Supporting Information

Estimation of G-Quartet-Forming Guanines in Parallel-Type G-

Quadruplexes by Optical Spectroscopy Measurements of Their

Single-Nucleobase Substitution Sequences

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EXPERIMENTAL

Sample preparation

The lyophilized oligonucleotides were purchased from Sigma–Aldrich (Japan) and resuspended in Milli-Q water at a concentration of 100 μM, which was used as a stock solution. The oligonucleotide sequences used in this study are shown in Table S1-3. Each oligonucleotides solution was prepared with a different buffer, as reported previously. T95-2T, Pu22-T12T13, and VEGF-Pu22 were prepared with DPBS (137 mM NaCl, 2.7 mM KCl, 10 mM Na₂HPO₄, and 1.5 mM KH₂PO₄, pH 7.4), 10 mM potassium phosphate buffer containing 40 mM KCl (pH 7.2), and 25 mM potassium phosphate buffer containing 40 mM KCl (pH 7.2), and 25 mM potassium phosphate buffer and allowed to cool to 4 °C slowly.

Circular dichroism (CD) measurements. CD spectra were measured using a J-1500 CD Spectrometer (JASCO Corporation, Japan) with a 1-cm path length quartz cuvette and constant flow of dry nitrogen. Scans were performed three times from 220 to 320 nm at 100 nm/min with a 1-s response time, 0.5-nm pitch, and 1-nm bandwidth. The CD spectrum of a blank sample containing buffer alone was measured in the same manner and subtracted from the collected data.

UV melting measurements. UV melting curves were collected using a TMSPC-8 system with a UV-2450 spectrophotometer (Shimadzu, Japan), and the absorbance was measured at 295 nm. The samples were transferred to a 1-cm path length quartz cuvette and then covered with a layer of liquid paraffin. Melting measurements were performed at a heating rate of 0.5 °C/min, and a constant flow of dry nitrogen was used to prevent dew formation. T_m was estimated from the first derivative of the melting curves.

FIGURES



Fig. S1 (A) The T95-2T sequence. T95-2T is an 18-mer G-rich sequence. The four G-runs are underlined and numbered (I–IV). The numbers above the sequence indicate the base number. (B) Three-dimensional structure of parallel type T95-2T G-quadruplex, which was created based on PDB ID 2LK7 (color scheme: G-quartet-forming guanine (G), blue; thymine (T), green).



Fig. S2 CD spectra of the T95-2T sequence and its single-nucleobase G-to-adenine (A) substitution sequences measured in DPBS (pH 7.4). The concentration of the ssDNA sample was $4 \mu M$.



Fig. S3 T_m values of the T95-2T sequence and its single-nucleobase G-to-A substitution sequences. The T_m values of 4 μ M of each sequence in DPBS (pH 7.4) were measured from the UV melting curves at 295 nm (mean values; n = 3; error bars, SD). T_m values of T95-2T without substitution are shown in black, where T_m is 74.4 ± 0.8 °C. The green points indicate the T_m values of the T-to-A substitutions. The blue points are the G-quartet-forming Gs in the T95-2T sequence. The four G-runs are underlined and numbered (I–IV). The number above the sequence indicates the base number.



Fig. S4 CD spectra of the VEGF_Pu22 (VP) sequence and its single-nucleobase G-to-A substitution sequences. The 4- μ M ssDNA samples were prepared in 25 mM K-phosphate buffer containing 70 mM KCl (pH 7.0).

