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### Synthesis and thermal stabilities of oligonucleotides containing 2'-O,4'-Cmethylene bridged nucleic acid with a phenoxazine base

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(a)  $^{1}$ H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound **3** 

<sup>13</sup>C-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound **3** 



#### (b) <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 4



#### (c) <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CD<sub>3</sub>OD) of compound **6**



# <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ ) compound **6**



#### (d) <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) compound 7



<sup>13</sup>C-NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ ) of compound **7** 



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#### (e) <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound **8**



# <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 8



#### (f) <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 9



#### <sup>31</sup>P-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 9



Figure S2. HPLC charts and MALDI-TOF Mass spectra of ODNs containing BNAP  $(\underline{B})$ 

HPLC conditions: Detection: UV 260 nm, Flow rate: 1.0 mL/min, Mobile Phase (A): 0.1 M TEAA (pH 7.0), (B): acetonitrile, Column: Waters XBridge<sup>TM</sup> OST C18 2.5µm (4.6×50 mm), Temperature: 50°C.



#### (c) 5'-d(GCGTC<u>B</u>CTTGCT)-3'



(f) 5'-d(GCGT<u>BCB</u>GTTGCT)-3'

HPLC

MALDI-TOF-Mass



(g) 5'-d(GCGTC<u>BB</u>TTGCT)-3'

HPLC

HPLC











Sequences	Calcd. (M-H) <sup>-</sup>	Found
5'-d(GCGTT <u>P</u> TTTGCT)-3'	3707.5	3706.9
5'-d(GCGTC <u>P</u> ATTGCT)-3'	3701.5	3702.1
5'-d(GCGTC <u>P</u> CTTGCT)-3'	3677.4	3676.9
5'-d(GCGTA <u>P</u> ATTGCT)-3'	3725.5	3725.2
5'-d(GCGTG <u>P</u> GTTGCT)-3'	3757.5	3756.9
5'-d(GCGT <u>P</u> C <u>P</u> TTGCT)-3'	3767.5	3767.8
5'-d(GCGTC <u>PP</u> TTGCT)-3'	3767.5	3767.6
5'-d(GCGT <u>PPP</u> TTGCT)-3'	3857.6	3858.2

Table S1. MALDI-TOF mass data of ODNs containing 2'-deoxyribonucleoside with phenoxazine  $(\underline{P})$ 

ODNs containing 2',4'-BNA/LNA with 5-methylcytosine ( $\underline{L}$ ) were purchased from *GeneDesign* Inc., Japan.

Figure S3. Fluorescent spectra of ODNs containing  $\underline{P}$  and  $\underline{B}$ 



Conditions: 2 mM sodium phosphate buffer (pH 7.2), 20 mM NaCl, each strand 2  $\mu$ M. Ex.: 365 nm, rt. Sequence: 5'-d(GCGT**CXC**TTGCT)-3' (**X**: **<u>P</u>** or **<u>B</u>**).



Figure S4. UV melting curves for the duplexes

UV melting profiles were measured in 2 mM sodium phosphate buffer (pH 7.2) containing 20 mM NaCl at a scan rate of 0.5°C/min at 260 nm. The concentration of oligonucleotide used was 2 µM for each strand. The error in  $T_{\rm m}$  values was  $\pm 0.5^{\circ}$ C. <u>C</u>: 2'-deoxycytidine, <u>L</u>: 2',4'-BNA/LNA with 5-methylcytosine, <u>P</u>: 2'-deoxyribonucleoside with phenoxazine, <u>B</u>: BNAP. Sequence: 5'-d(GCGTNNNTTGCT)-3'/3'-CGCQGQAACGA-5' (X: <u>C</u>, <u>L</u>, <u>P</u> or <u>B</u>) (<u>Q</u>: Corresponding matching



