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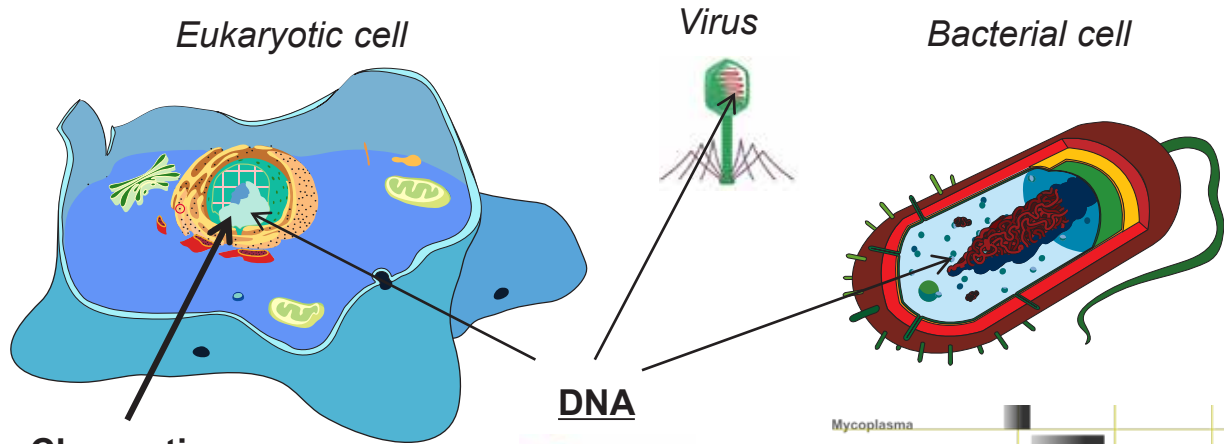
От редактирования геномов к программированию функциональных генетических схем

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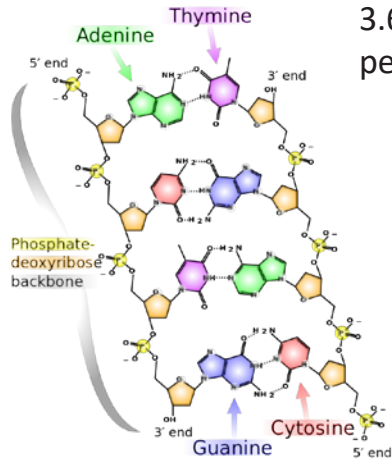
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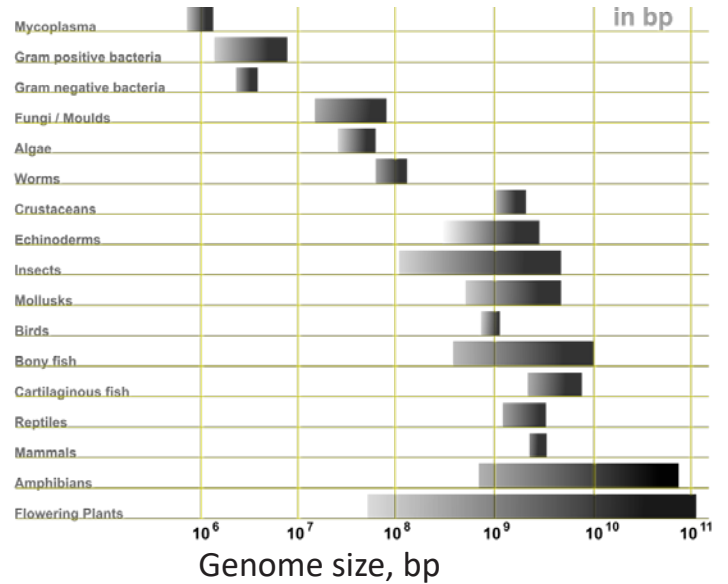
Chromatin



3.6 nm per turn

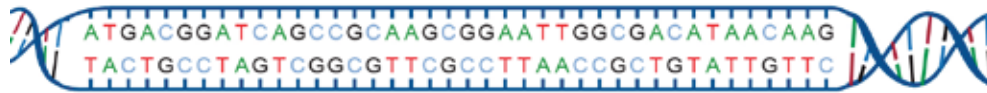
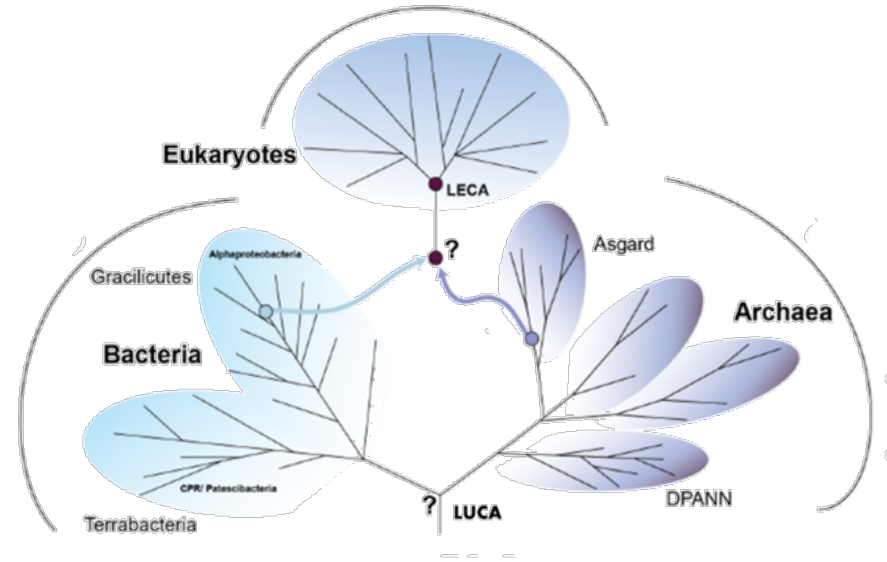
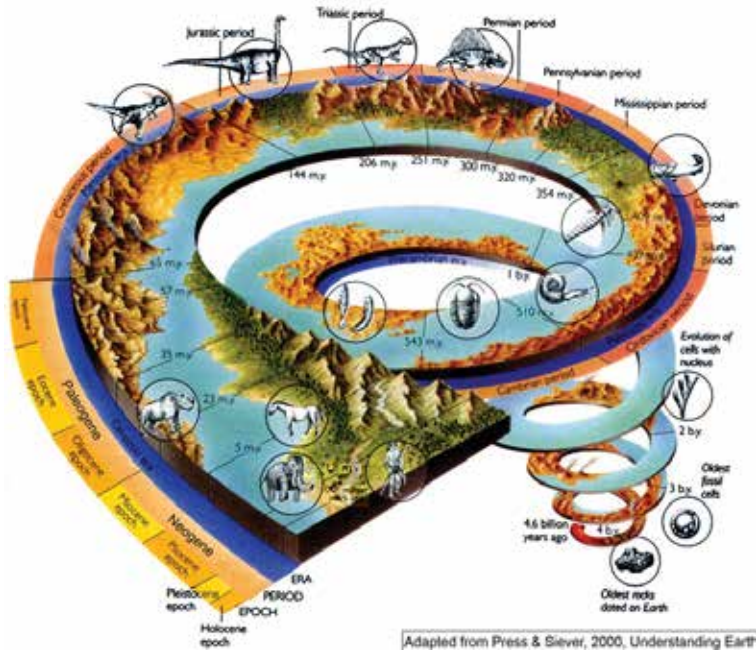
2 nm

Persistent length
~50 nm, ~147 bp



“Nothing in Biology Makes Sense Except in the Light of Evolution”

Феодосий Григорьевич Добржанский



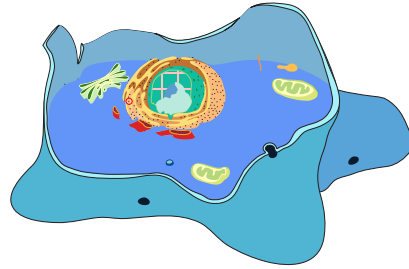
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Challenges in understanding (human) genomes

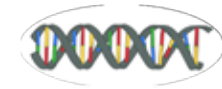
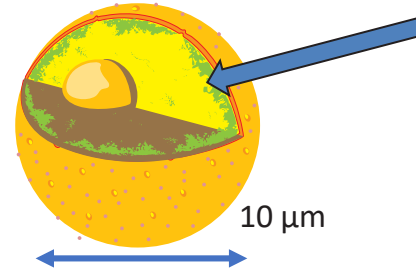
Complex organism



