

Supporting Information

Photoswitching properties of hairpin ODNs with azobenzene derivatives in the loop

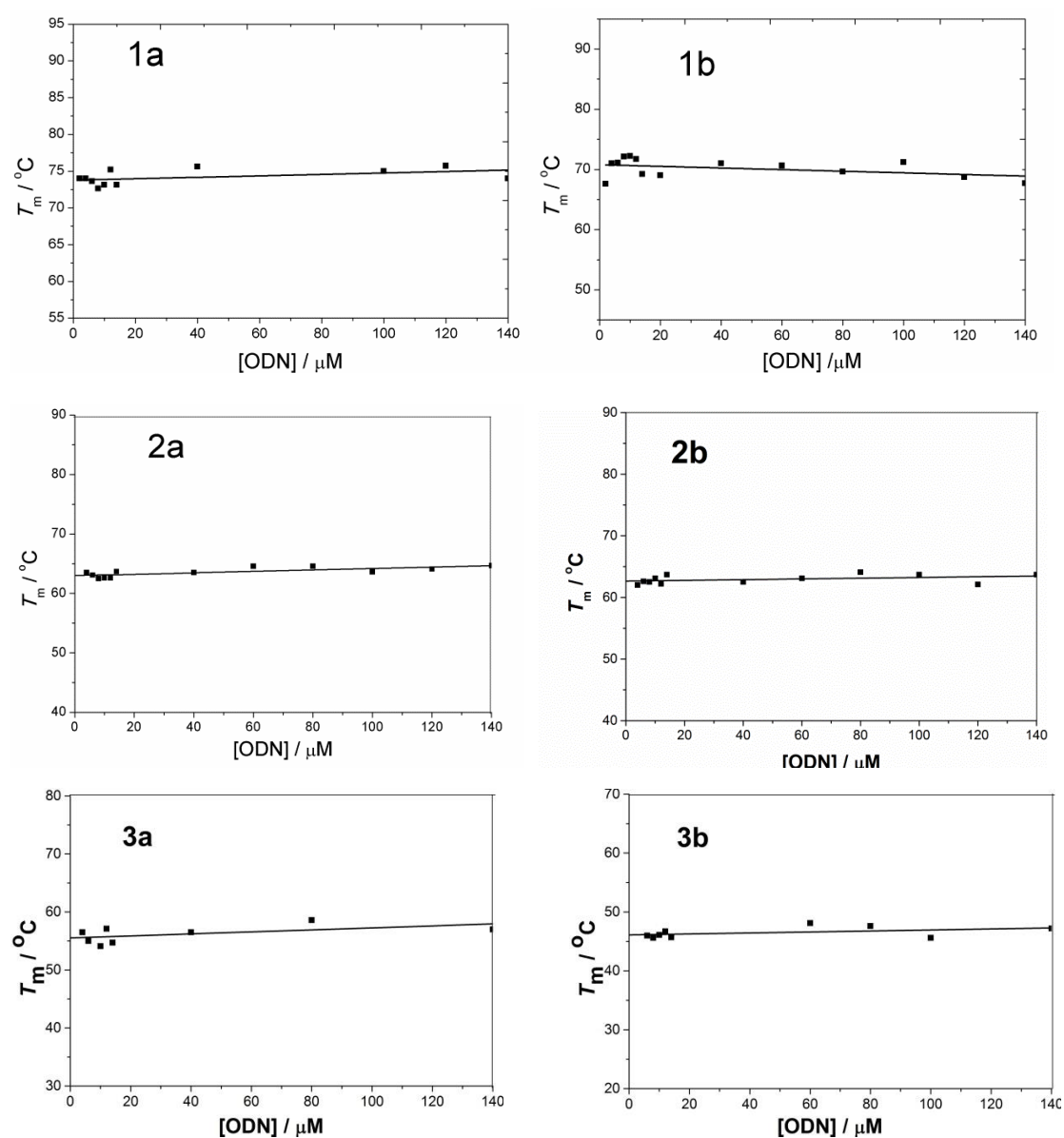
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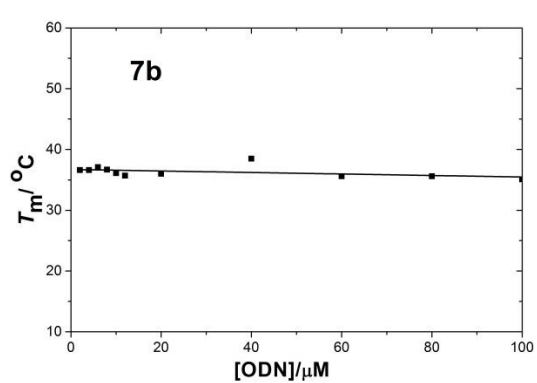
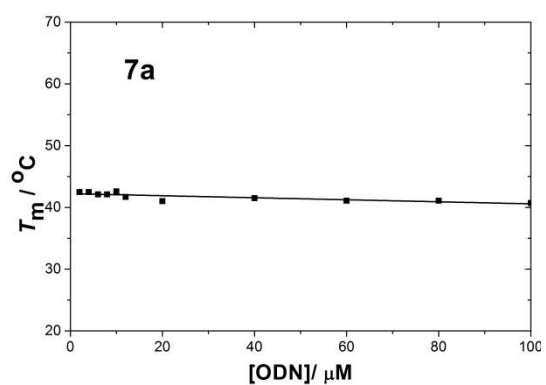
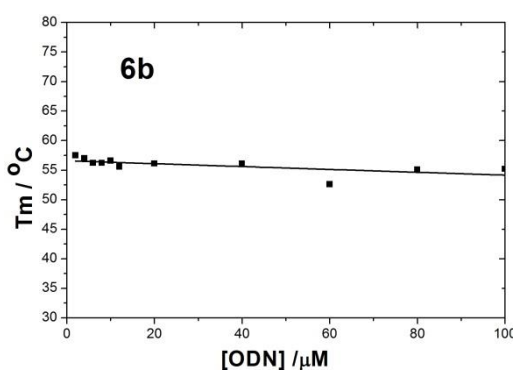
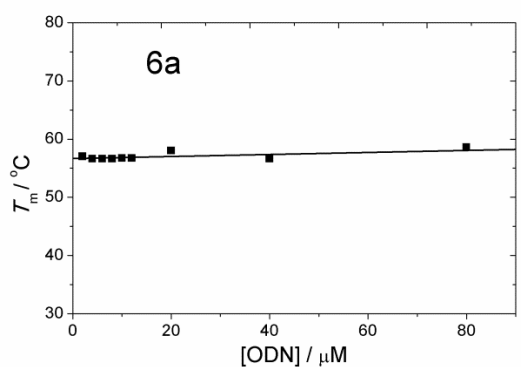
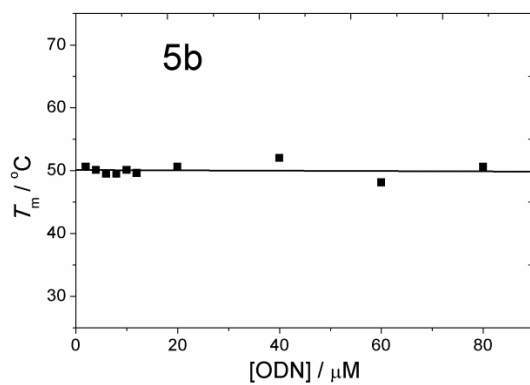
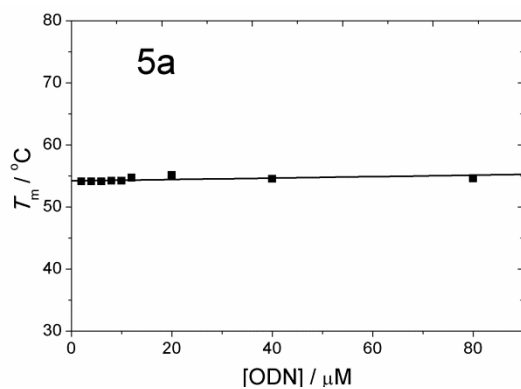
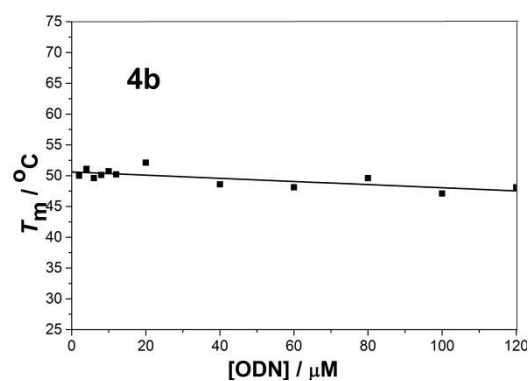
