

**Thermodynamic stability and folding kinetics of the major G-quadruplex and its loop-isomers  
formed in the Nuclease Hypersensitive Element in the human c-Myc promoter  
-Effect of loops and flanking segments on the stability of parallel-stranded intramolecular G-  
quadruplexes**

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**SUPPORTING INFORMATION**

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**Table S1.**  $\Delta G_{25}$  values for the c-Myc G-quadruplex loop-isomers formed by the extended and truncated DNA sequences, determined in the presence of 10 mM  $\text{Li}_3\text{PO}_4$  (pH=7) containing different concentrations of  $\text{K}^+$ . The same experiment conditions as described for Table 2 were used.

	$\Delta G_{25}$ (kJ/mol)	$\Delta G_{25}$ (kJ/mol)	$\Delta G_{25}$ (kJ/mol)	$\Delta G_{25}$ (kJ/mol)
<b>DNA\[\text{K}^+\]</b>	<b>2mM</b>	<b>5mM</b>	<b>10mM</b>	<b>20mM</b>
14/23	-14.8	-20.08	-23.58	-29.98
11/23	-12.59	-15.03	-19.84	-25.43
14/20	-11.40	-15.00	-16.86	-22.93
11/20	-7.12	-9.16	-11.80	-16.98
T14/23T	-16.20	-19.40	-20.62	-24.72
T11/23T	-13.19	-17.35	-18.87	-24.16
T14/20T	-11.71	-16.19	-19.28	-21.45
T11/20T	-8.70	-13.70	-16.11	-19.19

### Figure legends

**Figure S1.** Hysteresis was observed between CD melting (black) and annealing (red) curves of 11/20 with a temperature gradient of 0.5 °C/min. The presence of hysteresis between melting and annealing profiles indicates the molecule is not at thermodynamic equilibrium during melting and annealing processes. Conditions: 10 mM Li<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> (pH=7), 2 mM [K<sup>+</sup>].

**Figure S2.** The imino regions of 1D <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of the completely truncated sequences for the four loop-isomers of the major c-Myc G-quadruplex. The DNA sequences of 14/23TR, 11/23TR, 14/20TR, 11/20TR are shown at the bottom. The completely truncated sequences did not show good quality <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra. Experimental conditions: 25°C, 30 mM K<sup>+</sup>-phosphate, 70 mM KCl, pH 7.0, 0.2 mM DNA.

**Figure S3.** The CD melting (red) and annealing (black) curves of 11/20 and 11/23 loop-isomers with different temperature gradients. Hysteresis between the melting and annealing curves were observed for 11/20 (A) and 11/23 (B) with temperature gradients of 2 °C/min (upper) and 4 °C/min (lower). A higher level of hysteresis was observed for 11/20 as compared to 11/23. Conditions: 10 mM Li<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> (pH=7), 2 mM [K<sup>+</sup>].