Eukaryotic cell

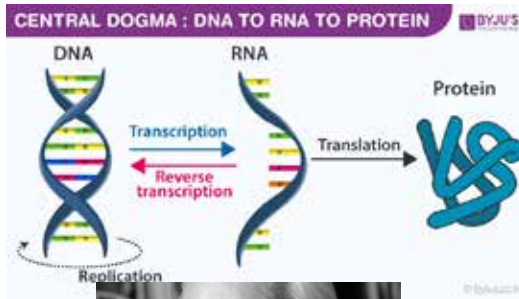


Cell nucleus



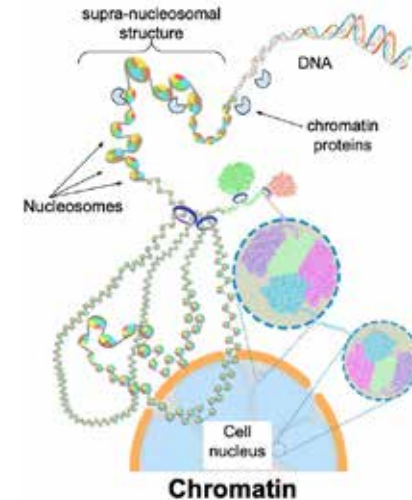
Genomic DNA

“Digital” information processing



Francis Crick formulated central dogma 1957

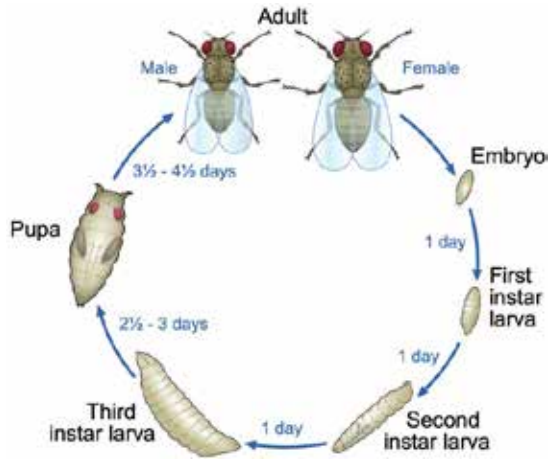
“Analog” information processing



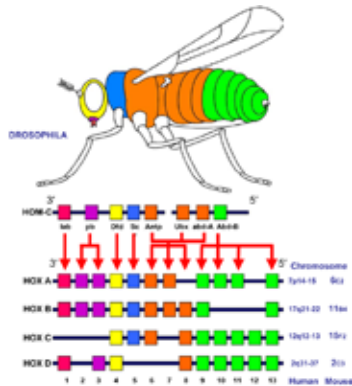
Physical 3D interactions of biomolecules regulate what genes work and how they work

Nature invented first (genetic) programs

Single mutations may change body development programs



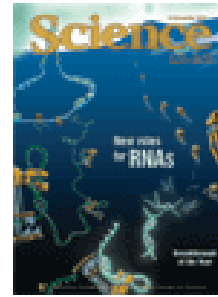
Ong et al. 10.3109/17435390.2014.940405

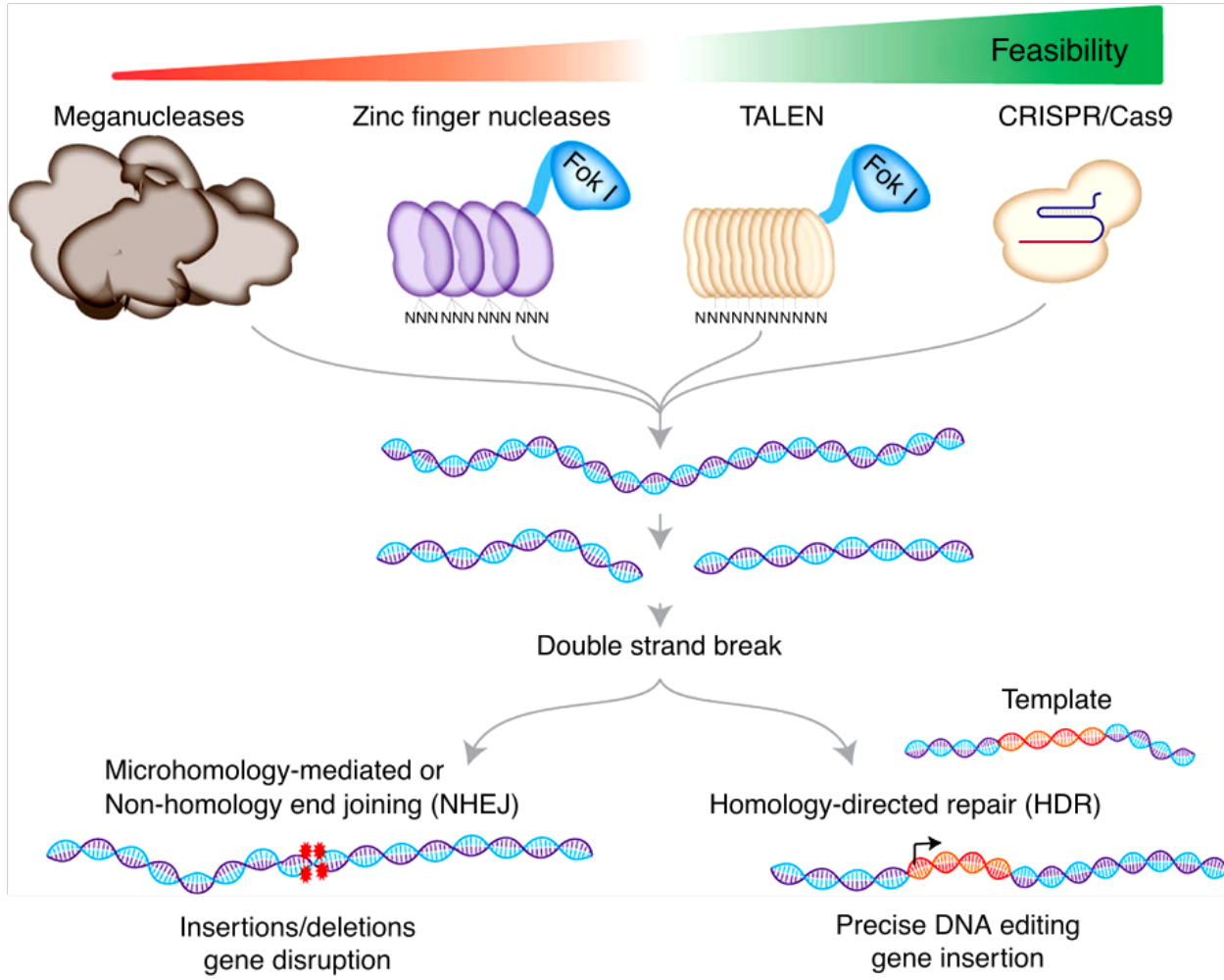


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Scientific breakthroughs in the 21 century

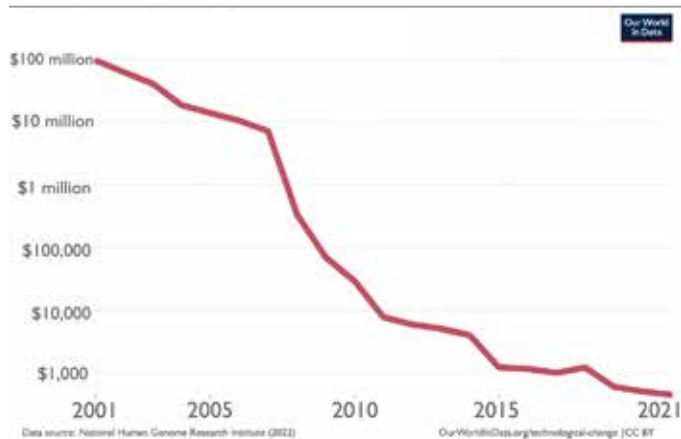
- 2000: **Full genome sequencing**
- 2001: Nanocircuits or Molecular circuit
- 2002: **RNA interference**
- 2003: Dark energy
- 2004: Spirit rover landed on Mars
- 2005: **Evolution in action**
- 2006: Proof of the Poincaré conjecture
- 2007: **Human genetic variation**
- 2008: **Cellular reprogramming**
- 2009: **Ardipithecus ramidus**
- 2010: The first quantum machine
- 2011: **HIV treatment as prevention**
- 2012: Discovery of the Higgs boson
- 2013: **Cancer immunotherapy**
- 2014: Rosetta comet mission
- 2015: **CRISPR genome-editing method**
- 2016: First observation of gravitational waves
- 2017: Neutron star merger (GW170817)
- 2018: **Single-cell sequencing**
- 2019: A black hole made visible
- 2020: **COVID-19 vaccine**
- 2021: **An AI brings protein structures to all**
- 2022: James Webb Space Telescope debut





DNA sequencing/synthesis and computer/data analysis performance

DNA sequencing costs



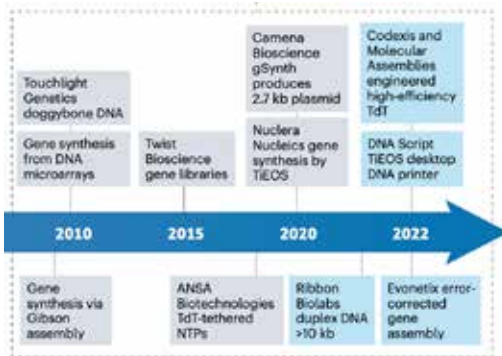
Nanopore sequencing



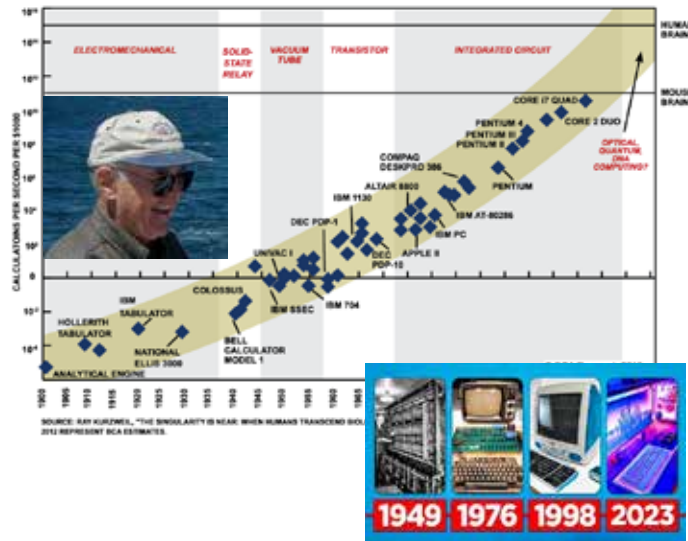
MGI DNBSEQ-T7

60 human genomes per day

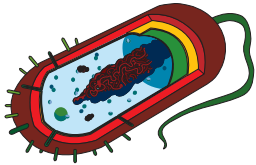
DNA synthesis



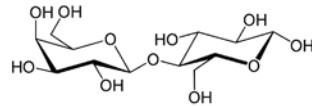
Moore's law



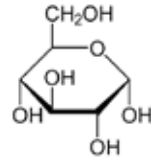
We need to understand how genes are regulated at molecular level