Name	Sequence (5' to 3')
VEGF_Pu22T12T13 (VPT)	CGGGGCGGGCCTTGGGCGGGGT
VPT_G2A	CAGGGCGGGCCTTGGGCGGGGT
VPT_G3A	CGAGGCGGGCCTTGGGCGGGGT
VPT_G4A	CGGAGCGGGCCTTGGGCGGGGT
VPT_G5A	CGGGACGGGCCTTGGGCGGGGT
VPT_G7A	CGGGGCAGGCCTTGGGCGGGGT
VPT_G8A	CGGGGCGAGCCTTGGGCGGGGT
VPT_G9A	CGGGGCGG <mark>A</mark> CCTTGGGCGGGGT
VPT_G14A	CGGGGCGGGCCTT <mark>A</mark> GGCGGGGT
VPT_G15A	CGGGGCGGGCCTTG <mark>A</mark> GCGGGGT
VPT_G16A	CGGGGCGGGCCTTGGACGGGGT
VPT_G18A	CGGGGCGGGCCTTGGGCAGGGT
VPT_G19A	CGGGGCGGGCCTTGGGCGAGGT
VPT_G20A	CGGGGCGGGCCTTGGGCGGAGT
VPT_G21A	CGGGGCGGGCCTTGGGCGGGAT

 Table S1 VEGF_Pu22T12T13T and its single-nucleobase G-to-A substitution sequences.

<u>TABLES</u>

Name	Sequence (5' to 3')
T95-2T	TTGGGTGGGTGGGTGGGT
T95-2T_T1A	ATGGGTGGGTGGGTGGGT
T95-2T_T2A	TAGGGTGGGTGGGTGGGT
T95-2T_G3A	TTAGGTGGGTGGGTGGGT
T95-2T_G4A	TTGAGTGGGTGGGTGGGT
T95-2T_G5A	TTGGATGGGTGGGTGGGT
T95-2T_T6A	TTGGGAGGGTGGGTGGGT
T95-2T_G7A	TTGGGTAGGTGGGTGGGT
T95-2T_G8A	TTGGGTGAGTGGGTGGGT
T95-2T_G9A	TTGGGTGGATGGGTGGGT
T95-2T_T10A	TTGGGTGGGAGGGTGGGT
T95-2T_G11A	TTGGGTGGGTAGGTGGGT
T95-2T_G12A	TTGGGTGGGTGAGTGGGT
T95-2T_G13A	TTGGGTGGGTGGATGGGT
T95-2T_T14A	TTGGGTGGGTGGGAGGGT
T95-2T_G15A	TTGGGTGGGTGGGTAGGT
T95-2T_G16A	TTGGGTGGGTGGGTGAGT
T95-2T_G17A	TTGGGTGGGTGGGTGGAT
T95-2T_T18A	TTGGGTGGGTGGGTGGGA

 Table S2 T95-2T and its single-nucleobase adenine substitution sequences.

Name	Sequence (5' to 3')
VEGF_Pu22 (VP)	CGGGGCGGGCCGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGG
VP_G2A	CAGGGCGGGCCGGGGGGGGGGG
VP_G3A	CGAGGCGGGCCGGGGGGGGGGG
VP_G4A	CGGAGCGGGCCGGGGGGGGGG
VP_G5A	CGGGACGGGCCGGGGGGGGGGG
VP_G7A	CGGGGCAGGCGGGGGGGGGGG
VP_G8A	CGGGGCG <mark>A</mark> GCCGGGGGGGGGGG
VP_G9A	CGGGGCGGACCGGGGGGGGGGG
VP_G12A	CGGGGCGGGCCAGGGGCGGGGT
VP_G13A	CGGGGCGGGCCG <mark>A</mark> GGGCGGGGT
VP_G14A	CGGGGCGGGCCGG <mark>A</mark> GGCGGGGT
VP_G15A	CGGGGCGGGCCGGGAGCGGGGT
VP_G16A	CGGGGCGGGCCGGGGACGGGGT
VP_G18A	CGGGGCGGGCCGGGGGCAGGGT
VP_G19A	CGGGGCGGGCCGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGG
VP_G20A	CGGGGCGGGCCGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGG
VP_G21A	CGGGGCGGGCCGGGGGGGGGGAT

 Table S3 VEGF_Pu22 and its single-nucleobase G-to-A substitution sequences.