

**Supplemental Materials for:**

**Telomere proteins POT1, TRF1 and TRF2 augment long-patch base excision repair  
in vitro**

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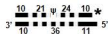
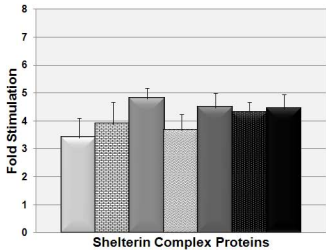
**ABSTRACT**

Human telomeres consist of multiple tandem hexameric repeats, each containing a guanine triplet. Guanosine-rich clusters are highly susceptible to oxidative base damage, necessitating base excision repair (BER). Previous demonstration of enhanced strand displacement synthesis by the BER component DNA polymerase  $\beta$  in the presence of telomere protein TRF2 suggests that telomeres employ long-patch (LP) BER. Earlier analyses in vitro showed that efficiency of BER reactions is reduced in the DNA-histone environment of chromatin. Evidence presented here indicates that BER is promoted at telomeres. We found that the three proteins that contact telomere DNA, POT1, TRF1 and TRF2, enhance the rate of individual steps of LP-BER and stimulate the complete reconstituted LP-BER pathway. Thought to protect telomere DNA from degradation, these proteins still apparently evolved to allow selective access of repair proteins.

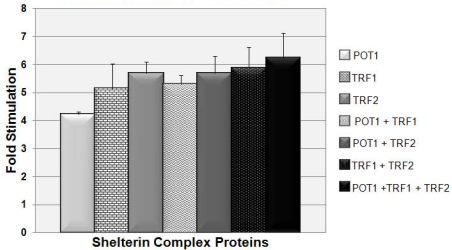
**Supplemental Figures 1-5 followed by Supplemental Table 1.**



### Non-Telomeric Abasic Substrate



### Telomeric Abasic Substrate



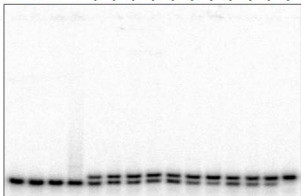
- POT1
- ▨ TRF1
- ▩ TRF2
- ▧ POT1 + TRF1
- ▦ POT1 + TRF2
- ▤ TRF1 + TRF2
- POT1 + TRF1 + TRF2



### Non-Telomeric Abasic Substrate

TRF2	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	▲	-
TRF1	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	▲	-	-	-	-	-	-
POT1	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	▲	-	-	-	-	-
APE1	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+

Wells →



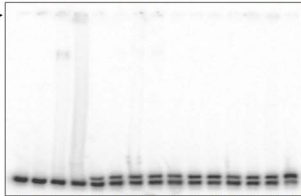
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% Bound					44	51	59	60	51	57	76	57	63	73	100
Fold Stim.						1.4				2					



### Telomeric Abasic Substrate

TRF2	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	▲	-
TRF1	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	▲	-	-	-	-
POT1	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	▲	-	-	-
APE1	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+

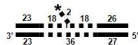
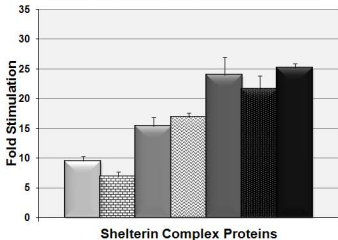
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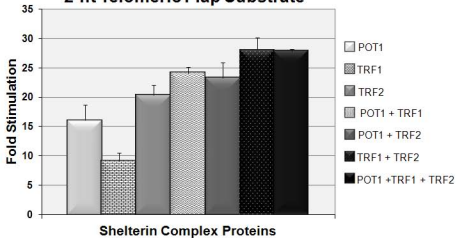
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% Bound					28	36	42	44	40	47	52	37	43	46	71
Fold Stim.						2				2					



### 2-nt Non-Telomeric Flap Substrate



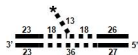
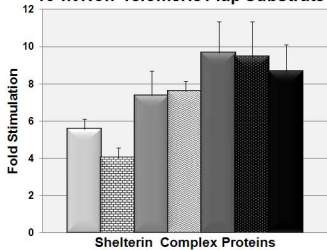
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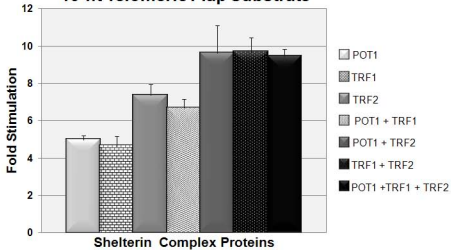
- POT1
- TRF1
- TRF2
- POT1 + TRF1
- POT1 + TRF2
- TRF1 + TRF2
- POT1 + TRF1 + TRF2



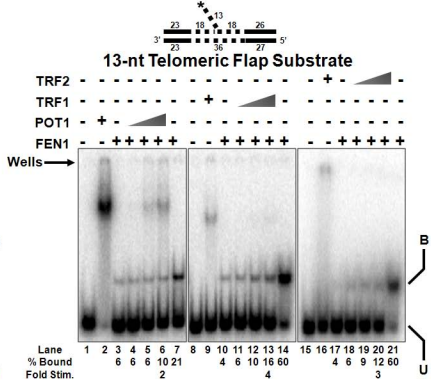
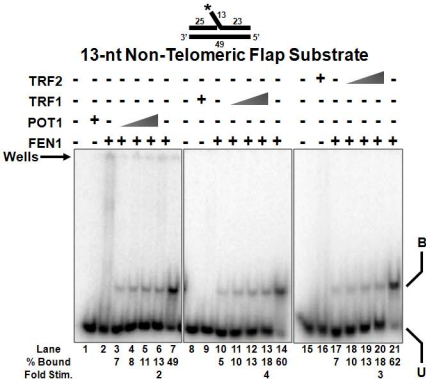
**13-nt Non-Telomeric Flap Substrate**