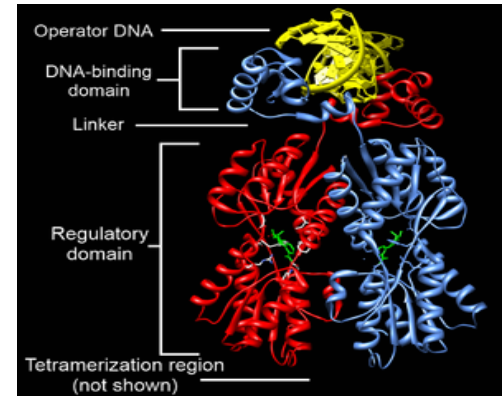
Bacteria



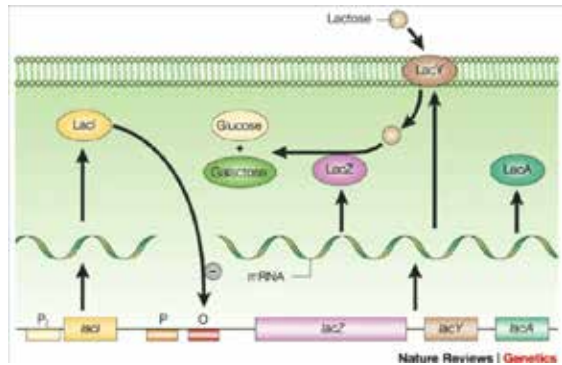
Lactose



Glucose



LacI protein bind DNA in the absence of lactose



Nature Reviews | Genetics



François Jacob (1920–2013)

Jacques Monod (1910–1976)

Nobel prize 1965



Elflab - Uppsala University

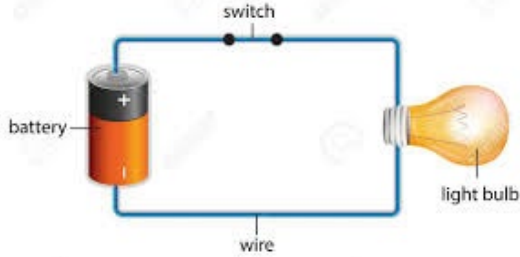
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Binding_and_unbinding_mechanism_of_LacI.webm

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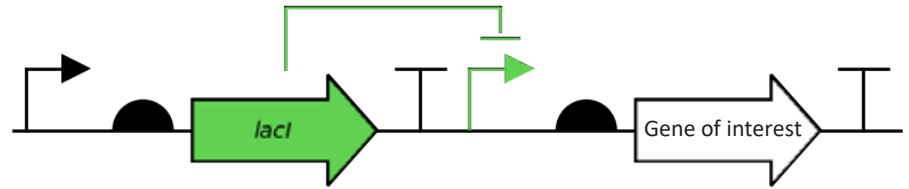
Lactose operon

From electric circuits to genetic circuits

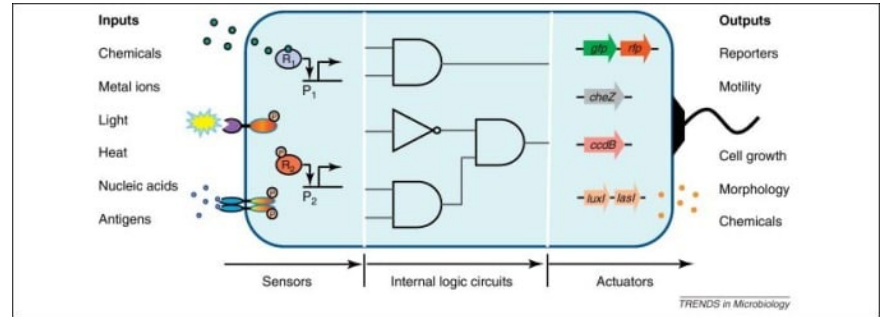
Simple Electric Circuit



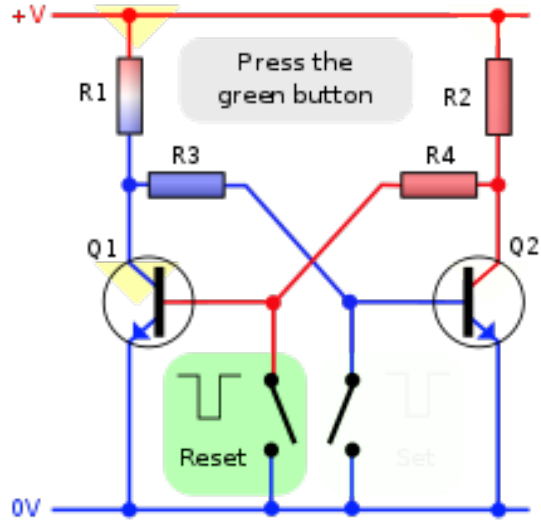
Simple genetic circuit



Integrated Circuits

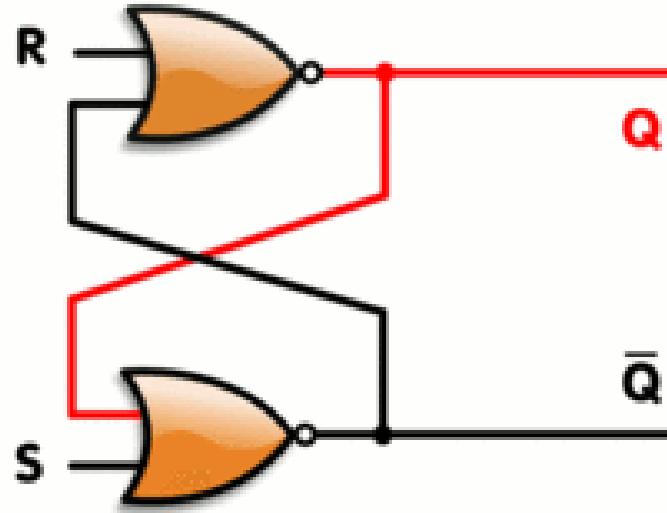


Flip-flop switch (toggle) – a memory element



Electrical scheme

Abstraction level: wiring diagram

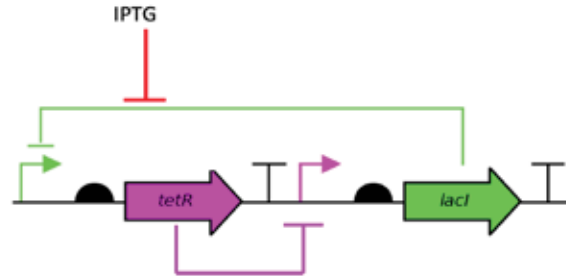


Logical scheme

Abstraction level: logic gates

First artificial genetic circuits

Flip-flop switch



Construction of a genetic toggle switch in *Escherichia coli*

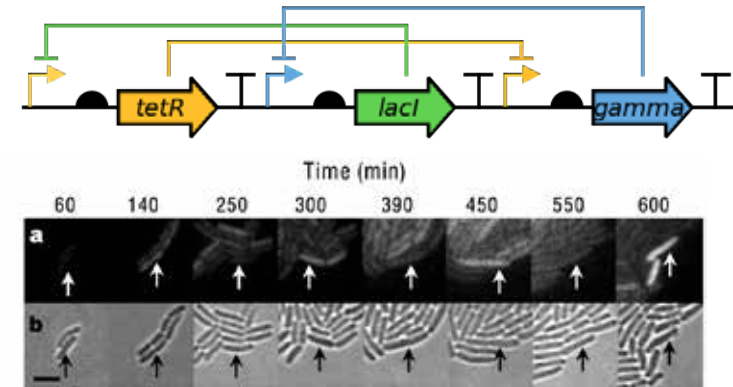
Timothy S. Gardner^{††}, Charles R. Cantor^{*} & James J. Collins^{††}

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P. Zaytsev, J. Collins, M. Bokov
at iGEM 2019

