

Supplementary Information

A microbial sensor for organophosphate hydrolysis exploiting an engineered specificity switch in a transcription factor

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SECTION 1: FASTA SEQUENCES

A) *pobR* intergenic region in *Acinetobacter* sp ADP1

← (*pobR*) CATaacattcaaataccaaaatggTTTTgtccgatcatcggacagttgtaatgctaatacggataatTTTga
gccttgattatagatgtctTTTTaatgagggcggtactTTAAAAatagaaaatagcaaggatgatgTTATG (*pobA*) →

-PobR operator region is underlined. Inverted repeats are marked with arrows (1).

B) *pobR* intergenic region adapted for *E. coli*

← (*pobR*) CATaacattcaaataccaaaatggTTTTgtccgatcatcggacagttgtaatgctaatacggataatTTTga
gccttgattatagatgtctTTTTaatgagggcggtactTTAAAAatagaaaatagc**aagga**GATATACATATG (*gfp*)
→

-Mutated bases are shown in bold and uppercase letters. *E. coli* RBS is highlighted in yellow. RBS in *pobR-pobA* has high sequence identity with *E. coli* consensus RBS sequence.

C) *pobR*-wt sequence adapted for *E. coli*

ATGGAACAACACCATCAGTATTTGGCGCATCCGCATTTCGAGCGAAGAGATTTCGTACAGAGGACTACATCGCGGGACT
GGCAAAGGTCTGGCGTTACTGGAAGCGTTTGGCATTGATCGGCAGCGCTTAAACGTGACACAGGTAGCTGAACGCA
CCGGCATTAGCCGTACAGCAGCTCGTCGCTATCTGAAAACCCTGAAGTTTCTGGGTTACCTGGATACTGACGAACAC
TACTTCTGGTTAACCATCGTGTTTTGCGCTTCTCTTCGAGCTATCTGAGTTCAGCGCATTTCGCGAAAGTGGCCCA
ATCTTTCCTCAATCTGCTGTGTGCGCAGACGAGTCTGACGTTTAGCATTGTGGTCCTGGATGAACACGAGGTGGTTC
CAGTCGCCCCGTTCTATCTGCCTCAGCAAGACAATTGCGCGTCAGTCCGTATGGCATGCACTTAGGGAATCGTCTG
CCTGCGCATGCTACCTCAACCGGTAAAGTGCTTCTTAGCGTGCTTGATCGCGAAGTACAGATCGAGTGGATCGAGAA
GTATGGCCTGAAACGCCTGACGCCGTATAACCATCACCGATGAACACACCTTTCTTGAACCCTGGATGCCGTTTCGTC
AGTCGGATTACTGCTTATCCACGGAAGAACATGAGCTCGGTCTGATTGCCATTGCGGTTCCAGTCTCAACGCACAA
GGGCTGACGATTGCAGCCCTGAACTGCATGTCCCAGACTAATCGGGTTCAACCCAGTACCTCATCGACCAGGTGTT
ACCGTTGCTGCGCAACACTGCCAACGAAGTGCAGCAATCTGGTATAA

D) DoubleMut sequence

ATGGAACAACACCATCAGTATTTGGCGCATCCGCATTTCGAGCGAAGAGATTTCGTACAGAGGACTACATCGCGGGACT
GGCAAAGGTCTGGCGTTACTGGAAGCGTTTGGCATTGATCGGCAGCGCTTAAACGTGACACAGGTAGCTGAACGCA
CCGGCATTAGCCGTACAGCAGCTCGTCGCTATCTGAAAACCCTGAAGTTTCTGGGTTACCTGGATACTGACGAACAC
TACTTCTGGTTAACCATCGTGTTTTGCGCTTCTCTTCGAGCTATCTGAGTTCAGCGCATTTCGCGAAAGTGGCCCA
ATCTTTCCTCAATCTGCTGTGTGCGCAGACGAGTCTGACGTTTAGCATTGTGGTCCTGGATGAACACGAGGTGGTTC
CAGTCGCCCCGTTCTATCTGCCTCAGCAAGAC**AACCGC**GTCAGTCCGTATGGCATGCACTTAGGGAATCGTCTGCCT
GCGCATGCTACCTCAACCGGTAAAGTGCTTCTTAGCGTGCTTGATCGCGAAGTACAGATCGAGTGGATCGAGAAGTA
TGGCCTGAAACGCCTGACGCCGTATAACCATCACCGATGAACACACCTTTCTTGAACCCTGGATGCCGTTTCGTCAGT
CGGATTACTGCTTATCCACGGAAGAACATGAGCTCGGTGTTGATTGCCATTGCGGTTCCAGTCTCAACGCACAAGGG
CTGACGATTGCAGCCCTGAACTGCATGTCCCAGACTAATCGGGTTCAACCCAGTACCTCATCGACCAGGTGTTACC
GTTGCTGCGCAACACTGCCAACGAAGTGCAGCAATCTGGTATAA

-The codon TTG originally between AAC and CGC (highlighted yellow) in *pobR*-wt is deleted to represent deleted L141 residue in DoubleMut.

-The underlined codon represents L220V mutation in DoubleMut.