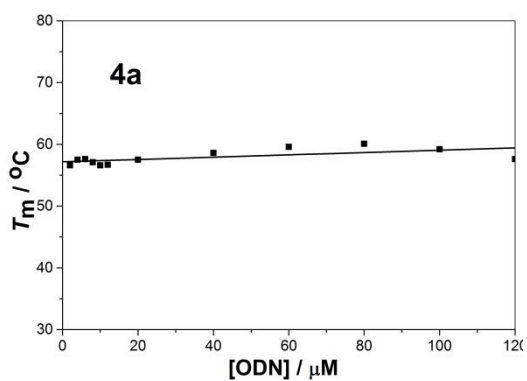
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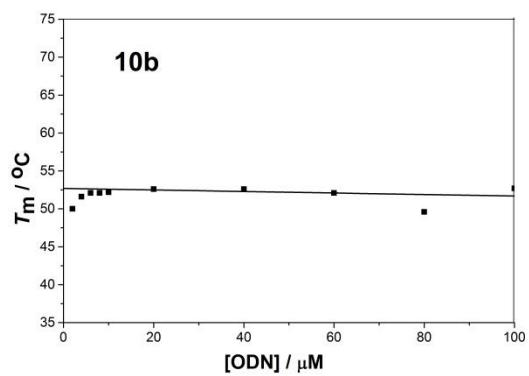
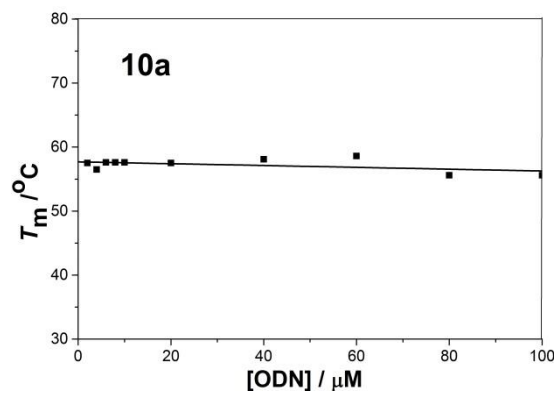
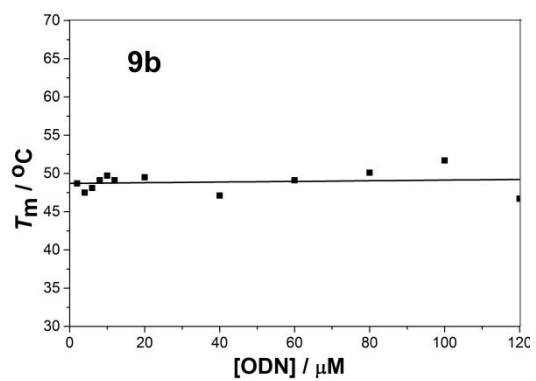
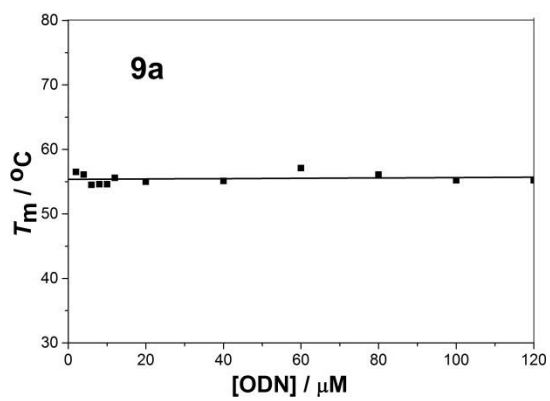
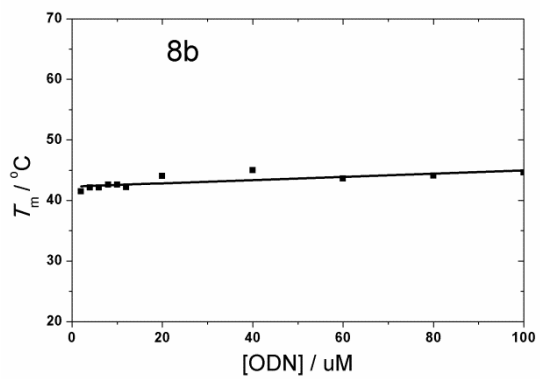
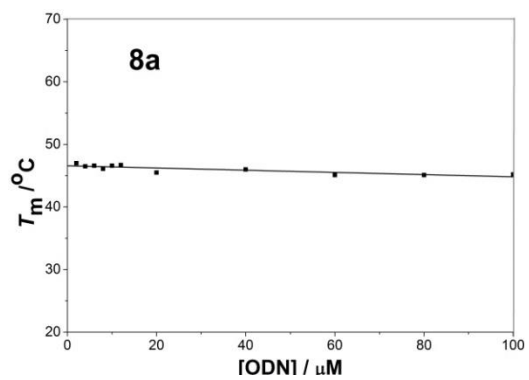
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1. Melting temperature of azobenzene modified ODNs in different concentrations