Repressilator

Oscillations of protein expression
in time



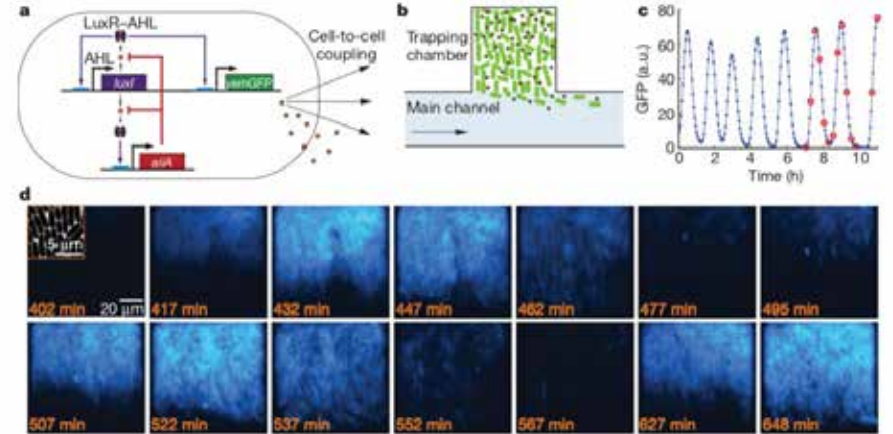
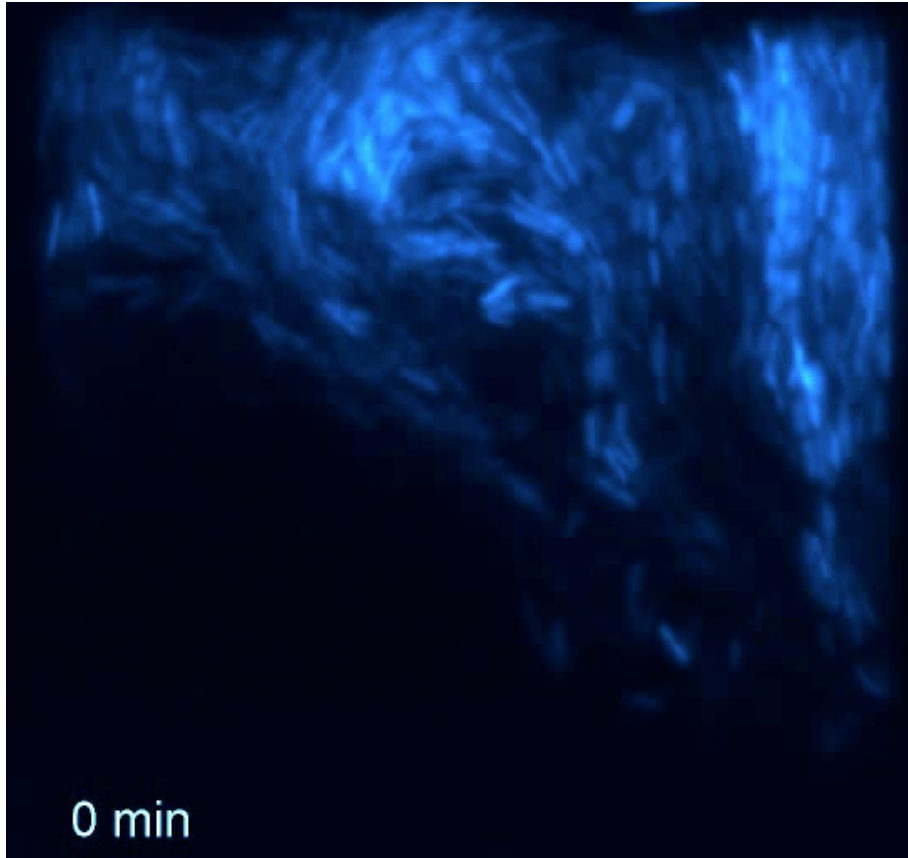
A synthetic oscillatory network of transcriptional regulators

Michael B. Elowitz & Stanislas Leibler

Departments of Molecular Biology and Physics, Princeton University, Princeton,
New Jersey 08544, USA

2000

Synchronized oscillatory genetic circuit



A synchronized quorum of genetic clocks

Tal Danino^{1*}, Octavio Mondragón-Palominos^{1*}, Lev Tsimring² & Jeff Hasty^{1,2,3}

Nature **463**, 326–330 (2010)

2010

Пример программы дизайна генетических сетей

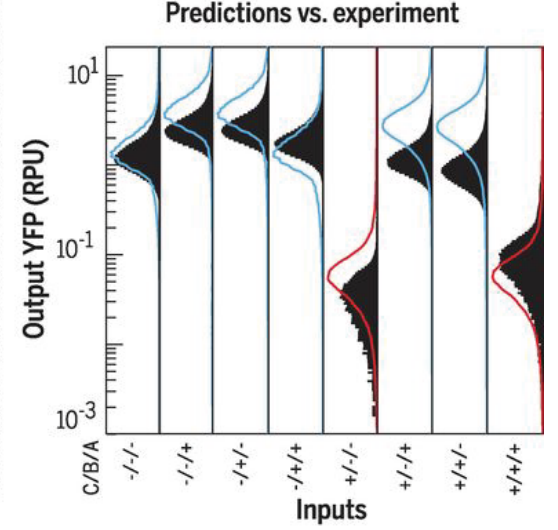
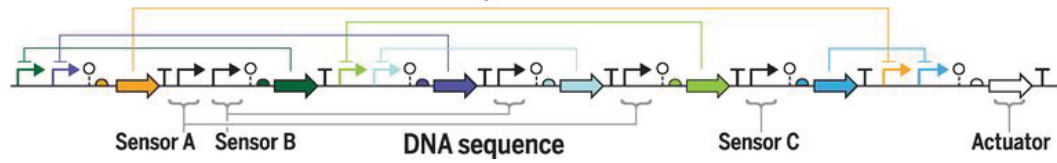
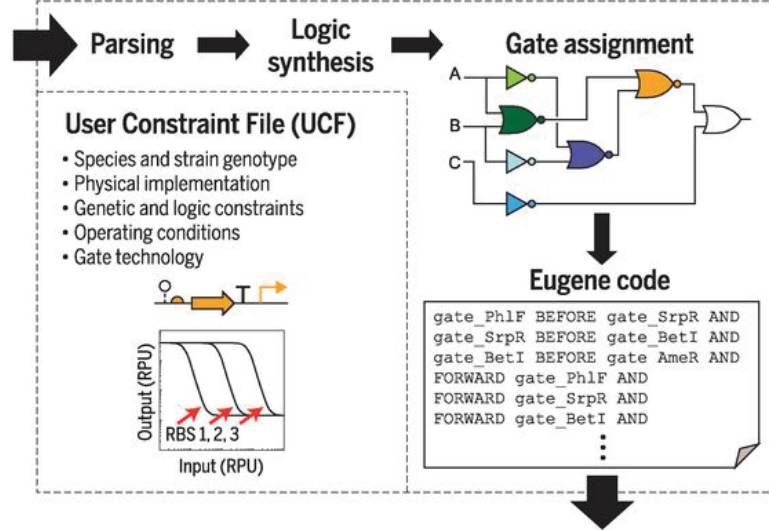
Cello design specification

Sensors			
name	low	high	promoter sequence
A	0.003	2.8	AACGATCGTTGGCTGTGTGACAATT
B	0.001	4.4	TACTCCACCGTTGGCTTTTTCCCTA
C	0.008	2.5	ACTTTTCATACTCCGCCATTACAGAG

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Verilog
module 0xF6(output out, input A,B,C);
always@ (C,B,A)
begin
case ({C,B,A})
3'b000: {out} = 1'b1;
3'b001: {out} = 1'b1;
3'b010: {out} = 1'b1;
3'b011: {out} = 1'b1;
3'b100: {out} = 1'b0;
3'b101: {out} = 1'b1;
3'b110: {out} = 1'b1;
3'b111: {out} = 1'b0;
endcase
end
endmodule
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Actuators	
name	sequence
YFP	ATGGGTGAGCAAGGGCGAGGAGCTGTTCCACCGGGGT