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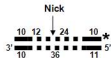
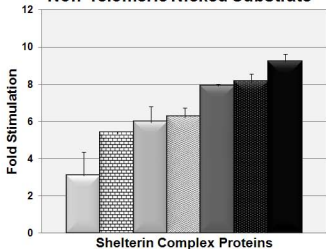


- POT1
- ▨ TRF1
- ▩ TRF2
- ▧ POT1 + TRF1
- ▦ POT1 + TRF2
- ▀ TRF1 + TRF2
- POT1 + TRF1 + TRF2

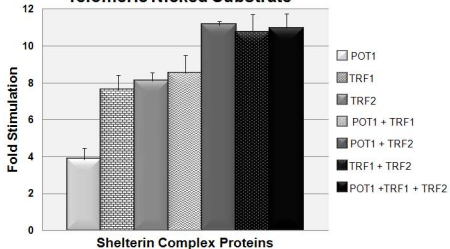




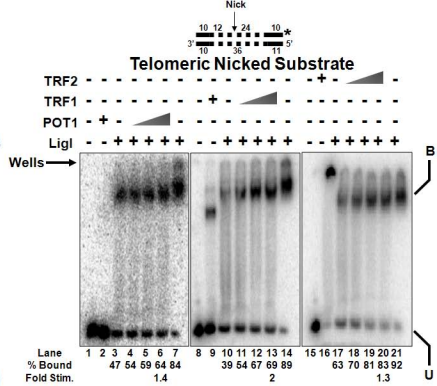
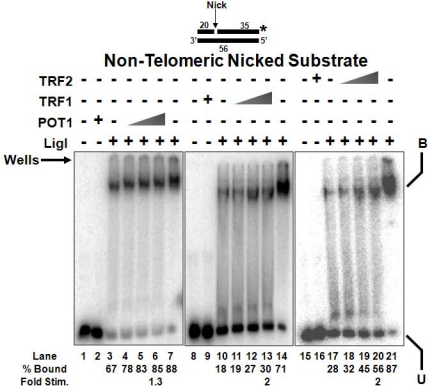
### Non-Telomeric Nicked Substrate



### Telomeric Nicked Substrate



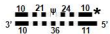
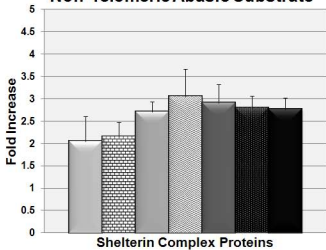
- POT1
- ▒ TRF1
- ▓ TRF2
- ▒ POT1 + TRF1
- ▓ POT1 + TRF2
- TRF1 + TRF2
- POT1 + TRF1 + TRF2



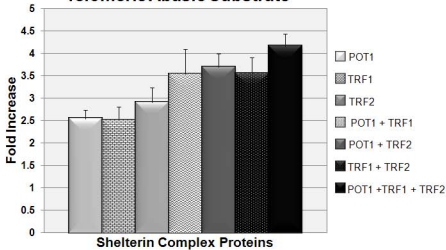




**Non-Telomeric Abasic Substrate**



**Telomeric Abasic Substrate**



- POT1
- ▨ TRF1
- ▩ TRF2
- ▧ POT1 + TRF1
- ▦ POT1 + TRF2
- ▣ TRF1 + TRF2
- POT1 + TRF1 + TRF2

**Table 1. Oligonucleotide Sequences**

Ψ indicates a nucleotide containing a THF residue

Primer	Length(nts)	Sequence
<u>Upstream</u>		
		<u>Listed 5' to 3'</u>
U1	25	CGCCAGGGTTTCCCAGTCACGACC
U2	20	CGACCGTGCCAGCCTAAAAC
U3	22	CGACCGTGCCTTAGGGTTAGGG
U4	41	CTAGAACTGAGTGCCAGATAGCATTAGGGTTAGGGTTAGGG
<u>Downstream</u>		
		<u>Listed 5' to 3'</u>
D1	25	GTCGTTTTACAACGACGTGACTGGG
D2	36	ATCACTGGCCGTCGTTTTACAACGACGTGACTGGG
D3	46	GGTTAGGGTTAGGGTTAGGGTCCGATCGCCAGTCGCGTGCCTAGCG
D4	57	GGGTTAGGGAGGGTTAGGGTTAGGGTTAGGGTCCGATCGCCAGTCGCGTGCCTAGCG
D5	35	ACTTGCCCGTGCCACCATCCCGACGCCACCTCCTG
D6	54	CGACCGTGCCAGCCTAAAΨACTTGCCCGTGCCACCATCCCGACGCCACCTCCTG
D7	34	TTAGGGTTAGGGTTAGGGTTAGGGCCACCTCCTG
D8	55	CGACCGTGCCTTAGGGTTAGGGTTAGGGTTAΨGGTTAGGGTTAGGGCCACCTCCTG
<u>Template</u>		
		<u>Listed 3' to 5'</u>
T1	49	GCGGTCCCAAAGGGTCAGTGCTGGGCAAAATGTTGCTGCACTGACCCG
T2	57	GCTGGCACGGAATCCCAATCCCAATCCCAATCCCAATCCCGGTGGAGGACG
T3	56	GCTGGCACGGTCGGATTTGTGAACGGGCACGGTGGTAGGGCTGCGGTGGAGGACG
T4	86	GATCTTGACTCACGGTCTATCGTAATCCCAATCCCAATCCCAATCCCAATCCCAATCCAGGCTAGCGGTGAGCGCACGGATCGCG