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**The Quantum Theory Project** is pleased to announce the addition of three new faculty members. They are, left to right, **So Hirata** (Assistant Professor, Chemistry), **Adrian Roitberg** (Associate Professor, Chemistry) and **Kennie Merz** (Professor, Chemistry). So's research includes the development of an artificial intelligence system to implement new chemical theories. Adrian's interests include accurate calculations of biological systems via quantum mechanics, statistical mechanics and molecular dynamics. Kennie's research combines quantum mechanics with molecular mechanics to study large biological systems and to design new drugs.

## meet our faculty



**Rodney J. Bartlett**

Coupled-Cluster Theory,  
Theoretical Molecular Spec-  
troscopy, Polymers



**Hai-Pin**

Electronic  
Properties  
Hydrolyti  
Materials  
Interacti

Since its founding in 1960 by Professor Per Olov Löwdin, the Quantum Theory Project has grown into the world's largest academic group in computational and theoretical chemical physics and quantum chemistry.

Working across the traditional boundary between Physics and Chemistry, we are a group of faculty and researchers dedicated to theoretical developments in quantum mechanics.



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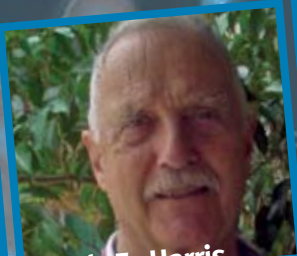
**Ying Cheng**

Energy and Transport  
at Nano-Scale,  
Local Weakening in  
Particle-Surface  
Interactions



**Erik Deumens**

Computer Systems Architec-  
ture and Management, High  
Performance Parallel Pro-  
gramming, Object Oriented  
Software



**Frank E. Harris**

Few-Body Systems, Periodic  
Systems, Computer-Aided  
Formula Generation



**So Hirata**

Density Functional Theory,  
Coupled-Cluster Theory, Poly-  
mers, Molecular Vibrations



**Jeffrey L. Krause**

Quantum Control, Energy  
Transfer in Dendrimers and  
DNA, Ultrafast Lasers



**Kennie Merz**

Metalloenzyme Structure  
and Function, Structure-  
Based Drug Design, Quantum  
Chemistry



**David A. Micha**

Quantum Molecular Dynam-  
ics, Electronic Energy and  
Energy Transfer, Surface  
Spectra and Charge Transfer



**Henk J. Monkhorst**

Colliding Beam Fusion Reac-  
tor, Polymer (Super) Conduc-  
tivity, Electrons in Extended  
Systems



**N. Yngve Öhrn**

Electron Nuclear Dynamics,  
Time-Dependent Dynamics,  
Propagator Theory



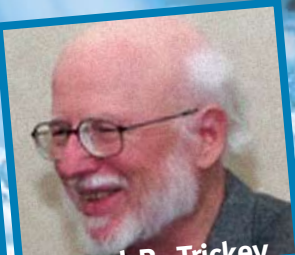
**Adrian E. Roitberg**

Biomolecular Modeling,  
Molecular Dynamics, Protein  
Folding, Quantum/Classi-  
cal Treatment of Enzymatic  
Reactions



**John R. Sabin**

Energy-Deposition, Stopping  
Power, Radiation Damage



**Samuel B. Trickey**

Density Functional Theory,  
Current Density Functional  
Theory, Multi-Scale Simu-  
lations and Methods



# Greetings from the Quantum Theory Project at the University of Florida!

We are an interdisciplinary group in Chemistry and Physics dedicated to theoretical developments in quantum mechanics and their applications to atoms, molecules, materials and extended systems. As can be seen in the picture above, we are a large, diverse group, with 13 faculty and 50–60 students, visitors and postdocs. Each year, we organize and host the annual Sanibel Symposia, a preeminent gathering of international theorists. The 47th Symposium will be held February 22–27, 2007.

Please visit our web site at [www.qtp.ufl.edu](http://www.qtp.ufl.edu) for more information or contact any of the faculty via email. Our addresses are all "lastname"@qtp.ufl.edu. Inquiries from prospective graduate students are especially welcome.

For the faculty,  
Jeff Krause, QTP Director

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