Run

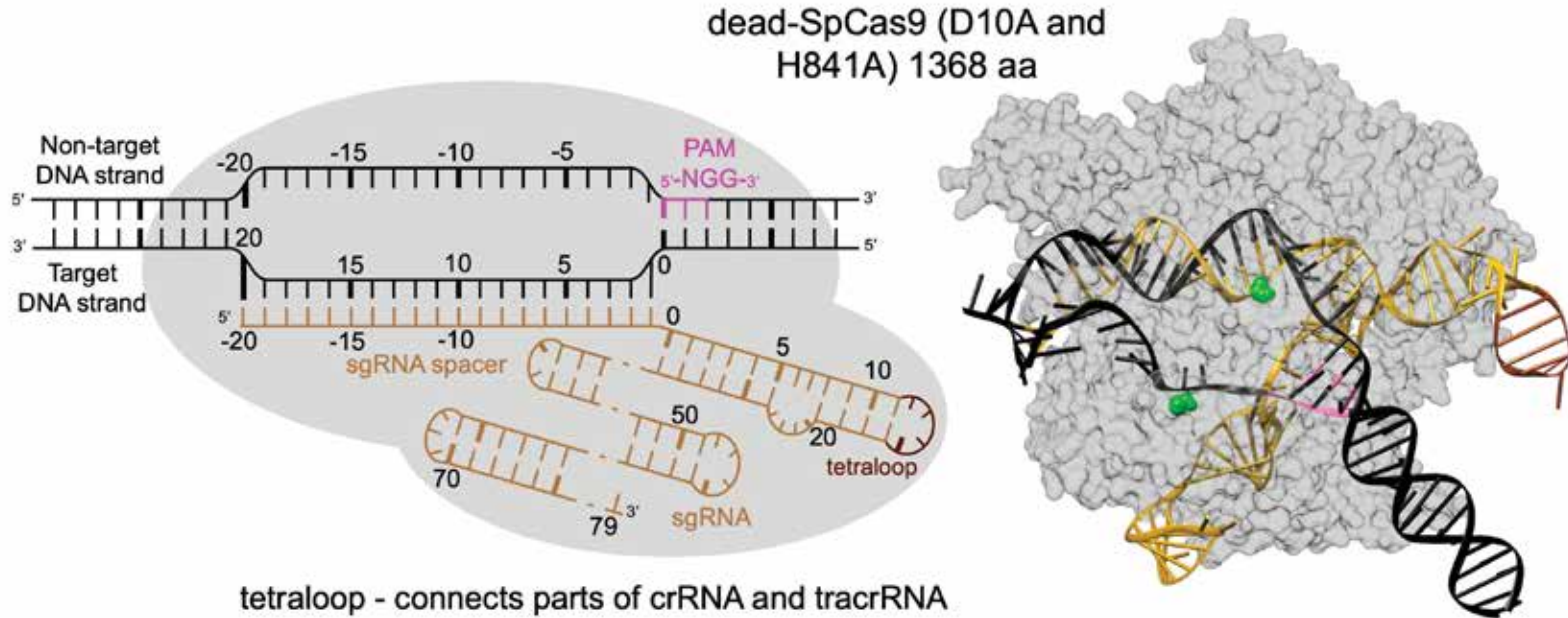


Cello, <http://www.cellocad.org>

• https://youtu.be/SLn_SKL7vkQ

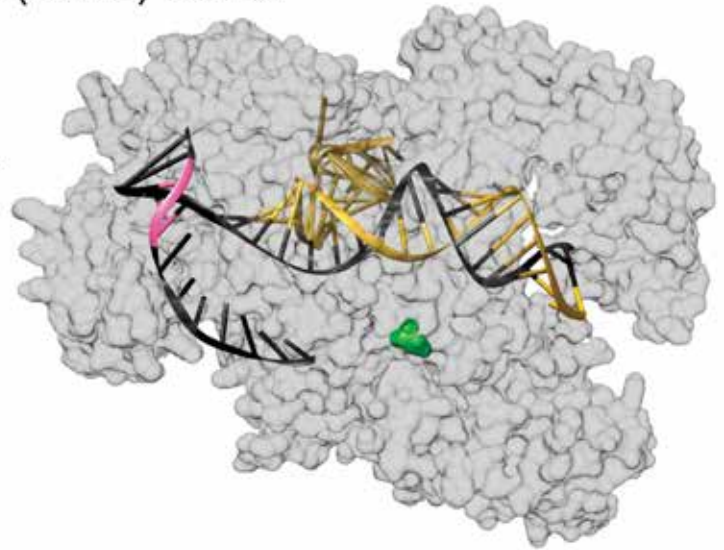
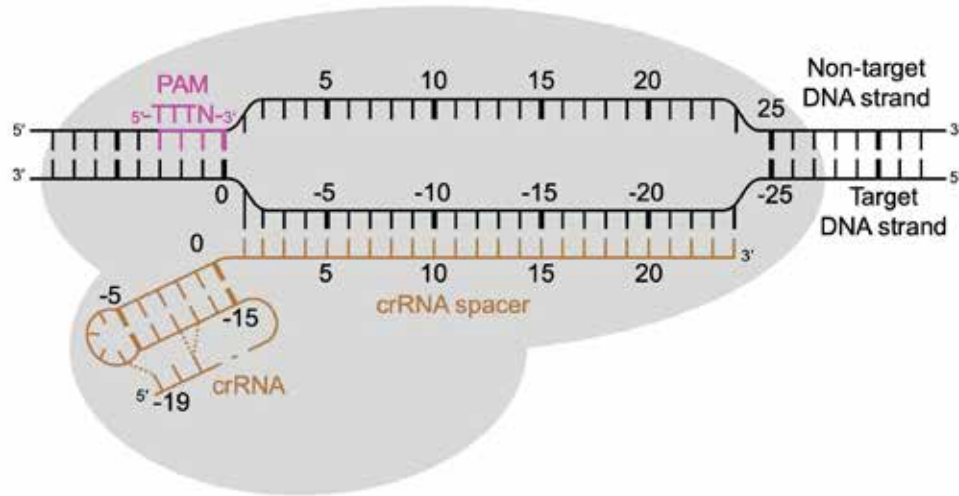
• Nielsen, A. A. K., Der, B. S., Shin, J., Vaidyanathan, P., Paralanov, V., Strychalski, E. A., ... Voigt, C. A. (2016). Genetic circuit design automation. *Science*, 352(6281), aac7341–aac7341.

dCas9

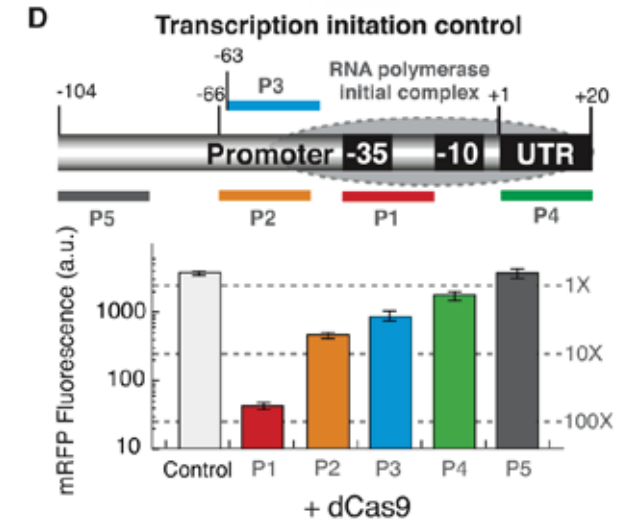
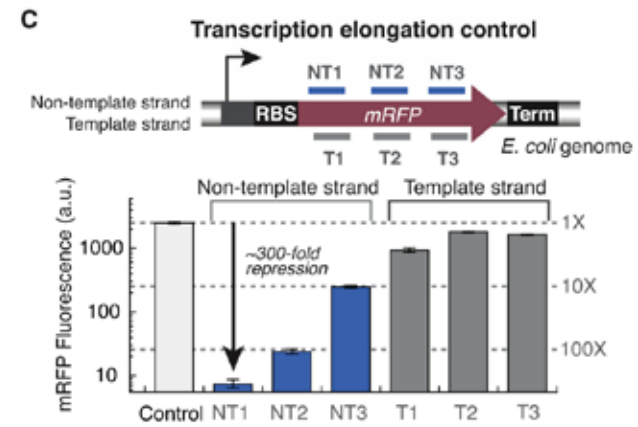
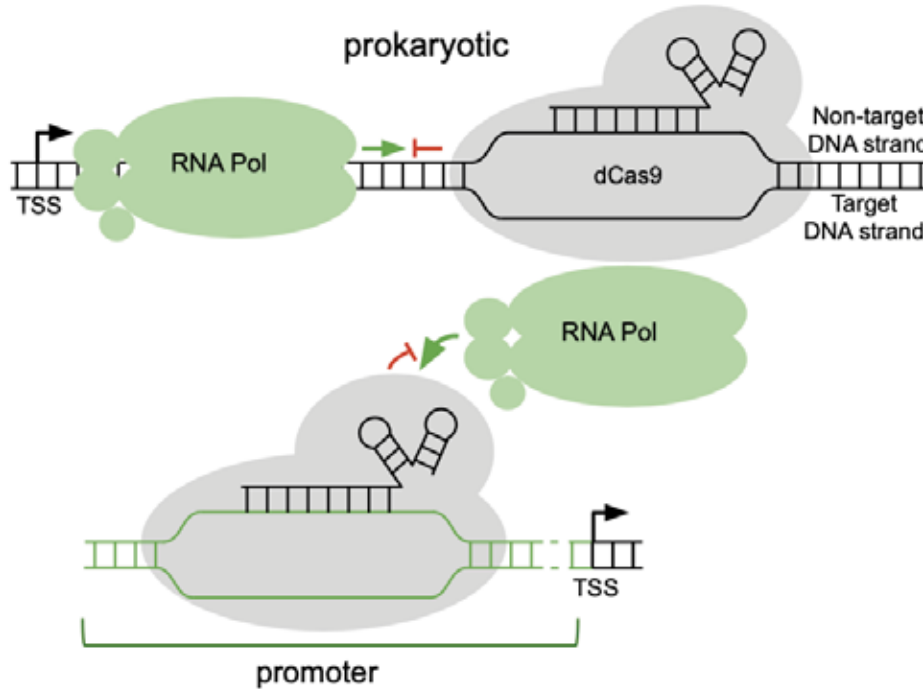


