

Supporting Information

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**Porphyrin-DNA conjugates: porphyrin induced
adenine-guanine homoduplex stabilization and
interduplex assemblies**

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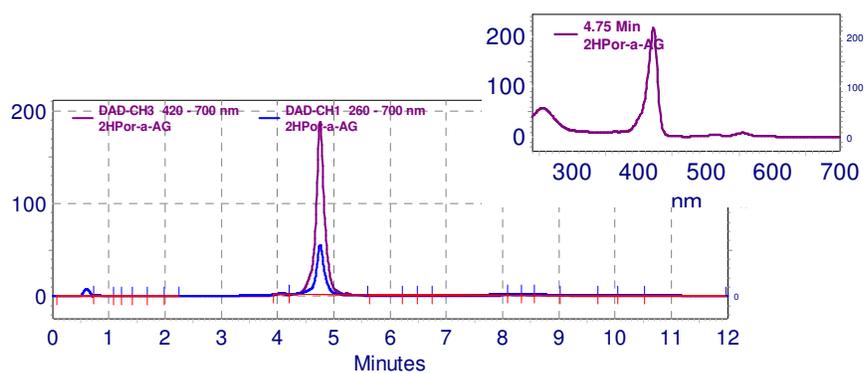


Figure S1: HPLC chromatogram of the DNA-porphyrin conjugate **2HPor-5'a-(dAdG)₄** monitored at 420 (purple) and 260 nm (blue). Inset: UV-vis absorption profile of the peak recorded by PDA detector.

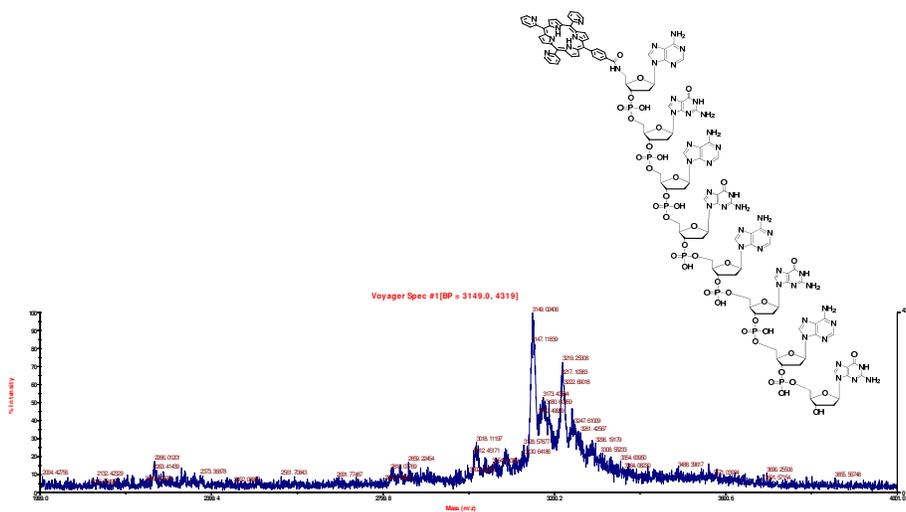


Figure S2: MALDI-TOF MS of **2HPor-5'a-(dAdG)₄** m/z MALDI-TOF 3149.02408 (C₁₂₂H₁₂₄N₄₈O₄₂P₇, [M-H]⁺ requires 3149.72060).

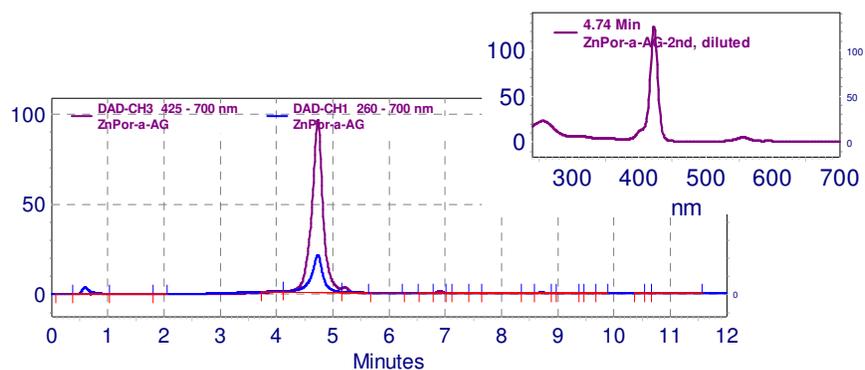


Figure S3: HPLC chromatogram of the DNA-porphyrin conjugate **ZnPor-5'a-(dAdG)₄** monitored at 425 (purple) and 260 nm (blue). Inset: UV-vis absorption profile of the peak recorded by PDA detector.

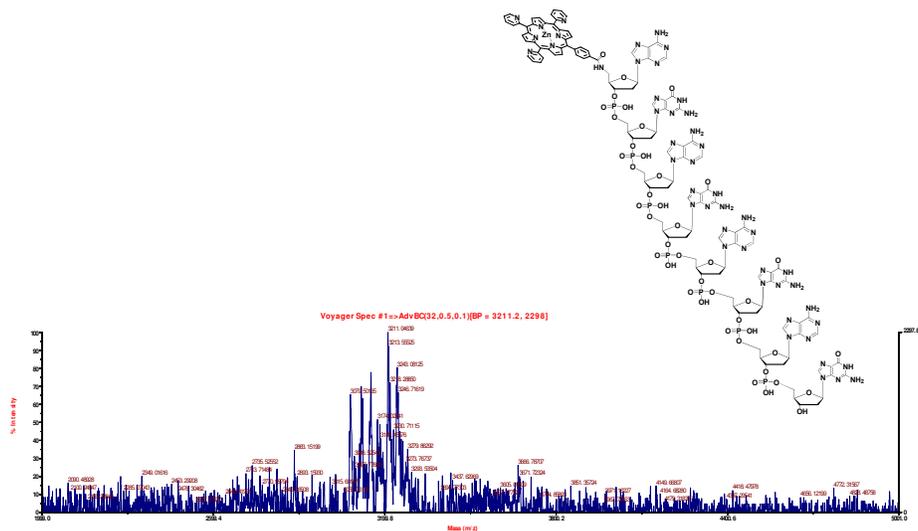


Figure S4: MALDI-TOF MS of **ZnPor-5'a-(dAdG)₄** m/z MALDI-TOF 3211.04639
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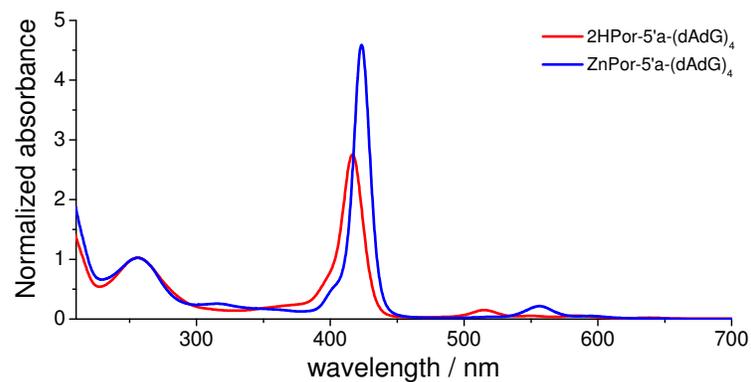


Figure S5: Absorption spectra of **2HPor-5'a-(dAdG)₄** (red curve) and **ZnPor-5'a-(dAdG)₄** (blue curve).

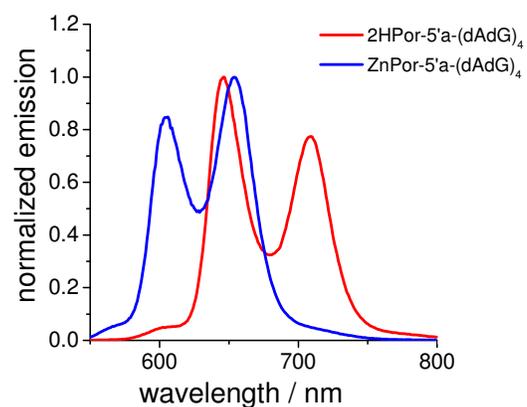


Figure S6: Emission spectra of **2HPor-5'a-(dAdG)₄** (red curve, $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 417$ nm) and **ZnPor-5'a-(dAdG)₄** (blue curve, $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 425$ nm).

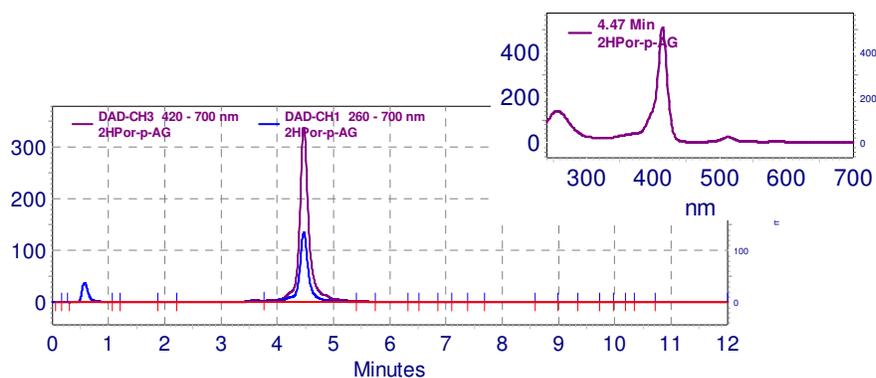
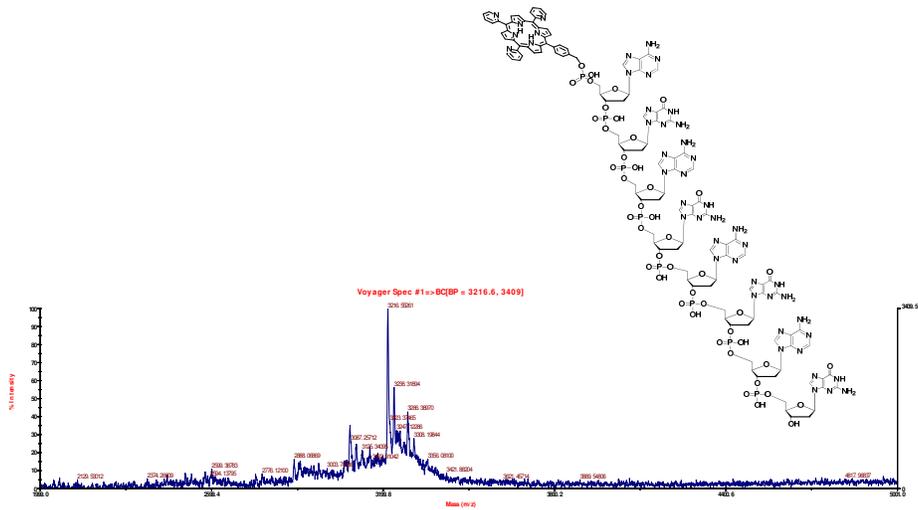


Figure S7: HPLC chromatogram of the DNA-porphyrin conjugate **2HPor-5'p-(dAdG)₄** monitored at 420 (purple) and 260 nm (blue). Inlet: UV-vis absorption profile of the peak recorded by PDA detector.



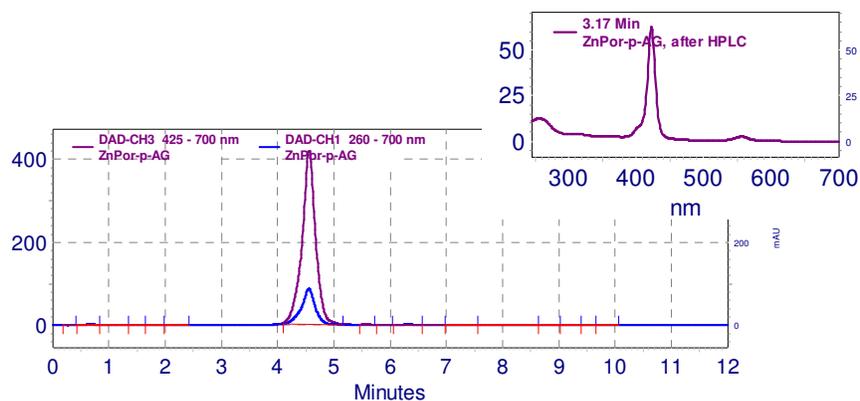


Figure S9: HPLC chromatogram of the DNA-porphyrin conjugate **ZnPor-5'p-(dAdG)₄** monitored at 420 (purple) and 260 nm (blue). Inlet: UV-vis absorption profile of the peak recorded by PDA detector.

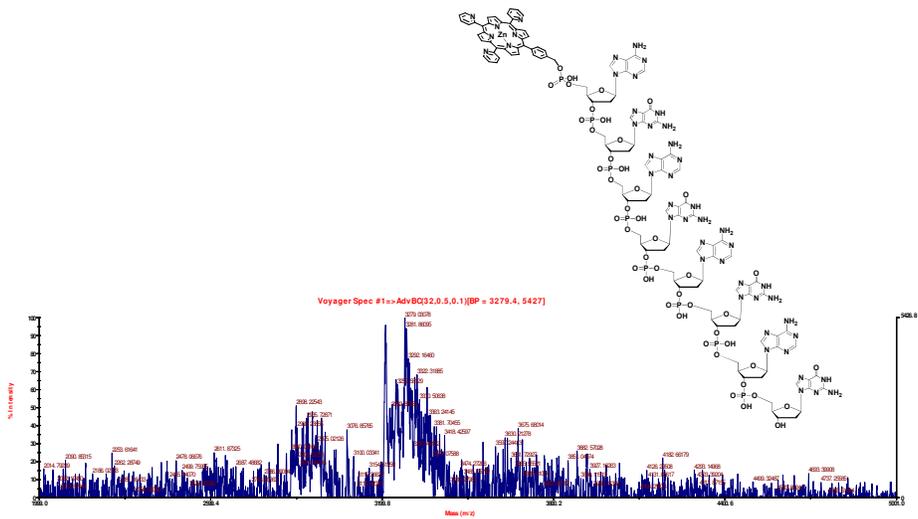


Figure S10: MALDI-TOF MS of **ZnPor-5'p-(dAdG)₄** m/z MALDI-TOF 3279.03078 ($C_{122}H_{124}N_{47}O_{45}P_8Zn$, $[M-H]^+$ requires 3278.60518).

