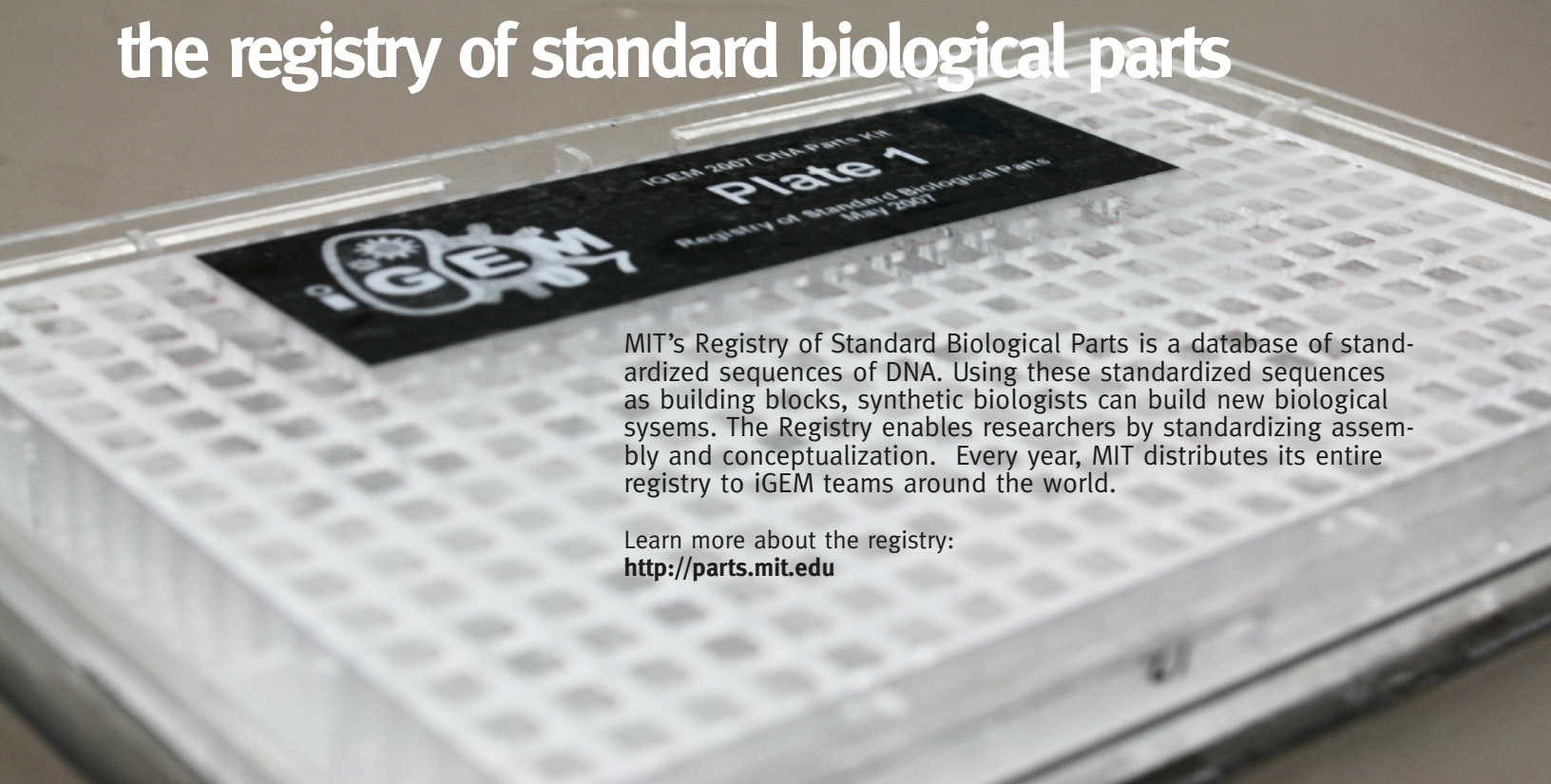


# the registry of standard biological parts



MIT's Registry of Standard Biological Parts is a database of standardized sequences of DNA. Using these standardized sequences as building blocks, synthetic biologists can build new biological systems. The Registry enables researchers by standardizing assembly and conceptualization. Every year, MIT distributes its entire registry to iGEM teams around the world.

Learn more about the registry:  
<http://parts.mit.edu>

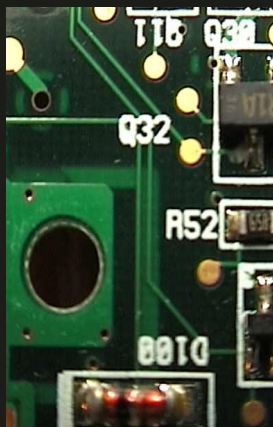
## synthetic biology



biofuels



pharmaceuticals



cell logic

Synthetic Biology combines engineering and biology in order to understand and build new biological tools and systems. Think ethanol-making algae, cancer-invading cells, or lead-detecting genes. These are some of the new technologies that synthetic biologists are developing. Advances in our knowledge in biology and the falling price of gene synthesis are allowing the construction of complex systems to become a reality.

## igem projects of the past

treatment for sepsis inflammation  
ljubljana

cellular arsenic detector  
edinburgh

banana/wintergreen scented bacteria  
mit

bacterial freeze tag  
brown

nand logic gates  
ucberkeley

cell surface targeting  
harvard

stem cell differentiation pathway  
princeton

cellular oscillator  
imperial

<http://openwetware.org/wiki/IGEM:Brown/2007>

## why igem?

**undergraduate-led research** means that students imagine, design and implement their own projects.  
**interdisciplinary** means that we use concepts from biology, engineering, computer science, and mathematical

modelling.  
**revolutionary.** in the past, biology research mainly focused to understand biological systems. igem seeks to train the first wave of scientists to build new and novel systems.



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team 07(left to right): tito jankowski, rohan maddamsetti, adam emrich, deepa galaiya, jeff hoffman, norris hung, kyle schutter

igem is the international genetically engi-  
neered machines competition that takes place  
every summer at mit. igem's focus is the cut-  
ting edge field of synthetic biology and we  
aim to use the biobrick parts sent to us by the  
registry of standard biological parts to create  
molecular machines.  
in 2007, we are seven undergraduate team  
members from diverse backgrounds in science  
and engineering we are mentored by brown  
graduate students, postdocs and faculty from  
across the university. with support from a  
team utra, we will be working in the multidis-  
ciplinary lab over the summer and preparing  
our entries for the annual jamboree at mit on  
nov 3rd and 4th 2007.

# what is igem?

