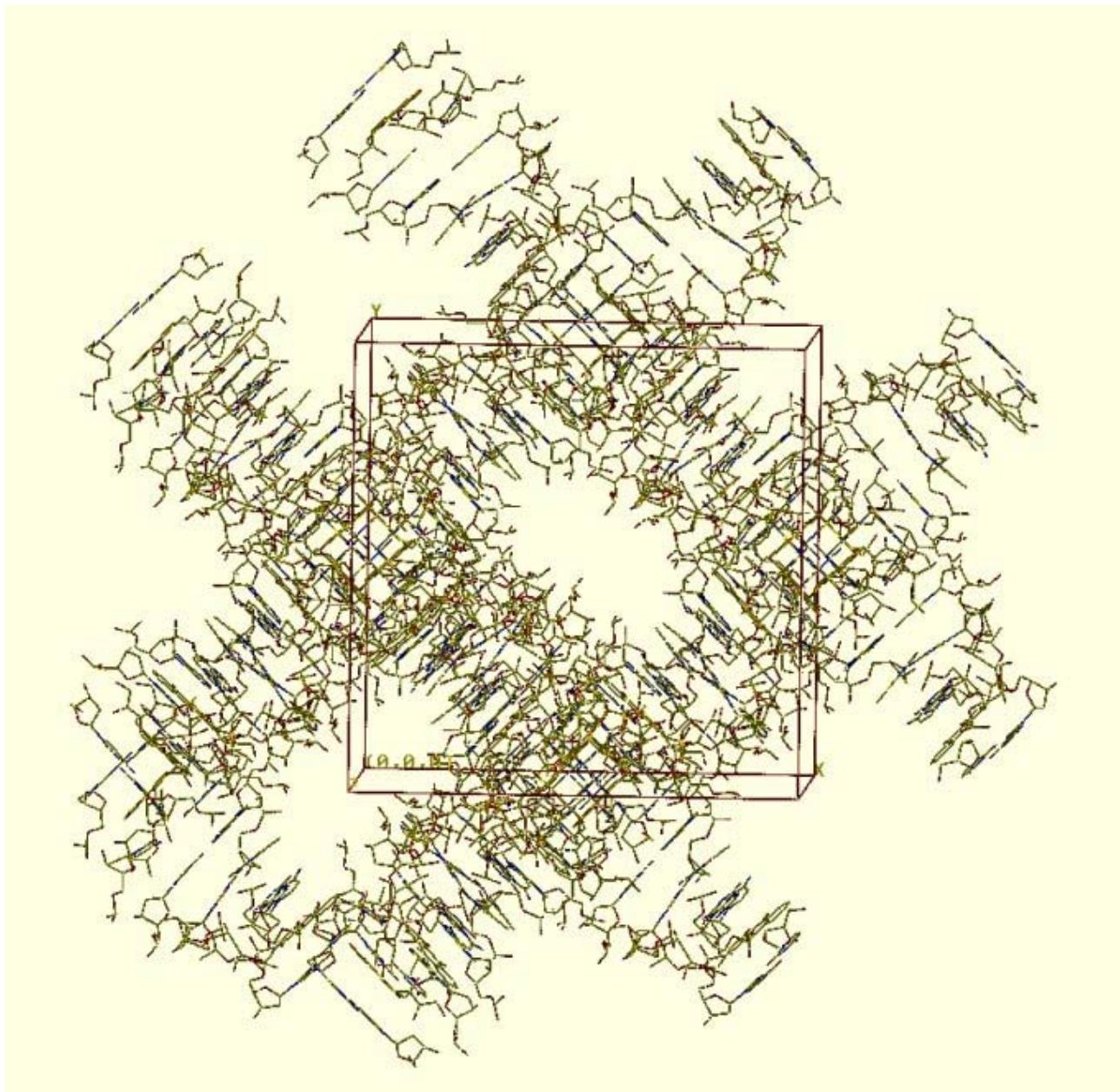


## SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL

*Figure S1.* The crystal packing of the complex viewed down the c axis. The two series of continuous pseudo-helices crossing each other delimit infinite channels parallel to the c axis and form successive sheets of stacked duplexes aligned along the diagonals of the a-b plane.



**Table S1. Torsion angles and geometrical DNA helical parameters.**

Selected torsion angles									
Residue	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\gamma$	$\delta$	$\varepsilon$	$\xi$	$\chi$	P	Ribose pucker
C1			155.5	150.0	-142.0	-32.4	162.2	221.0	C4'-endo
G2	-94.1	156.7	55.9	138.8	-132.6	174.0	-109.1	141.4	C1'-exo
A3	-51.4	136.1	50.9	133.0	-180.0	-99.0	-115.8	144.2	C2'-endo
T4	-53.8	166.3	46.6	117.8	-162.3	-93.8	-116.1	121.1	C1'-exo
C5	-55.9	169.8	40.2	149.3	-122.7	156.9	-75.5	153.9	C2'-endo
G6	-29.6	159.9	24.5	153.4			-78.4	174.8	C2'-endo
C7			70.5	97.0	-157.9	-75.1	-151.7	103.1	O1'-endo
G8	-77.1	-171.0	70.5	130.3	-138.8	-176.9	-99.9	144.8	C2'-endo
T9	-42.9	140.3	34.3	139.8	-177.3	-91.8	-113.4	187.4	C3'-exo
A10	-49.4	169.3	30.2	122.5	-158.7	-94.7	-106.6	134.3	C1'-exo
C11	-54.4	151.3	35.7	130.0	-86.1	159.7	-82.5	140.0	C1'-exo
G12	-92.2	170.5	60.4	143.2			-93.6	170.4	C2'-endo

Helical parameters							
Base-pair	Roll (°)	Tilt (°)	Inclin (°)	Prop Tw (°)	Buckle (°)	Helic Tw (°)	Rise (°)
C1/G12			2.3	-1.3	12.9		
	-2.7	-2.8				32.2	7.5
G2/C11	0.6	-6.8	0.03	-0.8	-28.5		
						36.2	2.7
A3/T10	2.9	-6.0	-1.9	-17.8	-8.5		
						27.8	3.3
T4/A9	6.0	7.2	-4.7	-3.0	0.98		
						33.7	3.1
C5/G8	-2.8	-2.0	-1.6	6.1	13.6		
						27.9	6.9
G6/C7			-1.5	0.3	-1.8		

These parameters were obtained from the program Curves 5.3 provided by R. Lavery (1) and are defined in accordance with EMBO workshop guidelines (2).

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