

## Supporting information

### **Malachite Green interacts with membrane skeletal protein, spectrin**

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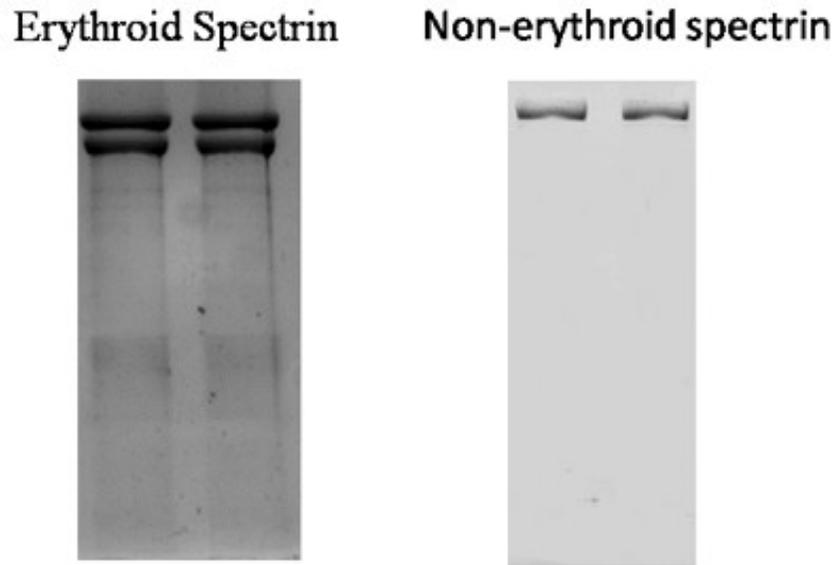
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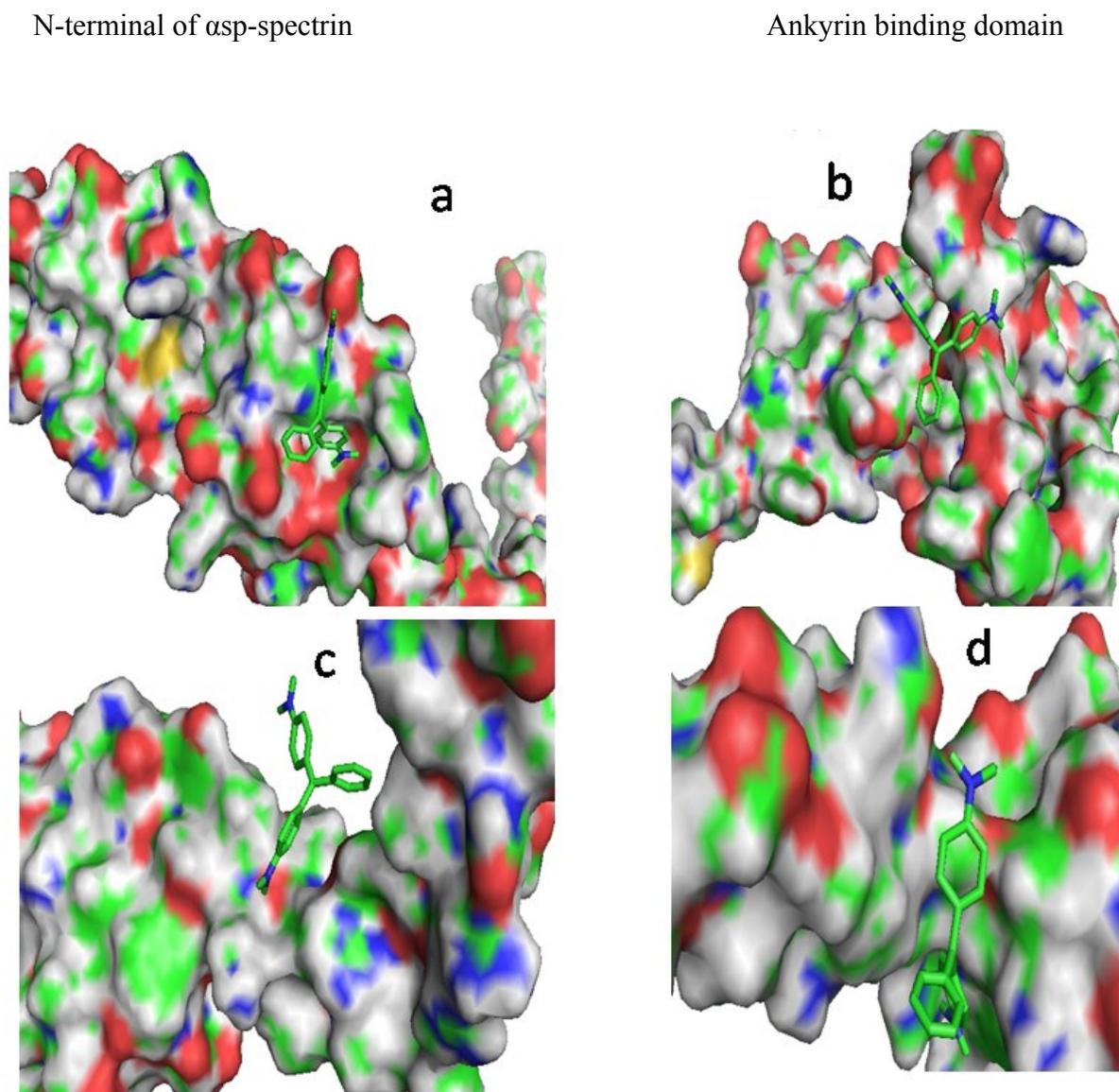
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**Fig S1:** SDS-Polyacrylamide Gel Electrophoresis of erythroid and non-erythroid spectrin on 7.5% gel.