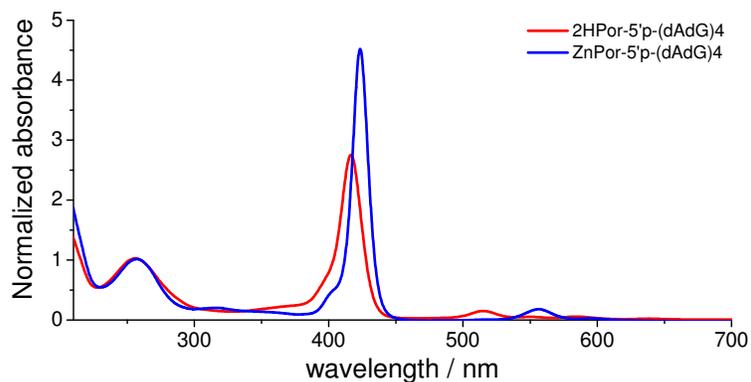


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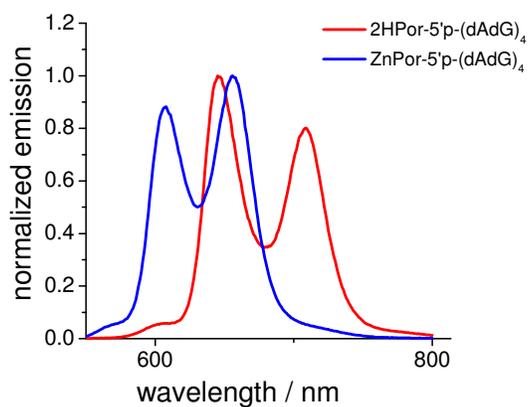


Figure S12: Emission spectra of **2HPor-5'p-(dAdG)₄** (red curve, $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 417$ nm) and **ZnPor-5'p-(dAdG)₄** (blue curve, $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 425$ nm).

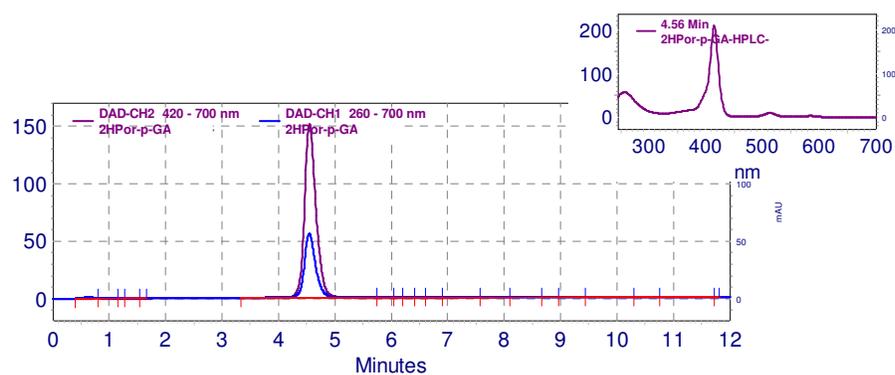


Figure S13: HPLC chromatogram of the DNA-porphyrin conjugate **2HPor-5'p-(dGdA)₄** monitored at 420 (purple) and 260 nm (blue). Inlet: UV-vis absorption profile of the peak recorded by PDA detector.

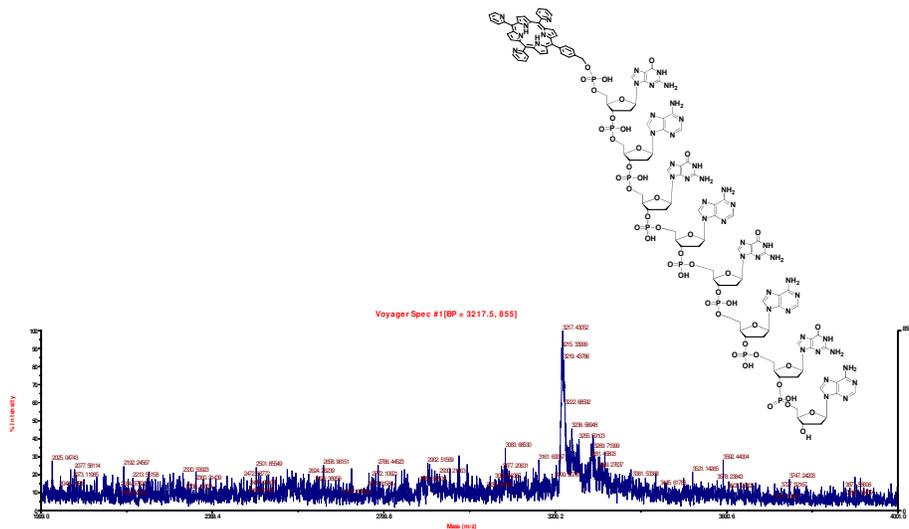


Figure S14: MALDI-TOF MS of **2HPor-5'p-(dGdA)₄** m/z MALDI-TOF 3217.43052 ($C_{122}H_{126}N_{47}O_{45}P_8$, $[M-H]^+$ requires 3216.69168).

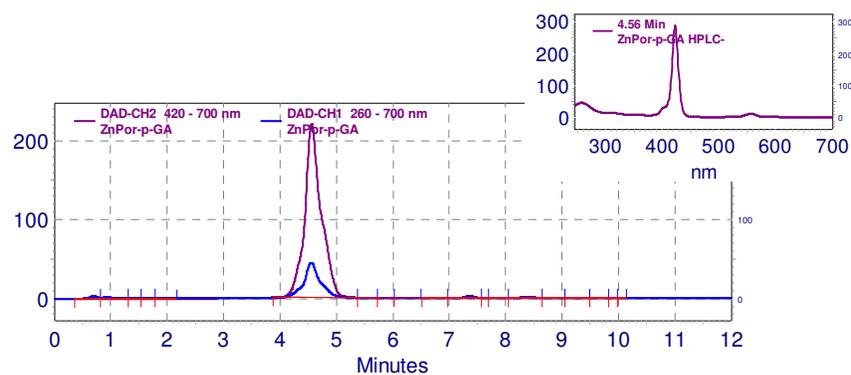


Figure S15: HPLC chromatogram of the DNA-porphyrin conjugate **ZnPor-5'-p-(dGdA)₄** monitored at 420 (purple) and 260 nm (blue). Inlet: UV-vis absorption profile of the peak recorded by PDA detector.

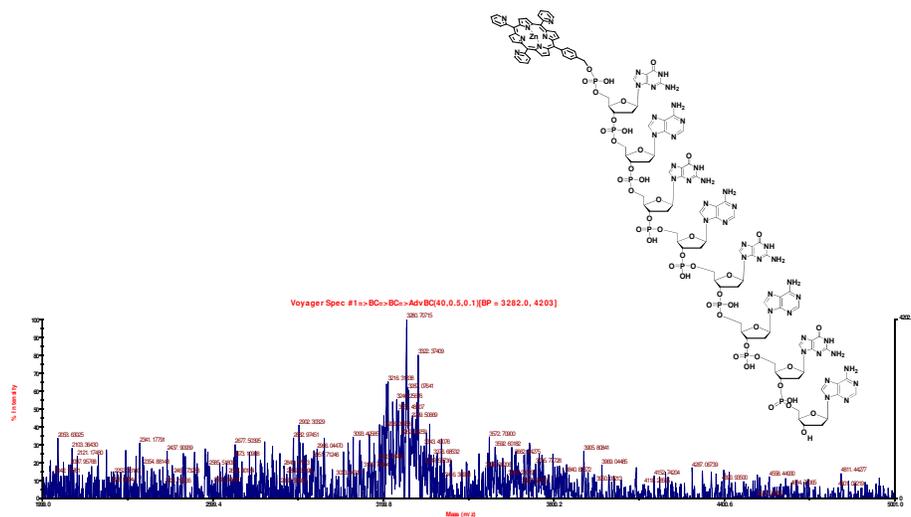


Figure S16: MALDI-TOF MS of **ZnPor-5'-p-(dGdA)₄** m/z MALDI-TOF 3280.70715
($C_{122}H_{124}N_{47}O_{45}P_8Zn$, $[M-H]^+$ requires 3278.60518).

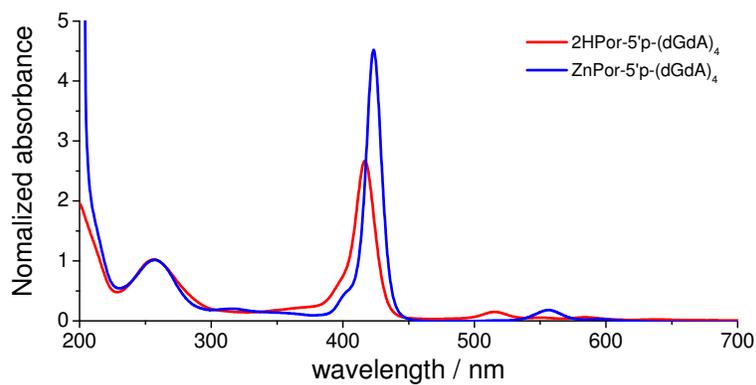


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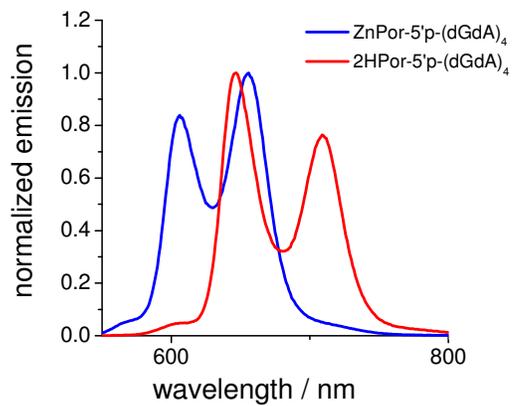


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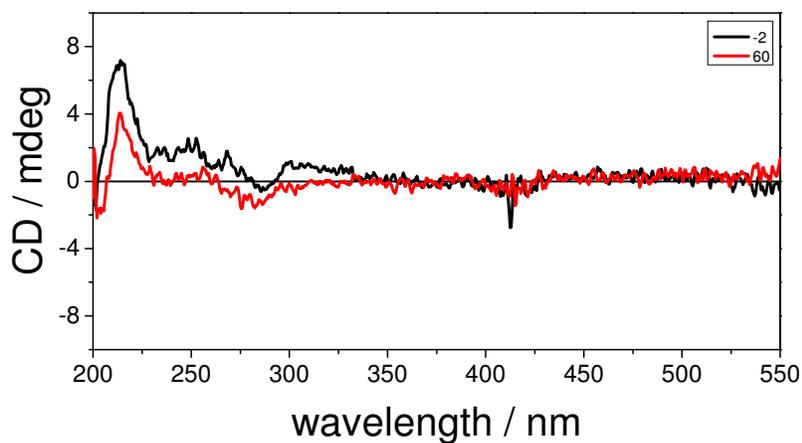


Figure S19: CD spectra of 2HPor-5'a-(dAdG)₄ in the absence of NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

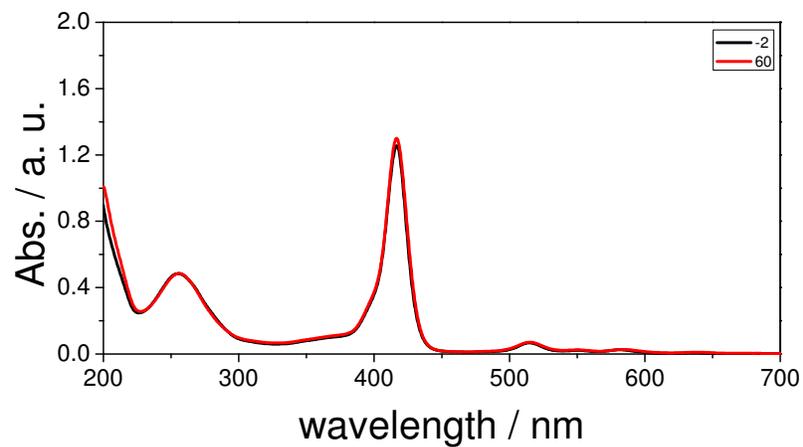


Figure S20: UV-vis absorption spectra of 2HPor-5'a-(dAdG)₄ in the absence of NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

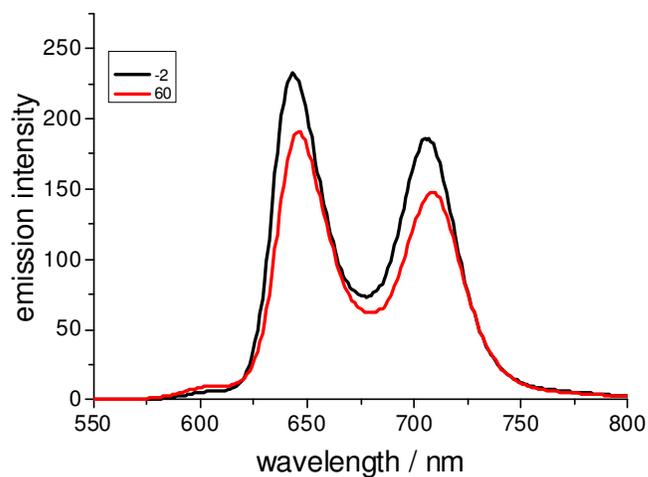


Figure S21: Fluorescence spectra of **2HPor-5'a-(dAdG)₄** in the absence of NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

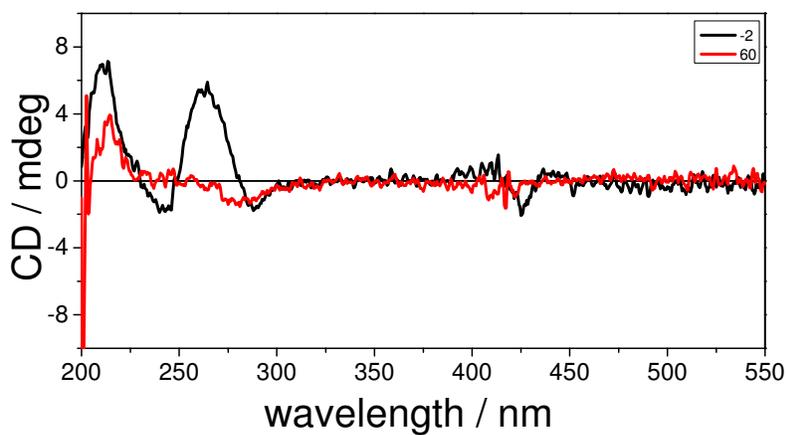


Figure S22: CD spectra of **2HPor-5'a-(dAdG)₄** in the presence of 40 mM NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

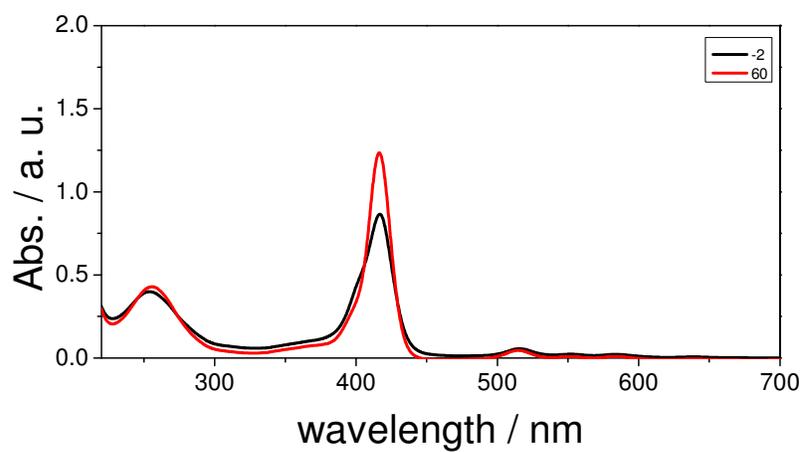


Figure S23: UV-vis absorption spectra of **2HPor-5'a-(dAdG)₄** in the presence of 40 mM NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

