

**Molecular Cell**

**Supplemental Information**

**PrimPol Is Required for Replicative Tolerance  
of G Quadruplexes in Vertebrate Cells**

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## Supplementary Figures

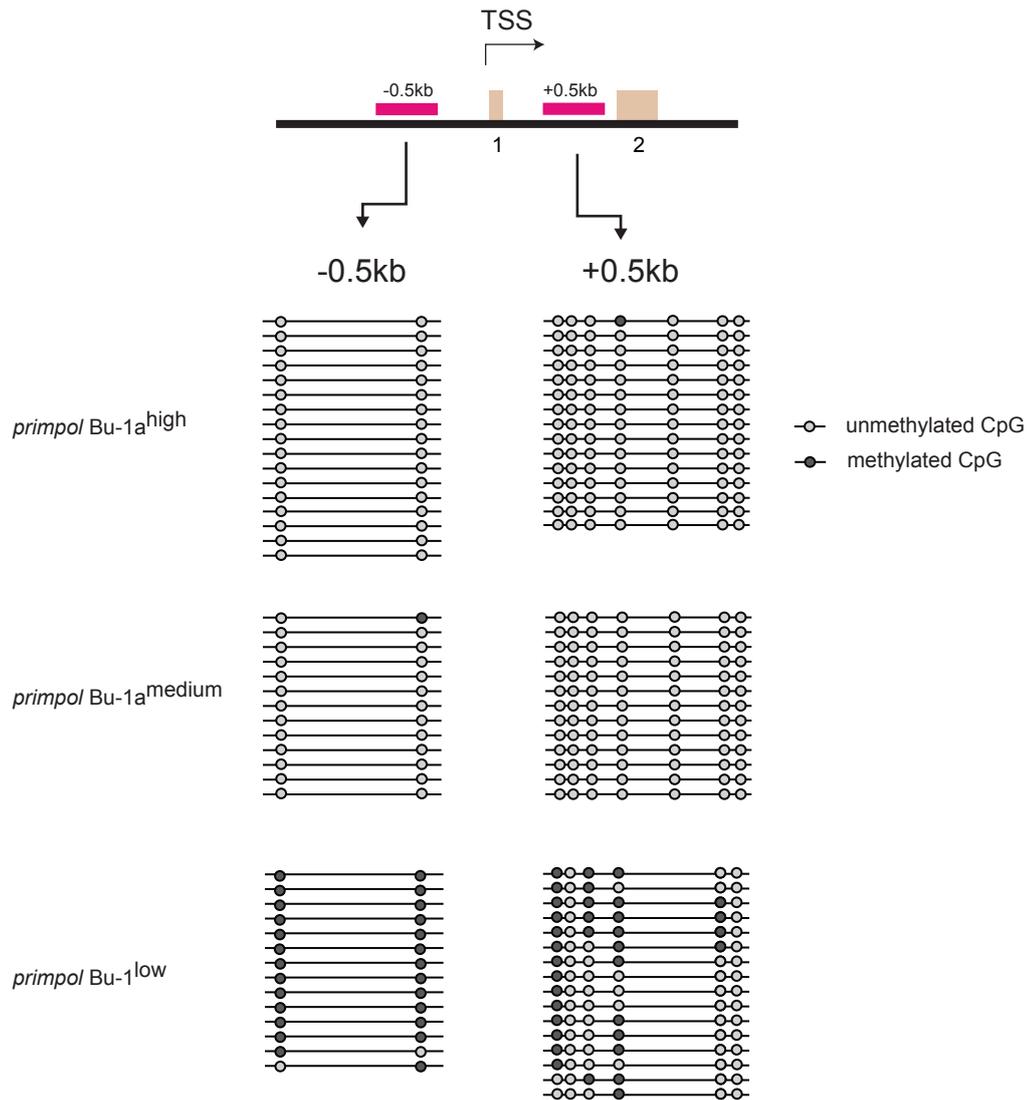
**Figure S1. No evidence of high levels of mutation or genetic instability in the *BU-1* locus of Bu-1a<sup>low</sup> cells.** Related to Figure 1.

**A.** Diagram of the *BU-1* locus indicating PCR fragments A, B & C used to detect gross sequence deletions and the relevant restriction enzyme cutting sites in the fragments.