E) *pNpmut1* sequence

ATGGAACAACACCATCAGTATTTGGCGCATCCGCATTTCGAGCGAAGAGATTCGTACAGAGGACTACATCGCGGGACT
GGCAAAAGGTCTGGCGTTACTGGAAGCGTTTGGCATTGATCGGCAGCGCTTAAACGTGACACAGGTAGCTGAACGCA
CCGGCATTAGCCGTACAGCAGCTCGTCGCTATCTGAAAACCCTGAAGTTTCTGGGTTACCTGGATACTGACGAACAC
TACTTCTGGTTAACCCATCGTGTGTTTGGCGTTCTCTTCGAGCTATCTGAGTTCAGCGCATTTCGCCGAAAGTGGCCCA
ATCTTTCTCAATCTGCTGTGTGCGCAGACGAGTCTGACGTTTACCATTGTGGTCCTGGATGAACACGAGGTGGTTC
CAGTCGCCCCGTTCTATCTGCCTCAGCAAGACAACCCGCCTCAGTCCGTATGGCATGCACTTAGGGAATCGTCTGCCT
GCGCATGCTATCGCAACCCGGTAAAGTGCTTCTTAGCGTGCTTGATCGCGAAGTACAGATCGAGTGGATCGAGAAGTA
TGGCCTGAAACGCCTGACGCCGTATACCATCACCGATGAACACACCTTTCTTGAAACCCTGGATGCCGTTTCGTGAGT
CGGATTACTGCTTAACCACGGAAGAATATGAGCTCGGTGTGATTGGCATTGCGGTTCCAGTCTCAACGCACAAGGG
CTGACGATTGCAGCCCTGAACTGCCTGTCCAGACTAATCGGGTTCAACCCAGTACCTCATCGACCAGGTGTTACC
GTTGCTGCGCAACACTGCCAACGAACCTGCGCAATCTGGTATAA

-Codons mutated from DoubleMut are underlined.

F) Insert consisting of regulatory region and pNPMut1 gene for Nhe1/Cla1 digested pGLO vector

← (*gfp*)
GCTAGC CATatgtatatctccttgctatTTTTctatTTTTtaagtagccgctcattaaaaagacatctataatcaagg
ctcaaaatta tccgattagcattacaactgtccgatgatcggacaaaaccattttggatttgaatggt ATGGAACAA
CACCATCAGTATTTGGCGCATCCGCATTTCGAGCGAAGAGATTCGTACAGAGGACTACATCGCGGGACTGGCAAAAGG
TCTGGCGTTACTGGAAGCGTTTGGCATTGATCGGCAGCGCTTAAACGTGACACAGGTAGCTGAACGCACCCGGCATT
GCCGTACAGCAGCTCGTCGCTATCTGAAAACCCTGAAGTTTCTGGGTTACCTGGATACTGACGAACACTACTTCTGG
TTAACCCATCGTGTGTTTGGCGTTCTCTTCGAGCTATCTGAGTTCAGCGCATTTCGCCGAAAGTGGCCCAATCTTTCT
CAATCTGCTGTGTGCGCAGACGAGTCTGACGTTTACCATTGTGGTCCTGGATGAACACGAGGTGGTTCCAGTCGCCC
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ATCGCAACCCGGTAAAGTGCTTCTTAGCGTGCTTGATCGCGAAGTACAGATCGAGTGGATCGAGAAGTATGGCCTGAA
ACGCCTGACGCCGTATACCATCACCGATGAACACACCTTTCTTGAAACCCTGGATGCCGTTTCGTGAGTCCGATTACT
GCTTAACCACGGAAGAATATGAGCTCGGTGTGATTGGCATTGCGGTTCCAGTCTCAACGCACAAGGGCTGACGATT
GCAGCCCTGAACTGCCTGTCCAGACTAATCGGGTTCAACCCAGTACCTCATCGACCAGGTGTTACCAGTTGCTGCG
CAACTGCCAACGAACCTGCGCAATCTGGTA TAAttggtaacgaatcagacaattgacggcttgaaggagtagcata
gggtttgcagaatccctgcttccatttgacaggcacattatgcatcgat

- Nhe1 and Cla1 restriction sites are highlighted grey.
- Start codons for *gfp* and *pNPMut1* are highlighted green.
- Stop codon for *pNPMut1* is highlighted red.
- PobR operator is underlined, with inverted repeats marked with arrows.
- Promoter proximal inverted repeat sequence of the operator is highlighted yellow.