Figure S1. The melting temperatures of azobenzene modified ODNs versus their concentrations from 2 μM to 140 μM in 100 mM NaCl buffer containing 0.1 mM Na_2EDTA / 10 mM $\text{Na}_2\text{HPO}_4\text{-NaH}_2\text{PO}_4$, pH=7.0.







2. Native PAGE of azobenzene modified ODNs

Figure S2. Native polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis pattern for trans-azobenzene linked hairpins. **(a)** Lane1: hairpin marker 5'-GATCTTTTGATC-3' (**2c**), Lane2: [**2a**] = 10 μ M, Lane3: [**2a**] = 100 μ M, Lane4: [**2b**] = 10 μ M, Lane5: [**2b**] = 100 μ M, Lane6: [**3a**] = 10 μ M, Lane7: [**3a**] = 100 μ M, Lane8: [**3b**] = 10 μ M, Lane9: [**3b**] = 100 μ M, Lane10: hairpin marker, 5'-AAAGTTTTCTTT-3' (**3c**). **(b)** Lane1: hairpin marker 5'-AAAAATTTTTTTTTT-3' (**9c**), Lane2: [**9a**] = 10 μ M, Lane3: [**9a**] = 100 μ M, Lane4: [**9b**] = 10 μ M, Lane5: [**9b**] = 100 μ M, Lane6: [**10a**] = 10 μ M, Lane7: [**10a**] = 100 μ M, Lane8: [**10b**] = 10 μ M, Lane9: [**10b**] = 100 μ M, Lane10: hairpin marker, 5'-AAAAAATTTTTTTTTT-3' (**10c**). **(c)** Lane1: hairpin marker 5'-AATAGTTTTCTATT-3' (**5c**), Lane2: [**5a**] = 10 μ M, Lane3: [**5a**] = 100 μ M, Lane4: [**5b**] = 10 μ M, Lane5: [**5b**] = 100 μ M, Lane6: hairpin marker, 5'-AATACTTTTTGTATT-3' (**6c**), Lane7: [**6a**] = 10 μ M, Lane8: [**6a**] = 100 μ M, Lane9: [**6b**] = 10 μ M, Lane10: [**6b**] = 100 μ M. **(d)** Lane1: hairpin marker 5'-AATAATTTTTTTATT-3' (**7c**), Lane2: [**7a**] = 10 μ M, Lane3: [**7a**] = 100 μ M, Lane4: [**7b**] = 10 μ M, Lane5: [**7b**] = 100 μ M, Lane6: hairpin marker, 5'-AATATTTTTTATATT-3' (**8c**), Lane7: [**8a**] = 10 μ M, Lane8: [**8a**] = 100 μ M, Lane9: [**8b**] = 10 μ M, Lane10: [**8b**] = 100 μ M. The samples were loaded into a 20% native gel and the gel was run for 2h under 150V at room temperature.

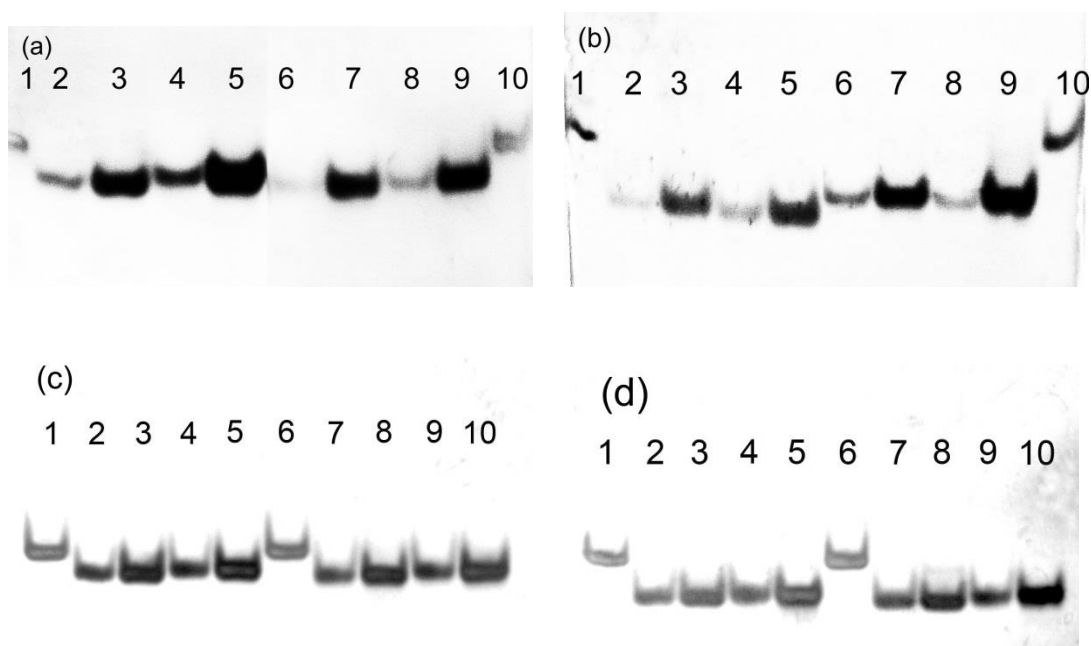
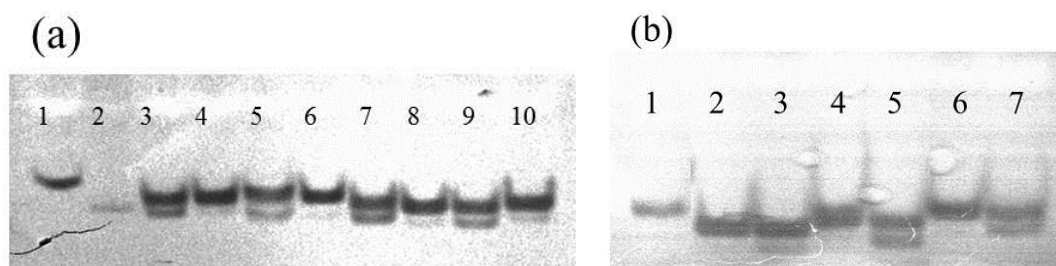


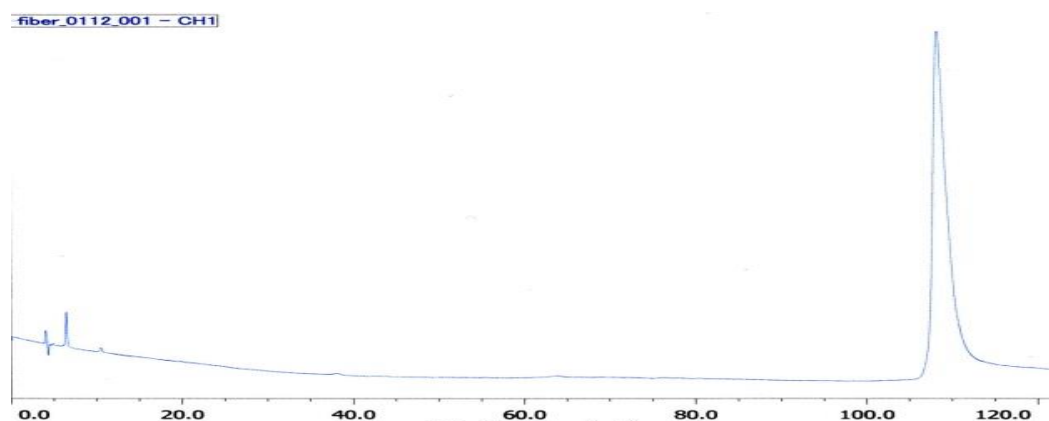
Figure S3. Native polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis pattern for trans-azobenzene and cis-azobenzene linked hairpins. **(a)** Lane1: hairpin marker 5'-GATCTTTTGATC-3' (**2c**), Lane2: hairpin marker 5'-AATAGTTTTCTATT-3', Lane3: cis-**1a**, Lane4: trans-**1a**, Lane5: cis-**1b**, Lane6: trans-**1b**, Lane7: cis-**5a**, Lane8: trans-**5a**, Lane9: cis-**5b**, Lane10: trans-**5b**. **(b)** Lane1: hairpin marker 5'-AATAGTTTTCTATT-3', (**2c**), Lane2: trans-**10a**, Lane3: cis-**10a**, Lane4: trans-**9a**, Lane5: cis-**9a**, Lane6: trans-**8a**, Lane7: cis-**8a**. The samples were loaded into a 20% native gel and the gel was run for 4h under 80V at room temperature.



