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Oligonucleotides Forming an i-Motif: The pH-Dependent Assembly of Individual Strands and Branched Structures Containing 2'-Deoxy-5-propynylcytidine

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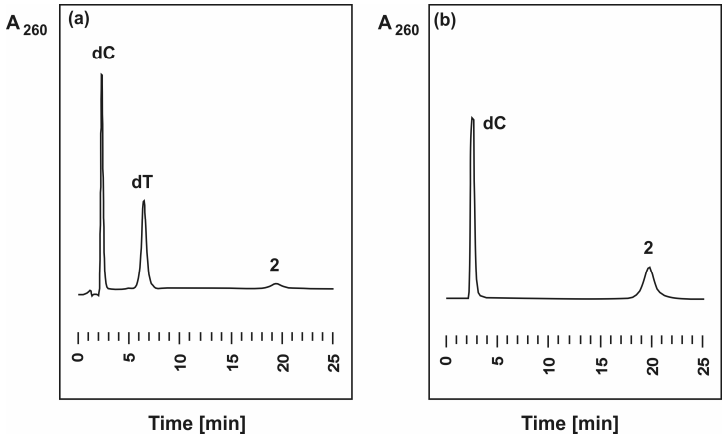

(a) Reverse-phase HPLC profile of the enzymatic analysis of oligonucleotide **10** incorporating **2** by phosphodiesterase (EC 3.1.15.1, *Crotallus adamanteus*) followed by alkaline phosphatase (EC 3.1.3.1, *Escherichia coli*) in 0.1 M Tris-HCl buffer (pH 8.9) at 37°C. (b) 1 : 1 mixture of the nucleosides dC and **2** in water, c = 10^{-3} M/l. Gradient [A: 0.1 M (Et_3NH)OAc (pH 7.0)/MeCN 95:5; B: MeCN]: 20 min. A, 40 min. 0-65% B in A; flow rate: 0.7 ml/min. The hydrolysis was monitored at 260 nm. For more details see the experimental part.