PhD Position in Nanoscale Thermal Transport

The general goal of this project is the theoretical study of several fundamental aspects of nanoscale thermal transport. In particular, we want to improve our current understanding of the radiative heat transfer and thermal radiation in nanoscale systems. We also want to elucidate the fundamental physical mechanisms that govern the heat conduction in atomic-scale junctions. Additionally, we intend to study the energy dissipation and, in particular, the thermoelectric cooling in molecular junctions. All these issues are of fundamental importance for many different fields and disciplines such as thermal sciences, nanoelectronics, nanooptics, and condensed matter physics. Moreover, these problems are key to developing novel technologies like near-field based thermal management, thermophotovoltaics, and nanoscale energy conversion.