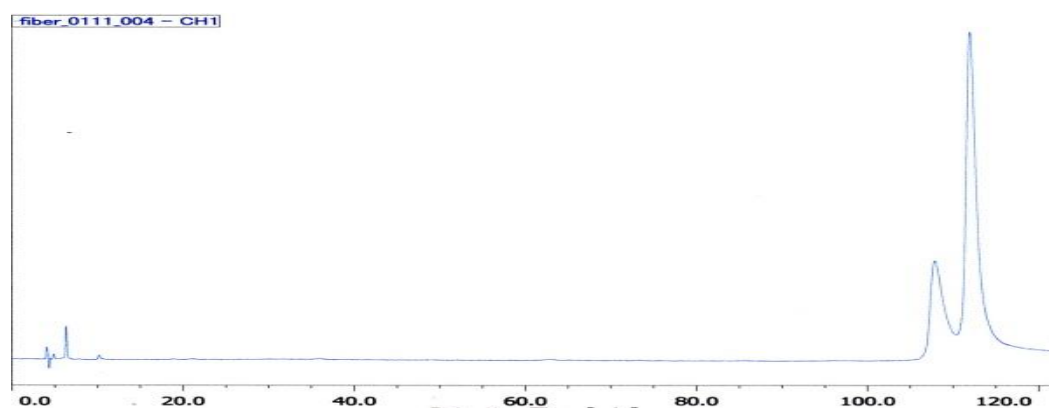
3. Typical HPLC analysis of trans-form and cis-form of azobenzene linked hairpins.

Figure S4 Comparison of HPLC charts of trans-**1a** (before UV light irradiation) and cis-**1a** (after UV light irradiation). Experiments were performed in a HPLC (JASCO LC-2000 Plus) with TSKgel ODS-80Ts (TOSOH, Japan) column. Set up the wavelength of UV detector at 260 nm and the flow rate at 0.5 mL min⁻¹. The sample was separated at 25 °C, and 0.01 M TEAA (pH7.0) and 50% MeOH were used as an elute solvent.

Trans-**1a**



Cis-**1a**



4. UV spectral change of azobenzene linker and azobenzene modified ODNs with UV irradiation

Figure S5. UV absorption spectra of **Az1**, **Az2** as well as **Az1** and **Az2** linked conjugates **3a**, **3b** in the trans form in 3:7 MeOH/H₂O.

