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## Slideshow: Traditional greeting as Master arrives in style



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Hundreds of academics and students lined up to welcome their new Master at a historic ceremony inside the walls of Trinity College yesterday.

Sir Gregory Winter knocked at the college's Great Gate carrying Letters Patent from the Queen, as members of the public gathered at the front of the college to catch a glimpse.

After a short, sharp address from the head porter, the gate was slammed shut and the Letters Patent were taken into the college to be presented to the vice-master and assembled fellows in the chapel.

More than 150 fellows in full academic dress then lined up in order of seniority on either side of the pathway in the Great Court to greet the new Master.

Sir Gregory was officially installed as Master of Trinity College when the great gate was thrown open just after 2.30pm, to applause from students, staff and members of the public outside.

Vice-master David McKittrick then led the procession to the chapel for the formal installation service.

Sir Gregory is a genetic engineer best known for his research and inventions relating to humanised and human therapeutic antibodies.

Alongside his research career based in the city, he has founded three Cambridge biotech companies based on his inventions.

Speaking at the event, the head porter of Trinity College, Peter Windmill, told the News: "We hold this ceremony every five to seven years when a new Master of the college starts."

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"It's extremely important as it's a tradition that goes back centuries. We have been planning and preparing for a few months now to make sure everything is right."

Sir Gregory succeeds Lord Rees of Ludlow. The first Master of Trinity College was John Redman who held the post from 1546-51.

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