G) pNPMut1-1 based insert for sensor plasmid highlighting two mutational differences from pNPMut1

← (*gfp*)
GCTAGC CATatgtatatctccttgctatTTTTctatTTTTtaagtagccgctcattaaaaagacatctataatcaagg
ctcaaaatta tccgCttagcattacaactgtccgatgatcggacaaaaccattttggatttgaatggt ATGGAACAA
CACCATCAGTATTTGGCGCATCCGCATTTCGAGCGAAGAGATTCGTACAGAGGACTACATCGCGGGACTGGCAAAAGG
TCTGGCGTTACTGGAAGCGTTTGGCATTGATCGGCAGCGCTTAAACGTGACACAGGTAGCTGAACGCACCCGGCATT
GCCGTACAGCAGCTCGTCGCTATCTGAAAACCCTGAAGTTTCTGGGTTACCTGGATACTGACGAACACTACTTCTGG
TTAACCCATCGTGTGTTTGGCGTTCTCTTCGAGCTATCTGAGTTCAGCGCATTTCGCCGAAAGTGGCCCAATCTTTCT
CAATCTGCTGTGTGCGCAGACGAGTCTGACGTTTACCATTGTGGTCCTGGATGAACACGAGGTGGTTCCAGTCGCCC
GTTTCTATCTGCCTCAGCAAGACAACCCGCCTCAGTCCGTATGGCATGCACTTAGGGAATCGTCTGCCTGCGCATGCT
ATCGCAACCCGGTAAAGTGCTTCTTAGCGTGCTTGATCGCGAAGTACAGATCGAGTGGATCGAGAAGTATGGCCTGAA
ACGCCTGACGCCGTATACCATCACCGATGAACACACCTTTCTTGAAACCCTGGATGCCGTTTCGTGAGTCCGATTACT
GCTTAACCACGGAAGAATATGAGCTCGGTGTGATTGGCATTGCGGTTCCAGTCTCAACGCACAAGGGCTGACGATT
GCAGCCCTGAACTGCCTGTCCAGACTAATCGGGTTCAACCCAGTACCTCATCGACCAGGTGTTACCAGTTGCTGCG

CAACACTGCCAACGAACTGCGCAATCTGGTA**TAA**ttggtaacgaatcagacaattgacggcttgacggagtagcata
gggtttgcagaatccctgcttcgtccatttgacagggcacattatgcatcgat

-Two mutations occurring in the operator and in *pN^Pmut* gene are shown in uppercase bold characters and marked with bold underline. The first mutation results in subtle decrease in constitutive response of the transcription factor while the second mutation converts Aspartate 139 to Asparagine residue and enhances the response amplitude and contrast ratio significantly.

SECTION 2: TABLES & FIGURES

Supplementary Table S1. Data collection and refinement statistics

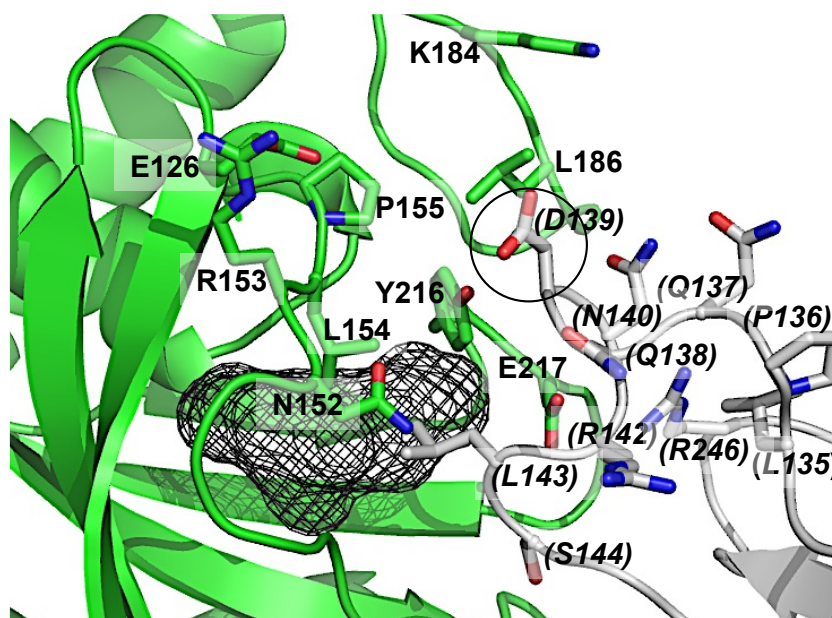
	DoubleMut-IBD	DoubleMut-IBD • 3HB
Data collection		
Space group	I422	C222 ₁
Cell dimensions		
<i>a</i> , <i>b</i> , <i>c</i> (Å)	111.35, 111.35, 282.17	83.49, 125.66, 156.67
Protein molecules/ASU	3	4
Temperature (K)	100	100
Radiation source	APS, 19-ID	APS, 19-ID
Wavelength (Å)	0.97934	0.97934
Resolution (Å)	40.38-2.30 (2.34-2.30) ^a	49.0-2.95 (3.00-2.95)
Unique reflections	37751 (1897)	16803 (777)
R_{merge}^b	0.119 (0.753)	0.157 (0.827)
$\langle I \rangle / \langle \sigma I \rangle$	23.1(3.1)	7.5(1.3)
Completeness (%)	96.4 (98.0)	96.2 (88.9)
Redundancy	7.8 (7.8)	4.3 (4.0)
Refinement		
Resolution (Å)	2.31 (2.37-2.31)	2.96 (3.15-2.96)
Reflections: work/test set	35868/1874 (2548/118)	15834/817(2318/138)
$R_{\text{work}}/R_{\text{free}}^c$	0.170/0.215 (0.225/0.279)	0.197/0.258 (0.269/0.311)
No. of atoms	4138/57/118	5467/77/13
protein/ligands ^d /water		
Average <i>B</i> factor (Å ²)	58.7/96.0/54.0	76.5/80.0/41.9
protein/ligands/water		
Bond lengths (Å)	0.008	0.009
Bond angles (°)	0.925	0.977
Most favored	97.9	94.8
Outliers	0.39	0.15
PDB ID	5HPF	5HPI