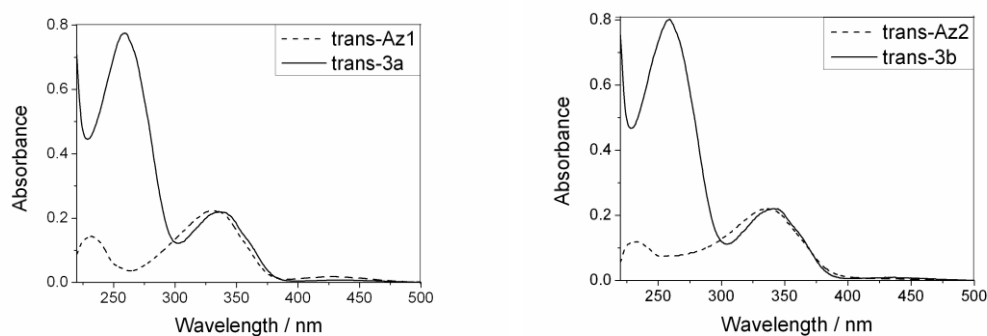
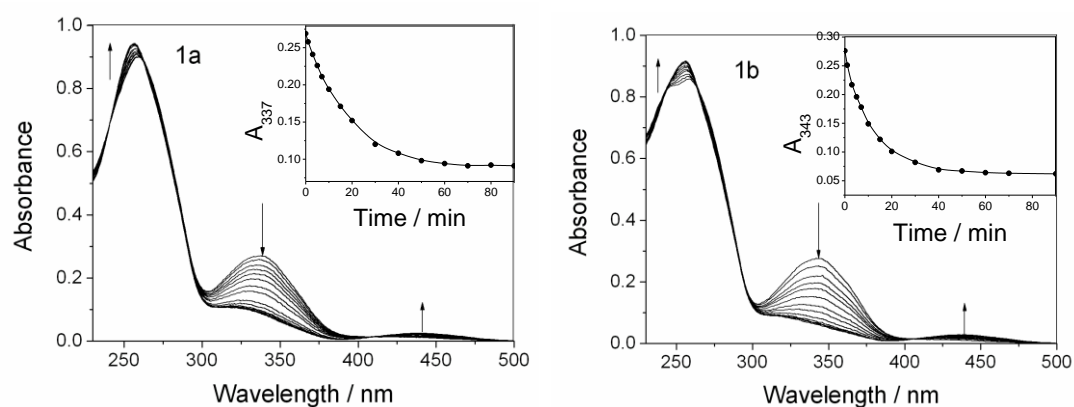
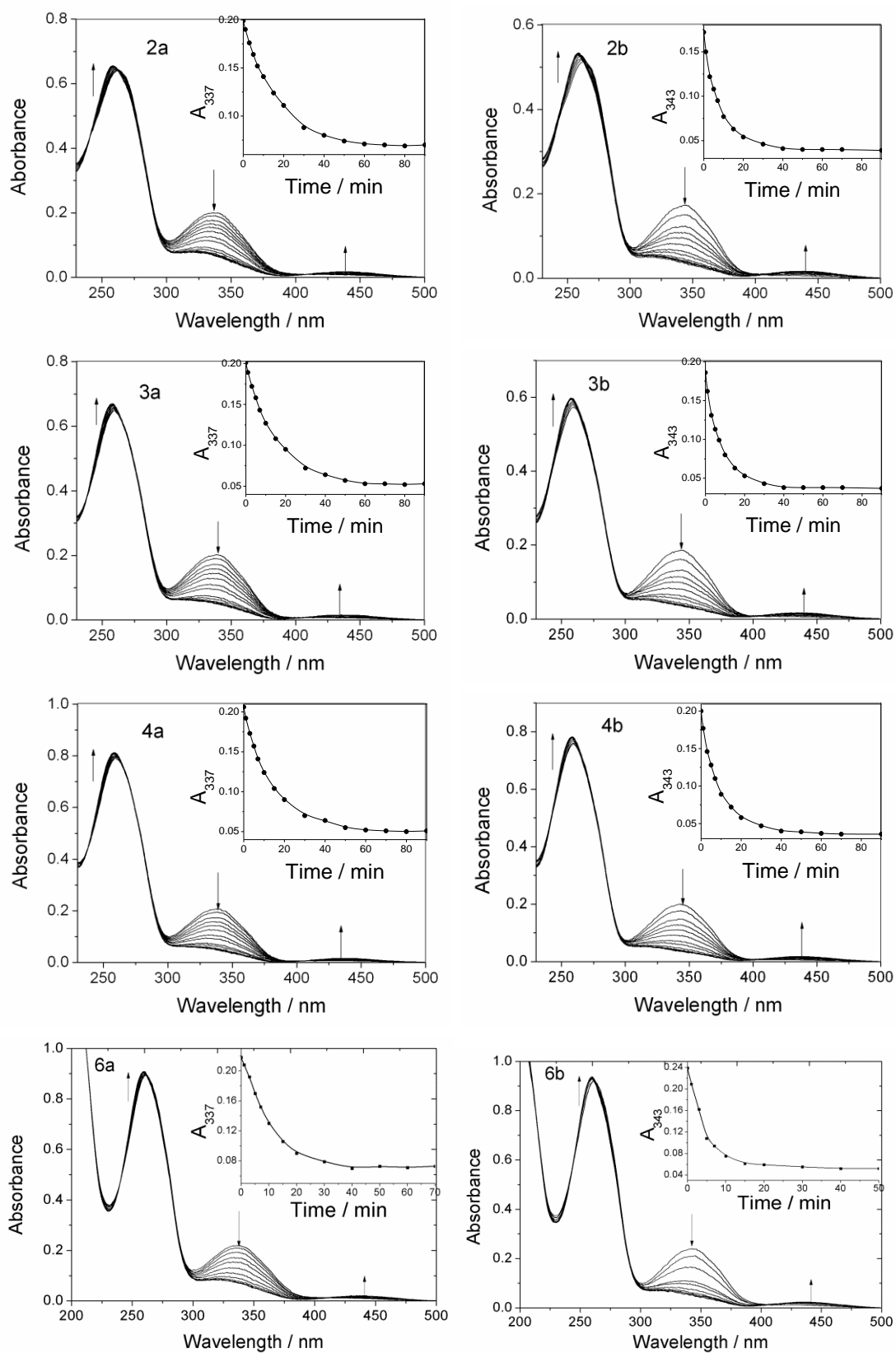
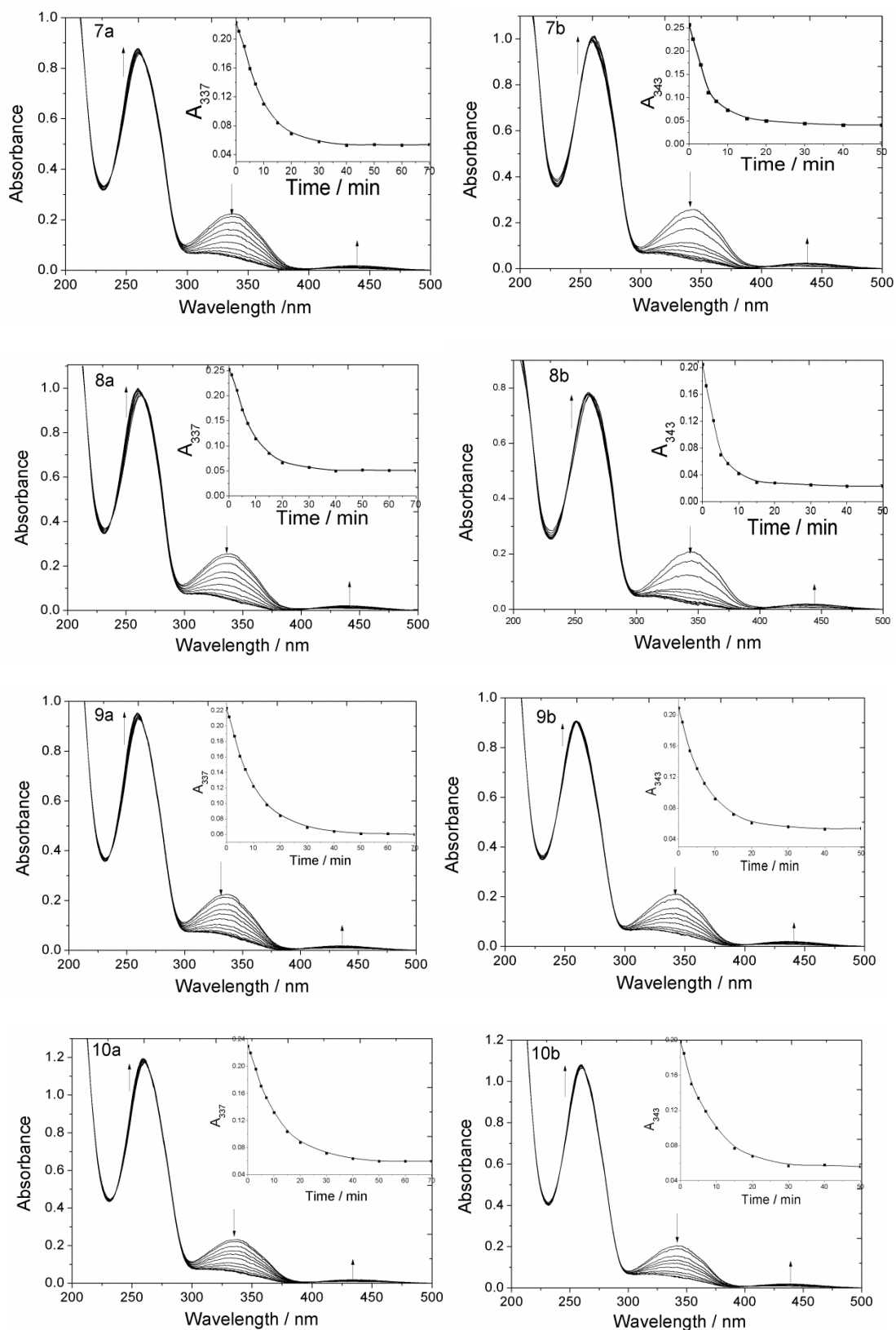


Figure S6. UV spectral changes of **Az1**-ODN **1a-10a** and **Az2**-ODN **1b-10b** by illuminating UV light. UV spectra were measured in 10 mM phosphate buffer (pH 7.0) containing 100 mM NaCl and 0.1 mM EDTA, the concentrations of ODNs were 10 μ M. Inset: plots of absorbance at maximum absorption of azobenzene as a function of UV irradiation time.

