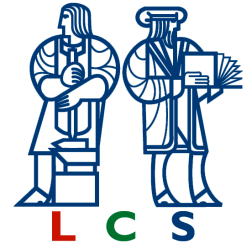




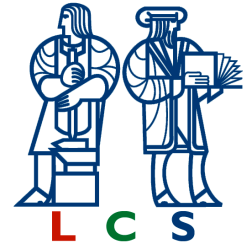
Project Overview



- Engineer behavior into living systems
 - Applications in medicine, agriculture, environment, materials, nanofabrication
- Create components and interfaces
 - Learn ideas of pattern formation, robustness, abstraction
- Create a new engineering discipline
 - Students, texts, experimental guides

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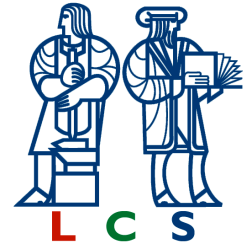


Progress Through December 1999

- Set up of laboratory, students, staff
- Improved ties with biology faculty
- Cloned & sequenced natural systems
 - Vibrio and Photobacterium luminescence
 - Quorum sensing
- Created artificial digital intercellular communication system

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Research Plan for the Next Six Months

- Additional genetic components
- New experimental capability
 - Gene arrays
 - Plasmid automated construction
- Course development
- Laboratory documentation
 - Enable others to duplicate our work