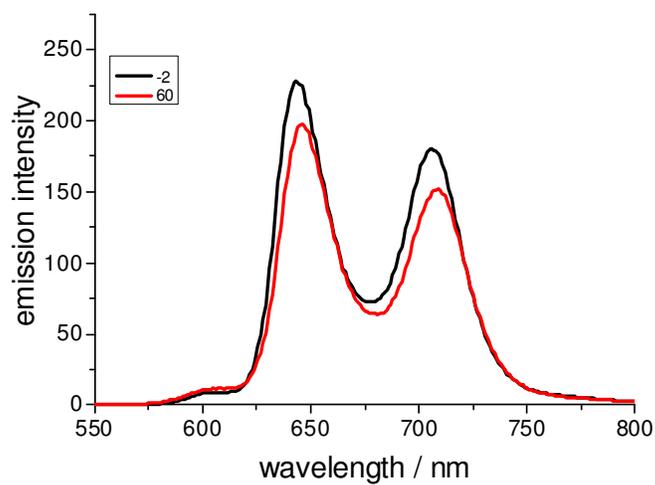


Figure S24: Fluorescence spectra of **2HPor-5'a-(dAdG)₄** in the presence of 40 mM NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

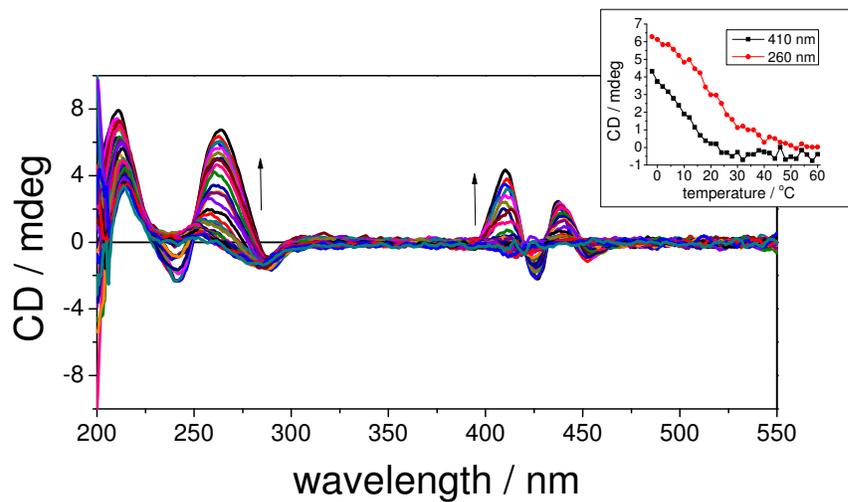


Figure S25: CD spectra of **2HPor-5'a-(dAdG)₄** in the presence of 100 mM NaCl. The sample was cooled from 60 °C to -2 °C at 1 °C/min. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

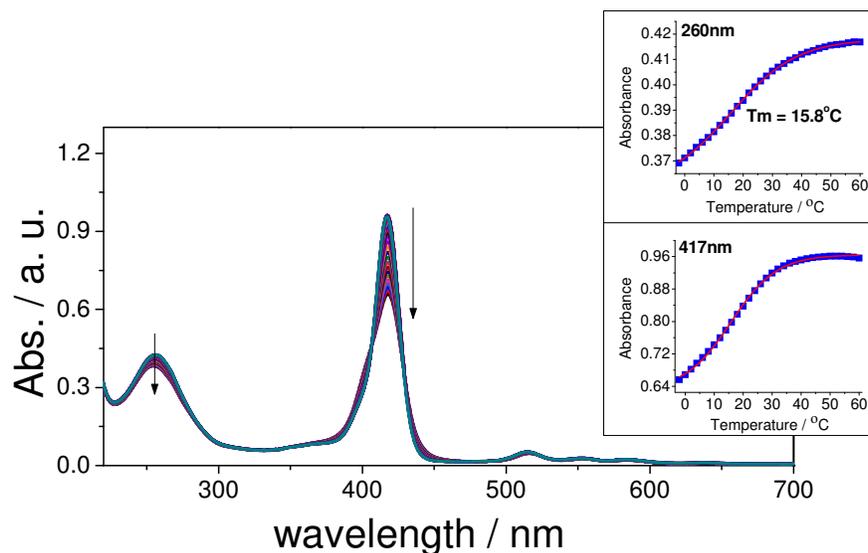


Figure S26: Variable-temperature UV-vis absorption spectra of **2HPor-5'a-(dAdG)₄** in the presence of 100 mM NaCl. The sample was cooled from 60 °C to -2 °C at 1 °C/min. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

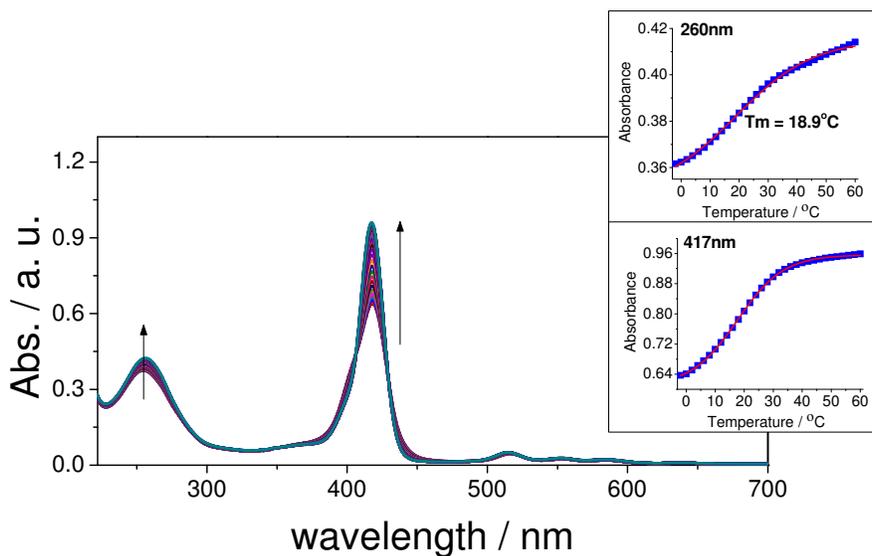


Figure S27: Variable-temperature UV-vis absorption spectra of **2HPor-5'a-(dAdG)₄** in the presence of 100 mM NaCl. The sample was heated from -2 °C to 60 °C at 1 °C/min. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

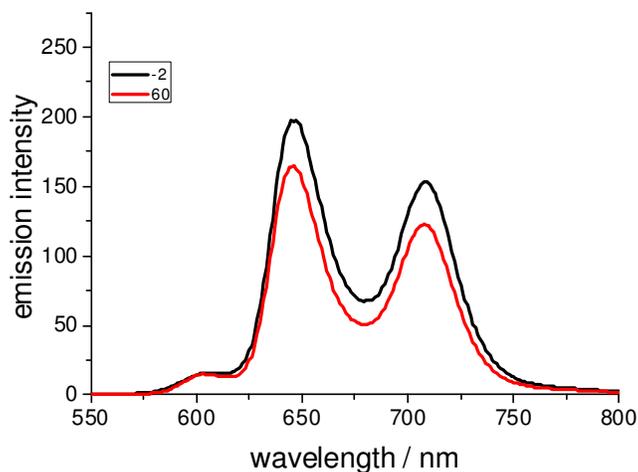


Figure S28: Fluorescence spectra of **2HPor-5'a-(dAdG)₄** in the presence of 100 mM NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

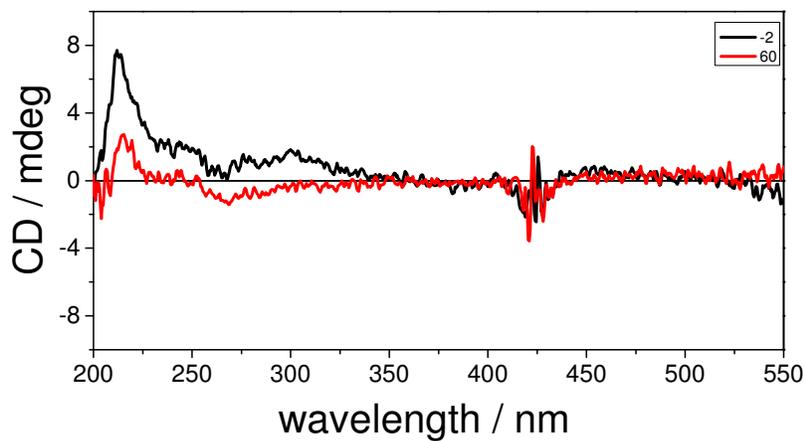


Figure S29: CD spectra of ZnPor-5'a-(dAdG)₄ in the absence of NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

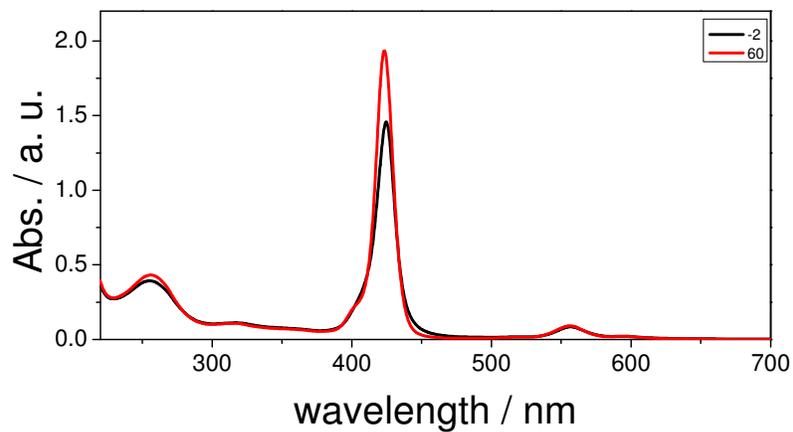


Figure S30: UV-vis absorption spectra of ZnPor-5'a-(dAdG)₄ in the absence of NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

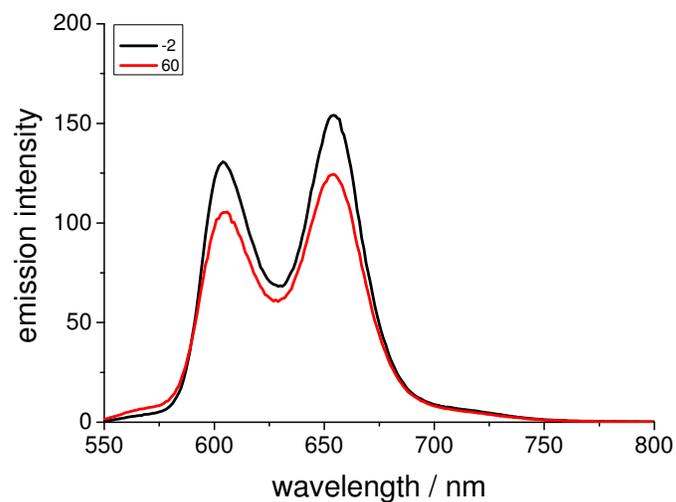


Figure S31: Fluorescence spectra of **ZnPor-5'a-(dAdG)₄** in the absence of NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

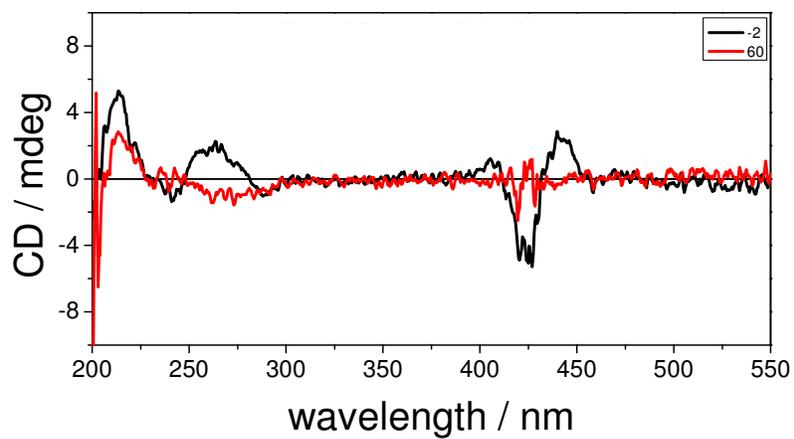


Figure S32: CD spectra of **ZnPor-5'a-(dAdG)₄** in the presence of 40 mM NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

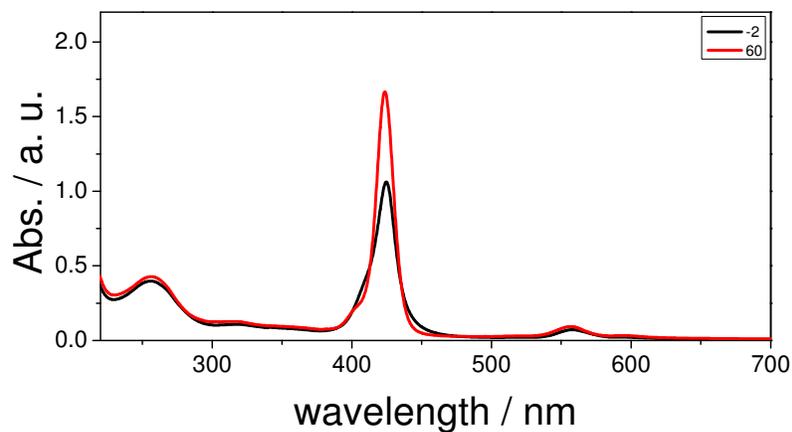


Figure S33: UV-vis absorption spectra of **ZnPor-5'a-(dAdG)₄** in the presence of 40 mM NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

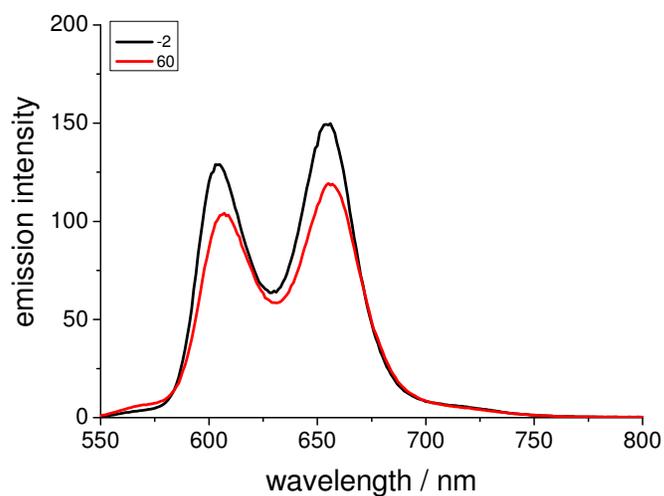


Figure S34: Fluorescence spectra of **ZnPor-5'a-(dAdG)₄** in the presence of 40 mM NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