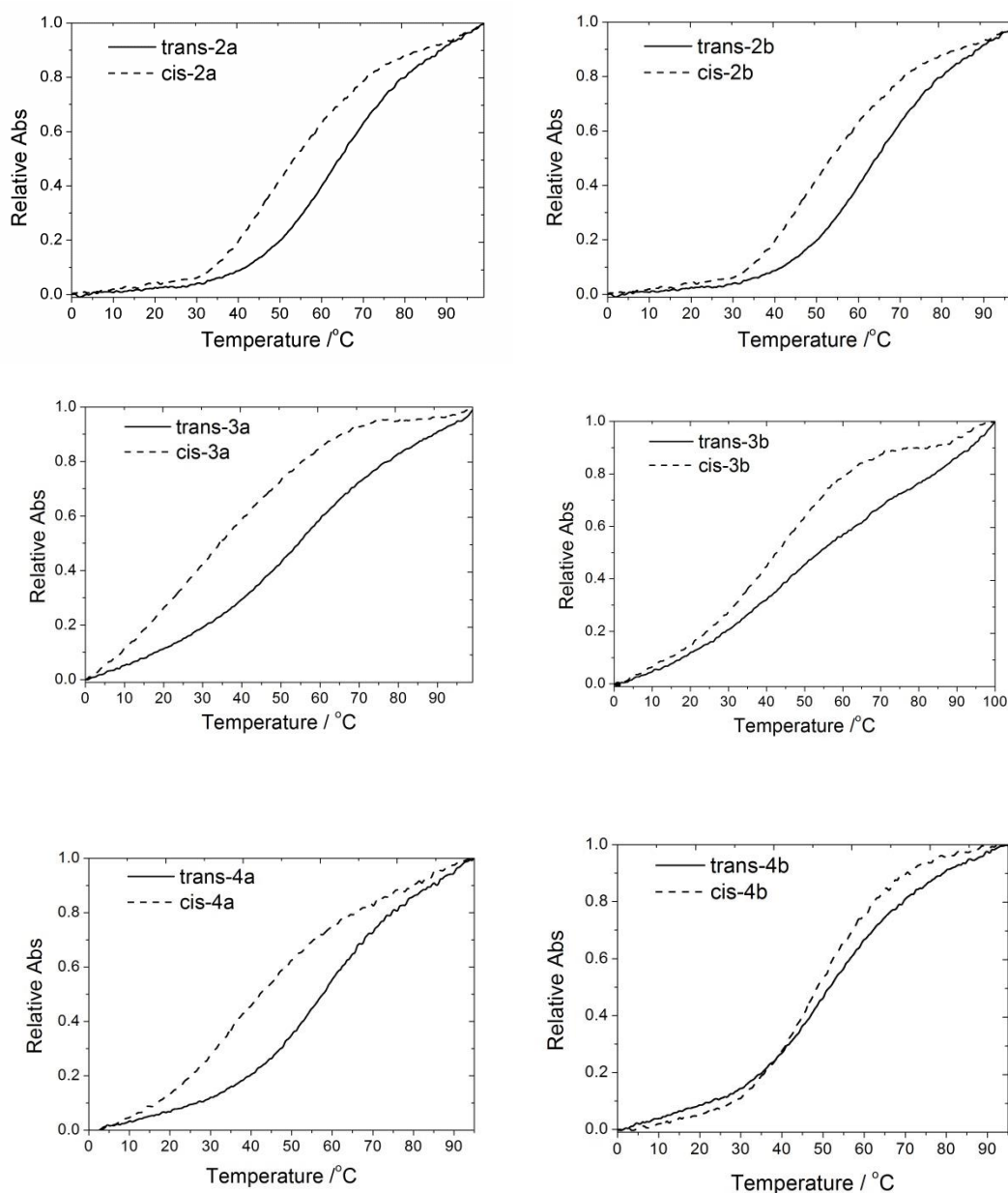


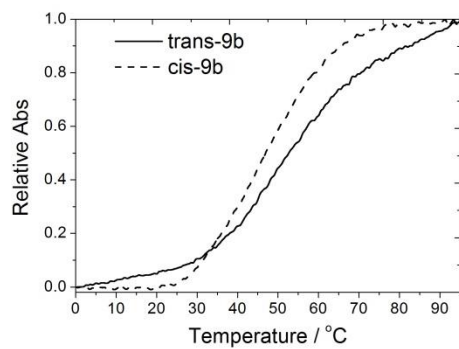
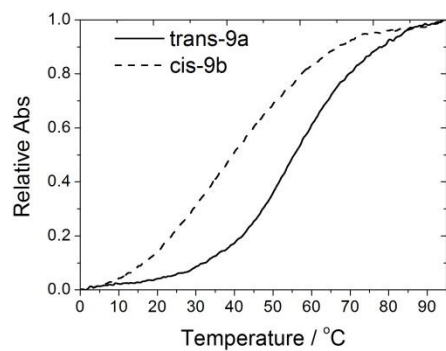
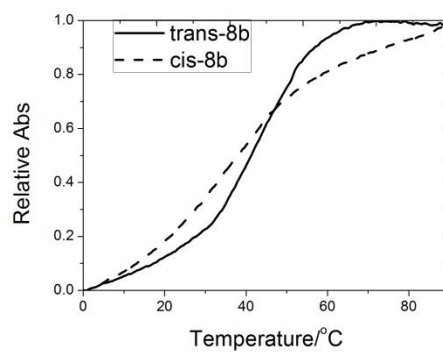
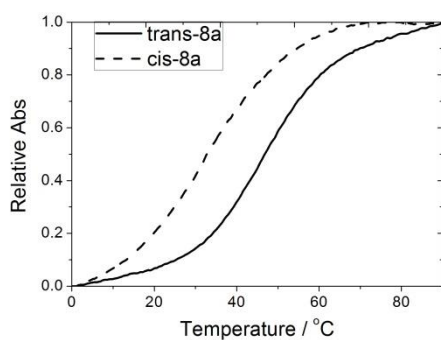
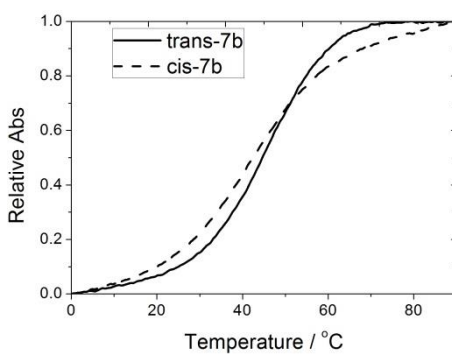
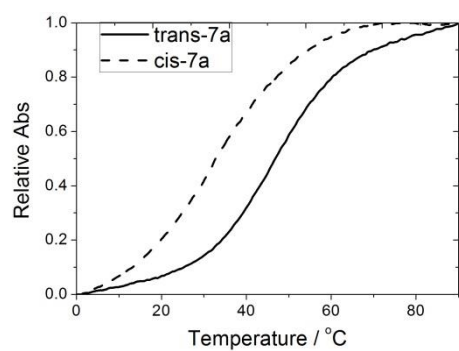
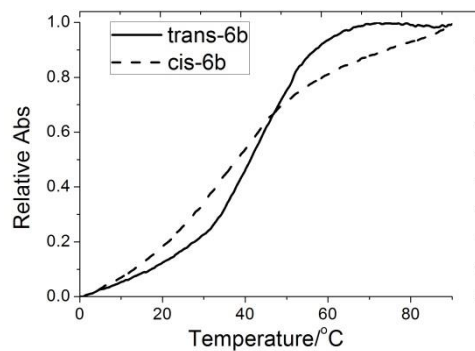
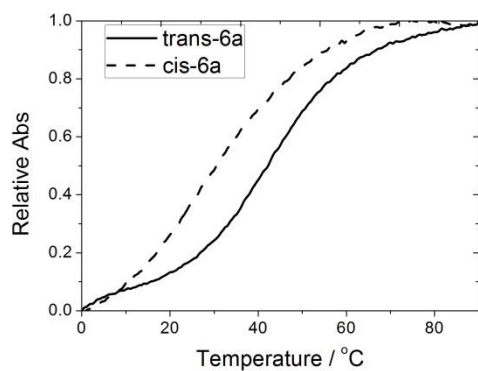


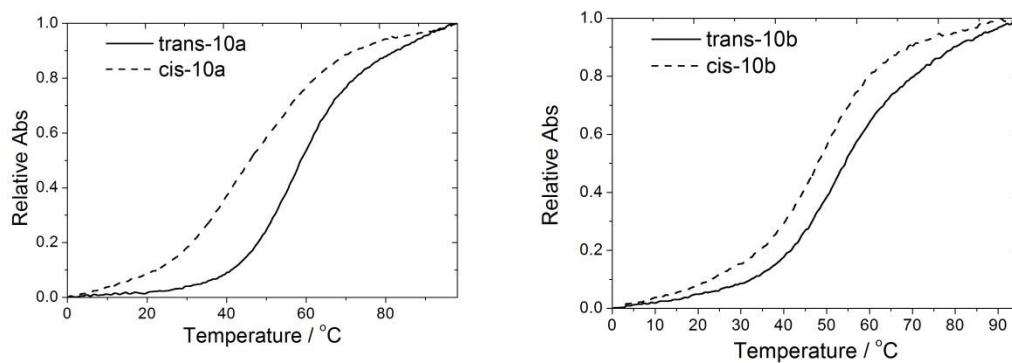


5. Typical UV melting curves for trans-form (solid line) and cis-form (broken line) of azobenzene modified ODNs

Figure S7. Comparison of UV melting curves for trans-ODNs (solid line) and cis-ODNs (broken line). UV melting experiments were performed in a 10 mM phosphate buffer (pH 7.0) containing 100 mM NaCl and 0.1 mM EDTA. ODN concentrations were adjusted to 6 μ M.







