

*Supplementary Information*

## A mRNA-Responsive G-Quadruplex-Based Drug Release System. *Sensors* 2015, 15, 9388–9403

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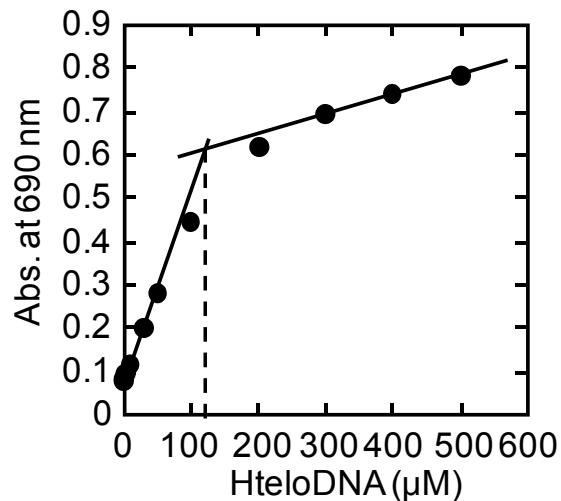
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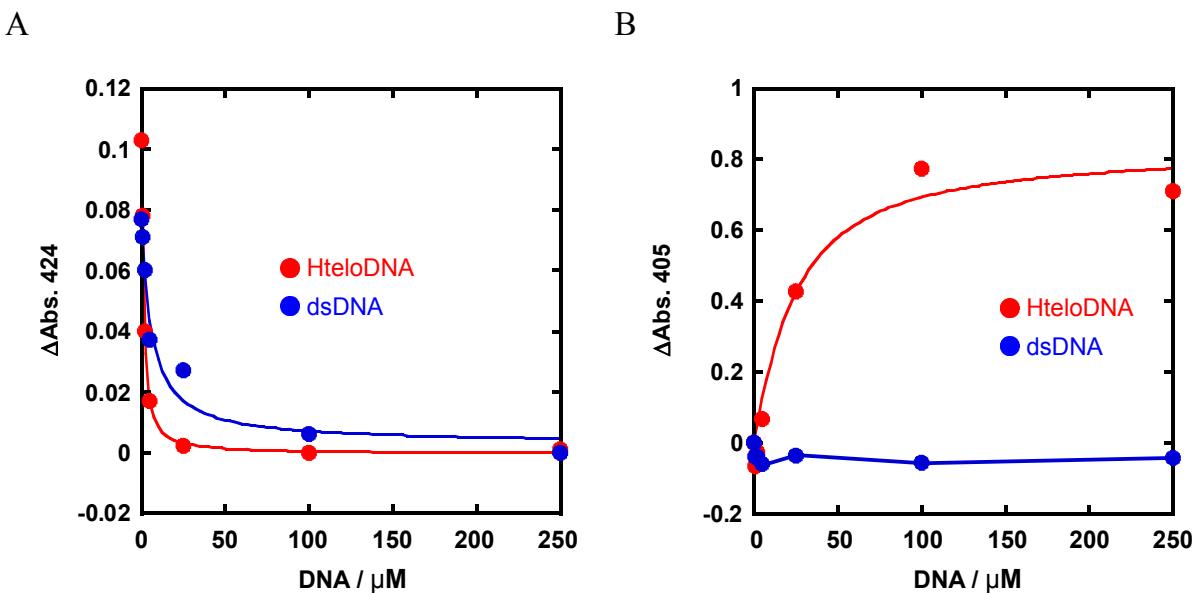
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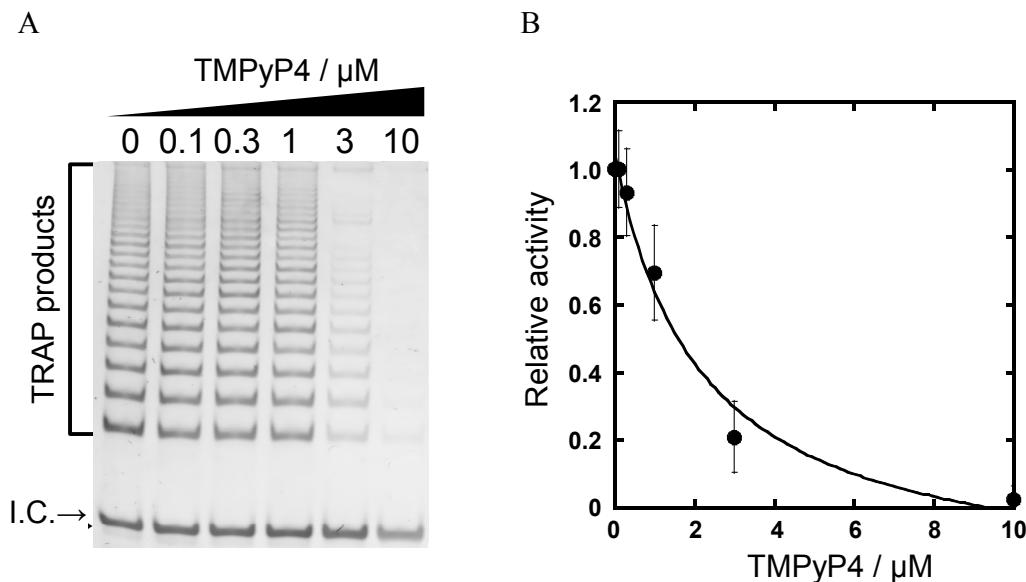
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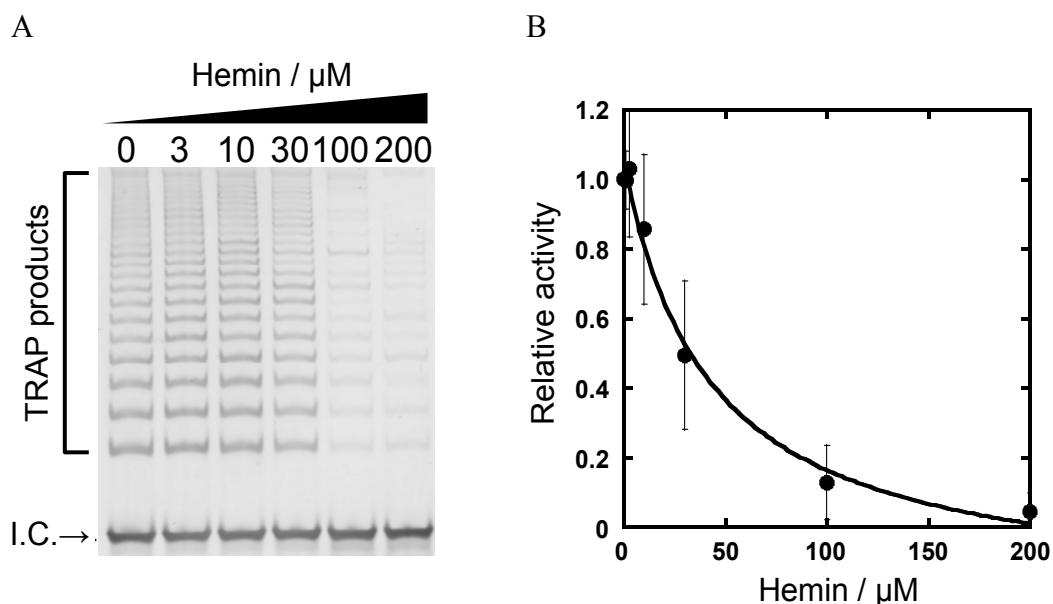
**Figure S1.** Change in absorbance at 690 nm of 100  $\mu\text{M}$  Cu-APC with 0–500  $\mu\text{M}$  Htelo-DNA in a buffer containing 50 mM MES-LiOH (pH 7.0), 100 mM KCl, and 10 mM  $\text{MgCl}_2$  at 25 °C.