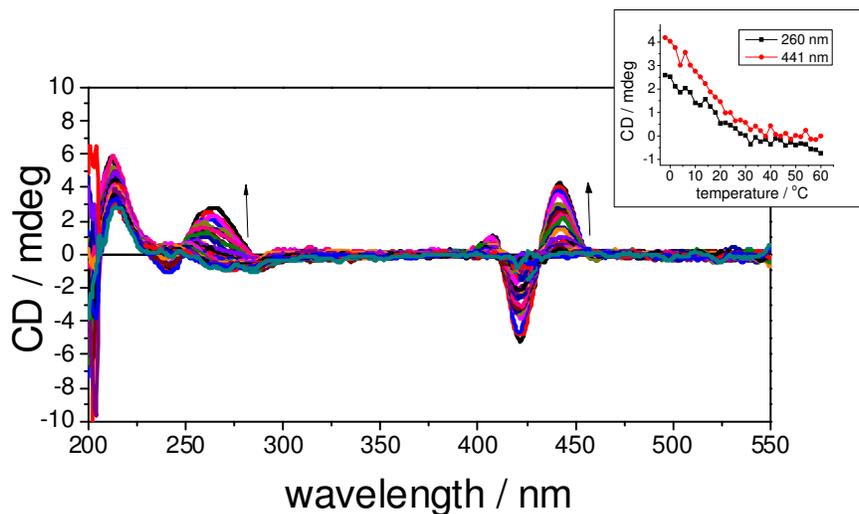


Figure S35: CD spectra of ZnPor-5'a-(dAdG)₄ in the presence of 100 mM NaCl. The sample was cooled from 60 °C to -2 °C at 1 °C/min. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

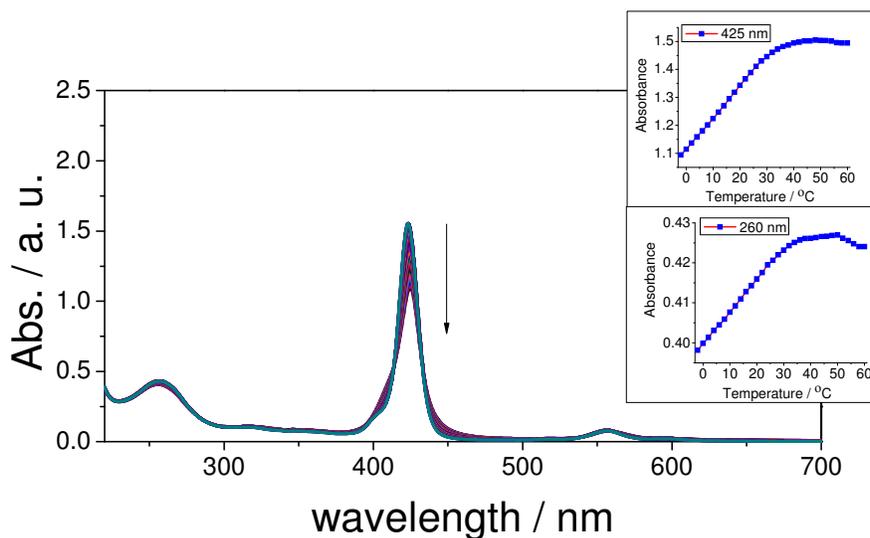


Figure S36: Variable-temperature UV-vis absorption spectra of ZnPor-5'a-(dAdG)₄ in the presence of 100 mM NaCl. The sample was cooled from 60 °C to -2 °C at 1 °C/min. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

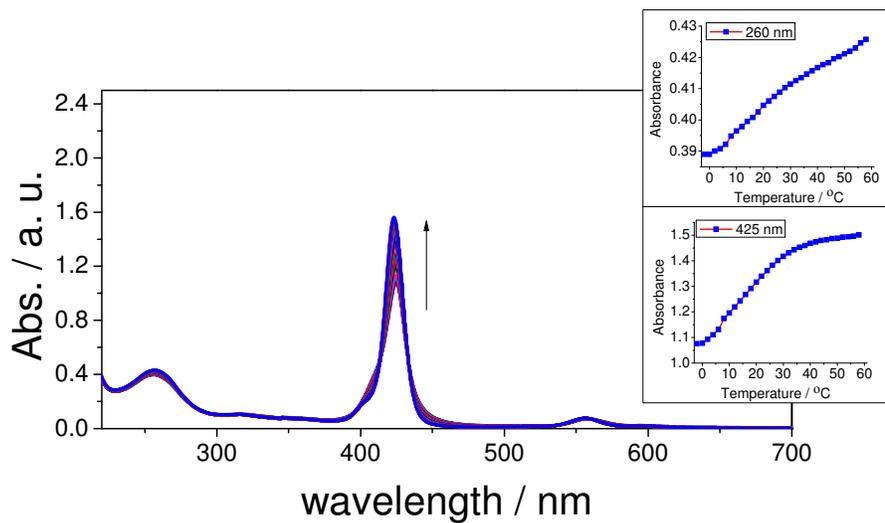


Figure S37: Variable-temperature UV-vis absorption spectra of ZnPor-5'a-(dAdG)₄ in the presence of 100 mM NaCl. The sample was heated from -2 °C to 60 °C at 1 °C/min. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

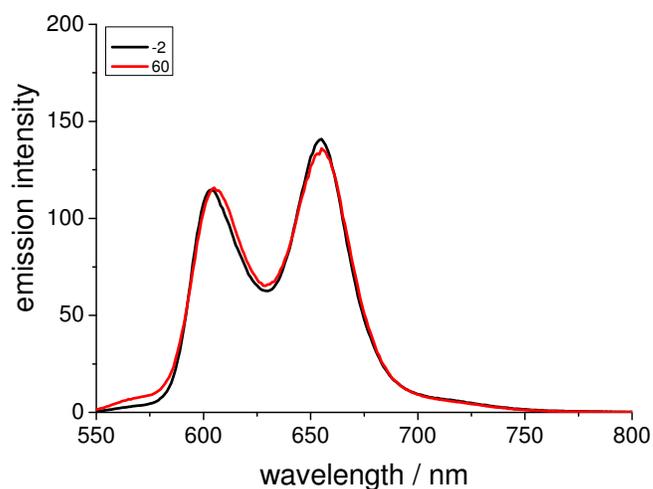


Figure S38: Fluorescence spectra of ZnPor-5'a-(dAdG)₄ in the presence of 100 mM NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

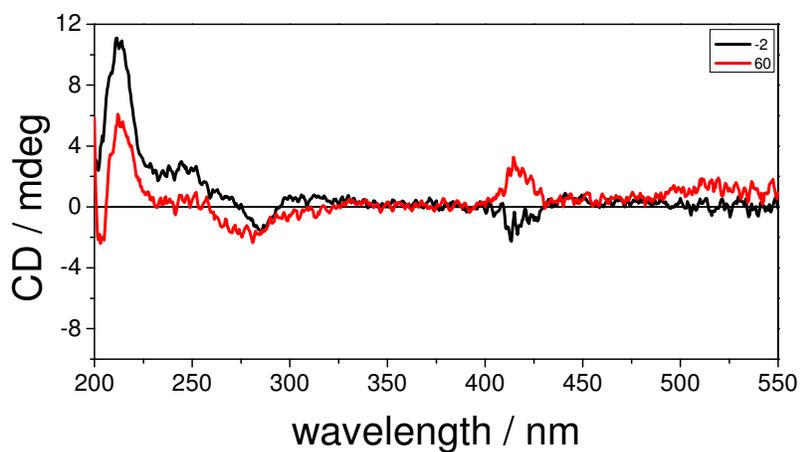


Figure S39: CD spectra of 2HPor-5'p-(dAdG)₄ in the absence of NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

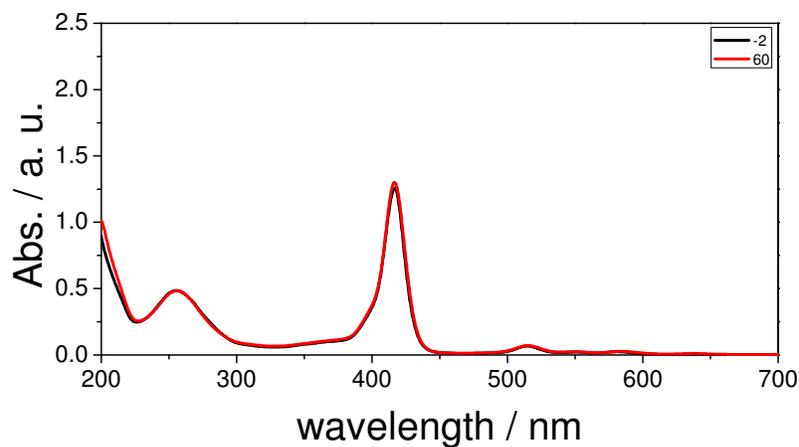


Figure S40: UV-vis absorption spectra of 2HPor-5'p-(dAdG)₄ in the absence of NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

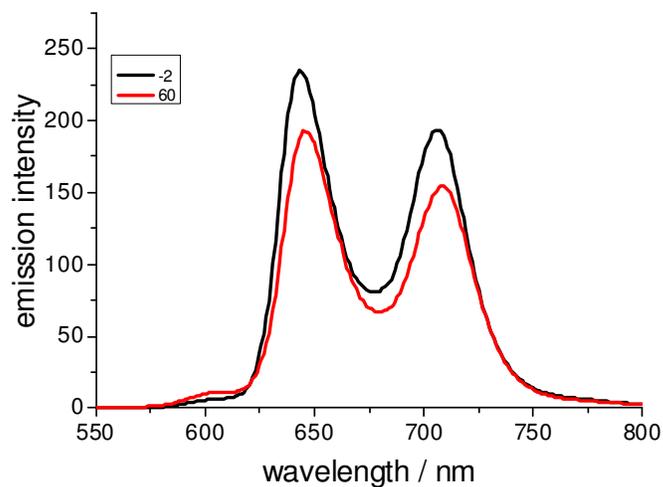


Figure S41: Fluorescence spectra of **2HPor-5'p-(dAdG)₄** in the absence of NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

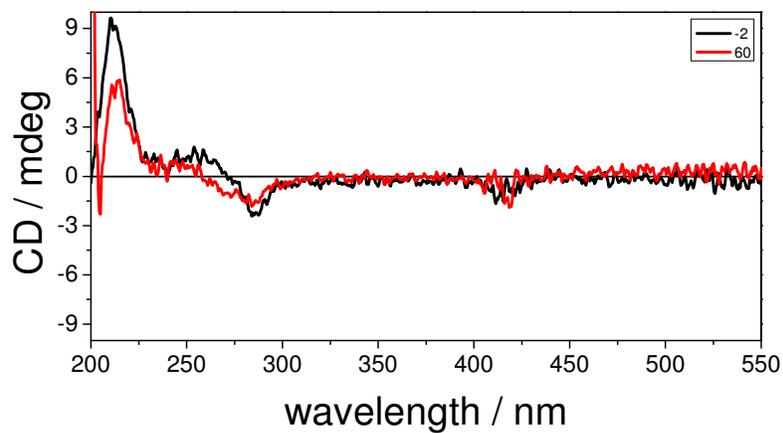


Figure S42: CD spectra of **2HPor-5'p-(dAdG)₄** in the presence of 40 mM NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

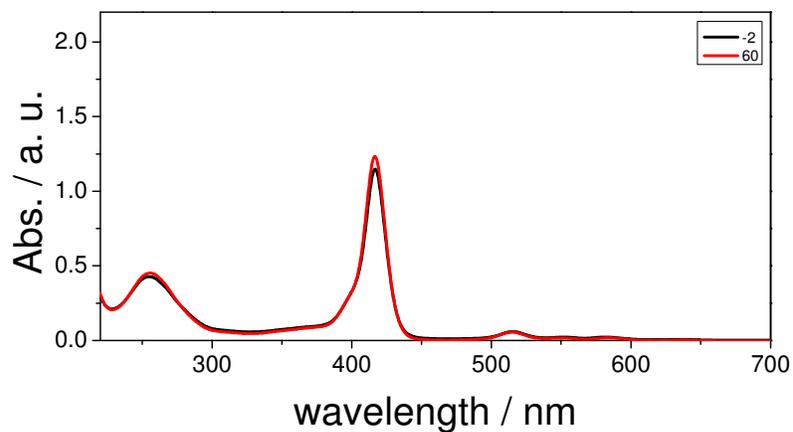


Figure S43: UV-vis absorption spectra of **2HPor-5'p-(dAdG)₄** in the presence of 40 mM NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

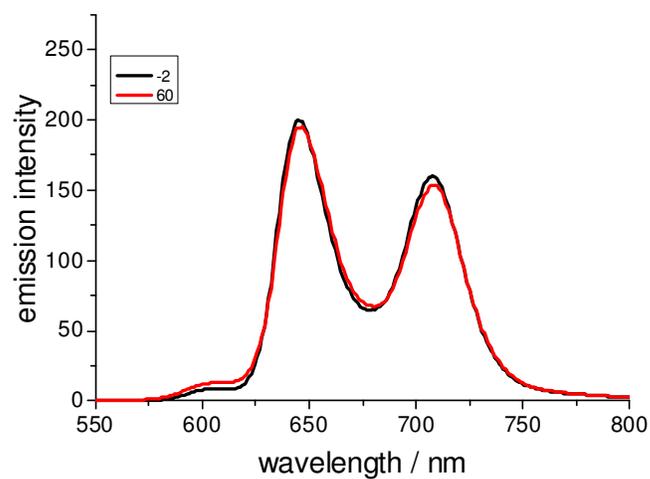


Figure S44: Fluorescence spectra of **2HPor-5'p-(dAdG)₄** in the presence of 40 mM NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

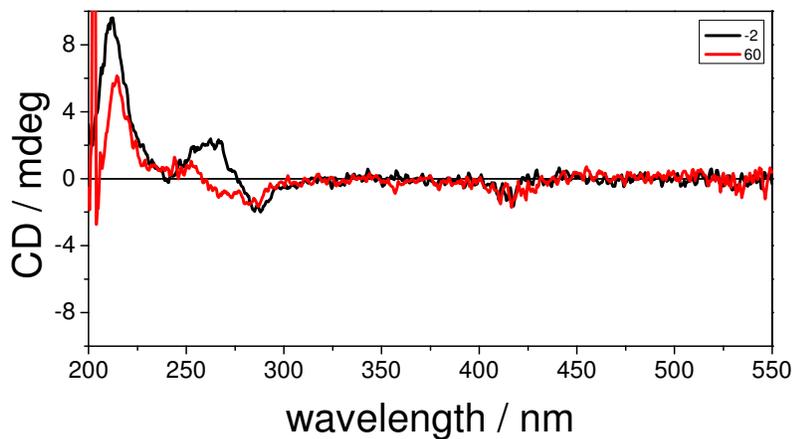


Figure S45: CD spectra of **2HPor-5'p-(dAdG)₄** in the presence of 100 mM NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