^aAll numbers in parentheses are from the highest resolution shells, ^b $R_{\text{merge}} = \frac{\sum_{hkl} \sum_i |I_i(hkl) - \langle I(hkl) \rangle|}{\sum_{hkl} \sum_i \langle I_i(hkl) \rangle}$, where $I_i(hkl)$ is the intensity for the *i*th measurement of an equivalent reflection with indices *h*, *k*, and *l*, ^c $R = \frac{\sum_{hkl} | |F_{\text{obs}}| - |F_{\text{calc}}| |}{\sum_{hkl} |F_{\text{obs}}|}$, where F_{obs} and F_{calc} are observed and calculated structure factors, respectively.

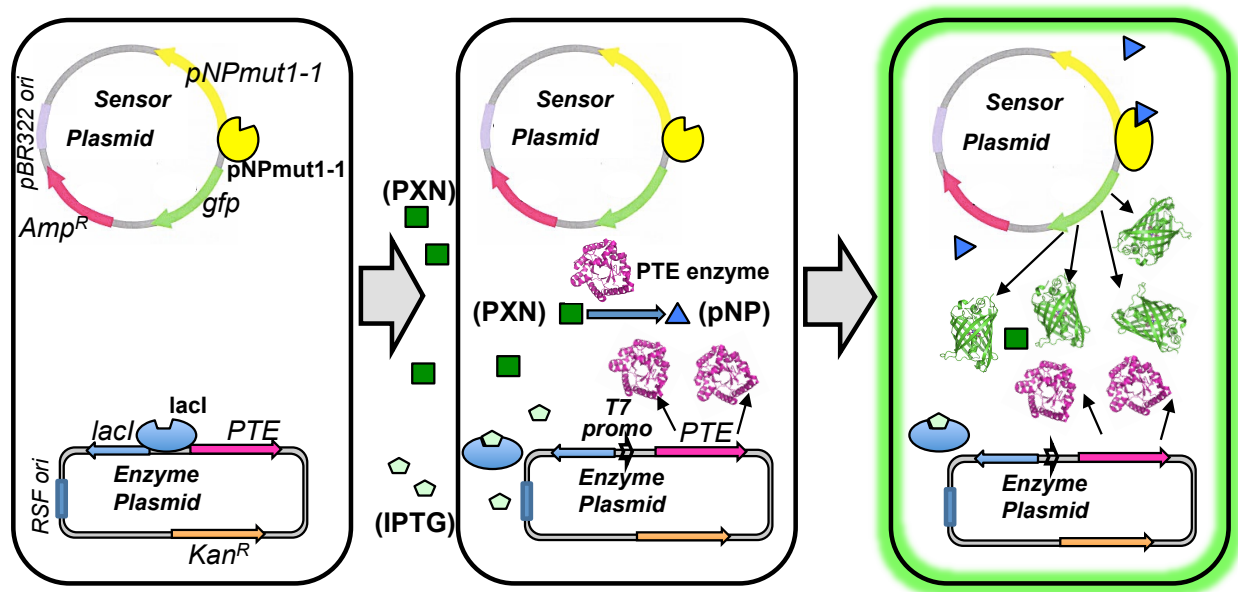
Supplementary Table S2. Diversification of promoter proximal inverted repeat of PobR operator and insertion and deletion to modify the distance between operator and promoter

Native intergenic sequence	...CATCTATAATCAAGGCTCAAAAATT ATCCGAT TAGCATTACAACGTCCGATGATC...
Randomization (Primer 1)	CATCTATAATCAAGGCTCAAAAATT ATNNNNN TAGCATTACAACGTCCGATGATC
Randomization with single deletion (Primer 2)	CATCTATAATCAAGGCTCAAAAATT ANNNNN TAGCATTACAACGTCCGATGATC
Randomization with double deletion (Primer 3)	CATCTATAATCAAGGCTCAAAAATT NNNNN TAGCATTACAACGTCCGATGATC
Randomization with single insertion (Primer 4)	CATCTATAATCAAGGCTCAAAAATT ATANNNNN TAGCATTACAACGTCCGATGATC
Randomization with double insertion (Primer 5)	CATCTATAATCAAGGCTCAAAAATT ATANNNNN TAGCATTACAACGTCCGATGATC

