

## Sequence selective photoinduced electron transfer of a pyrene-porphyrin dyad to DNA

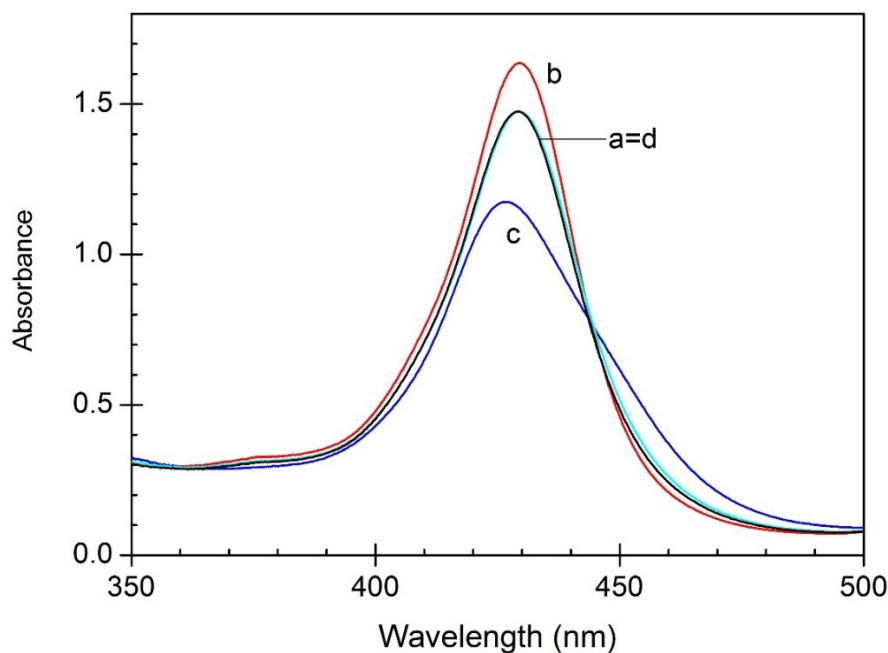
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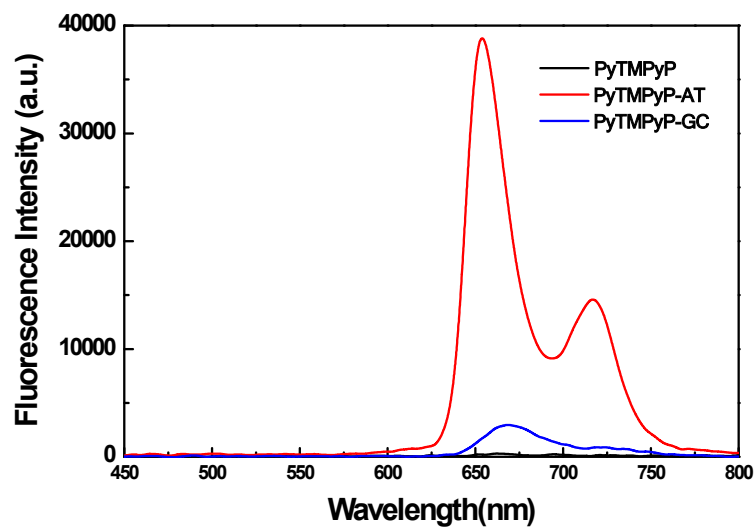
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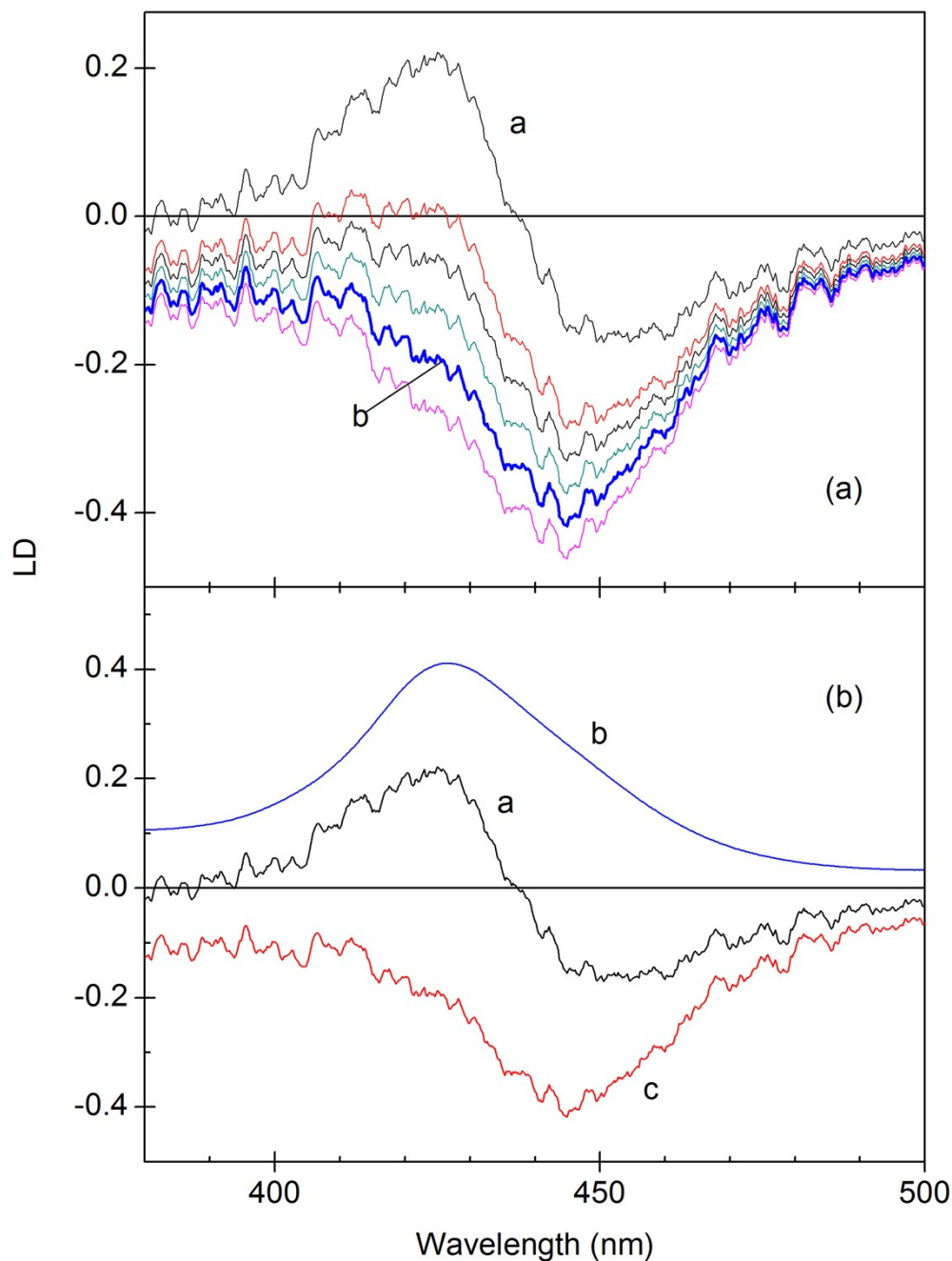
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**Fig. S1.** Absorption spectrum of PyTMPyP associated with DNA (curve a, black), poly[d(A-T)<sub>2</sub>] (curve b, red) and poly[d(G-C)<sub>2</sub>] (curve c, blue). Combination of 0.75 × (curve a) + 0.25 × (curve c) is the same as curve a, and denoted by curve d. [polynucleotide] = 50 μM and [PyTMPyP] = 5 μM.



**Fig. S2.** Fluorescence emission spectrum of PyTMPyP (curve d, black dashed) and that bound to DNA (curve a, black, solid), poly[d(A-T)<sub>2</sub>] (curve b, red) and poly[d(G-C)<sub>2</sub>] (curve c, blue) upon excitation at 430 nm. The slit widths were 5 nm for both excitation and emission. [Polynucleotide] = 10  $\mu$ M and [PyTMPyP] = 0.5  $\mu$ M.



**Fig. S3.** (a) Step-wise reduction of absorption spectrum from measured LD spectrum (curve a) to obtain  $T_3(\lambda)$ , according to the equation (4) in the text. The curve b was selected to represent LD spectrum of  $T_3(\lambda)$ . The  $\kappa$  value varied between 0.15 and 3.5 with an increment of 0.5. (b) LD spectrum of the PyTMPyP-poly[d(G-C)<sub>2</sub>] complex resolved into the contributions from two transitions (curves b and c) in the Soret region. Curve a denotes measured LD.