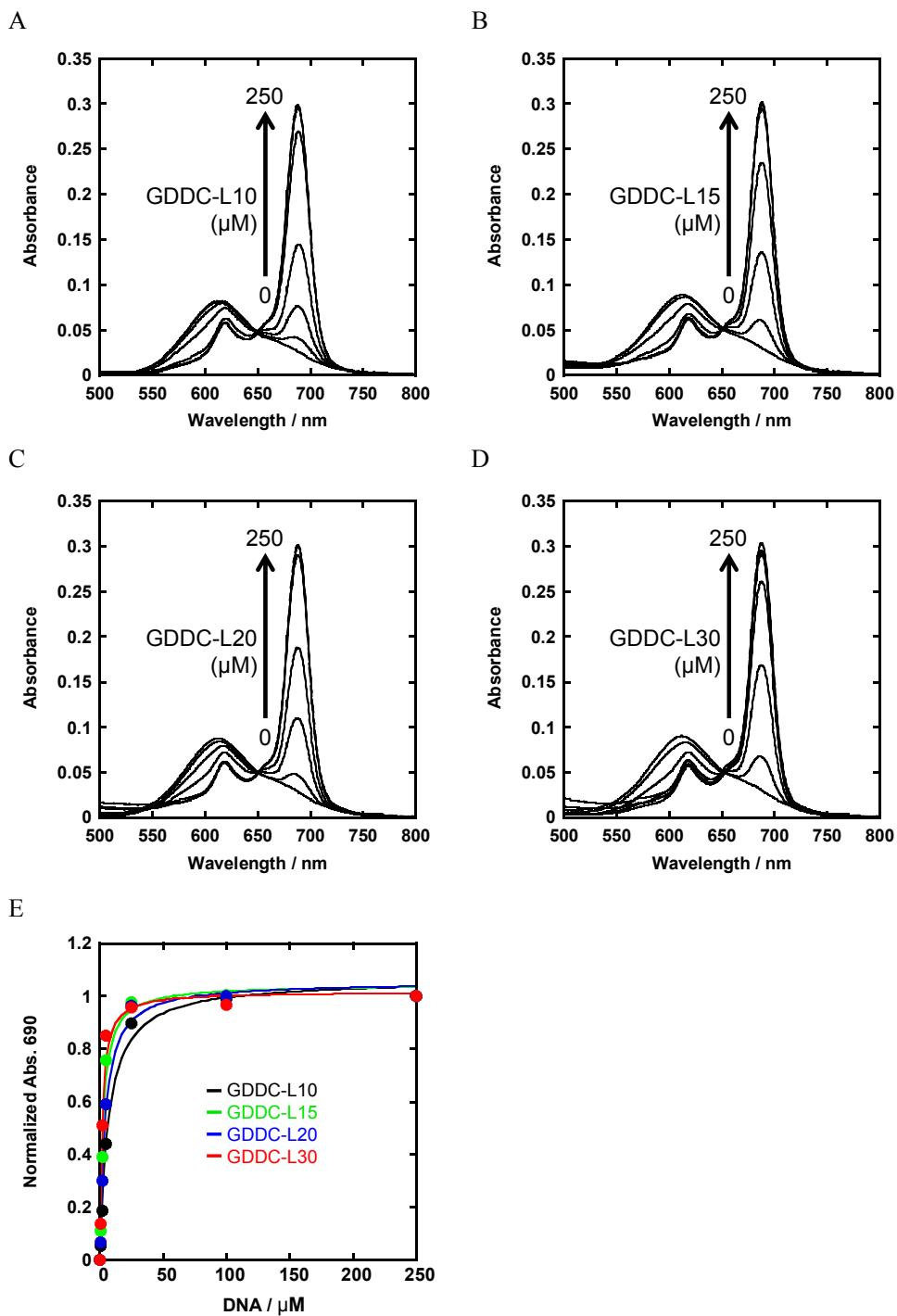
**Figure S2.** (A) Absorbance of 1.0  $\mu\text{M}$  TMPyP4 at 424 nm (A) and 12.5  $\mu\text{M}$  Hemin at 405 nm (B) with 0–250  $\mu\text{M}$  of HteloDNA and 0–250  $\mu\text{M}$  of dsDNA (5'-AGAAGAGAAAGA-3'/5'-TCTTTCTCTTCT-3'). Before measurement, the sample was heated at 80 °C for 2 min, gently cooled at 2 °C·min<sup>-1</sup>. All measurements were carried out in a buffer containing 50 mM MES-LiOH (pH 7.0), 100 mM KCl, and 10 mM  $\text{MgCl}_2$  at 25 °C.