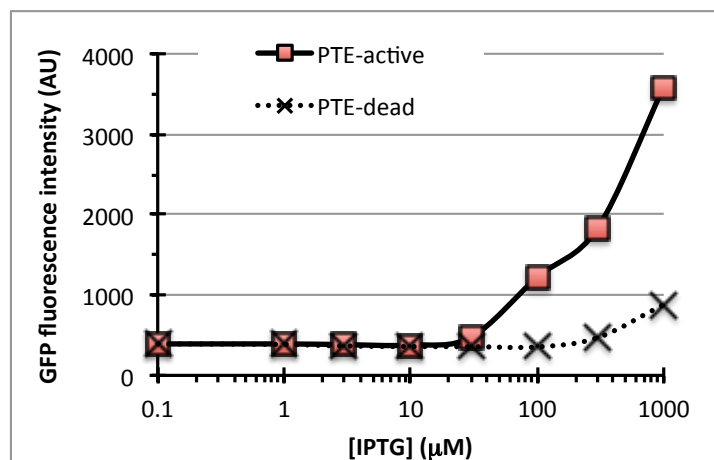
-Equimolar mix of primers 1 to 5 was used with an appropriate reverse primer to amplify the native intergenic sequence and then assemble it using overlapping oligonucleotide PCR assembly method (2).
 - Theoretical diversity of the library was 5×10^3 .



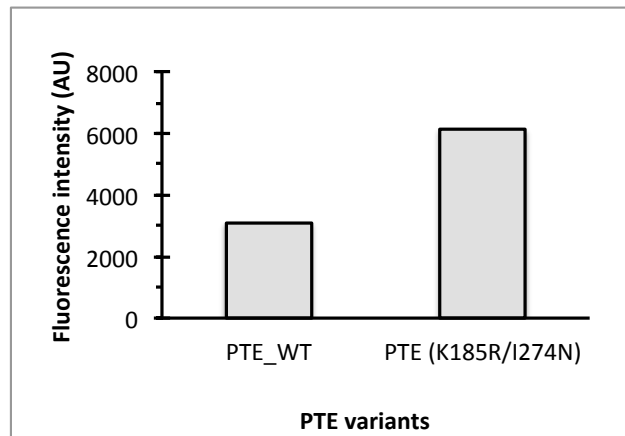
Supplementary Figure S1. Dimer model of pNPmut1 based on symmetric homodimer model of DoubleMut inducer binding domain. Single base change resulted in mutation of D139 (circled) to Asparagine. Residues in 8 Å radius, which could be affected by the mutation directly or indirectly are shown as sticks and labeled. Intrachain neighbors of D139 are labeled in parentheses and shown in *italics*. Possible positioning of pNP in pNPmut1 model is depicted as a ‘mesh’ and is based on top 10 unique conformations of pNP in the IBD pocket.



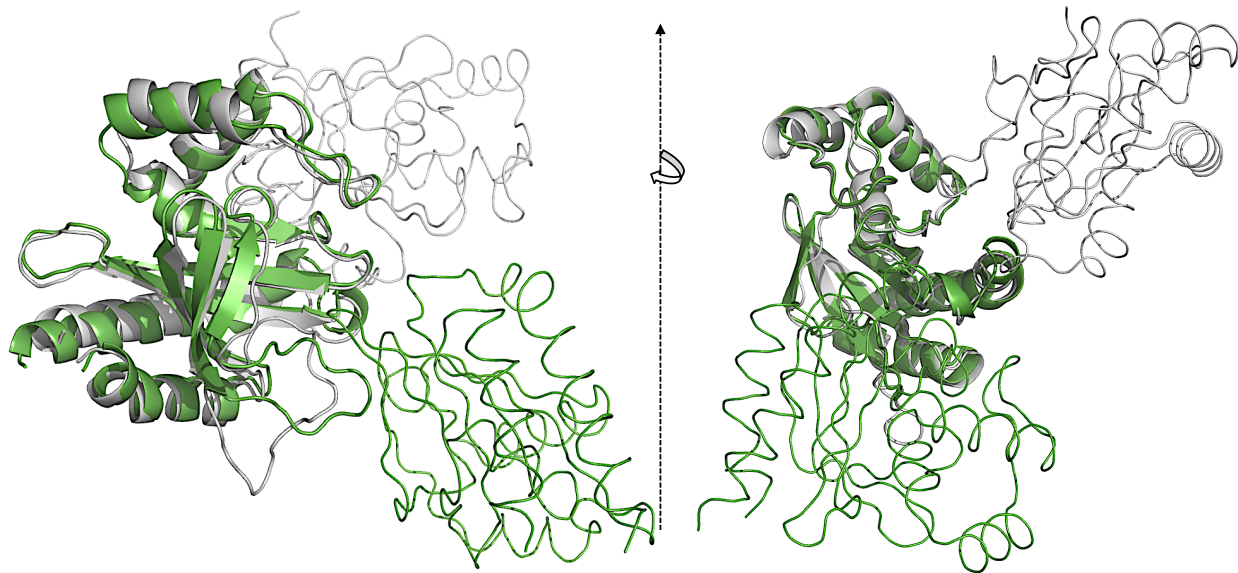
Supplementary Figure S4. A smart microbial cell and a workflow showing reagent addition, intracellular enzyme expression and catalytic activity resulting in activation of the pNP specific transcription factor. Activation of pNPmut1-1 results in expression of green fluorescent protein (GFP), which ultimately makes the cells fluorescent. The figure has been recreated from our earlier work (3).