FnCas12a

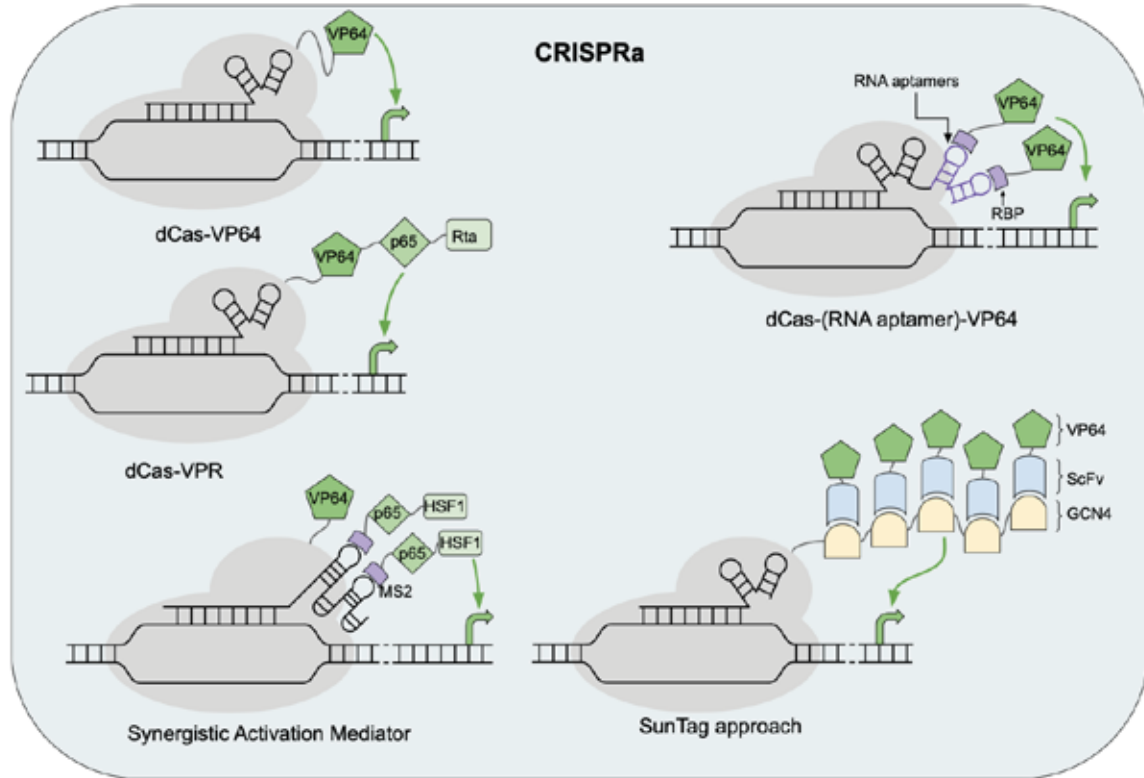
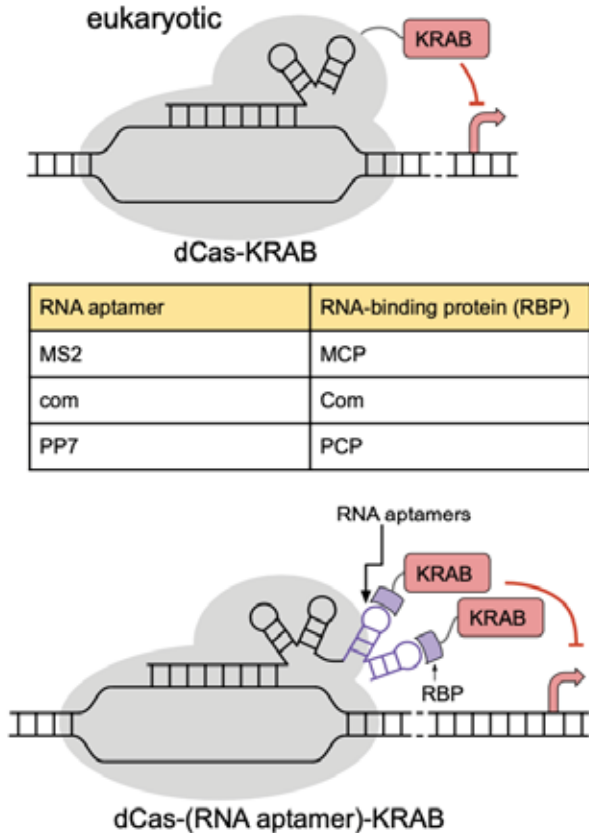
dead-FnCas12a (D917A) 1307 aa



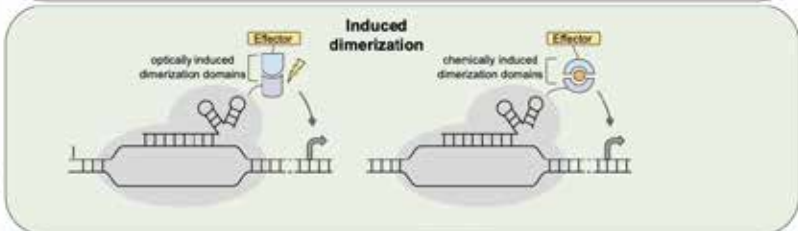
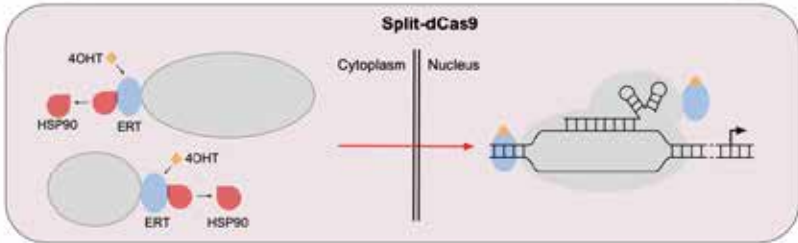
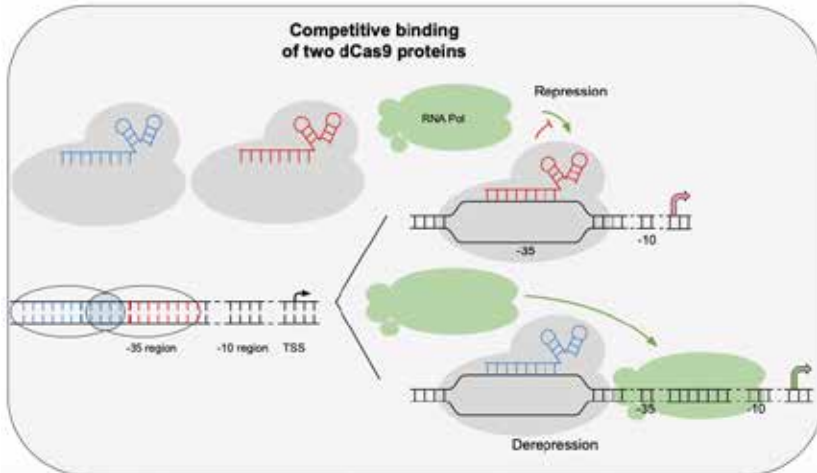
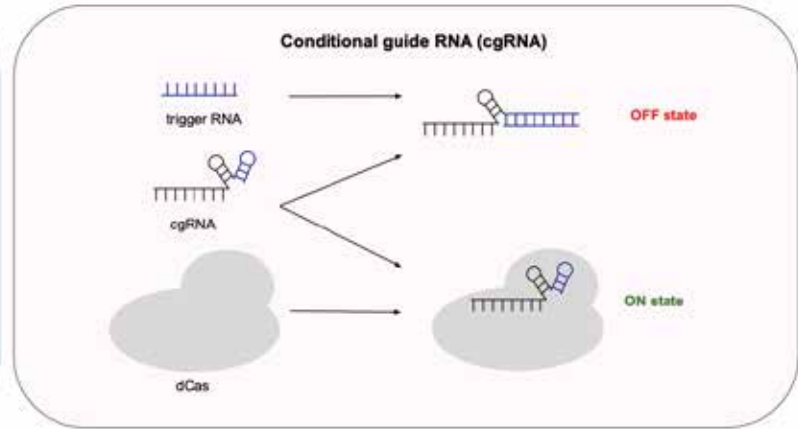
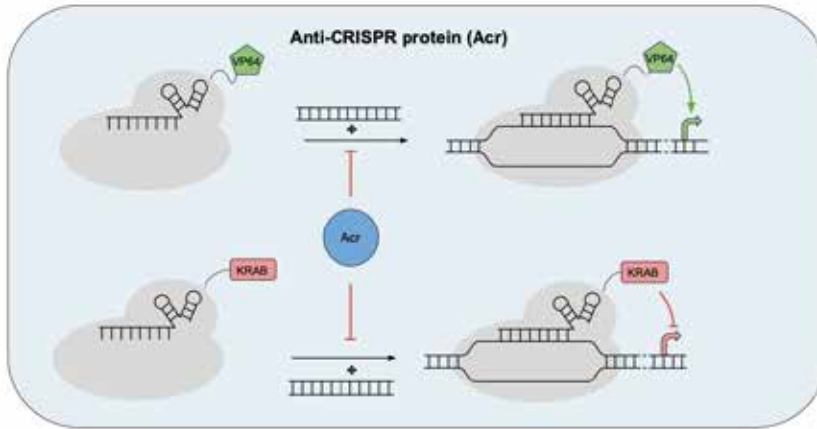
CRISPRi



