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# **The Half-Adder: A biological computaion unit**



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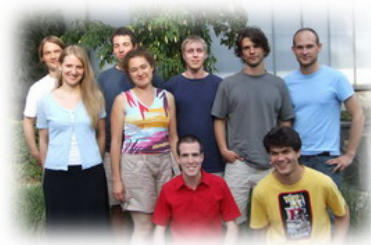
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## Half-adder

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# Pattern Recognition with a half adder

# Implementation (Engineering point of view)

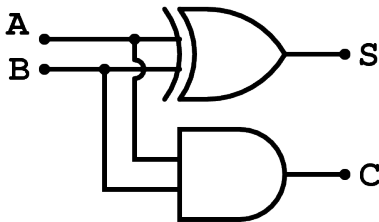
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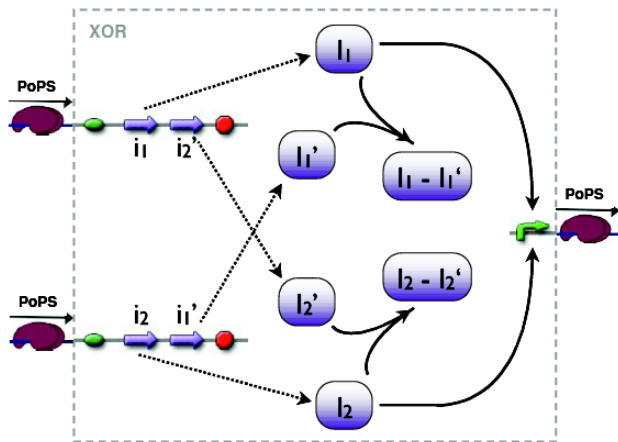
Inputs		Outputs	
A	B	C	S
0	0	0	0
0	1	0	1
1	0	0	1
1	1	1	0

A half-adder consists of two gates:  
XOR-gate and AND-gate

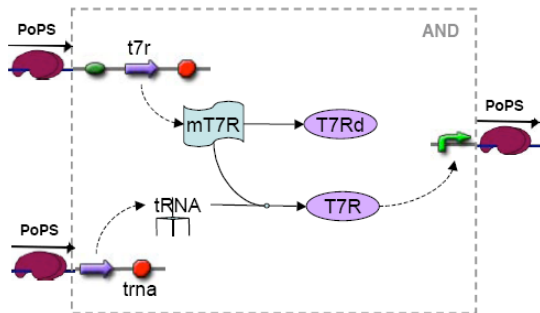


# Biological Implementation: Overview

# The AND-gate



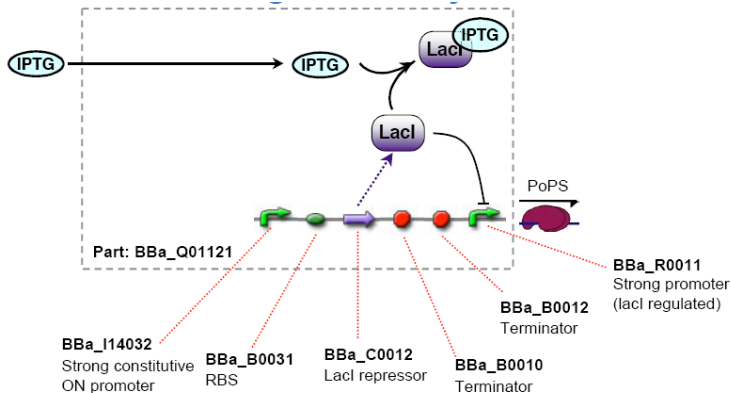
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- T7R: T7 RNA Polymerase  
T7Rd: deficient (inactive) T7R  
mT7R: mRNA for T7R  
tRNA: tRNA to repress „early stop“ translation



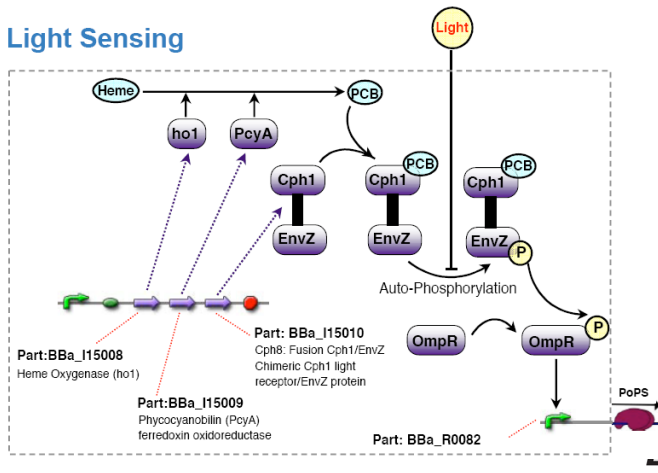
## Chemical Sensing Part



IPTG binds to LacI and activates expression from BBa\_R0011 = PoPS signal

# Light Sensing Part

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# The model

# Simulation Results

# Sensitivity Analysis

# ??The Experiments??

# Experimental Results