**B.** PCR amplification of fragments A, B & C from wild type cells and a pool of sorted Bu-1a<sup>low</sup> cells.

**C.** Restriction digestion of the fragments shown in (B) cloned into pBluescript.

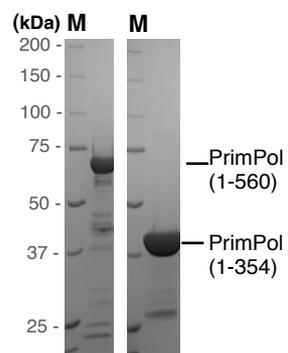
**D.** Sequences from 9 clones taken from around the +3.5 G4 (highlighted in bold). A polymorphism identifies the *BU-1A* allele (red) and *BU-1B* allele (blue).



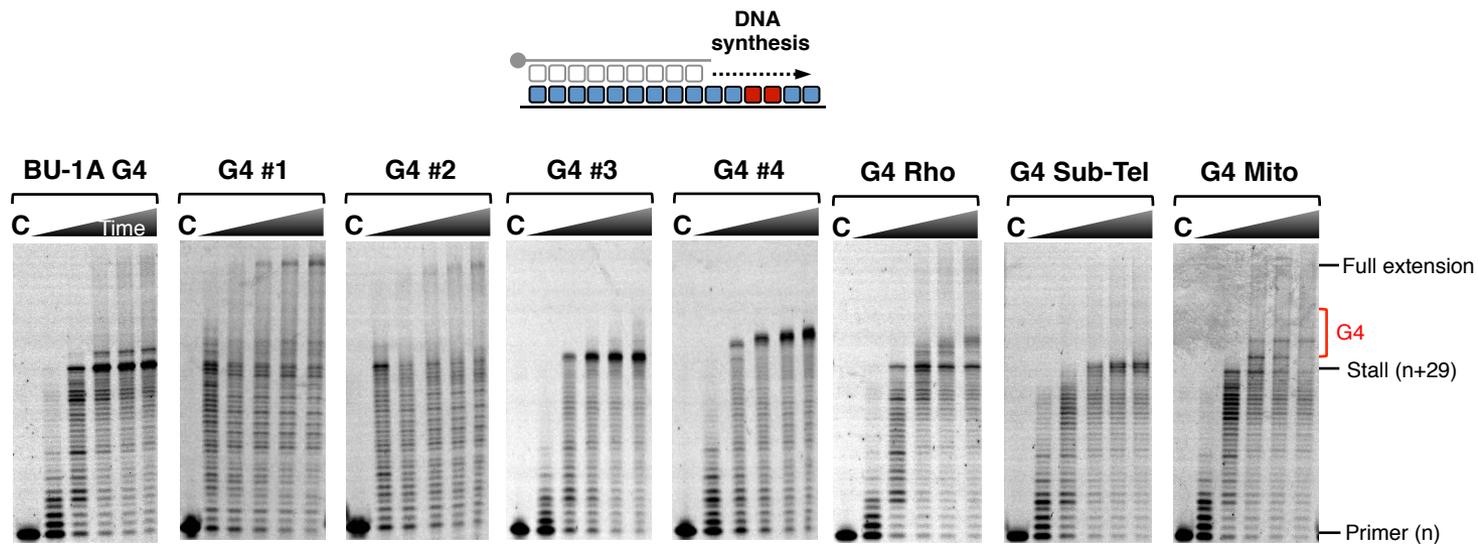
**Figure S2. DNA methylation of the *BU-1* promoter determined by bisulphite sequencing.** Related to Figure 1.

Bisulphite sequencing results for primers spanning regions located approximately 0.5 kb up and downstream of the TSS of *BU-1*. CpG sites are indicated as circles. Open circles = unmethylated; filled circles = methylated.

