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Energy storage will be of greatest importance for the climate energy objectives as it has the potential to cover the entire energy value chain, including energy demand and supply, grid performance and market flexibility. The announced PhD thesis is embedded in this hot topic where the development and application of advanced methods like X-Ray computed tomography shall give novel possibilities regarding the characterization of silicon based lithium ion batteries.

To strengthen our team, we are looking for someone with the following area of responsibility or requirement profile:

**PhD Thesis**

*Development of an Advanced Methodtoolbox for the Characterization of silicon based lithium-ion batteries*

*Reference-n°: MCL_73*

**Tasks:**
- Work within an interdisciplinary research environment directly connected to the industry.
- Develop and apply a method toolbox for the characterization of silicon based lithium ion batteries.
- Link the obtained experimental data to the simulations.
- Evaluate possibilities and limitations of the methods and give a conclusion regarding the best possible characterization approach.

**Requirements:**
- *Education:* graduate degree in experimental or theoretical physics, chemistry, material science, or similar
- *Hard skills:* basic programming skills e.g. Python or similar, Matlab; interest in experimental and theoretical work, interest in image processing
- *Soft skills:* Initiative, scientific curiosiety, team-minded, structured working

**Additional information:**
- *Supervisor:* priv. Doz. Dr. Roland Brunner
- *Gross monthly salary:* € 2.696,44
- *Start of work:* as soon as possible
- *Duration:* 36 months
- *Leoben*
- *employment*

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