

*Electronic Supplementary Material (ESI)*

**A Nanobiosensor for the Simple Detection of Small Molecules Using  
Non-crosslinking Aggregation of Gold Nanoparticles with G-  
quadruplexes**

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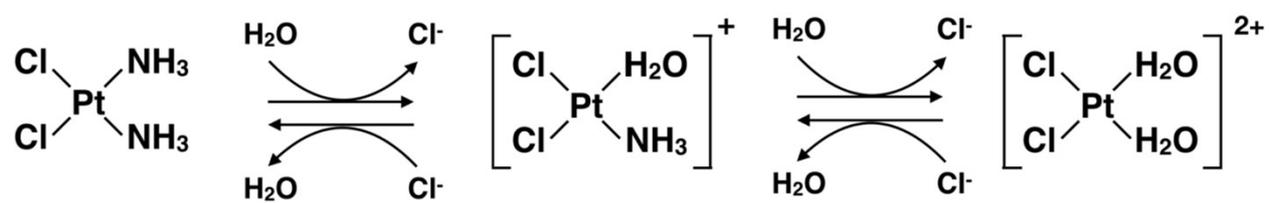
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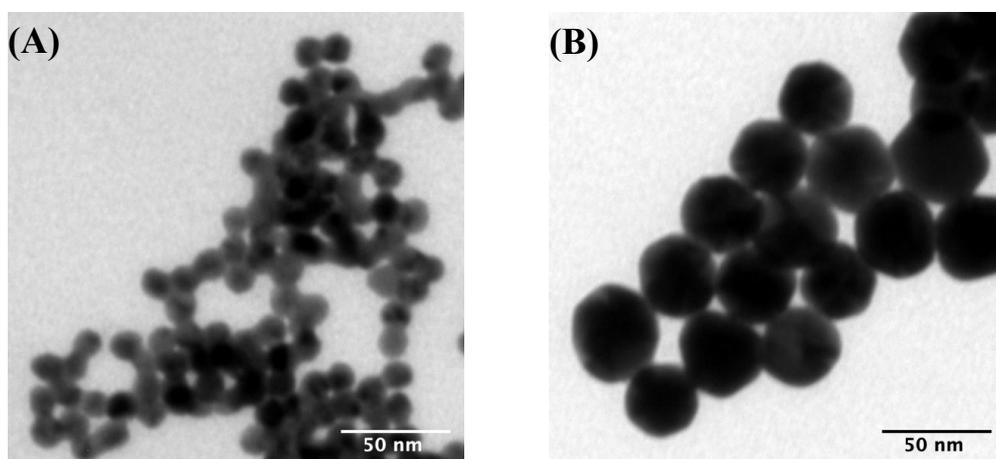
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**Table S1** DNA sequences of G4 used in this study.

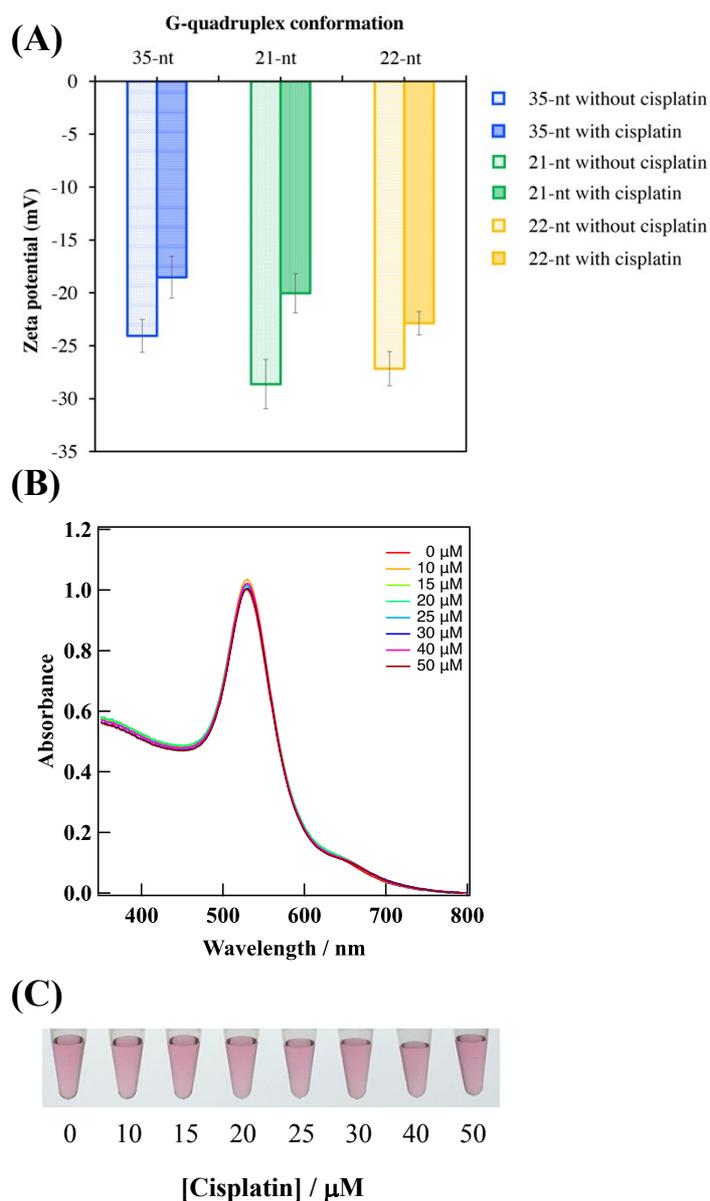
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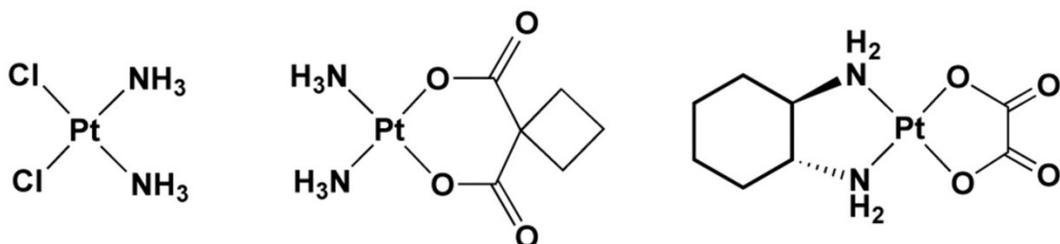
**Scheme S1** Hydrolysis of cisplatin dichloro-form (inactive species) to diaqua-form (active species)<sup>1</sup>



