

## Supporting information

# Duplex-specific nuclease mediated target recycling amplification for fluorescence detection of microRNA

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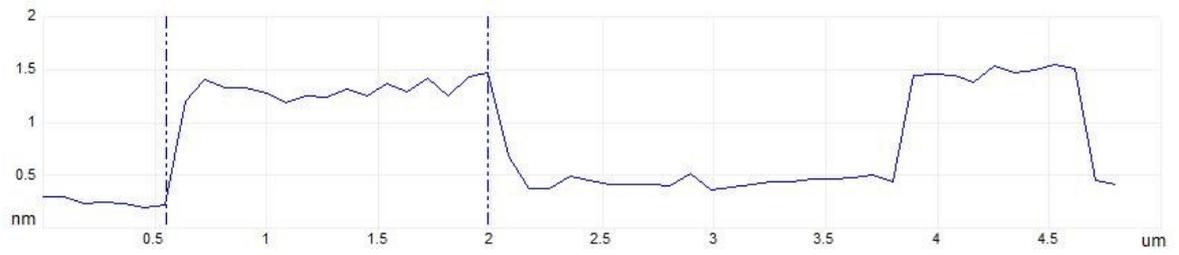
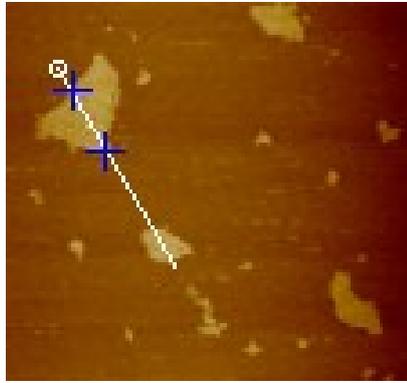
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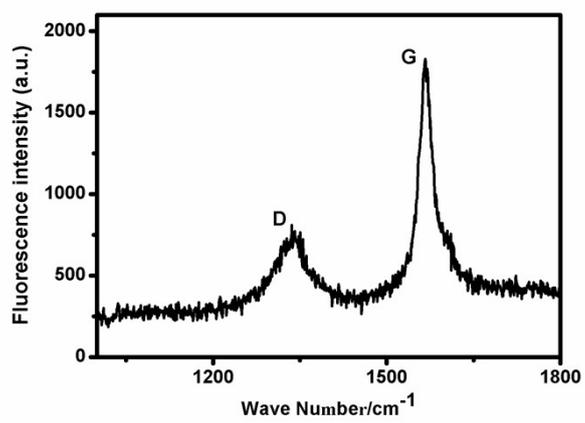
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**Table S1** Details of the sequence of miRNA and DNA probes used in this study

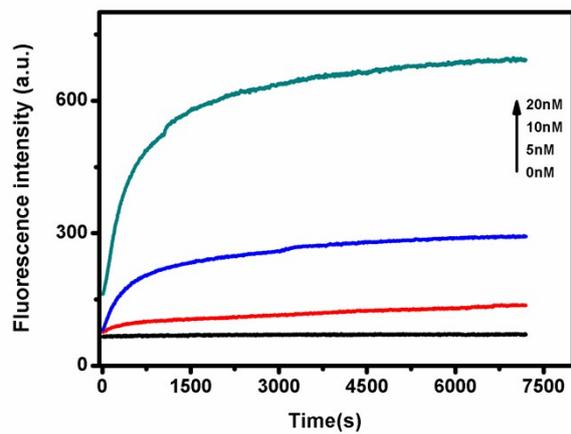
Name	Sequence (5'-3')
DNA probe	GTG TGT GTG TGT GTG TGT GTG TGT GTG TGT GTG TGT GTG TGT GTT CAA CAT CAG TCT GAT AAG CTA-FAM
Control DNA probe	GTG TGT GTG TGT GTG TGT GTG TGT GTG TGT GTG TGT GTG TGT GTA CCT TAC ATT TCT TCA TAC CTC-FAM
miR-21	5'-UAG CUU AUC AGA CUG AUG UUG A-3'
miR-122	5'-UGG AGU GUG ACA AUG GUG UUU G-3'
miR-328	5'-ACG GAA GGG CAG AGA GGG CCA G-3'
miR-197	5'-UUC ACC ACC UUC UCC ACC CAG C-3'
miR-141	5'-UAA CAC UGU CUG GUA AAG AUG G-3'
Forward primer for U6	5'-CTC GCT TCG GCA GCA CA-3'
Reverse Primer for U6	5'-AAC GCT TCA CGA ATT TGC GT-3'
Forward primer for miR-21	5'-ACACTCCAGCTGGGTAGCTTATCAGACTG-3'
Reverse Primer for miR-21	5'-TGG TGT CGT GGA GTC G-3'