CRISPRi/CRISPRa in eukarotes

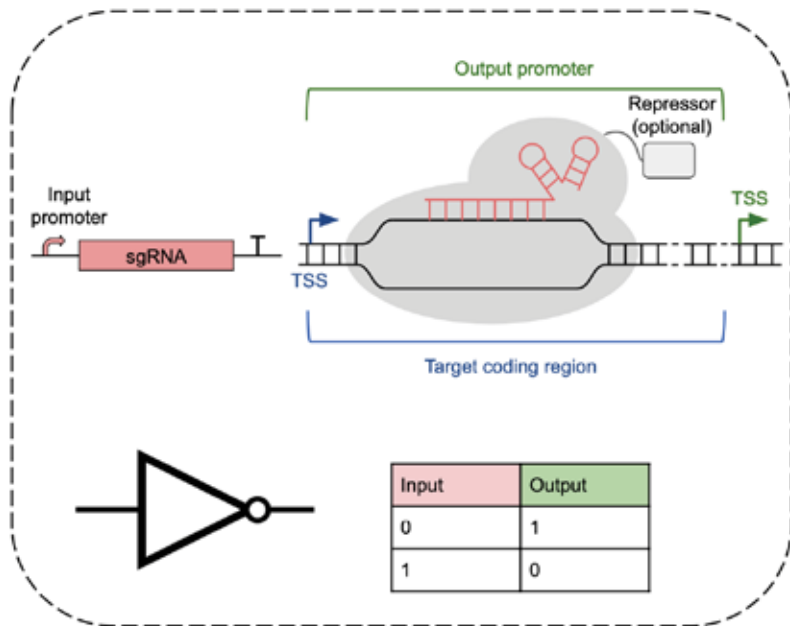


Advanced CRISPR-based devices

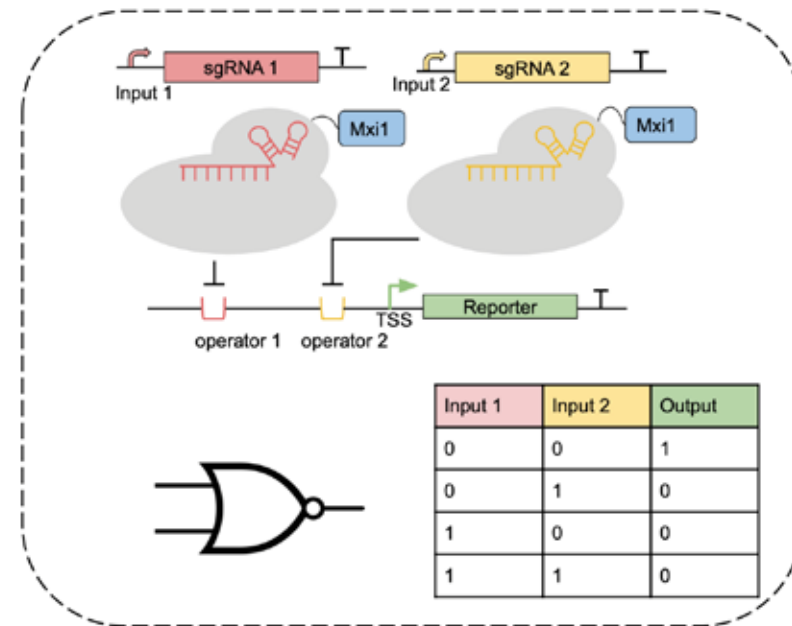


Логические вентили на CRISPR/dCas9

NOT gate (prokaryotic, eukaryotic)

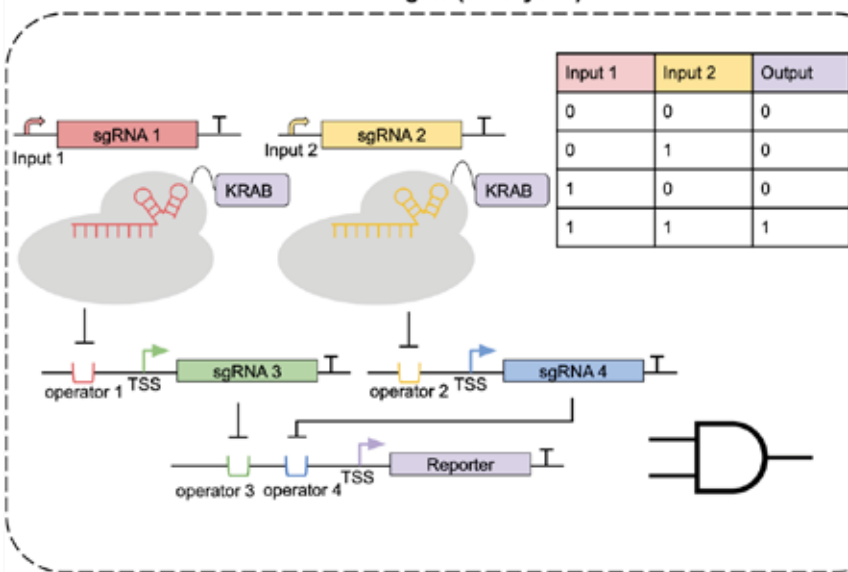


NOR gate (eukaryotic, yeast)

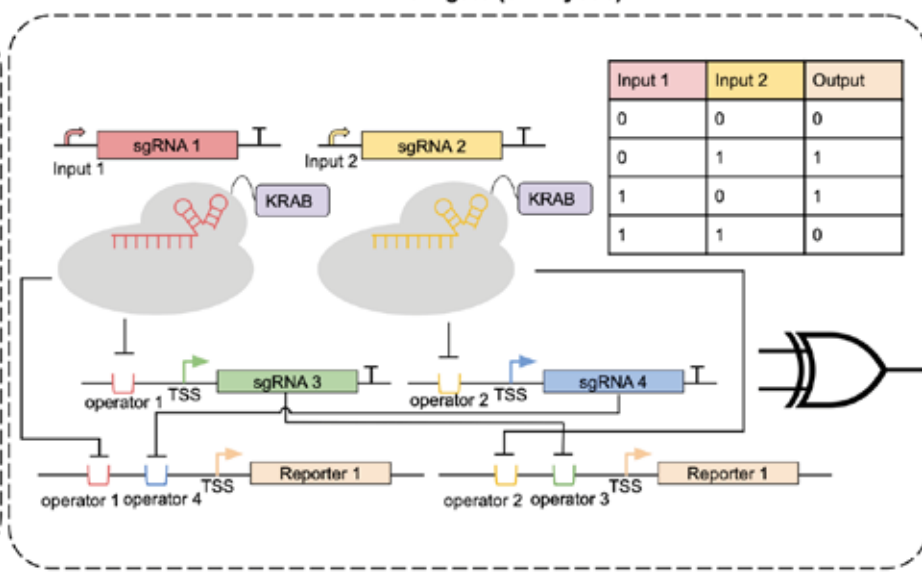


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AND gate (eukaryotic)

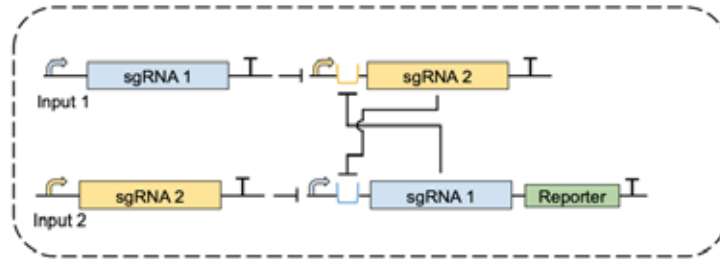


XOR gate (eukaryotic)