Supplementary Figure S5. Fluorescence intensity of smart microbial cells in the presence of varying IPTG concentration that controls the expression level of phosphotriesterase (PTE) enzyme. Two variants of PTE (PTE-active consisting of PTE^{K185R/1274N} and PTE-dead consisting of PTE^{K185R/1274N/W131K/F306E}) expressed in *E. coli* result in different level of cell fluorescence. PTE-active is similar to wild-type PTE (PTE_WT) in terms of catalytic efficiency (kcat/Km), but is expected to be a higher expressing variant than PTE_WT. W131K and F306E mutations to PTE result in 4- and 3-orders of magnitude weaker catalytic efficiency independently (when Co²⁺ is used as a cofactor) (4) and these mutations were combined in a construct to create PTE-dead version.



Supplementary Figure S6. Effect of K185R and I274N mutations on the wild-type PTE activity. The variants have similar catalytic efficiency but earlier work showed mutations resulted in increase in cell lysate activity (5) possibly due to increase in expression level. Our smart microbial cell format also confirmed the previous observation by showing increase in cell fluorescence intensity when the mutant PTE was expressed inside the cell.



Supplementary Figure S7. Alternate views of DoubleMut-IBD crystal structure dimer (light grey) overlaid on IclR dimer template for homology modeling (green, PDB code 2IA2). While inducer binding domains (IBD) of the template 2IA2 are in C2 symmetry, the crystal structure is asymmetric. One of the possibilities for such an observation is that in the absence of DNA binding domains (which form tighter dimers) and DNA operator, the canonical weak IBD homodimer interface failed to form in the crystal structure.

SECTION 3: COMPUTATIONAL MODELING

Rosetta scripts and step-by-step protocol for homology modeling and ligand-docking related to the present work has been also discussed earlier (6).

1. Structural template for homology modeling: 2ia2.pdb
Create a dimer based on chains A and C each from Residue 91-263. The domains are in C2 symmetry. The dimer is called 2ia2_dimer.pdb

2. Using a perl script in Rosetta version 3.4 or later, create symmetry definition file

```
>perl  
~/rosetta3.4/rosetta_source/src/apps/public/symmetry/make_symmdef_file.pl -  
mode NCS -a A -i B -p input_files/2ia2_dimer.pdb >  
input_files/symm_def_2ia2_dimer.dat
```

symm_def_2ia2_dimer.dat is shown below:

```
symmetry_name input_files/2ia2_dimer__2  
E = 2*VRT0_base + 1*(VRT0_base:VRT1_base)  
anchor_residue 71  
virtual_coordinates_start  
xyz VRT0 0.1937758,-0.2263170,0.9545845 0.7596052,0.6503845,0.0000000  
10.3784383,11.2616803,48.4682588  
xyz VRT0_base 0.1937758,-0.2263170,0.9545845 0.7596052,0.6503845,0.0000000  
6.9406243,15.2768150,31.5327861  
xyz VRT1 -0.1937758,0.2263170,-0.9545845 0.9804343,0.0790260,-0.1802873  
10.3784383,11.2616803,48.4682588  
xyz VRT1_base -0.1937758,0.2263170,-0.9545845 0.9804343,0.0790260,-  
0.1802873 13.8162524,7.2465455,65.4037314  
xyz VRT 1.0000000,0.0000000,0.0000000 0.0000000,1.0000000,0.0000000  
11.3784383,11.2616803,48.4682588  
virtual_coordinates_stop  
connect_virtual JUMP0_to_com VRT0 VRT0_base  
connect_virtual JUMP0_to_subunit VRT0_base SUBUNIT  
connect_virtual JUMP1_to_com VRT1 VRT1_base  
connect_virtual JUMP1_to_subunit VRT1_base SUBUNIT  
connect_virtual JUMP0 VRT VRT0  
connect_virtual JUMP1 VRT0 VRT1  
set_dof JUMP0_to_com x(17.7411980103447) angle_x  
set_dof JUMP0_to_subunit angle_x angle_y angle_z  
set_jump_group JUMPGROUP2 JUMP0_to_com JUMP1_to_com  
set_jump_group JUMPGROUP3 JUMP1_to_subunit JUMP0_to_subunit
```

3. Create an alignment file for query sequence and template sequence. The file name is 2ia2_align.grishin, where first sequence is the query sequence for comparative modeling or DoubleMut (pobR ΔL141/L220V) and second sequence is the template (2ia2)

```
1  
HLPKVAQSFLNLLCAQTSLSLTFSSIVVLDEHEVVPVARSYLPQQDNRVSPYGMHLGNRLPAHATSTGKVLLSVLDREVQ  
IEWIEKYGLKRLTPYTITDEHTFLETLDVAVRQSDYCLSTEEHELGVIAIAVPVLAQGLTIAALNCMSQTNRVQPQY  
LIDQVLP LLRNTANELRNLV-----
```

```
0 SLPEVAQPHLEKLSHKVHESSSVSILDGADIVYVARVPVS----
RIMTVGITIGTRLPAYATSMGRVLLAGLPDDELDAYLEKLDIQRLTERTITARDELKAAILAVRADGICVLDQELEA
GLRSMAAPIRGASGLTVAAVNISTPAARYSLEDLHSDLIPSLRVTTATDIEQDLATVNR
--
```

