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SITE-SPECIFIC OXIDATIVE CLEAVAGE OF DNA BY METALLOSALEN-DNA CONJUGATES

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General Procedures.

T4 Polynucleotide kinase was obtained from US Biochemical, and [γ-³²P]-ATP (7000 Ci/mmol) was purchased from ICN. Radioactive bands in polyacrylamide gels were analyzed as described [paper ref. 7]. Tris(hydroxymethyl)amino methane (Tris) was purchased as a molecular biology reagent from Sigma. Matrix-assisted laser desorption ionization time of flight (MALDI-TOF) mass spectrometry was performed on a PerSeptive Biosystems, Inc. (Foster City, CA), Voyager-DETM PRO BiospectrometryTM Workstation MALDI-TOF mass spectrometer.

DNA synthesis and purification.

Unmodified DNA oligonucleotides were synthesized by Integrated DNA Technologies (Coralville, IA) and purified by reverse-phase HPLC (RP-HPLC). Preparation of metallosalen-DNA conjugate 1 was described previously [paper ref. 7].

Guanosine DMS sequencing reactions.

Radiolabeled 2 (20 fmol) in 52.6 mM Tris pH 8.0, 1.05 mM EDTA pH 8.0 (volume of 9.5 μ L) was mixed with dimethyl sulfate (DMS, 0.5 μ L) and incubated at 4 °C for 5 min. Modified DNA was recovered by isopropanol precipitation, redissolved in 15:1 water: piperidine (10 μ L, freshly diluted), and incubated at 95 °C for 30 min. DNA fragments were recovered by ethanol precipitation and analyzed by 20% denaturing PAGE (Figure S1).

Metallosalen-DNA mediated oxidative DNA cleavage.

A second Ni metallosalen-DNA conjugate (9) was synthesized as described [paper ref. 7] and was evaluated for oxidative DNA cleavage of complementary strands (10, Figure S2). DNA sequences flanking the metallosalen site were varied (compare to 1) to ensure the sequence independence of metallosalen-mediated DNA cleavage of complementary strands.

DNA cleavage mediated by metallosalen-DNA 9.

A mixture of **9** and **10** (each at 4μ M) with radiolabeled substrate (40 fmol) in 25 mM Tris pH 7.5 and 150 mM NaCl, was heated at 95 °C for 10 min and then cooled to RT over 2 h. A solution of MMPP (4.5 mM) was added so its final concentration was 900 μ M. Each DNA strand was present in a final concentration of 2 μ M. This solution was incubated at 37 °C for 30 min. The DNA fragments were recovered by precipitation with isopropanol. The oligonucleotides were redissolved in 15:1 water: piperidine (10 μ L, freshly diluted) and incubated at 95 °C for 30 min. The DNA fragments were recovered by precipitation with ethanol and analyzed by 20% denaturing PAGE (Figure S3) and MALDI-TOF MS (Table S1).



Figure S1. Gel electrophoresis assay of **2a–d** oxidative cleavage by Ni-salen-DNA **1** with piperidine treatment. 5'-radiolabeled **2** was hybridized to Ni-salen-DNA **1** and treated at 37 °C for 30 min. All reactions were completed by incubation with 600 mM piperidine for 30 min at 95 °C. Cleavage products were analyzed by 20% denaturing PAGE. Lane 1: 10 bp marker. Lanes 2-13, grouped in three-lane sets: first lane oxidation reaction, second-DMS dG sequencing, third-no oxidant. Lanes 2-4, **2a** (AT); lanes 5-7, **2c** (GC); lanes 8-10, **2b** (GG); lanes 11-13, **2d** (TT).

Figure S2. Sequences for metallosalen-DNA conjugate 9 cleavage of 10. Where XX = TT (10a) or GG (10b).





Figure S3. Gel electrophoresis assay of 9 cleavage of 10a and 10b using MMPP with dG DMS sequencing.

Table S1. MALDI-TOF MS characterization of cleavage products of **10b**. p = phosphate.

	_	[M ⁻]	[M ⁻]
Strand	Fragment	calc'd	found
	5'- GCC GAT ACC ACG CTC G-p-3'	4908.12	-
10b	5'-p- CAC CGA CGA TTG CCT-3'	4593.94	4593.87
	5'- GCC GAT ACC ACG CTC-p-3'	4578.92	4578.95
	5'-p-GCA CCG ACG ATT GCC T-3'	4923.14	4924.14