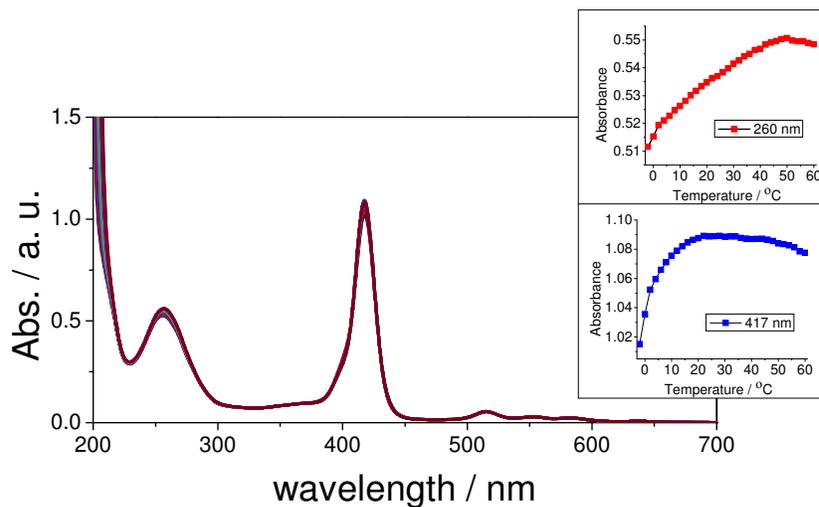


Figure S46: Variable-temperature UV-vis absorption spectra of **2HPor-5'p-(dAdG)₄** in the presence of 100 mM NaCl. The sample was cooled from 60 °C to -2 °C at 1 °C/min. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

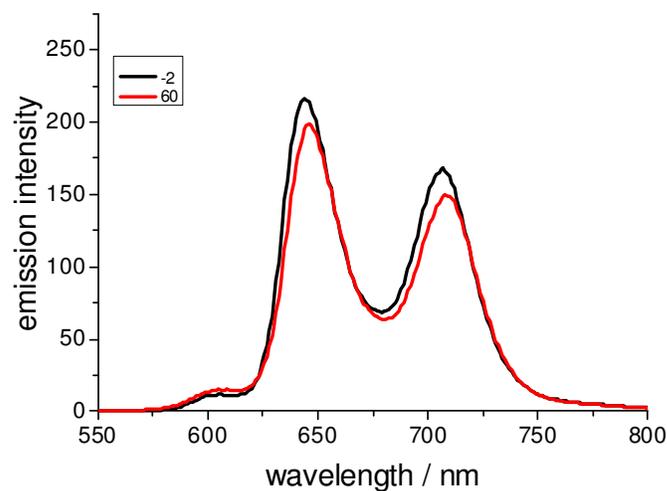


Figure S47: Fluorescence spectra of **2HPor-5'p-(dAdG)₄** in the presence of 100 mM NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

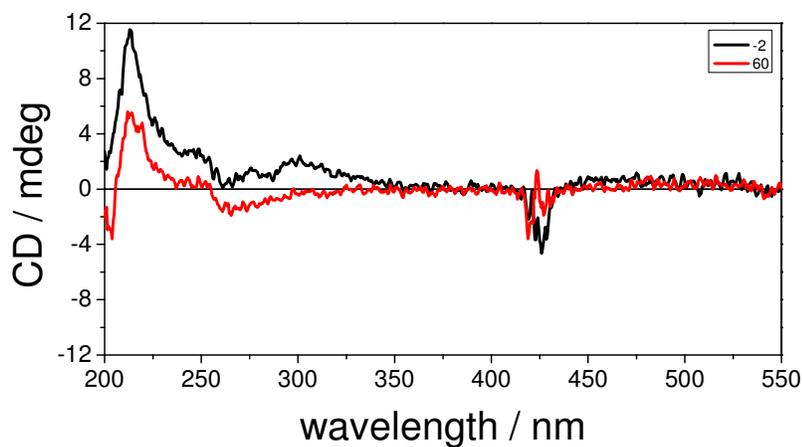


Figure S48: CD spectra of **ZnPor-5'p-(dAdG)₄** in the absence of NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

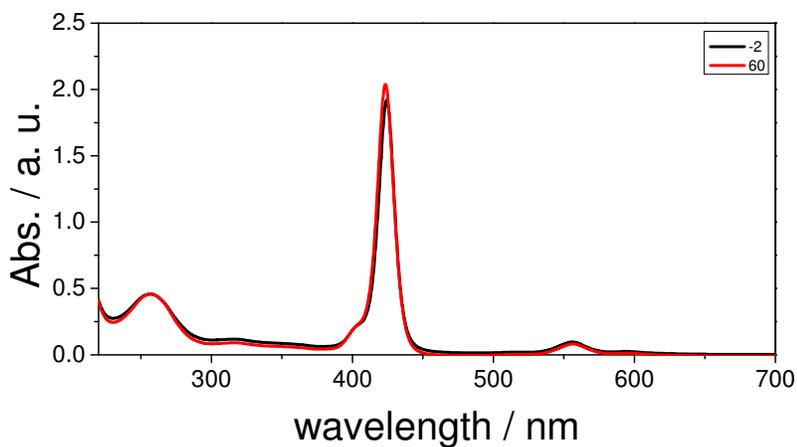


Figure S49: UV-vis absorption spectra of ZnPor-5'p-(dAdG)₄ in the absence of NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

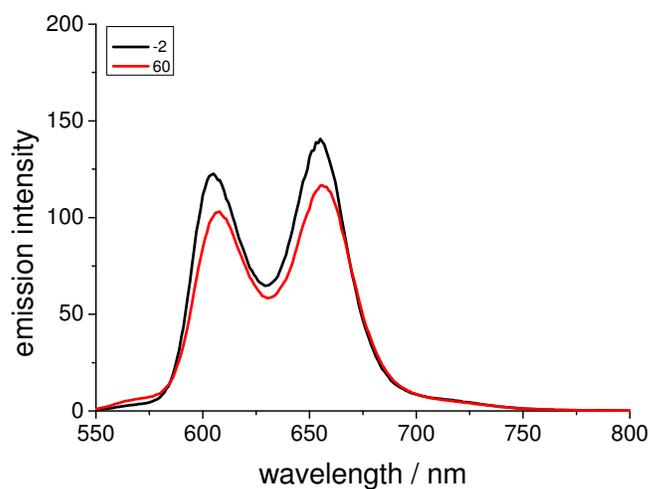


Figure S50: Fluorescence spectra of ZnPor-5'p-(dAdG)₄ in the absence of NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

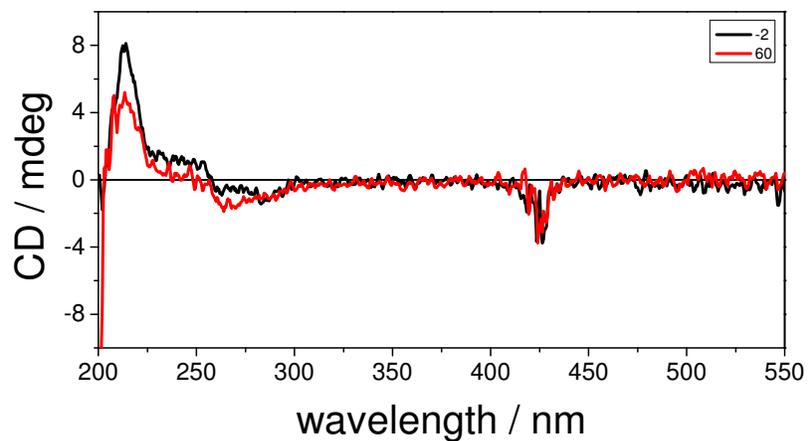


Figure S51: CD spectra of ZnPor-5'p-(dAdG)₄ in the presence of 40 mM NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

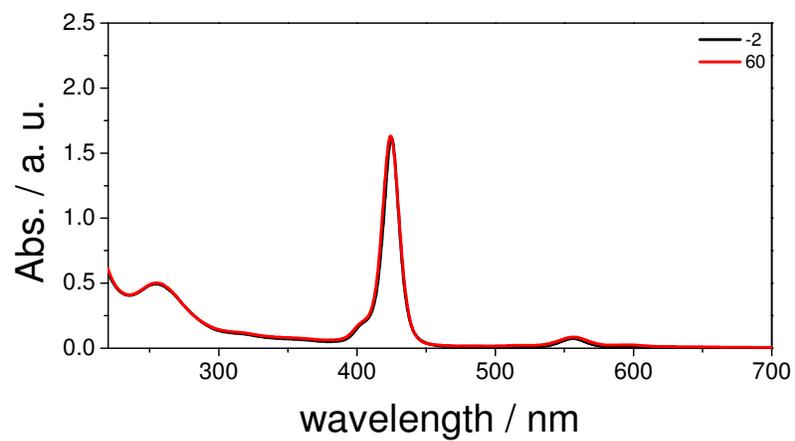


Figure S52: UV-vis absorption spectra of ZnPor-5'p-(dAdG)₄ in the presence of 40 mM NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

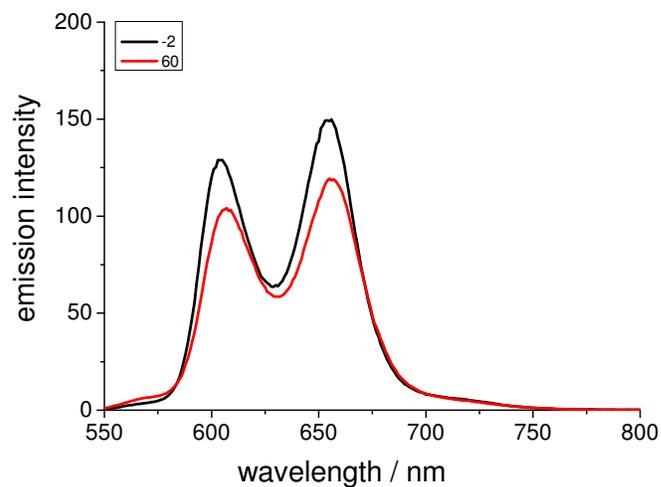


Figure S53: Fluorescence spectra of $\text{ZnPor-5'p-(dAdG)}_4$ in the presence of 40 mM NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM , Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

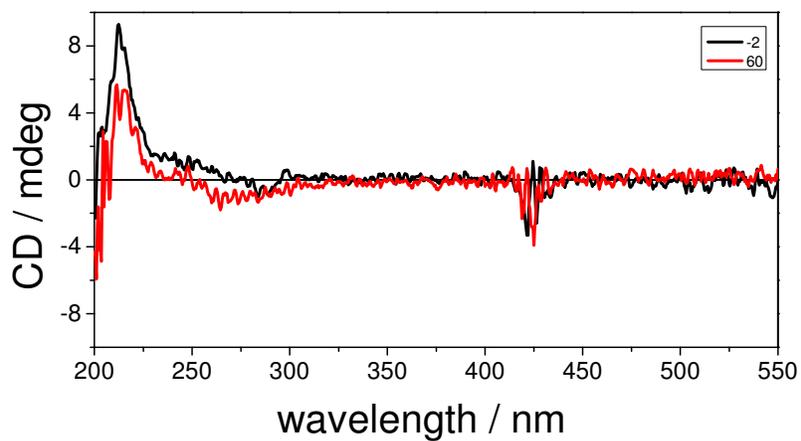


Figure S54: CD spectra of $\text{ZnPor-5'p-(dAdG)}_4$ in the presence of 100 mM NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM , Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

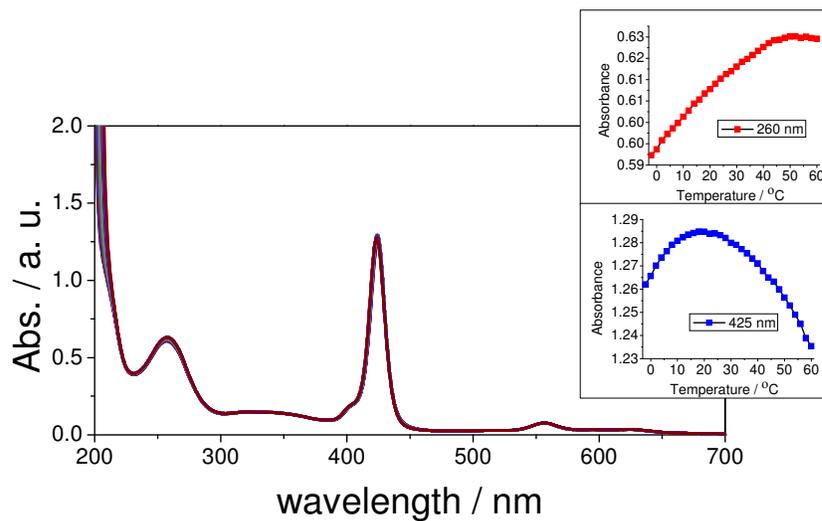


Figure S55: Variable-temperature UV-vis absorption spectra of **ZnPor-5'p-(dAdG)₄** in the presence of 100 mM NaCl. The sample was cooled from 60 °C to -2 °C at 1 °C/min. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM, Nacacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

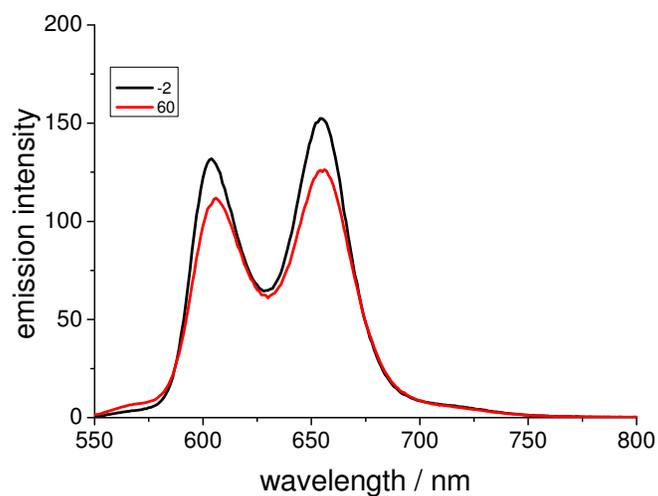


Figure S56: Fluorescence spectra of **ZnPor-5'p-(dAdG)₄** in the presence of 100 mM NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM, Nacacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