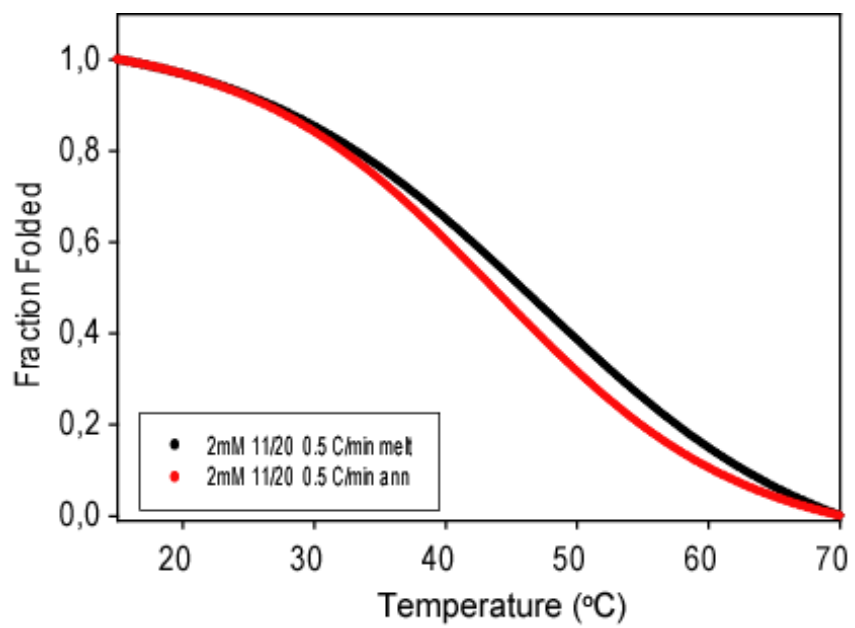


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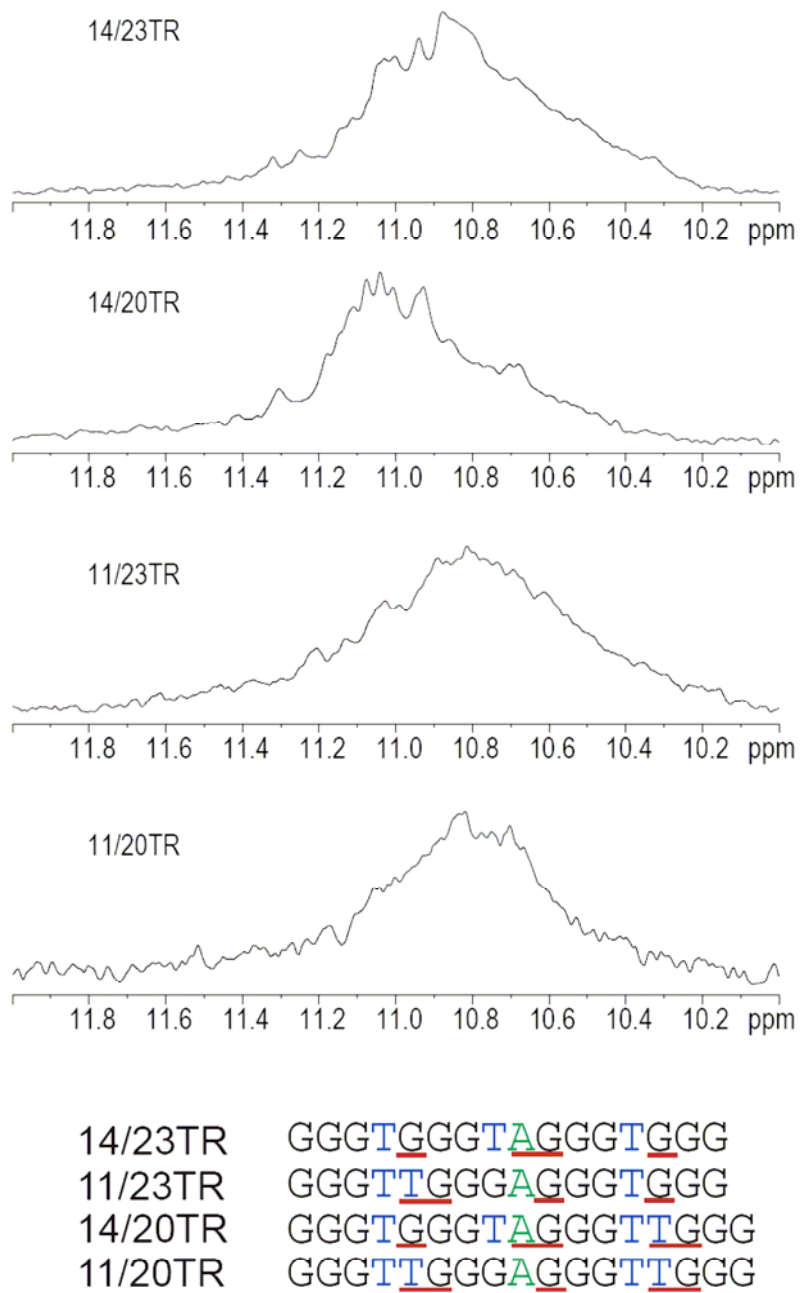


Figure S2.

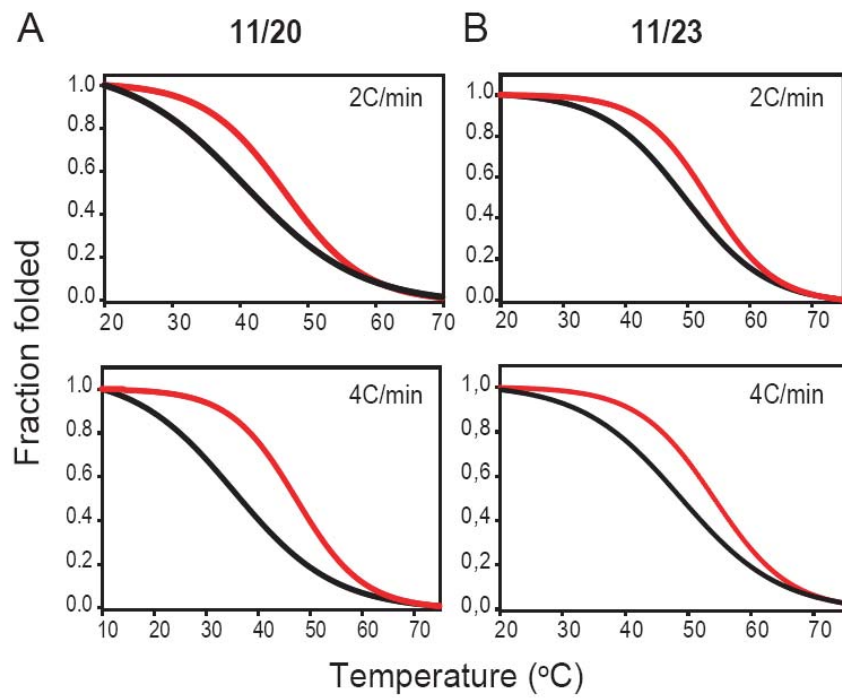


Figure S3.