6. CD spectra of Az1 and Az2 as well as azobenzene modified ODNs with or without UV irradiation

Figure S8. Comparison of CD spectra of trans-form (solid line) and cis-form (dash line) of **Az1** and **Az2** at 4 °C. CD spectra were measured in 3:7 MeOH/H₂O, the concentrations of **Az1** and **Az2** were 10 μ M.

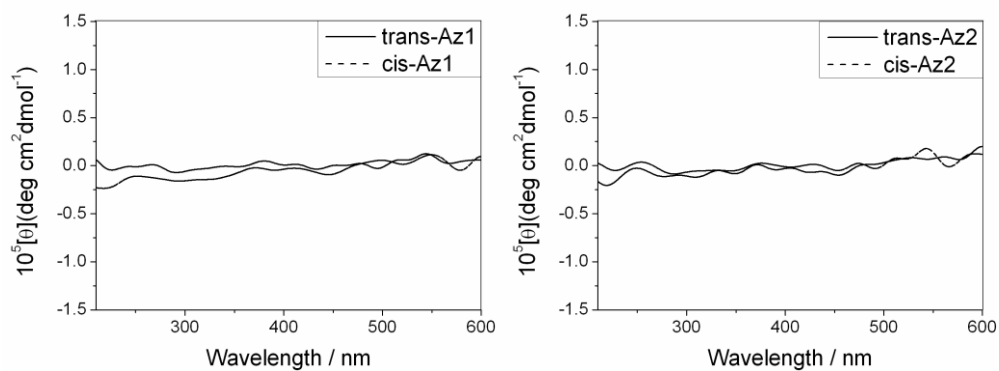
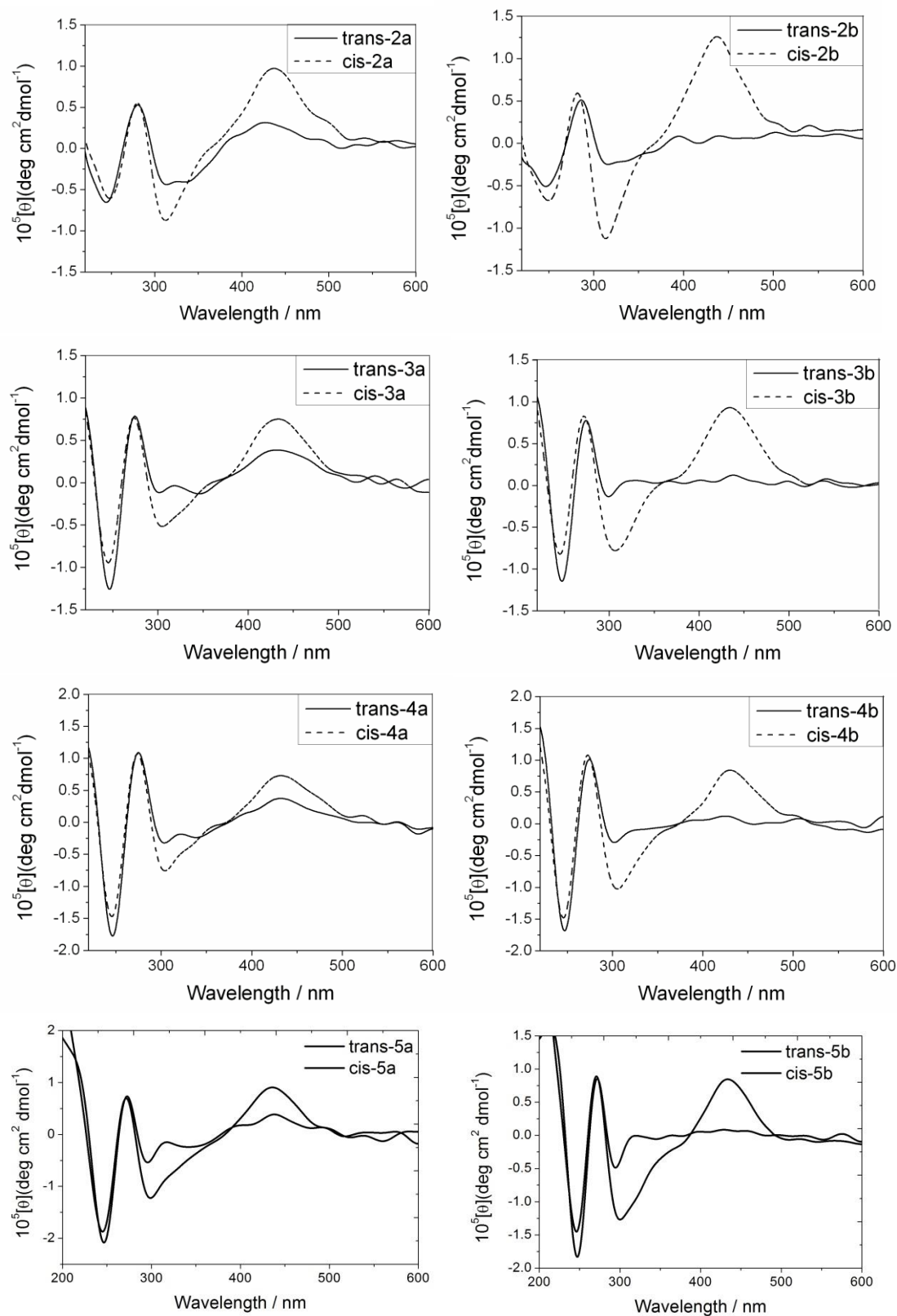
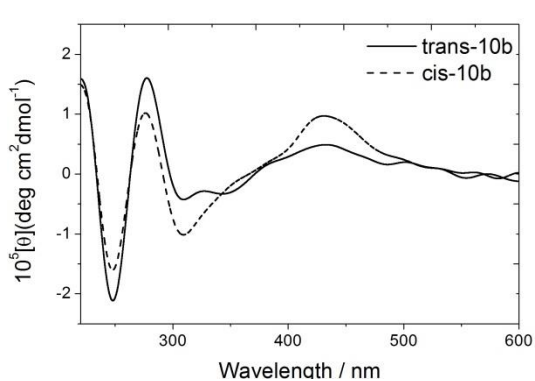
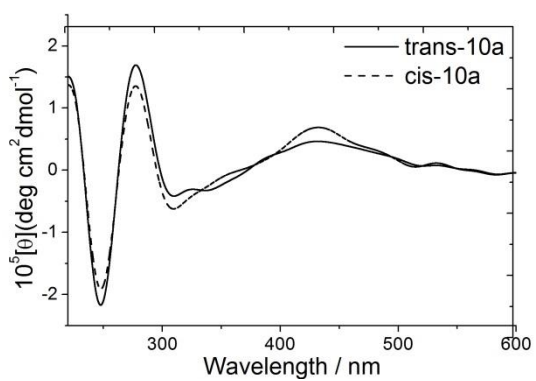
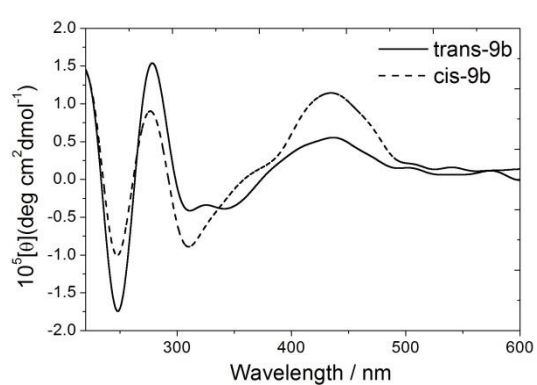
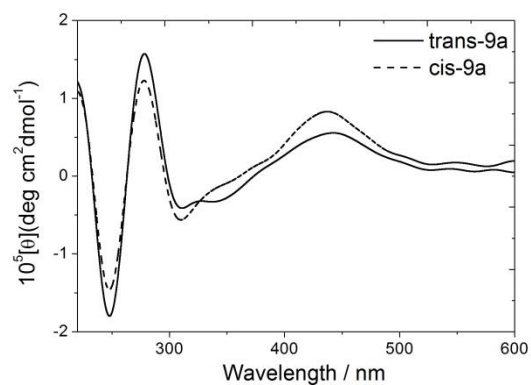
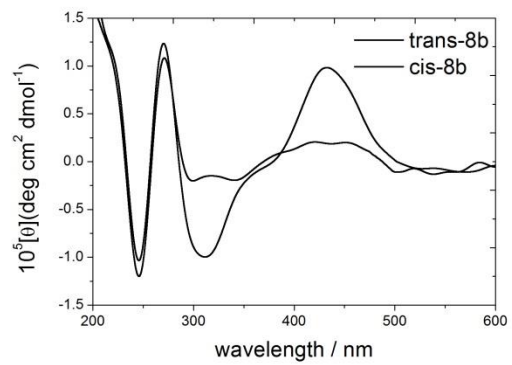
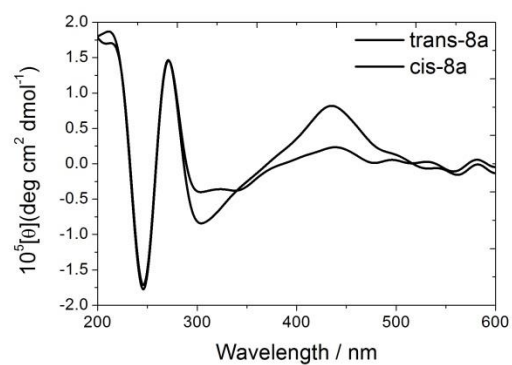
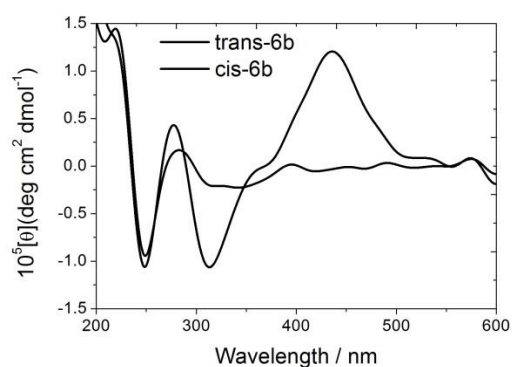
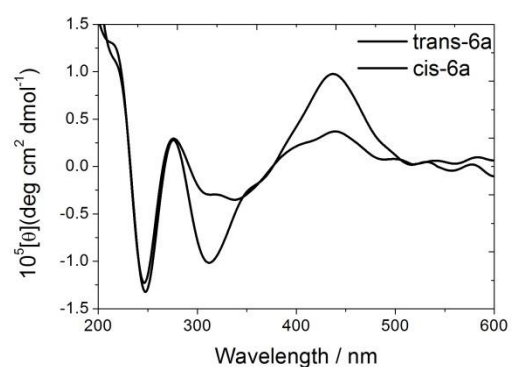