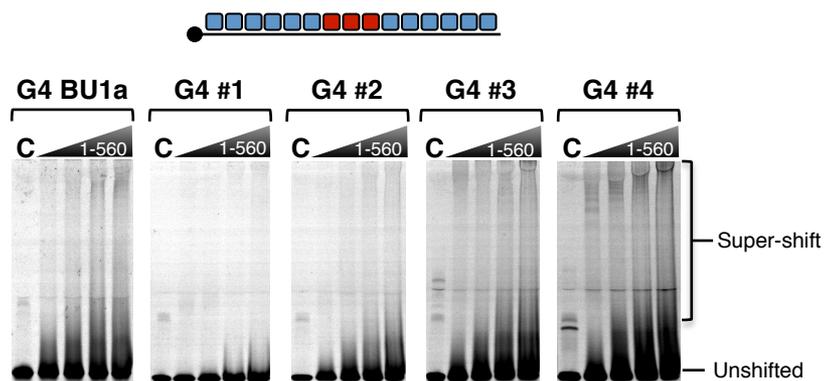
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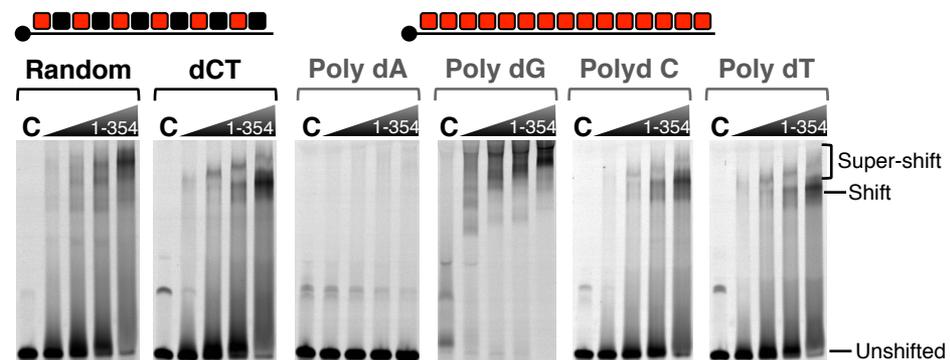
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**C**



**D**



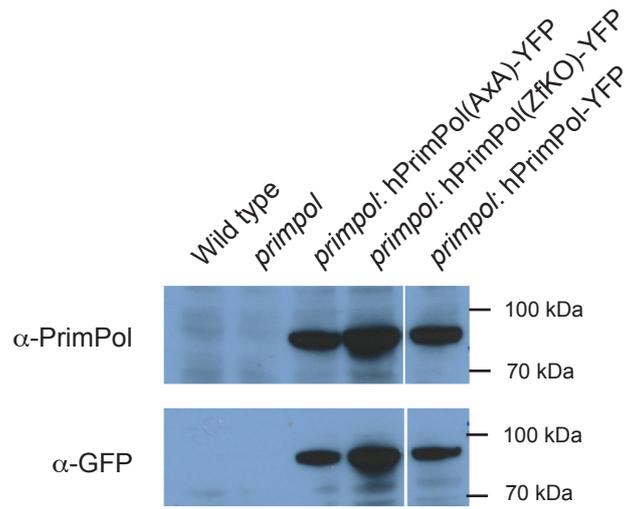
**Figure S3. Preparation of recombinant human PrimPol proteins, primer extensions and electrophoretic mobility shift assays.** Related to Figure 3.

**A.** SDS PAGE analysis of human recombinant PrimPol proteins. Histidine-tagged full-length human PrimPol (1-560) was purified using Ni-NTA affinity purification, heparin, and size-exclusion chromatography. Glutathione S-transferase (GST) tagged truncation of human PrimPol (1-354) was purified using Glutathione affinity chromatography. The GST tag was cleaved off by incubation with prescission protease over night at 4°C. Subsequently, the tagless truncation of PrimPol (1-354) was purified by heparin and size-exclusion chromatography.

**B.** Histidine-tagged full length PrimPol (1-560) at 100 nM was incubated with 20 nM G4 quadruplex containing substrates and 200  $\mu$ M dNTPs for increasing times (1, 2, 5, 10, 20 minutes) at 37°C. A no enzyme control (“C”) was performed as a single 20 minute time point at 37°C in the absence of PrimPol.

**C.** Increasing concentrations (0.7, 2.5, 5, 10  $\mu$ M) of PrimPol<sub>1-560</sub> were incubated with 100 nM fluorescently labelled ssDNA probes. A no enzyme control (“C”) was also performed to monitor mobility of ssDNA probes. The G4 quadruplex structures are marked as red boxes.