**Figure S3.** (A) Electrophoresis result of the two-step TRAP assay with 0–10  $\mu\text{M}$  of TMPyP4. I.C. indicates the internal control for PCR amplification; (B) Relative activity of telomerase with 0–10  $\mu\text{M}$  of TMPyP4. The relative activity value of 1 corresponds to the positive control, namely without TMPyP4.



**Figure S4.** (A) Electrophoresis result of the two-step TRAP assay with 0–200  $\mu\text{M}$  of Hemin. I.C. indicates the internal control for PCR amplification; (B) Relative activity of telomerase with 0–200  $\mu\text{M}$  of Hemin. The relative activity value of 1 corresponds to the positive control, namely without Hemin.



**Figure S5.** Visible absorbance spectra of 2.5 μM CuAPC with 0–250 μM of GDDC-L10 (**A**); GDDC-L15 (**B**); GDDC-L20 (**C**); and GDDC-L30 (**D**). Before measurement, the samples were heated at 80 °C for 2 min, gently cooled at 2 °C·min<sup>-1</sup>; (**E**) Normalized absorbance of 2.5 μM CuAPC at 690 nm with 0–250 μM of each GDDC candidate. All measurements were carried out in a buffer containing 50 mM MES-LiOH (pH 7.0), 100 mM KCl, and 10 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub> at 25 °C.