3' - r (CGCAGYGAACGA) - 5'								
<b>V</b> –	$T_{\rm m} (\Delta T_{\rm m}: T_{\rm m}[{\rm mismatch}] - T_{\rm m}[{\rm match}]) (^{\circ}{\rm C})$							
Λ-	<b>Y</b> =	G	А	U	С			
<u>C</u>		54	39 (-15)	31 (-23)	32 (-22)			
$\underline{\mathbf{L}}$		61	45 (-16)	40 (-21)	38 (-23)			
<u>P</u>		56	43 (-13)	39 (-17)	35 (-21)			
<u>B</u>		62	48 (-14)	44 (-18)	39 (-23)			

Table S2. Comparison of matched versus mismatched hybridization (X-ODN/cRNA)

Values in parentheses are the difference between the  $T_{\rm m}$  when the ODN was bound with the guanine-containing target and the  $T_{\rm m}$  when the ODN was bound with a mismatched base. The buffer conditions were the same as given in Table 2. <u>C</u>: 2'-deoxycytidine, <u>L</u>: 2',4'-BNA/LNA with 5-methylcytosine, <u>P</u>: 2'-deoxyribonucleoside with phenoxazine, <u>B</u>: BNAP.

Figure S5. CD spectra of DNA/DNA (panel a) and DNA/RNA (panel b) duplexes (5'-AXA-3')



Conditions: 2 mM sodium phosphate buffer (pH 7.2), 20 mM NaCl, each strand 2  $\mu$ M. <u>C</u>: 2'-deoxycytidine (blue), <u>L</u>: 2',4'-BNA/LNA with 5-methylcytosine (green), <u>P</u>: 2'-deoxyribonucleoside with phenoxazine (orange), <u>B</u>: BNAP (red).

Sequence: 5'-d(GCGTAXATTGCT)-3'/3'-CGCTCTAACGA-5' (X:  $\underline{C}, \underline{L}, \underline{P}$  or  $\underline{B}$ ).

<b>X</b> =	Target DNA					Target RNA						
	ΔΗ	$\Delta S$	$\Delta G_{(37^{\circ}C)}$	ΔΔΗ	$\Delta\Delta S$	$\Delta\Delta G_{(37^{\circ}C)}$	ΔΗ	$\Delta S$	$\Delta G_{(37^{\circ}C)}$	$\Delta\Delta H$	$\Delta\Delta S$	$\Delta\Delta G_{(37^{\circ}C)}$
A <u>C</u> A	-82.8	-237	-9.4	-	-	_	-92.4	-270	-8.8	-	-	-
A <u>L</u> A	-92.0	-262	-10.9	-9.2	-25	-1.5	-86.8	-246	-10.5	+5.6	+24	-1.7
A <u>P</u> A	-75.0	-213	-8.9	+7.8	+24	+0.5	-82.8	-240	-8.2	+9.6	+30	+0.6
А <u>В</u> А	-76.4	-216	-9.3	+6.4	+21	+0.1	-81.8	-233	-9.4	+10.6	+37	-0.6

Table S3. Thermodynamic parameters of duplexes with cDNA and cRNA (5'-AXA-3')

<u>C</u>: 2'-deoxycytidine, <u>L</u>: 2',4'-BNA/LNA with 5-methylcytosine,

<u>**P**</u>: 2'-deoxyribonucleoside with phenoxazine, <u>**B**</u>: BNAP.

Sequence: 5'-d(GCGTAXATTGCT)-3'/3'-CGCTCTAACGA-5' (X: C, L, P or B).

The units of  $\Delta H$ ,  $\Delta S$  and  $\Delta G$  are kcal/mol, cal/mol · K and kcal/mol, respectively.  $\Delta \Delta H$ ,  $\Delta \Delta S$  and  $\Delta \Delta G$  indicate the difference of the corresponding  $\Delta H$ ,  $\Delta S$  and  $\Delta G$  value from that of <u>C</u>-ODN/cDNA (or cRNA) duplex.

Figure S6. Van't Hoff plots based on  $T_{\rm m}$  results obtained under various concentrations

### (a) **X-**ODN(C**X**C)/cDNA (**X**: $\underline{C}$ , $\underline{L}$ , $\underline{P}$ or $\underline{B}$ )







(c) **X**-ODN(A**X**A)/cDNA (**X**:  $\underline{C}$ ,  $\underline{L}$ ,  $\underline{P}$  or  $\underline{B}$ )



