

**Table S1 Properties and evaluation of *C. elegans* R1 and R2 sequences**

**(A) Scrambled R1 and R2 sequences**

Element	WT sequence	Scrambled sequence
R1 upstream	CAACAACATAACCACCAAG	ACACACACCACAAGCCATA (p2524)
R1 downstream	CTTGGTGGTTTGGTGTG	TATGGCTTGTGGTGTGTGT (p2525)
R2 upstream	TCTCTCTCTCCCC	CTCCTCCTCCTCC (p2527)
R2 downstream	GGGGGAGAGAGAGA	GGAGGAAGGAGGAG (p2526)

**(B) Genes with coordinated exon skipping**

Transcript*	# of exons skipped	Complementary sequence elements?
<i>cha-1</i>	3	Yes
<i>unc-49B</i>	8	No
<i>unc-49C</i>	16	No
<i>unc-60B</i>	4	No
<i>avr-14B (gbr-2B)</i>	7	No

\*Transcript terminology and structure for *cha-1* from Alfonso *et al.* 1994; *unc-49* from Bamber *et al.* 1999; for *unc-60* from McKim *et al.* 1994; for *avr-14* (aka *gbr-2*) from Laughton *et al.* 1997 and Dent *et al.* 2000. Genomic sequences for all genes were downloaded from WormBase, Release WS240 ([www.wormbase.org](http://www.wormbase.org)).

**(C) Long introns evaluated for complementary sequence elements**

Gene/transcript*	Intron examined	Intron size	Complementary sequence elements?
<i>cha-1</i>	From exon 1 to exon c2	6.9 kb	Yes
<i>ric-4A(snap-25A)</i>	From exon 1A to exon 2	7.8 kb	No
<i>gar-3B</i>	From exon 2 to exon 3	9.0 kb	No
<i>gcy-28D</i>	From exon 5 to exon 6	13.6 kb	No

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