

# How to complete a BioBrick Safety Sheet

1 Give the risk level

**BioBrick Safety Sheet**

Risk level: I

Plasmid: pSB4C5

Chassis: *Escherichia coli* (BW25113 strain)

BioBrick code: none for the moment

Diagram of the construction

2 Put a diagram of the biobrick construction using the symbols at the end of this manual

3 Give plasmids on which the BioBrick has been added. Several plasmids are possible

4 Put the name of the biobrick used in the registry

5 Give chassis used. Several chassis are possible

6 Make a brief description of how the construction was made and focus on the biological parts used and created.

**Construction method**

Technic: Gibson Assembly  
 Biobricks:

- plac originates from [BBa\\_113601](#)
- fha1 originates from iGEM Grenoble 2011 team work
- ecfp is extracted from [BBa\\_E0422](#)

**Promoter** : [plac 0-1 \(BBa\\_R0011\)](#)

**Origin and initial function :**

This promoter is a hybrid one made up of two natural promoters. It consists of the phage lambda promoter P(L) which activates the pathogenicity by increasing the transcription. The phage lambda destroys *E. coli* using a toxin which destroys the membrane. In this regulatory region, instead of the *cl* binding site, there is lacO1 (from *E. coli* Lac operon). LacO1 is an operator from lactose operon, it binds LacI (the lac repressor) which is released upon complexation with IPTG, The inducer.

*E. coli*: are bacteria commonly used in laboratories. Some strains are dangerous but most of them are harmless.

Phage lambda: is an *E. coli* virus without any pathogenicity towards humans.

**Purposes in the system :**

It allows a strong transcription of *ecfp* and which can be induced by IPTG and repressed by LacI.

**Size :**

55 bp

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For each part of the biobrick give the name, the origin, its usage and its size. As far as its origin is concerned, if it is a part composed of different other parts, explain the origin of each part. It is also important to explain their natural function. If there is any BioBrick already registered; set up a link with the BioBrick web page.

**RBS** : [Forkhead-associated domains 1 \(not in the registry for the moment\)](#)

### Natural origin and function :

*fha1* is a RBS from *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* which increases the pathogenicity by allowing type VI secretion. Taken alone, it does not code for a protein and it does not increase the risk level.

*Pseudomonas aeruginosa* is a level 2 pathogenic bacterium which leads to nosocomial infections.

### Purposes in the system :

It allows a translational regulation of the eCFP production. *fha1* contains a binding site for the RsmA protein. By binding to the RBS, RsmA inhibits mRNA translation. However, this inhibition can be recovered thanks to *rsmY* (siRNA) which sequesters RsmA.

### size:

47bp

Coding sequence *ectp*

enhanced Cyan Fluorescent protein (E0022)

### origin and initial function:

The fluorescent protein eCFP (enhanced Cyan Fluorescent Protein) derived from *Aequorea victoria* GFP (Green Fluorescent Protein). This jellyfish uses GFP in order to convert the blue luminescence emitted by the aequorin into a green luminescence. Apparently the resulting fluorescence has a repulsive effect on predators. The gene is also composed of a LVA tail. This tag was used for the degradation of GFP. It is attached on the C-terminal end of the GFP and is also attached at the end of the eCFP.

*Aequorea victoria* is a jellyfish that can be found off the coast of north America.

### Purposes in the system :

It is used as a reporter. The LVA tail (SsrA tag) coming from *E.Coli* at the end of the coding sequence reduces the protein stability and strengthens the action of Tsp, a protease.

### Size :

762 bp

Example of explanation

# Another part deals with the feedback

## Feedback

The environment in which it has been used and the consequences :

<u>Environment</u>	<u>consequences</u>
<u>This biobrick is only used in a biology laboratory of level 1 for the moment</u>	<u>The construction has not been built yet. Therefore we do not know if there is any consequences. Theoretically there would be no dangerous effect</u>

8 For this part list all environments in which the organism has been used and consequences which occurred. If different kind of organism in terms of chassis or plasmid used, do not forget to define which construction you are talking about.

Safety issues:

- For the moment we do not know what would happen if the microorganism were scattered outside of the laboratory. Therefore the question to answer is: in which environment can this microorganism live?

9 Sum up the current state of the safety and write the questions which have to be answered to improve the safety use of this BioBrick

Tests to do in order to answer safety issues :

- test organism's survival in sewers.  
- check organism's presence in the researchers' bodies. What are the consequences?

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Write tests and experiments that should be done in order to answer on questions above.

Limitation:

- Because no tests have been done in a different environment than a biology laboratory of level 1, the use of those microorganisms should be forbidden in other environments until a study proves that the risk is low enough.  
- when using this microorganism good laboratory practice must be followed.

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Thanks to information given previously, give in which ways this Biobrick has to be used or not.

characterization :

put here the information about the functioning of the BioBrick and experimental results.

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in order to give more information on its use, put all the information about the functioning of the BioBrick and experiments results

At the end do not forget to write the used references and also the name of the person who puts the risk level on the BioBrick Safety Sheet, together with the date of the last update.

Author : LINKS Jérôme (iGEM Grenoble 2012)  
put the name of the person who gives the risk level

example

# How to establish the risk level

1. List every components of the biobrick
2. Trace the origin of each of them
3. Determine the risk level of each components  
(the risk level of each component is the same as their origin organism)
4. Take the higher risk level  
(if study proves that the construction does not correspond to this risk level, identify it in the bibliography, and change the risk level that it corresponds to its real risk level)
5. Write your name and address

# Symbols to use



RBSs



promoter



Coding sequence

## Biobrick Safety Sheet

Risk level: **Indicate the risk level**

Adding on a plasmid : **name of them**

Chassis used : **Name of them**

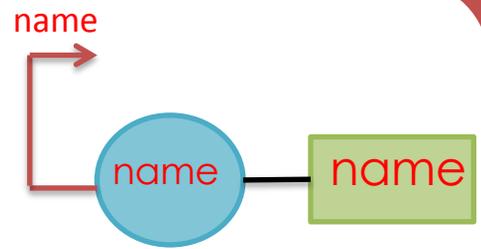


Diagram of the construction

BioBrick name : **Name which appears on the parts registry**

## Construction method

Put here the way the construction is build and give the different biological parts used during the construction

**Promoter** 

: **Name (name registry with the link to the web page)**

Origin and initial function :

Give the origin of the promoter. More precisely give the origin of the promoter in terms of organisms and its goal in nature.

Purposes in the system :

Give its usage in the system

Size :

complete

**RBS**

 name

: **Name and link to the part registry**

Origin and initial function :

complete

Purposes in systems :

complete

size:

complete

Coding sequence

Name and part registry link

Origin and initial function :

complete

Purposes in the system :

complete

Size :

complete

Feedback

environment in which it has been used and consequences :

Environment	consequences
complete	Complete (add lines if necessary)

Safety issues:

- complete

Tests to do in order to answer safety issues :

- complete

Limitation :

-complete

characterization :

put here the information about the functioning of the BioBrick and experience results.

- Put references

Author : put the name of the person who gives the risk level example LINKS Jérôme (iGEM Grenoble 2012)

Update: put the current date