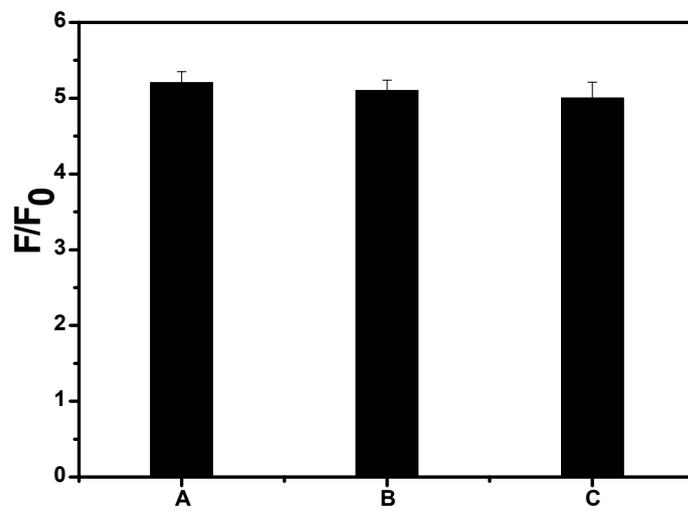
**Figure S1** AFM height image of GO nanosheets deposited on mica substrates



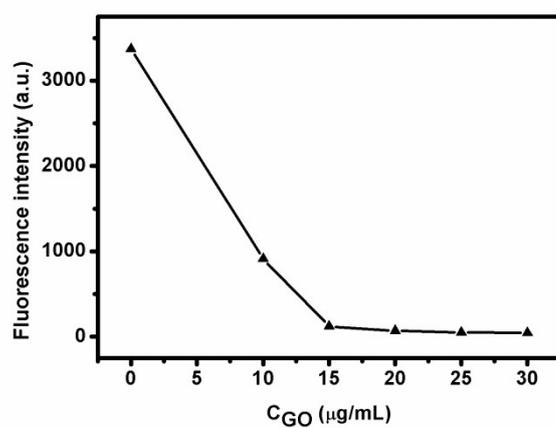
**Figure S2** Raman spectrum of GO nanosheet



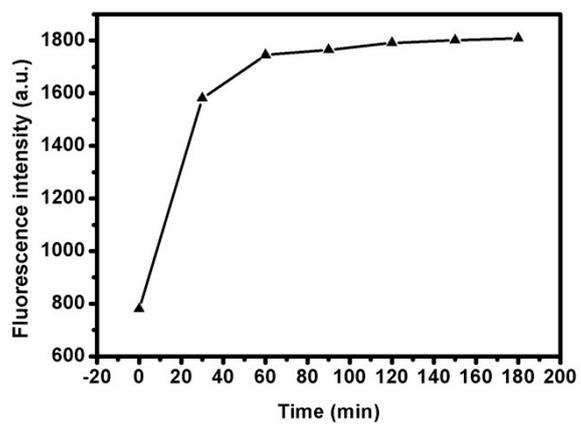
**Figure S3** The time course of fluorescence recovery of GO-adsorbed DNA probe at different target concentrations (0, 5, 10, 20 nM).



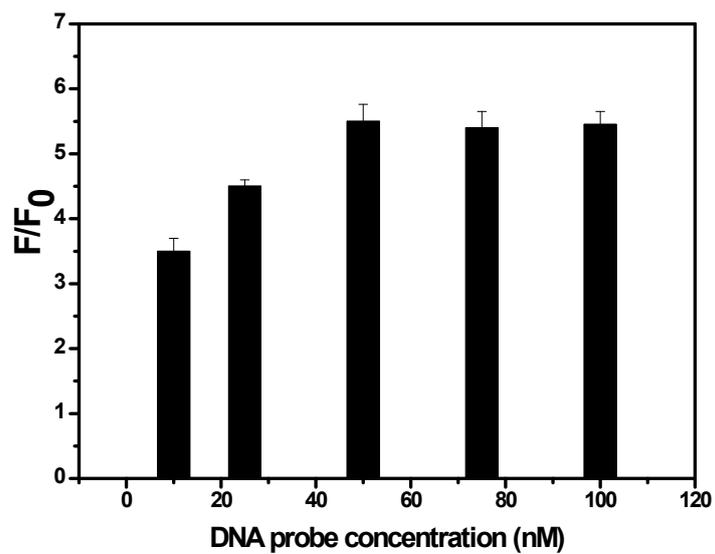
**Figure S4.** Fluorescence responses upon different conditions of the assay, where  $F_0$  and  $F$  are the fluorescence signals in the absence and the presence of 1 nM miR-21, respectively. A: normal condition, B: in the presence of 5 U DNase I, C: in the presence of 10% FBS). Error bars are standard deviation of three repetitive experiments.