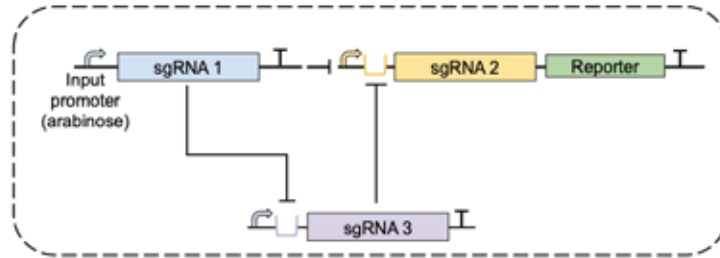


Простейшие схемы

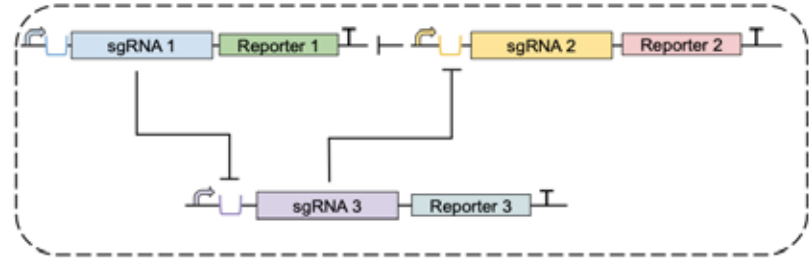
Toggle switch

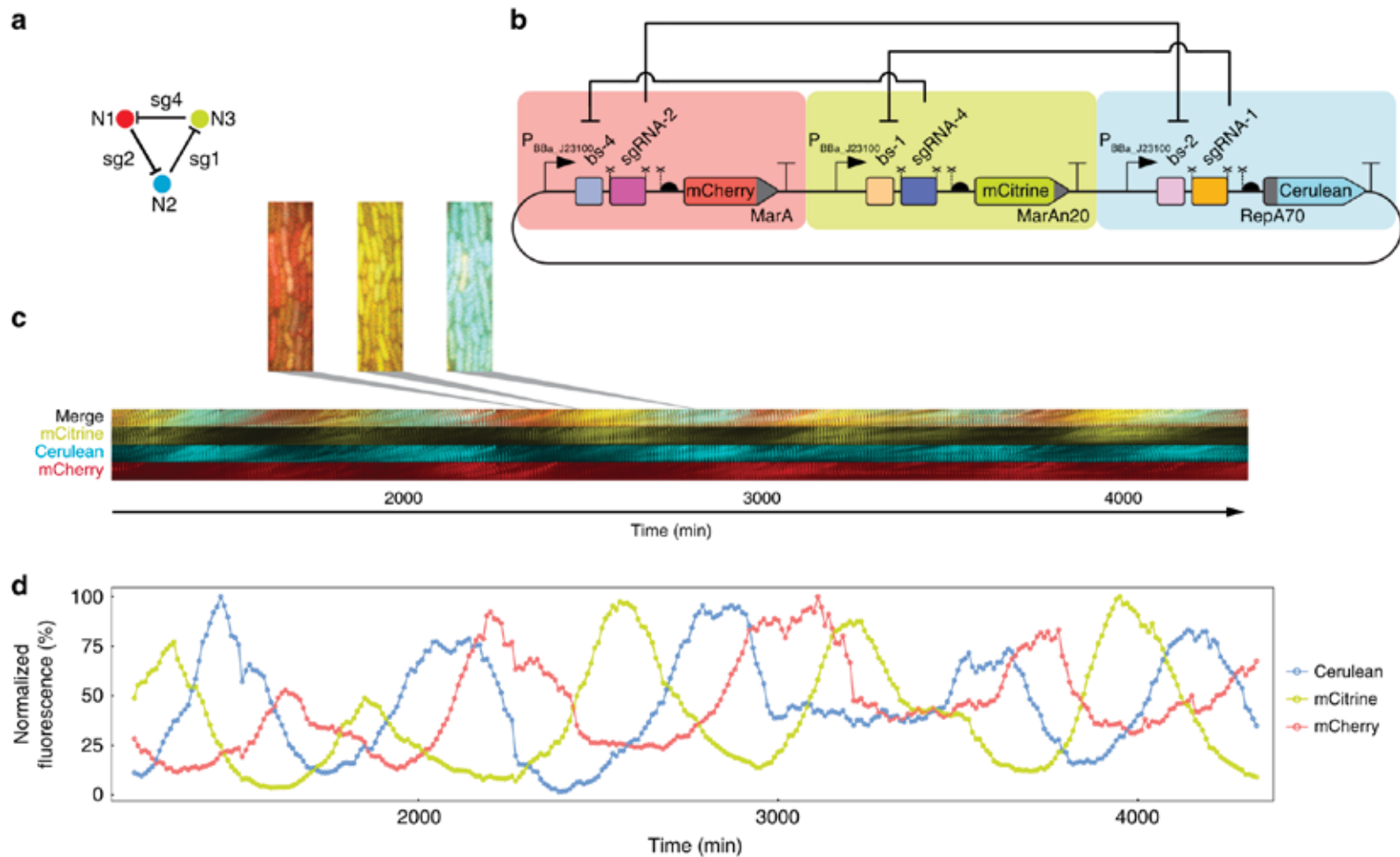


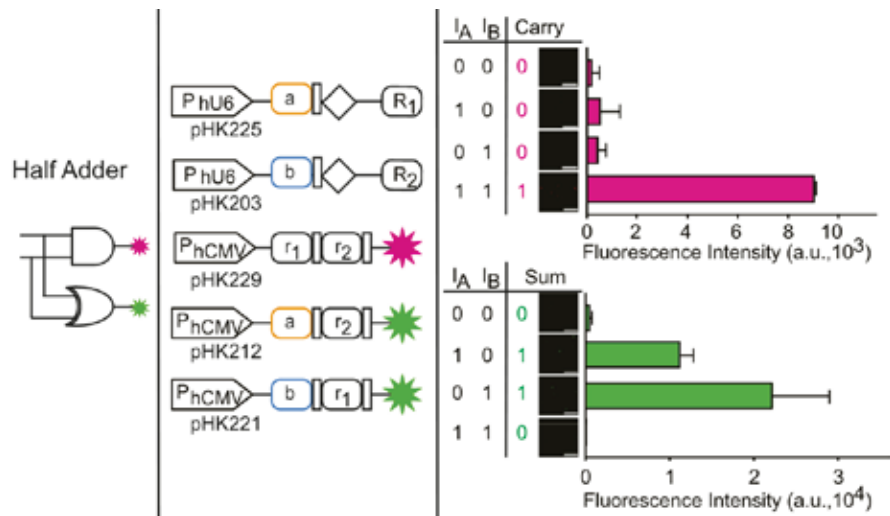
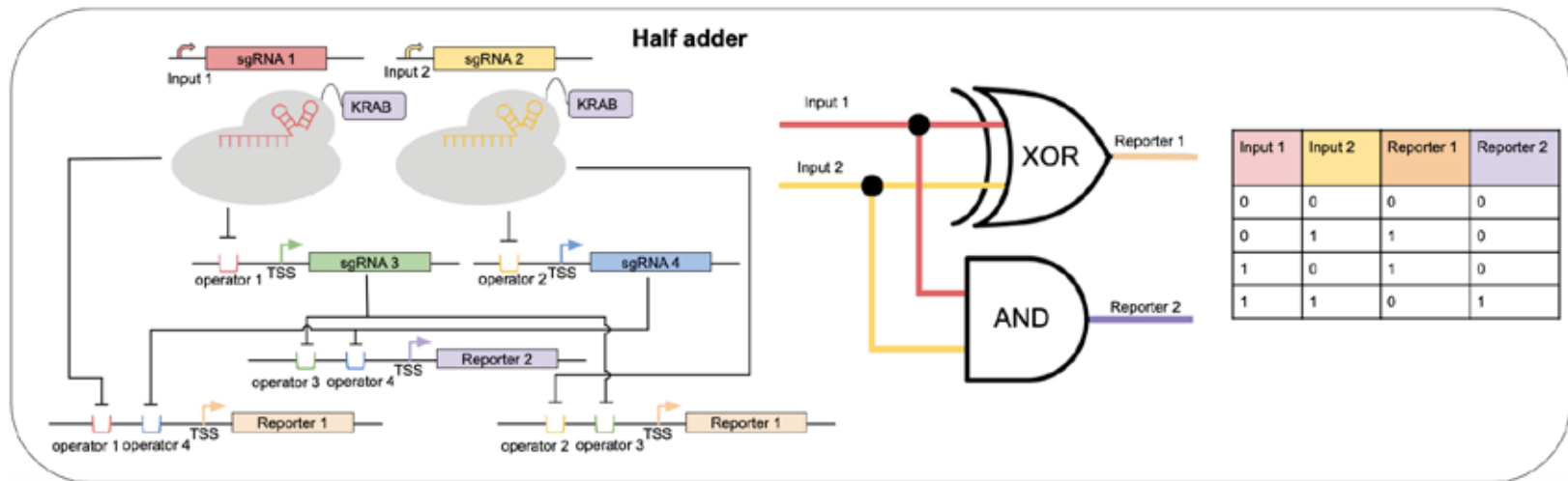
IFFL



CRISPRiator



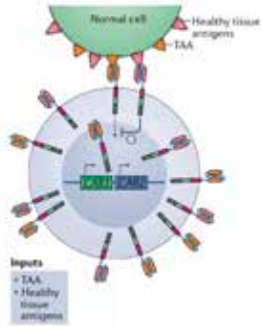




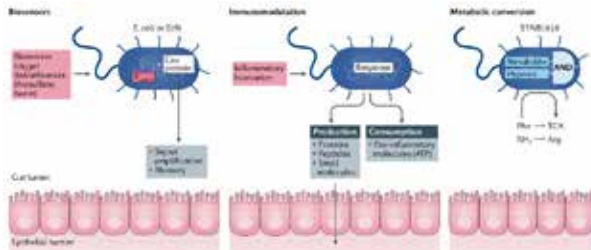
Kim, H.; Bojar, D.; Fussenegger, M. A CRISPR/Cas9-Based Central Processing Unit to Program Complex Logic Computation in Human Cells. *PNAS* **2019**, *116*, 7214–7219, doi:[10.1073/pnas.1821740116](https://doi.org/10.1073/pnas.1821740116).

Зачем нужны генетические схемы?

Smart living therapeutics

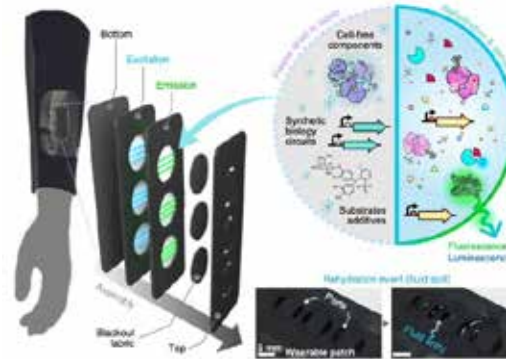


Programming smart immune cells to fight cancer



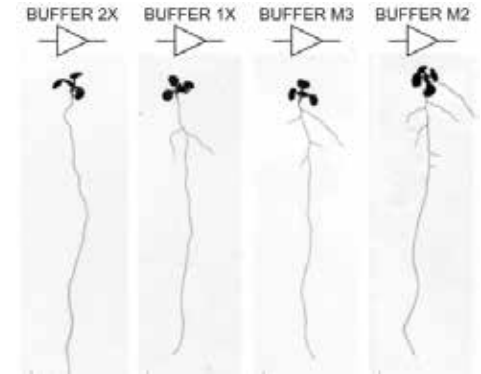
Smart bacterial therapies for the microbiome

Biosensors



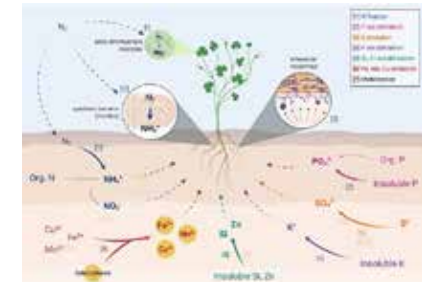
Wearable sensors that detect physiological status, disease states and exposure to pathogens or toxins

Plant synthetic biology



Programming plant root structure

Brophy, J.A.N. (2022). *Science*, **377**, 747–751.

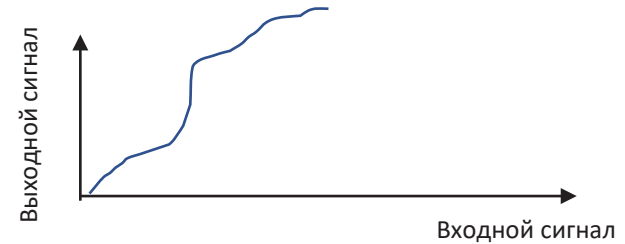


Biofertilizers

Mitter et al. 10.3389/fsufs.2021.606815

Ограничения dCas-систем

- Токсичность dCas-белков (*E. coli* – 500 белков на клетку) => мутации в РАМ-связывающей области уменьшают токсичность
- Кооперативность отсутствует
- Иммуногенность



Transfer function (функция передачи)

Спасибо за внимание!

*“What I cannot create, I do
not understand”*



R. Feynman
(1918-1988)