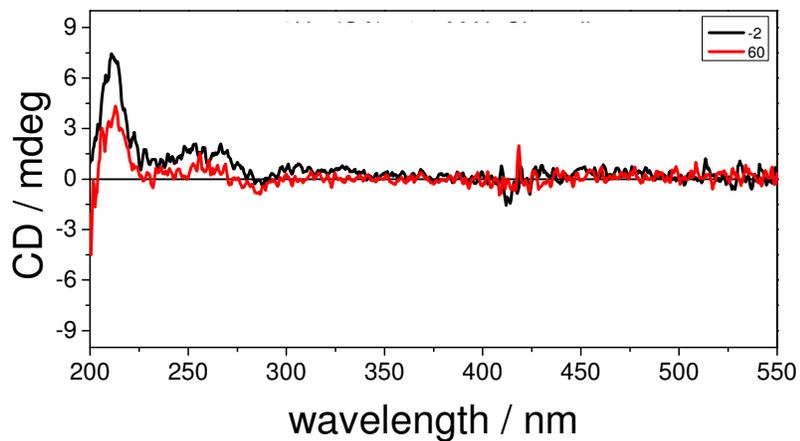


Figure S57: CD spectra of 2HPor-5'p-(dGdA)₄ in the absence of NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

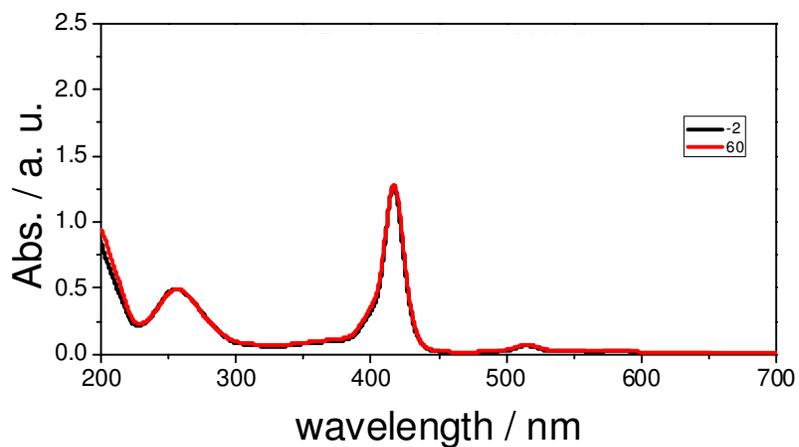


Figure S58: UV-vis absorption spectra of 2HPor-5'p-(dGdA)₄ in the absence of NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

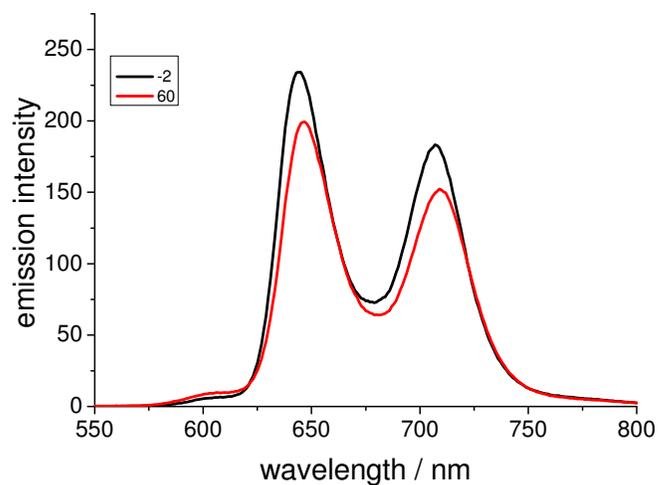


Figure S59: Fluorescence spectra of **2HPor-5'p-(dGdA)₄** in the absence of NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

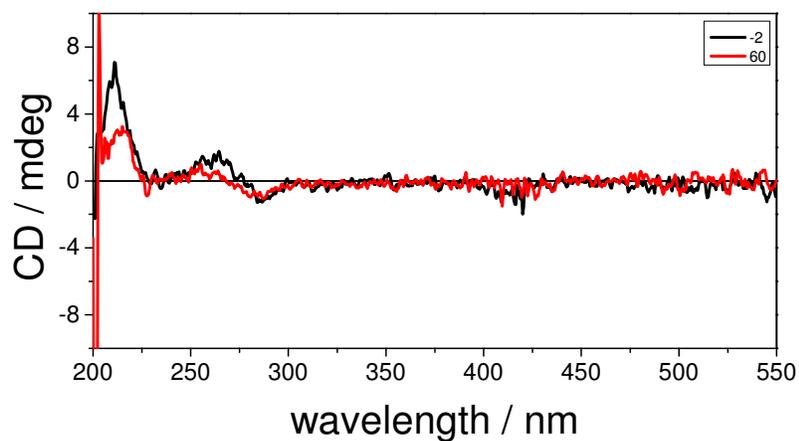


Figure S60: CD spectra of **2HPor-5'p-(dGdA)₄** in the presence of 40 mM NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

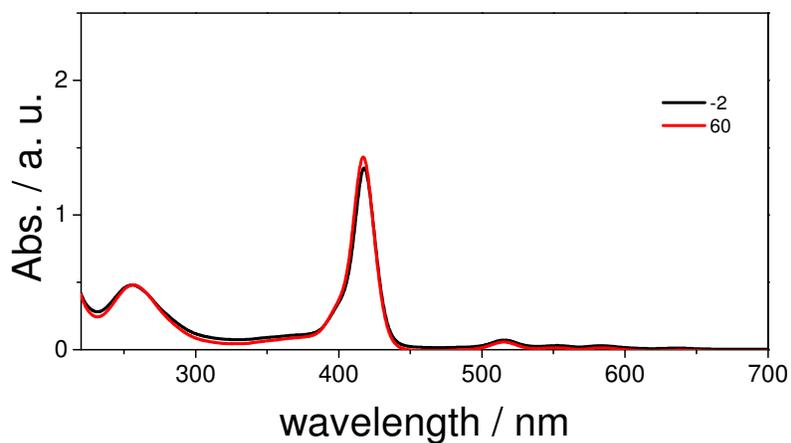


Figure S61: UV-vis absorption spectra of **2HPor-5'p-(dGdA)₄** in the presence of 40 mM NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

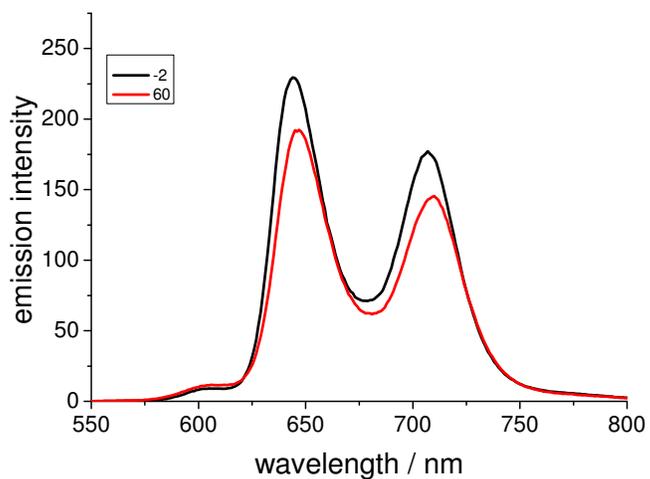


Figure S62: Fluorescence spectra of **2HPor-5'p-(dGdA)₄** in the presence of 40 mM NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

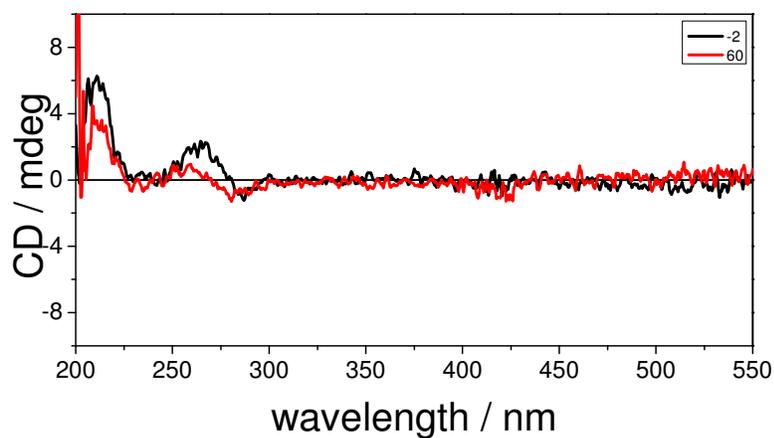


Figure S63: CD spectra of **2HPor-5'p-(dGdA)₄** in the presence of 100 mM NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

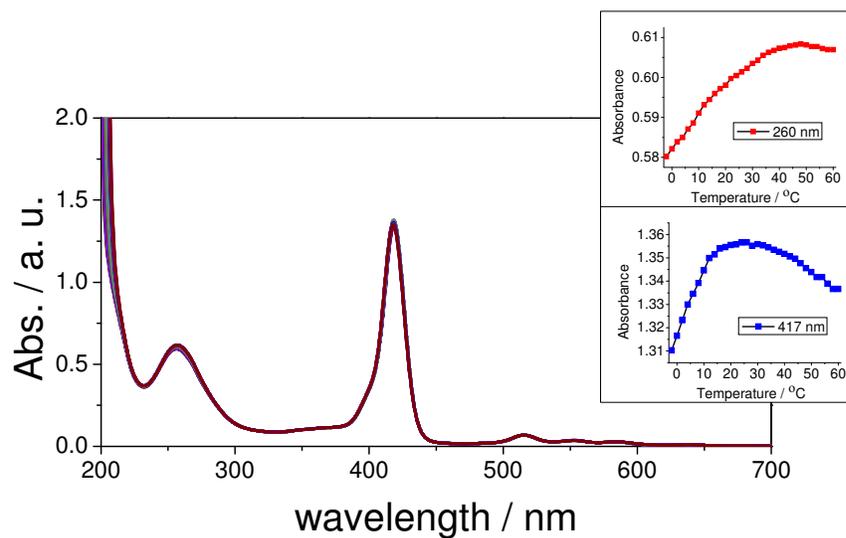


Figure S64: Variable-temperature UV-vis absorption spectra of **2HPor-5'p-(dGdA)₄** in the presence of 100 mM NaCl. The sample was cooled from 60 °C to -2 °C at 1 °C/min. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

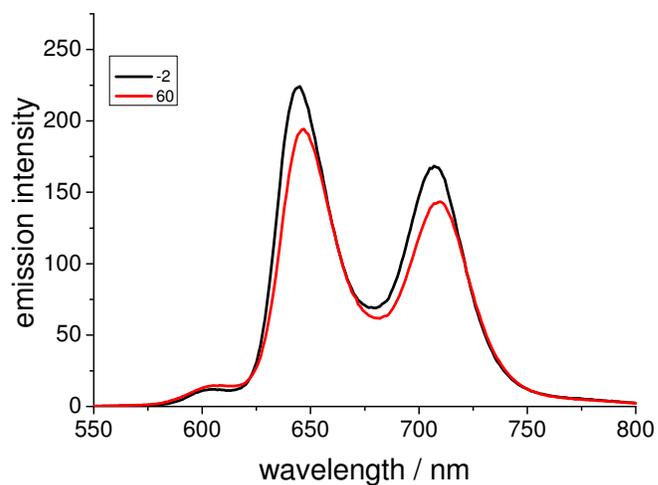


Figure S65: Fluorescence spectra of **2HPor-5'p-(dGdA)₄** in the presence of 100 mM NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

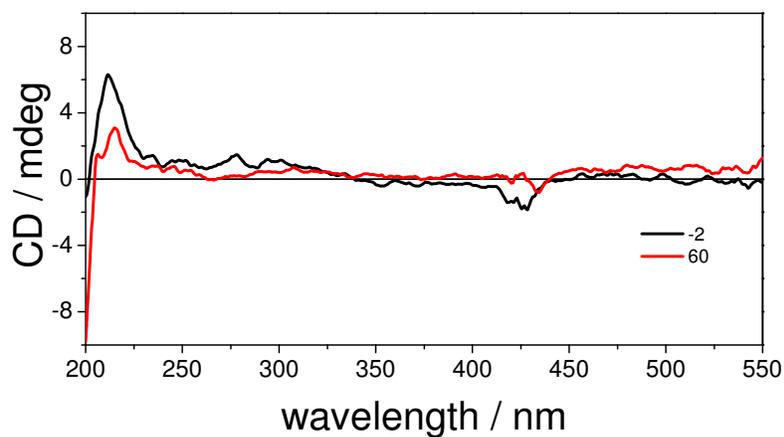


Figure S66: CD spectra of **ZnPor-5'p-(dGdA)₄** in the presence of 40 mM NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

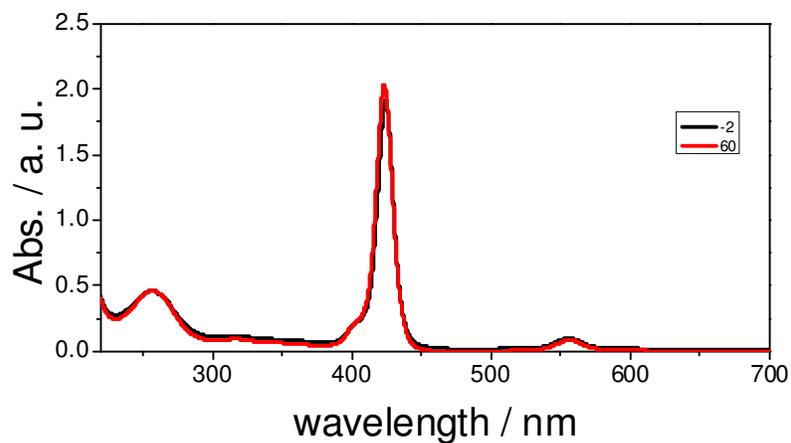


Figure S67: UV-vis absorption spectra of $\text{ZnPor-5'p-(dGdA)}_4$ in the absence of NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM , Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

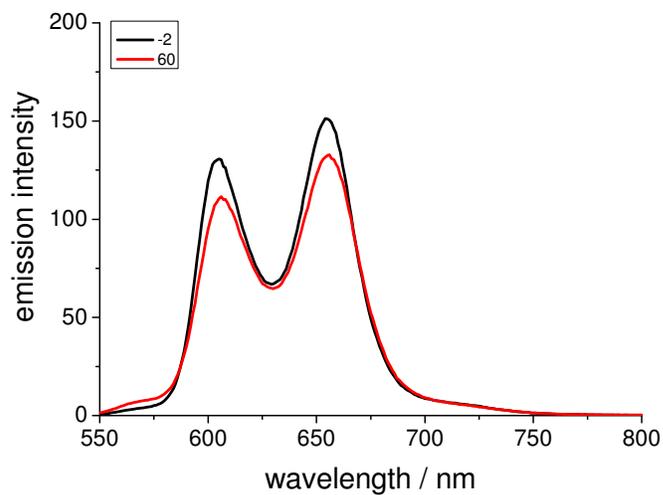


Figure S68: Fluorescence spectra of $\text{ZnPor-5'p-(dGdA)}_4$ in the absence of NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM , Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