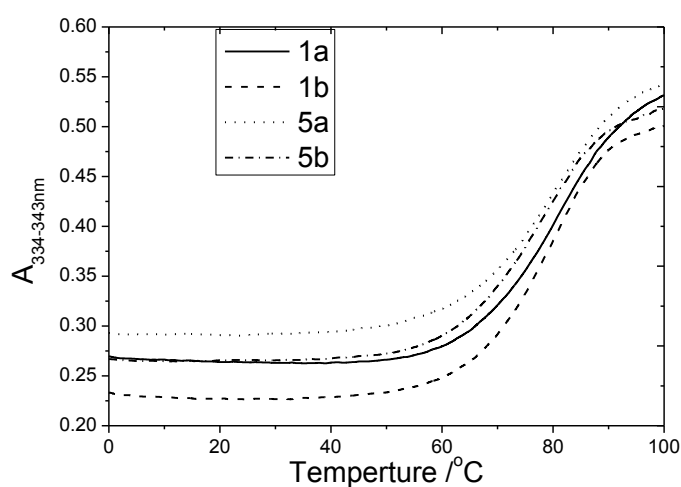
Figure S9. Comparison of CD spectra of trans-DNAs (solid line) and cis-DNAs (dash line) at 4 °C. CD spectra were measured in a 10 mM phosphate buffer (pH 7.0) containing 100 mM NaCl and 0.1 mM EDTA, the concentrations of ODNs were 10 μ M.





7. Isomerization behavior of cis-form of azobenzene modified ODNs upon heating

Figure S10. Plots of absorbance at maximum absorbance for cis-**1a** (solid line), cis-**1b** (broken line), cis-**5a** (dot line) and cis-**5b** (broken dot line) as a function of temperature (heating rate: 0.5 °C min⁻¹). Experiment was performed in a 10 mM phosphate buffer (pH 7.0) containing 100 mM NaCl and 0.1 mM EDTA. ODN concentrations were adjusted to 10 µM.



8. MS of azobenzene modified ODNs

Table S1. The results for MS of the azobenzene modified hairpins.

	Found	Calculated		Found	Calculated
1a	2715.9	2714.8	1b	2742.5	2742.9
2a	2714.0	2713.8	2b	2742.4	2741.9
3a	2713.4	2712.8	3b	2741.7	2740.9
4a	3330.3	3330.2	4b	3359.4	3358.3
5a	3331.5	3330.2	5b	3359.6	3358.3
6a	3332.6	3330.2	6b	3360.2	3358.3
7a	3331.9	3329.2	7b	3359.6	3357.3
8a	3331.0	3329.2	8b	3357.5	3357.3
9a	3329.7	3329.2	9b	3358.0	3357.3
10a	3947.2	3946.6	10b	3975.6	3974.7

Figure S11. MALDI-TOF-MS of azobenzene modified ODNs.