4. Using Robetta server (www.robetta.org), to get following files for the query sequence

```
fasta file : t000_.fasta
secondary structure file: t000_.psipred_ss2
fragment files: aat000_09_05.200_v1_3, aat000_03_05.200_v1_3
```

5. Run command (Rosetta compilation for mpi runs required)

```
mpirun -np 159 /mypath/minirosetta.mpi.linuxgccrelease @options_symm_homology
```

where, **options_symm_homology** consist of following options:

```
-database /mypath/rosetta_database
-run:protocol threading
-in:file:alignment input_files/2ia2_align.grishin
-in:file:template_pdb input_files/2ia2_input.pdb
-symmetry_definition input_files/symm_def_2ia2_dimer.dat
-nstruct 20000 # a suitable number of trajectories
-in:file:extended_pose 1
-in:file:fasta input_files/t000_.fasta
-in:file:fullatom
-in:file:psipred_ss2 input_files/t000_.psipred_ss2
-loops:frag_sizes 9 3 1
-loops:frag_files input_files/aat000_09_05.200_v1_3
input_files/aat000_03_05.200_v1_3 none
-loops:random_order
-loops:random_grow_loops_by 4
-loops:remodel quick_ccd
-loops:relax relax
-relax:default_repeats 1
-relax:jump_move true
-loops:constrain_rigid_segments 0.3
-relax:coord_cst_width 2.0
-relax:coord_cst_stdev 1.0
-cm:loop_rebuild_filter 500
-cm:aln_format grishin
-cm:max_loop_rebuild 10
-cm:min_loop_size 4
-out:file:silent silent.out
```

6. Command line for cluster application and extracting PDB from silent file

```
/mypath/cluster.macosgccrelease @cluster_flags
```

where **cluster_flags** consist of following options:

```
-database mypath/rosetta_database
-in:file:silent silent.out
-score:weights score13_env_hb
-in:file:fullatom
-input_score_filter 0
-in:file:silent_struct_type binary
```

```

-limit_cluster_size 5
-limit_clusters 5
-limit_total_structures 25
-cluster:radius 4.0
-sort_groups_by_energy
-out:prefix output/

```

7. Create ligands and their respective params file

A ligand file for 4HB, pNP and 34DHB were created using Avogadro software (7) and partial charges added using AM1-BCC application in QuacPac package, version 1.3.1 of OpenEye Scientific Software (Santa Fe, NM) (<http://www.eyesopen.com>)