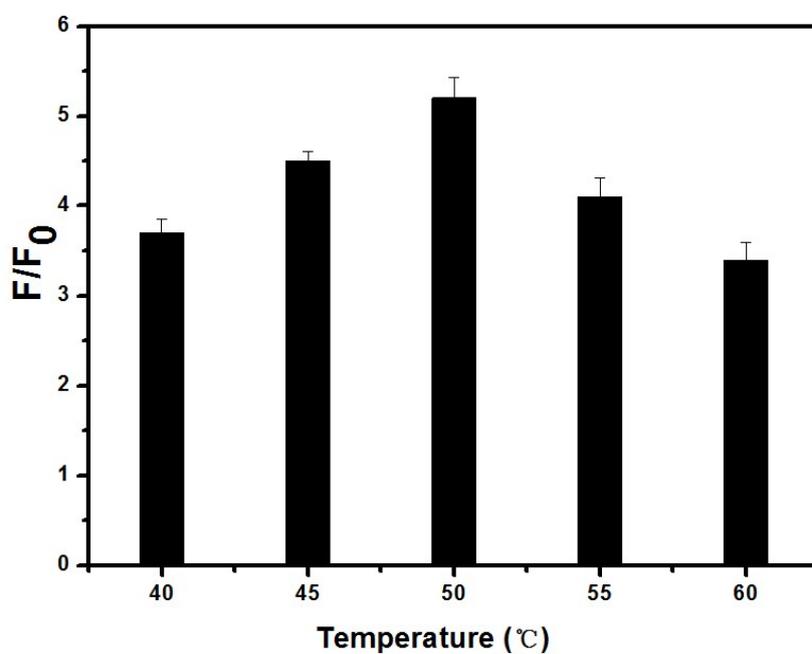
**Figure S5** Influence of the concentration of GO on fluorescence recovery.



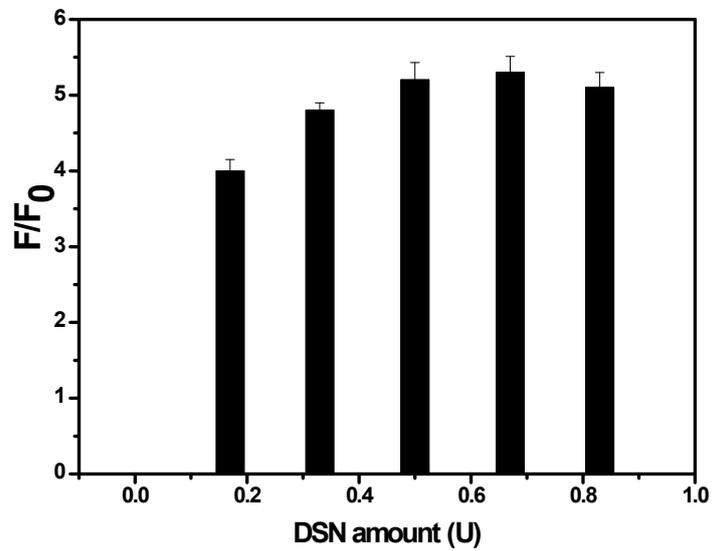
**Figure S6** Influence of incubation time of DSN on fluorescence recovery.



**Figure S7.** Fluorescence responses upon addition of different DNA probe concentrations (10 nM, 25 nM, 50 nM, 75 nM, and 100 nM) in the assay, where  $F_0$  and  $F$  are the fluorescence signals in the absence and the presence of 1 nM miR-21, respectively. Error bars are standard deviation of three repetitive experiments.



**Figure S8.** Fluorescence responses under different reaction temperatures (40°C , 45°C, 50°C, 55°C and 60°C) in the assay, where  $F_0$  and  $F$  are the fluorescence signals in the absence and the presence of miR-21, respectively. Error bars are standard deviation of three repetitive experiments.