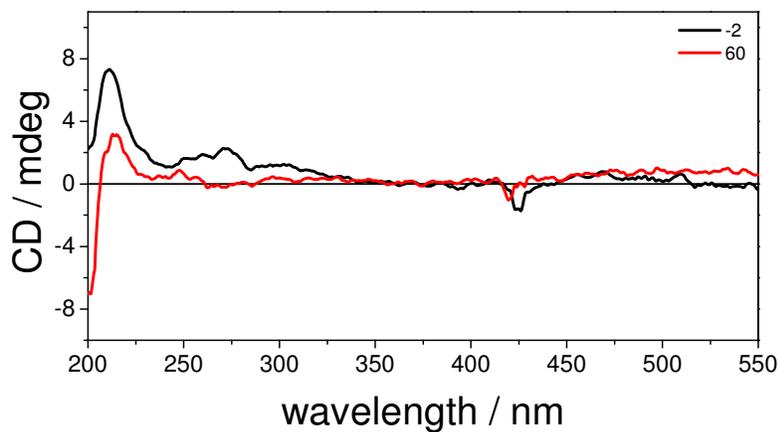


Figure S69: CD spectra of ZnPor-5'p-(dGdA)₄ in the presence of 40 mM NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

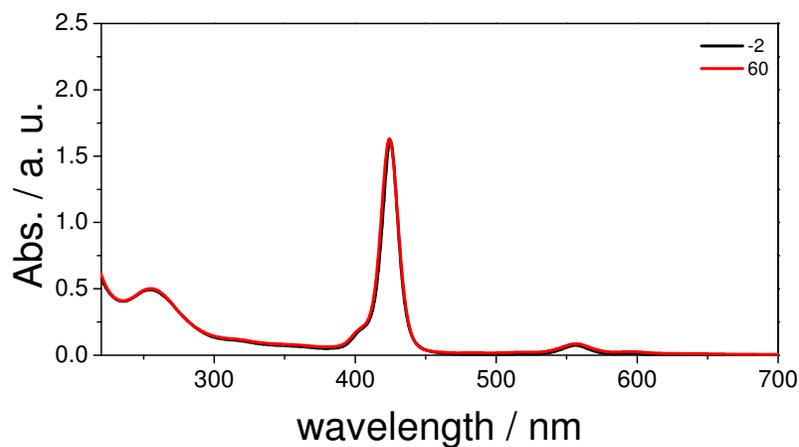


Figure S70: UV-vis absorption spectra of ZnPor-5'p-(dGdA)₄ in the presence of 40 mM NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

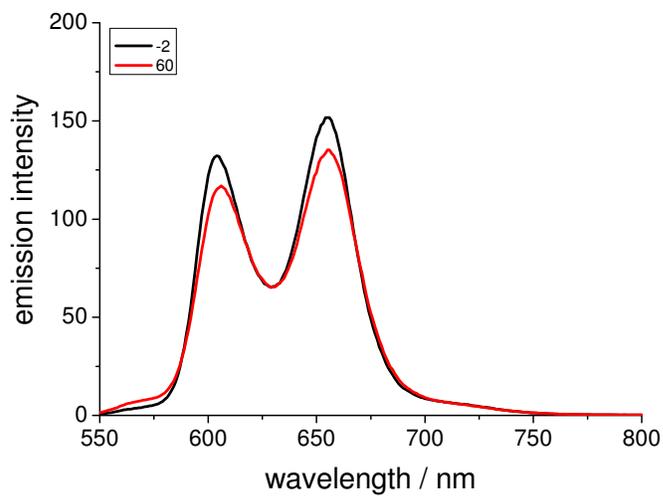


Figure S71: Fluorescence spectra of $\text{ZnPor-5'p-(dGdA)}_4$ in the presence of 40 mM NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM , Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

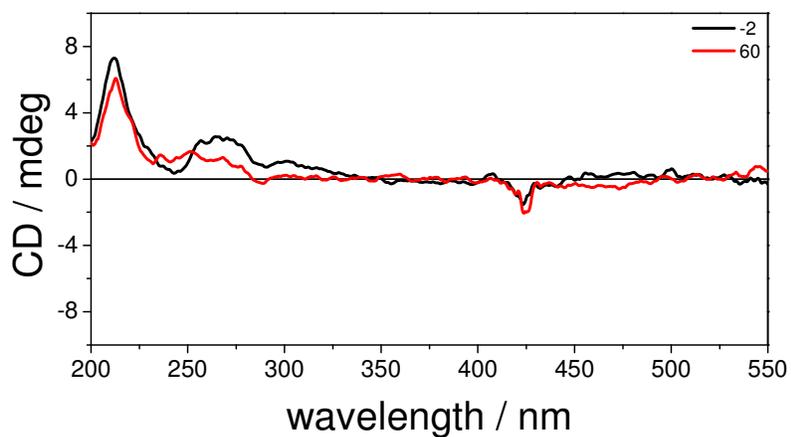


Figure S72: CD spectra of $\text{ZnPor-5'p-(dGdA)}_4$ in the presence of 100 mM NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM , Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

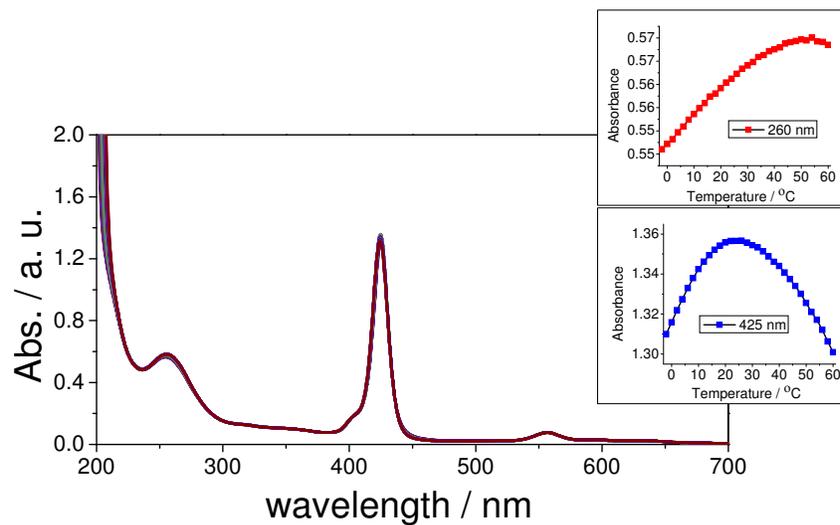


Figure S73: Variable-temperature UV-vis absorption spectra of ZnPor-5'p-(dGdA)₄ in the presence of 100 mM NaCl. The sample was cooled from 60 °C to -2 °C at 1 °C/min. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

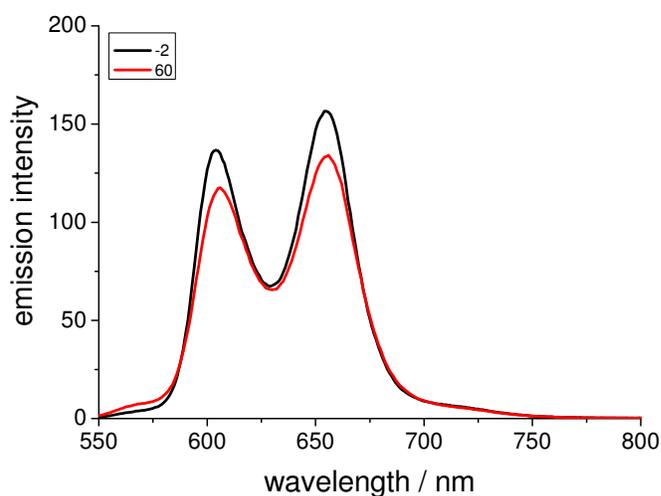


Figure S74: Fluorescence spectra of ZnPor-5'p-(dGdA)₄ in the presence of 100 mM NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

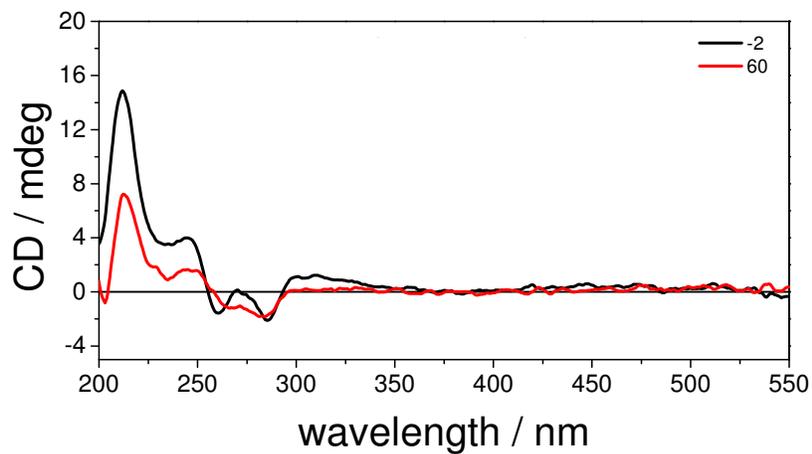


Figure S75: CD spectra of 5'-(dAdG)₄ in the absence of NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

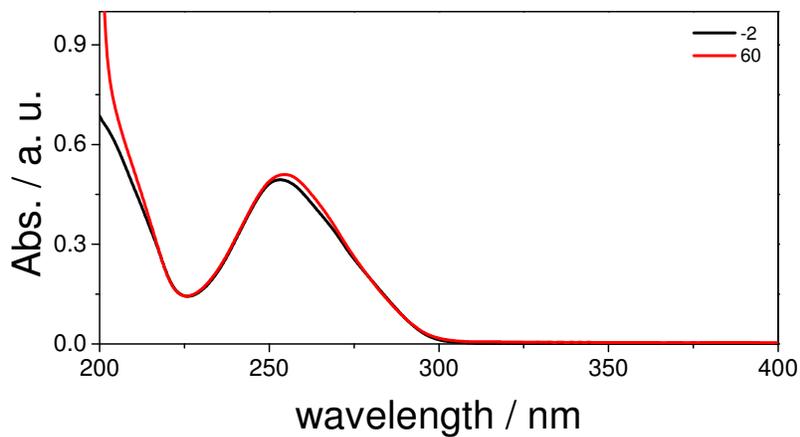


Figure S76: UV-vis absorption spectra of 5'-(dAdG)₄ in the absence of NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

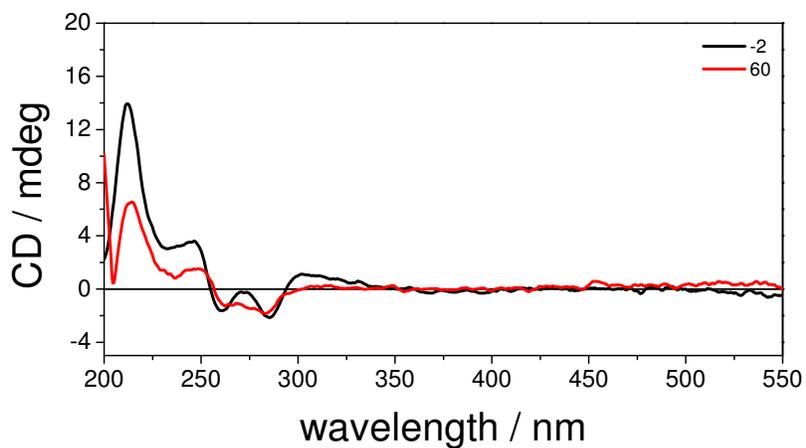


Figure S77: CD spectra of 5'-(dAdG)₄ in the presence of 40 mM NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

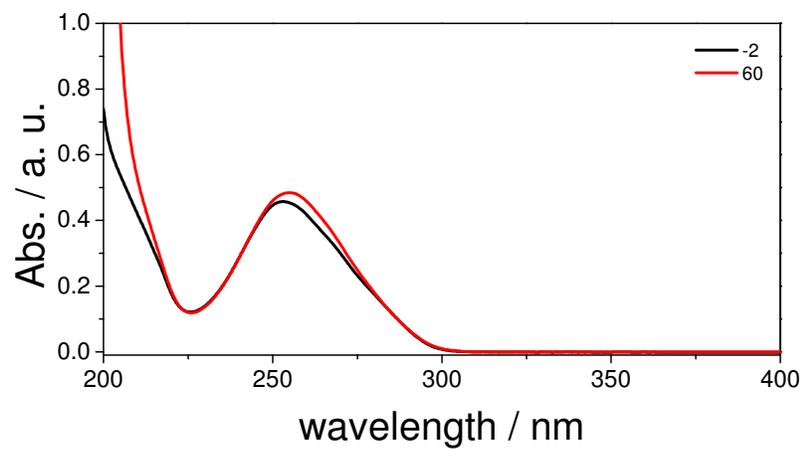


Figure S78: UV-vis absorption spectra of 5'-(dAdG)₄ in the presence of 40 mM NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

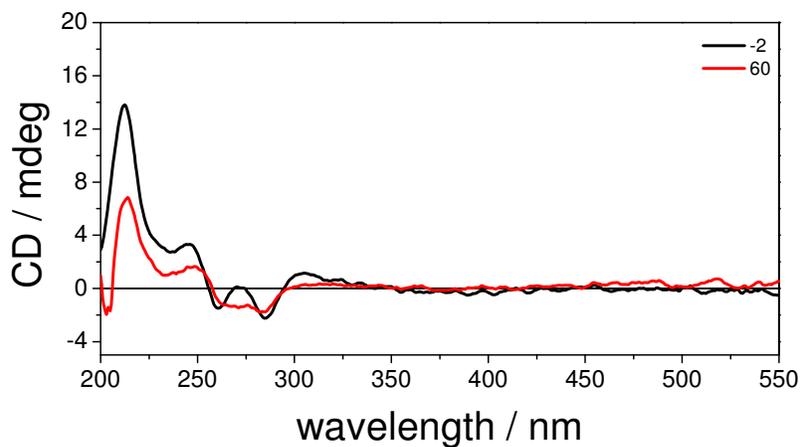


Figure S79: CD spectra of 5'-(dAdG)₄ in the presence of 100 mM NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