**Fig S2:** Energy minimized complexes of the malachite green with the N terminal domain , self associating domain , and ankyrin binding of erythroid spectrin (upper panel ) and non-erythroid spectrin (lower panel).



**Table S1:** Stern–Volmer ( $K_{SV}$ ) and bimolecular quenching constants ( $k_q$ ) for the molecular recognition of spectrin with malachite green.

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<b>Protein</b>	<b>Temperature (K)</b>	<b><math>K_{sv}</math> (<math>\times 10^4 M^{-1}</math>)</b>	<b><math>k_q</math> (<math>\times 10^{13} M^{-1}S^{-1}</math>)</b>
<b>Erythroid spectrin</b>	<b>298</b>	<b>5.723</b>	<b>1.506</b>
	<b>303</b>	<b>5.173</b>	<b>1.361</b>
	<b>308</b>	<b>4.621</b>	<b>1.216</b>
<b>Non-erythroid spectrin</b>	<b>298</b>	<b>7.0727</b>	<b>1.849</b>
	<b>303</b>	<b>6.420</b>	<b>1.689</b>
	<b>308</b>	<b>6.222</b>	<b>1.636</b>

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**Table S2:** Effect of ionic strength on the binding of erythroid and non-erythroid spectrin.

<b>Protein</b>	<b>Salt</b>	<b>K<sub>d</sub> (<math>\mu</math>M)</b>
<b>Erythroid Spectrin</b>	0.02M NaCl	34 $\pm$ 4
	1M NaCl	11 $\pm$ 3
	2M NaCl	5 $\pm$ 2
<b>Non-erythroid Spectrin</b>	0.2 M NaCl	25 $\pm$ 5
	1M NaCl	13 $\pm$ 2
	2M NaCl	9 $\pm$ 2

**Table S3:** Fluorescence lifetime components of erythroid and nonerythroid spectrin in the presence and absence malachite green.

Sample	$\tau_1$ (ns)	$\tau_2$ (ns)	$\tau_3$ (ns)	$A_1$	$A_2$	$A_3$	$\tau$ (ns)	$\chi^2$
Spectrin	1.26	4.32	0.143	0.2188	0.7821	0.029	4.03	0.99
Spectrin+ Malachite- Green	1.08	4.0783	0.114	0.2296	0.6869	.0835	3.822	1.04
Fodrin	1.27	4.08	0.230	0.2720	0.6760	.0570	3.80	1.06
Fodrin+ Malachite- green	1.07	3.8559	0.12678	0.2269	0.7214	.0517	3.62	1.00

**Table S4:** Residues of spectrin involved in the binding of malachite green.

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<b>Complex</b>	<b>Residues involved in the bonding</b>
<b>SH3 domain of erythroid spectrin- Malachite green</b>	Leu (10), Lys (37), Asp (38), Trp (40), Ala (53), Ala (54), Lys (56), Asp (60).
<b>SH3 domain of non-erythroid spectrin-Malachite green</b>	Ala (12), Arg (13), Ser(14), Pro (15), Val (18), Thr(19), His (44), Glu (45).
<b>Self associating domain of erythroid spectrin- Malachite green</b>	Ser (36),Val (37), Arg (115).
<b>Self associating domain of non- erythroid spectrin- Malachite green</b>	Glu (88), Glu (92), Lys (91), Asp (95).

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