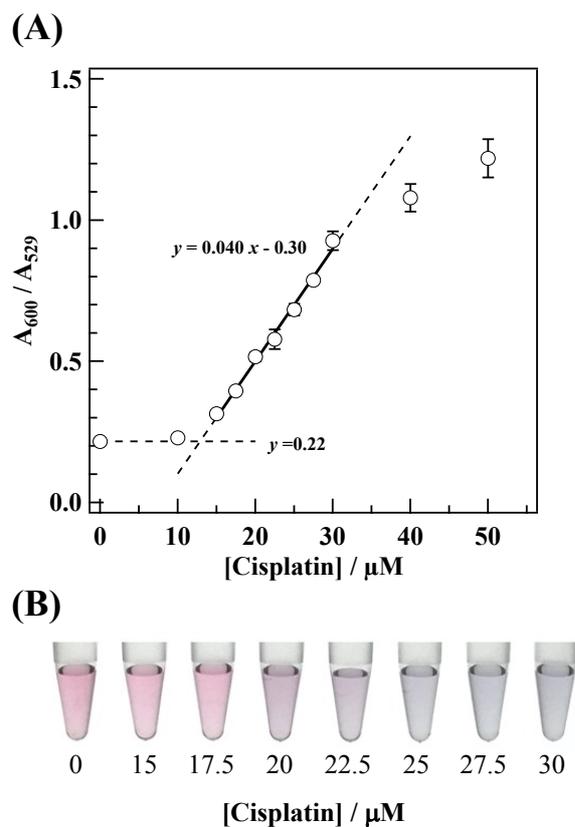
**Fig. S1** TEM images of 15 nm (A) and 40 nm AuNPs (B). The mean radii and standard deviations for the smaller and larger AuNPs were estimated at  $7.47 \pm 0.37$  nm and  $19.0 \pm 1.6$  nm, respectively, from the TEM observations.



**Fig. S2** (A) Zeta potential data of 1.0 OD G4-AuNPs in 10 mM PB (pH 5.0) containing 1.5 mM EDTA and 0.1 M  $\text{NaNO}_3$  after overnight incubation with (line-filled bar) and without (dash-filled bar) 150  $\mu\text{M}$  of cisplatin. (B) UV-vis spectra of 35-nt G4-AuNPs in 10 mM PB (pH 5.0) containing 1.5 mM EDTA at 1.0 M  $\text{NaNO}_3$ , under different cisplatin concentrations from 0 to 50  $\mu\text{M}$ . Data were gathered 10 min after adding cisplatin. No peak shift was observed at any cisplatin concentration. (C) The corresponding 35-nt G4-AuNPs solutions at the various cisplatin concentrations. The particles remained dispersed.



**Fig. S3** Representation of the platinum-based alkylating agents: (left) cisplatin (11 atoms with two leaving chloride (Cl<sup>-</sup>) atoms), (middle) carboplatin (17 atoms with a leaving cyclobutane-1,1-dicarboxylate (C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>4</sub>O<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup>) group) and (right) oxaliplatin (29 atoms with a leaving oxalate (C<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup>) group).



**Fig. S4** (A) Cisplatin detection using 1.0 OD 35-nt G4-AuNPs in 10 mM PB containing 1.5 mM EDTA (pH 5.0) at 1.5 M  $\text{NaNO}_3$ . Data were gathered 10 min after the addition of cisplatin. The regression line ( $y = 0.040x - 0.30$ ) in the dynamic range and LOD ( $y = 0.22$ ) are shown.<sup>2</sup> The intersection point of the lines yielded  $x = 12.9$ . (B) The corresponding images of 35-nt G4-AuNPs solutions.

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