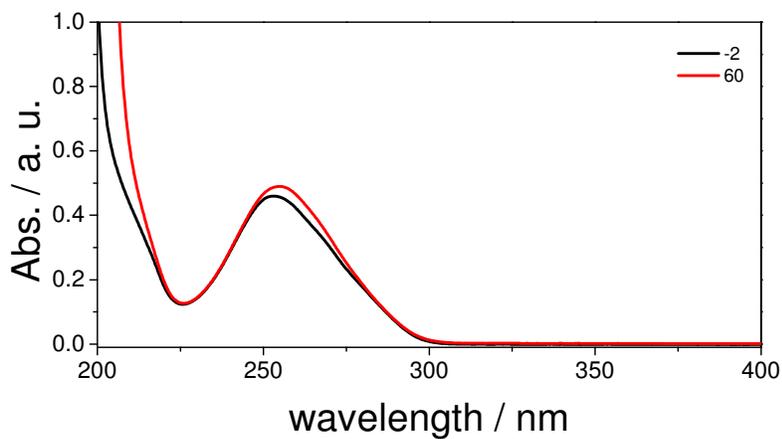


Figure S80: UV-vis absorption spectra of 5'-(dAdG)₄ in the presence of 100 mM NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

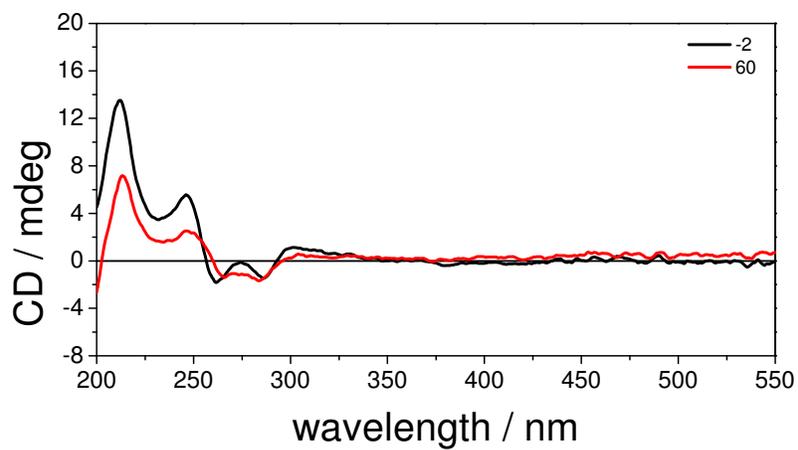


Figure S81: CD spectra of 5'-(dGdA)₄ in the absence of NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

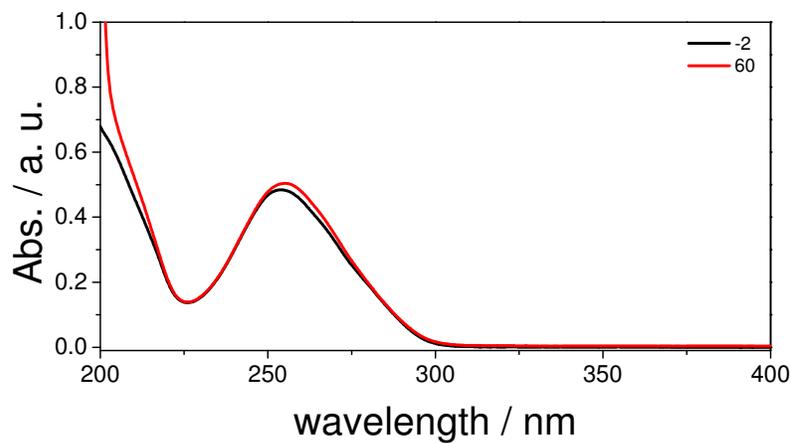


Figure S82: UV-vis absorption spectra of 5'-(dGdA)₄ in the absence of NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

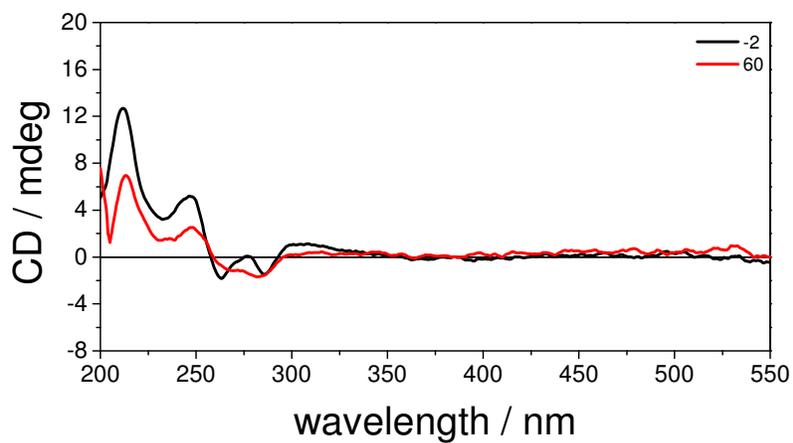


Figure S83: CD spectra of 5'-(dGdA)₄ in the presence of 40 mM NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

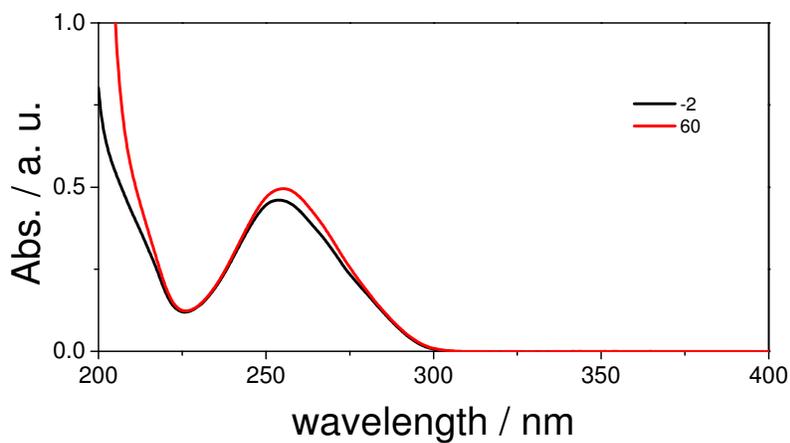


Figure S84: UV-vis absorption spectra of 5'-(dGdA)₄ in the presence of 40 mM NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

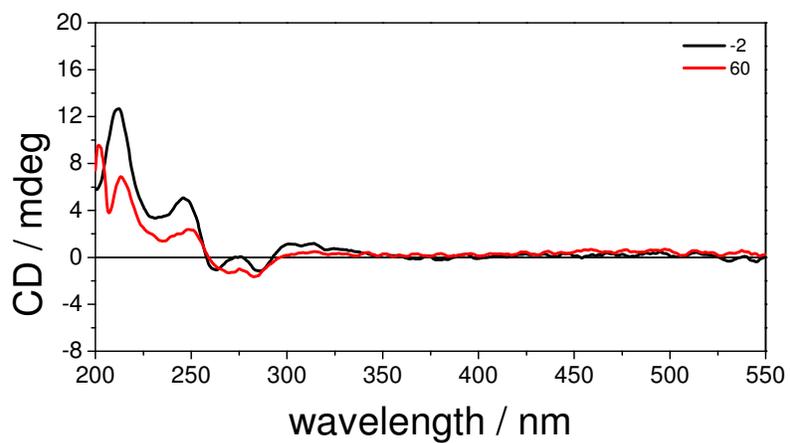


Figure S85: CD spectra of 5'-(dGdA)₄ in the presence of 100 mM NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

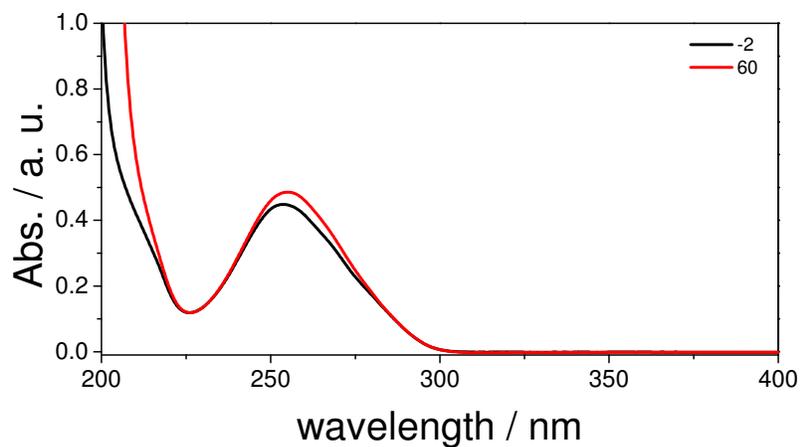


Figure S86: UV-vis absorption spectra of 5'-(dGdA)₄ in the presence of 100 mM NaCl at -2 °C and 60 °C. Conditions: [DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

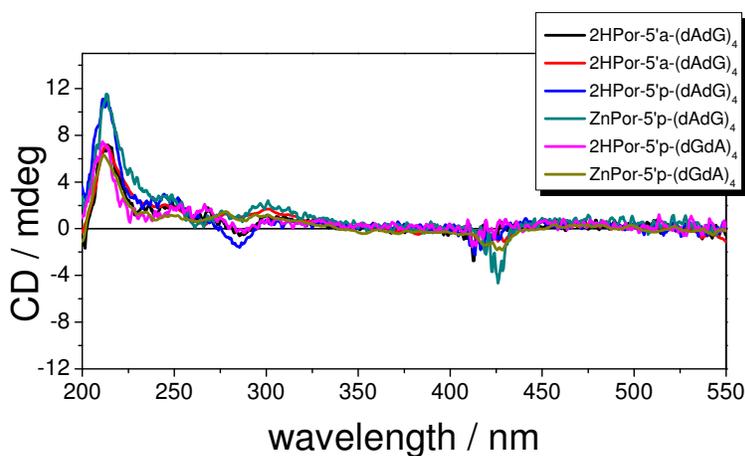


Figure S87: CD spectra of six synthesized Por-DNA conjugates in the absence of NaCl at -2 °C. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μ M, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

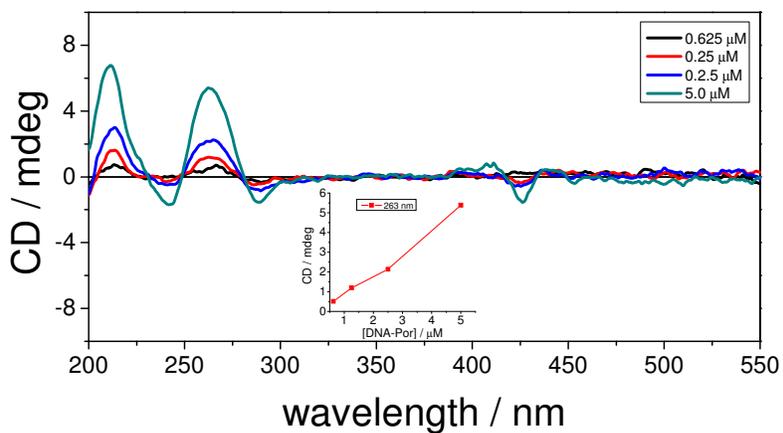


Figure S88: CD spectra of 2HPor-5'a-(dAdG)₄ at different concentrations in the presence of 40 mM NaCl at -2 °C. The sample was diluted by adding a solution of Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0) with NaCl (40 mM) at -2 °C.

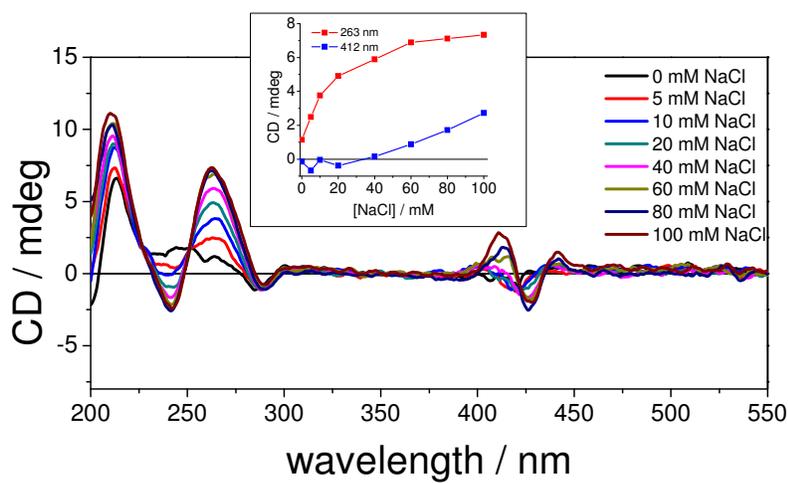


Figure S89: CD spectra of **2HPor-5'a-(dAdG)₄** (5.0 μM) at different NaCl concentration. The NaCl concentration was increased to 80 mM by addition of a stock solution (4 M). 100 mM concentration was achieved by adding solid salt. Conditions: [Por-DNA] = 5.0 μM, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

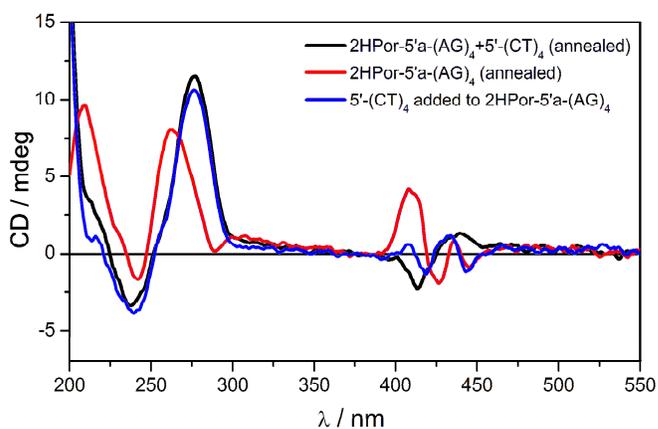


Figure S90: CD spectra of neat **2HPor-5'a-(AG)₄** annealed from 60 °C to -2 °C (red curve); annealed from 60 °C to -2 °C with equimolar amount of 5'-(CT)₄ (black curve); and after addition of equimolar amount of 5'-(CT)₄ to pre-annealed **2HPor-5'a-(AG)₄** at -2 °C (blue curve). Conditions: [Por-ODN] = 5.0 μM, 100 mM NaCl, Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0).

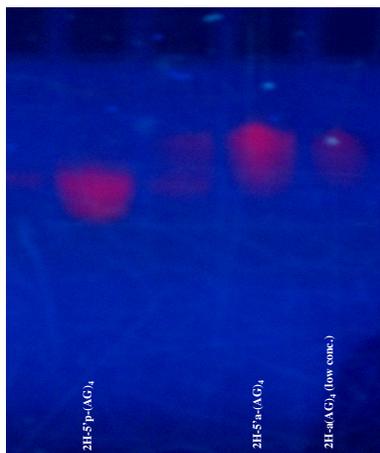


Figure S91: PAGE of **2HPor-5'a-(dAdG)₄** and **2HPor-5'p-(dAdG)₄**. Gel was run in Na-cacodylate buffer (1 mM, pH = 7.0) with 40 mM NaCl for 8 h at 30 mA at 0 °C. Ultraviolet lamp ($\lambda = 365$ nm) was used to visualize porphyrin-DNA conjugates.