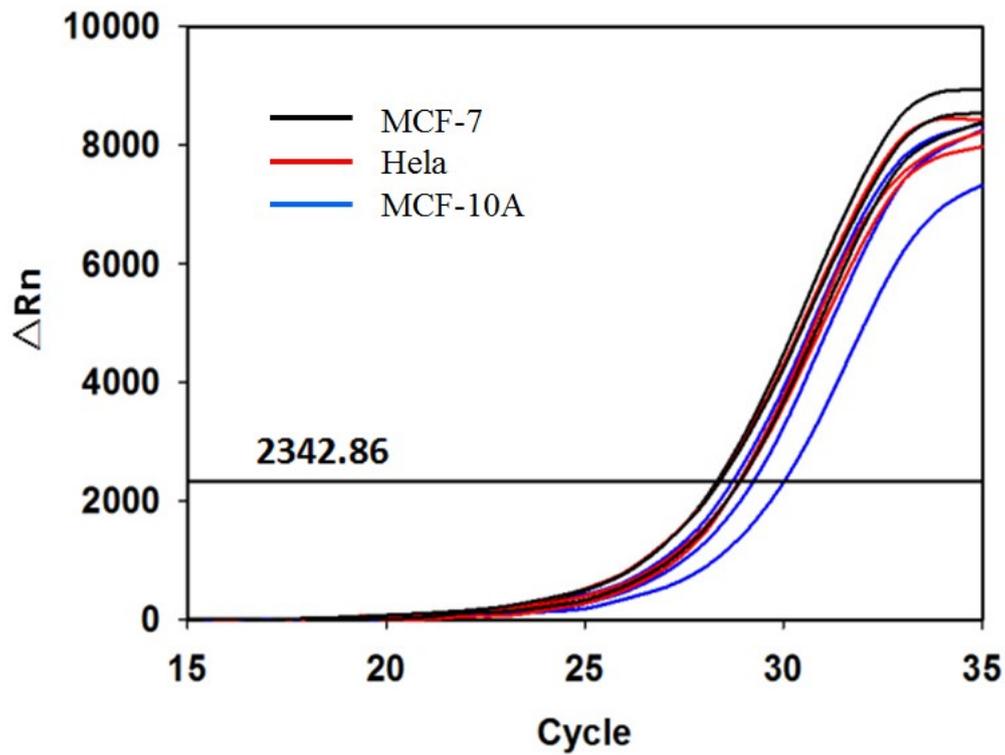
**Figure S9.** Fluorescence responses upon addition of different DSN amount (0.17 U, 0.33 U, 0.50 U, 0.67 U and 0.83 U) in the assay, where  $F_0$  and  $F$  are the fluorescence signals in the absence and the presence of 1nM miR-21, respectively. Error bars are standard deviation of three repetitive experiments.

**Table S2** Recovery experiments of miR-21 spiked in cell lysates of Hela.

Cell lines	Detected (pM)	Added (pM)	Found (pM)	Recovery (%)	CV (%)
Hela	78.34	100	175.6	98.46	1.196
		150	219.8	96.26	1.319
		300	387.1	102.3	1.369

**Table S3** Recovery experiments of miR-21 spiked in cell lysates of Hela. The assay was used BSA for blocking after DNA probe absorption

Cell lines	Detected (pM)	Added (pM)	Found (pM)	Recovery (%)	CV (%)
Hela	76.45	100	173.6	98.38	1.192
		150	216.4	95.56	1.324
		300	384.2	102.0	1.257



**Figure S10.** Expression analysis of miR-21 for different cell lines by RT-qPCR experiments.

**Table S3.** Average Ct values in q-PCR assay of miR-21

Cell line	Ct(miR-21)	Ct(U6)	$\Delta$ Ct	$\Delta\Delta$ Ct	$2^{-(\Delta\Delta Ct)}$
MCF-7	29.12	20.91	8.21	0	1
HeLa	28.03	18.95	9.08	0.87	0.55
MCF-10A	28.62	18.64	9.98	1.77	0.29

The relative expression level was estimated by the values of  $2^{-(\Delta\Delta Ct)}$  and U6 gene was used as reference. From the data, expression of miR-21 in MCF-10A and HeLa were estimate to be 0.29 and 0.55 fold of that in MCF-7 cell line, respectively.