, he has been focusing mostly on theory, but is now beginning to write a substantial new code module, and will need to adopt best practice for the software engineering and HPC aspects of this. I have encouraged him to go to the Autumn Academy because I think this will provide him with the opportunity to develop exactly those skills that he needs now.

Andrew is 50% supported by the EPSRC Doctoral Training Grant. Our internal management of the DTG is such that very little money is set aside for travel and other development activities, and so some of the costs incurred by his attendance will have to be borrowed from other projects. I hope very much that it will be possible to provide him with a bursary in order to alleviate in part this difficulty.

I hope very much that you will be able to accept and support him for this event.

Yours sincerely,

Peter J. Knowles  
Professor of Theoretical Chemistry