4HB ligand file (phx.mol2)

```

@<TRIPOS>MOLECULE
*****
      16      16      0      0      0
SMALL
USER_CHARGES

@<TRIPOS>ATOM
      1 C1          0.0116    0.6548    0.0000 C.ar      1 <0>      -0.1482
      2 C2         -1.1946   -0.0669   -0.0000 C.ar      1 <0>      -0.0770
      3 C3         -1.1986   -1.4644   -0.0000 C.ar      1 <0>      -0.2387
      4 C4          0.0118   -2.1512   -0.0000 C.ar      1 <0>       0.0827
      5 C5          1.2193   -1.4646   -0.0000 C.ar      1 <0>      -0.1853
      6 C6          1.2179   -0.0671    0.0000 C.ar      1 <0>      -0.0817
      7 C7          0.0087    2.1719    0.0000 C.2       1 <0>       0.9107
      8 O1          1.1388    2.7554    0.0000 O.co2     1 <0>      -0.8323
      9 O2         -1.1258    2.7479    0.0000 O.co2     1 <0>      -0.8353
     10 O3          0.0484   -3.5164   -0.0000 O.3        1 <0>      -0.5241
     11 H1         -2.1358    0.4811   -0.0000 H          1 <0>       0.1499
     12 H2         -2.1493   -1.9844   -0.0000 H          1 <0>       0.1064
     13 H3          2.1593   -2.0051    0.0000 H          1 <0>       0.1219
     14 H4          2.1605    0.4780    0.0000 H          1 <0>       0.1517
     15 H5         -0.8698   -3.8295   -0.0000 H          1 <0>       0.3993
     16 X1          0.0117   -0.7482    0.0000 Du       1 <0>       0.0000

@<TRIPOS>BOND
      1      1      2 ar
      2      1      6 ar
      3      1      7 1
      4      2      3 ar
      5      2     11 1
      6      3      4 ar
      7      3     12 1
      8      4      5 ar
      9      4     10 1
     10      5      6 ar
     11      5     13 1
     12      6     14 1
     13      7      8 2
     14      7      9 1
     15     10     15 1
     16      1     16 1

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pNP ligand file (pnx.mol2)

@<TRIPOS>MOLECULE

15 15 0 0 0

SMALL

USER_CHARGES

@<TRIPOS>ATOM

1	C1	-3.6990	1.6517	0.1014	C.ar	1	<0>	-0.3255
2	C2	-3.4730	0.2716	0.0447	C.ar	1	<0>	-0.0005
3	C3	-2.1635	-0.1957	-0.0492	C.ar	1	<0>	-0.3828
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8	O1	-2.8809	-2.4056	-0.0771	O.2	1	<0>	-0.3088
9	O2	-0.7282	-2.0175	-0.1902	O.2	1	<0>	-0.3091
10	O3	-2.8849	3.8558	0.1206	O.3	1	<0>	-0.7327
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12	H2	-4.3241	-0.4001	0.0754	H	1	<0>	0.1215
13	H3	-0.0668	0.3678	-0.1588	H	1	<0>	0.1202
14	H4	-0.5237	2.7713	-0.0563	H	1	<0>	0.1155
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34DHB ligand file (dhx.mol2)

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4	C4	-0.3566	0.3803	0.0019	C.ar	1	<0>	0.0732
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6	C6	-1.5358	2.4935	0.0030	C.ar	1	<0>	-0.1214

7	C7	-1.5399	4.0084	0.0770	C.2	1	<0>	0.9101
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9	O2	-1.5165	-1.6744	-0.1998	O.3	1	<0>	-0.5386
10	O3	-0.4173	4.5897	0.2032	O.co2	1	<0>	-0.8261
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13	H2	-3.7138	-0.1222	-0.3148	H	1	<0>	0.1066
14	H3	0.6099	2.2967	0.1801	H	1	<0>	0.1689
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16	H5	-2.4335	-1.9815	-0.2946	H	1	<0>	0.4096
17	X1	-1.5480	1.0765	-0.0675	Du	1	<0>	0.0000

@<TRIPOS>BOND

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6	1	6	ar
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8	4	8	1
9	3	9	1
10	7	10	2
11	7	11	1
12	1	12	1
13	2	13	1
14	5	14	1
15	8	15	1
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Params file created using following command line:
 /mypath/molfile_to_params.py lig.mol2 -n lig

(where lig refers to phx, pnx and dhx for 4HB, pNP and 34DHB respectively)

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IO_STRING phx Z
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ATOM C1 aroC X -0.15
ATOM C2 aroC X -0.08
ATOM C3 aroC X -0.24
ATOM C4 aroC X 0.08
ATOM C5 aroC X -0.19
ATOM H3 Haro X 0.12
ATOM O3 OH X -0.52
ATOM H5 Hpol X 0.40
ATOM H2 Haro X 0.11
ATOM H1 Haro X 0.15
ATOM C7 COO X 0.91
ATOM O1 OOC X -0.83
ATOM O2 OOC X -0.84
ATOM X1 VIRT VIRT 0.00
ATOM H4 Haro X 0.15
BOND C1 C2

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BOND  C1  C7
BOND  C2  C3
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BOND  C3  C4
BOND  C3  H2
BOND  C4  C5
BOND  C4  O3
BOND  C5  C6
BOND  C5  H3
BOND  C6  H4
BOND  C7  O1
BOND  C7  O2
BOND  O3  H5
BOND  C1  X1
CHI 1  C3  C4  O3  H5
PROTON_CHI 1 SAMPLES 2 0 180 EXTRA 1 20
CHI 2  C6  C1  C7  O1
NBR_ATOM  C6
NBR_RADIUS 4.743740
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PDB_ROTAMERS phx.rotlib18.pdb
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IO_STRING pnx Z
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ATOM  C5  aroC  X  -0.33
ATOM  C4  aroC  X   0.00
ATOM  C3  aroC  X  -0.38
ATOM  N1  Npro  X   0.34
ATOM  O1  ONH2  X  -0.31
ATOM  O2  ONH2  X  -0.31
ATOM  H3  Haro  X   0.12
ATOM  H4  Haro  X   0.12
ATOM  O3  OOC   X  -0.73
ATOM  X1  VIRT  VIRT 0.00
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BOND  C2  C3
BOND  C3  C4
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NBR_RADIUS 4.099173
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IO_STRING dhx Z
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ATOM  O3  OOC  X   -0.83
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ATOM  O2  OH   X   -0.54
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BOND  C2  C3
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BOND  C7  O3
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PROTON_CHI 1 SAMPLES 2 0 180 EXTRA 1 20
CHI 2  C4  C3  O2  H5
PROTON_CHI 2 SAMPLES 2 0 180 EXTRA 1 20
CHI 3  C1  C6  C7  O3
NBR_ATOM  C5
NBR_RADIUS 4.760854
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PDB_ROTAMERS dhx.rotlib18.pdb

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8. Command line for ligand docking
/mypath/ligand_dock.macosgccrelease @dock_flags
where, dock_flags consists of following options:

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-database /mypath/rosetta_database
-in:file:s DoubleMut.pdb
-in:file:extra_res_fa dhx.params
-out:file:renumber_pdb
-packing:no_optH
-packing:use_input_sc
-packing:ex1
-packing:ex2
-packing:extrachi_cutoff 1
-docking:randomize2

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-docking:uniform_trans 5
-docking:ligand:minimize_ligand
-docking:ligand:harmonic_torsions 10
-docking:ligand:minimize_backbone
-docking:ligand:harmonic_Calphas 0.3
-docking:ligand:soft_rep
-docking:ligand:protocol abbrev2
-mute core.util.prof
-mute core.io.database
-flip_HNQ
-nstruct 5000
-docking:ligand:start_from 8.4075 12.37 36.728
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