**D.** Increasing concentrations (0.7, 2.5, 5, 10  $\mu$ M) of PrimPol<sub>1-354</sub> were incubated with 100 nM fluorescently labelled ssDNA probes. A no enzyme control (“C”) was also performed to monitor the mobility of ssDNA probes. The homopolymeric nucleotide runs are marked as red boxes and mixed sequences as red and black boxes.



**Figure S4. Western blot of YFP-tagged human PrimPol and mutant derivatives in *primpol* DT40 cells.** Related to Figure 4.

Whole cell lysates blotted with anti-human PrimPol and anti-GFP. Note the anti-human PrimPol antibody does not cross-react against the chicken protein.

## Supplemental Experimental Procedures

### Primers for ChIP qPCR

(c. -0.5kb and +0.5kb from the *BU-1* TSS)

ChIP -0.5 F	TAGCTCCAAGGTGTGGGACTTT
ChIP -0.5 R	CCCCATACTGGACAGACTGAATA
ChIP +0.5 F	GGCAGCTCAGCAAAGTTTCC
ChIP +0.5 R	GACCACAGCCGTGGAACAGTTA

### Primers for methylation analysis

(c. -0.5kb and +0.5kb from the *BU-1* TSS)

Methyl -0.5 F	GTTTCTT <b>GAGCTC</b> TTTGGTAAGTGATAGTTATTGGTATTGTA
Methyl -0.5 R	GTTTCTT <b>GCGGCCGC</b> ATTAACATAAACTCAAACATAACCAACAC
Methyl +0.5 F	GTTTCTT <b>GAGCTC</b> GAAATATAAGGTTTTGGTATGTAGAATGT
Methyl +0.5 R	GTTTCTT <b>GCGGCCGC</b> CTCCCTAATCACTAAAATTATATACAAAA

Colour code: (Pig tail) **SacI/NotI**

### PCR primers for hPrimPol

Amplicon	Forward Primer (5'→3')	Reverse Primer (5'→3')
hPrimPol <sub>1-354</sub>	GTTTCTTGGATCCATGAATA GAAAATGGGAAGCAAAAC	CTTTGTTGCGGCCGCTTACTCTTGTAACTTCTATAATT AGTTCATCAGGAATTTTC

### Synthetic primer-template substrates

Figure (Substrate)	Primer (5'→3')	Template (5'→3')
S3B (G4 BU1a)	TGTCGTCTGTTCCGGTC GTTC	ACCGCGAACTTGAATTCTA <b>GGG</b> CTGGGT <b>GGG</b> TGCTGT CAA <b>GGG</b> CT <b>GGG</b> CAATGCACAACATATGGCTTTTCGAAG ACCGAACGACCGAACAGACGACA
S3B (G4#1)	TGTCGTCTGTTCCGGTC GTTC	ACCGCGAACTTGAATTCTATT <b>GG</b> TTTT <b>GG</b> TTTT <b>GG</b> TTTT <b>GG</b> TCAATGCACAACATATGGCTTTTCGAAGACCGAACGA CCGAACAGACGACA
S3B (G4#2)	TGTCGTCTGTTCCGGTC GTTC	ACCGCGAACTTGAATTCTAT <b>GGG</b> TTT <b>GGG</b> TTT <b>GGG</b> TTT <b>GGG</b> TCAATGCACAACATATGGCTTTTCGAAGACCGAAC GACCGAACAGACGACA
S3B (G4#3)	TGTCGTCTGTTCCGGTC GTTC	ACCGCGAACTTGAATTCTAT <b>GGGG</b> TT <b>GGGG</b> TT <b>GGGG</b> T <b>TGGGG</b> CAATGCACAACATATGGCTTTTCGAAGACCGAA CGACCGAACAGACGACA
S3B (G4#4)	TGTCGTCTGTTCCGGTC GTTC	ACCGCGAACTTGAATTCTATTTT <b>GGG</b> T <b>GGG</b> T <b>GGG</b> T <b>GG</b> <b>G</b> TTTTCAATGCACAACATATGGCTTTTCGAAGACCGAAC GACCGAACAGACGACA
S3B (G4 Rho)	TGTCGTCTGTTCCGGTC GTTC	ACCGCGAACTTGAATTCTAG <b>GGG</b> AGTAAA <b>GGG</b> AGCG <b>GG</b> TGCT <b>GGG</b> GCAATGCACAACATATGGCTTTTCGAAGA CCGAACGACCGAACAGACGACA



