

Supplemental Information to

Conservation and divergence in nucleotide excision repair lesion recognition

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Supplemental Figures

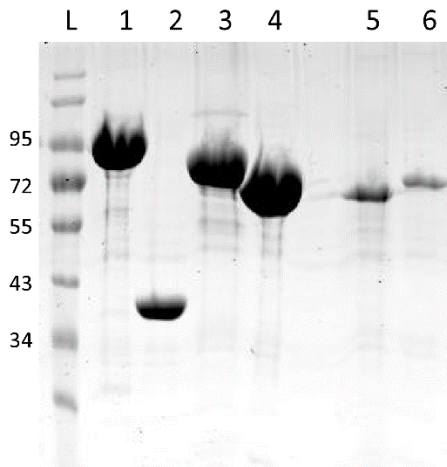


Figure S1: SDS gel of all proteins used in these studies. (1) *ctXPD*, (2) *ctp44(1-285)*, (3) *BcaUvrB* wild type, (4) *BcaUvrB* Δ 4, (5) *BcaUvrC*, (6) *TmaUvrC*.

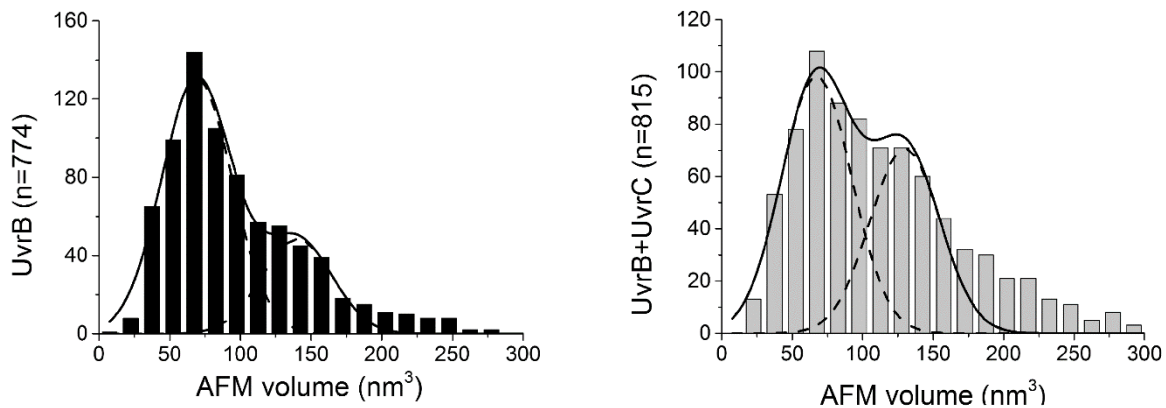


Figure S2: AFM volume distributions of DNA bound complexes. (Left) UvrB and (right) UvrB+UvrC. Gaussian fits to the data show maxima at ~ 70 nm³ and ~ 140 nm³ for samples of UvrB alone as well as UvrB+UvrC. Volumes of 50-110 nm³ were classed as monomeric UvrB complexes and volumes of 110-250 nm³ as potential UvrBC (or dimeric UvrB) complexes. DNA bound peaks in samples containing both UvrB and UvrC show $\sim 45\%$ of volumes in the size range of UvrBC complexes versus $<30\%$ (representing UvrB dimers) in the absence of UvrC.

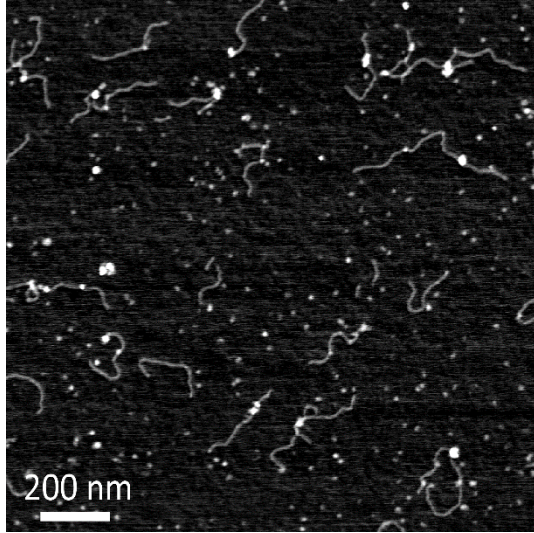


Figure S3: AFM of UvrC aggregates. At high concentrations, UvrC forms aggregates with DNA (large white peaks on the DNA substrates).

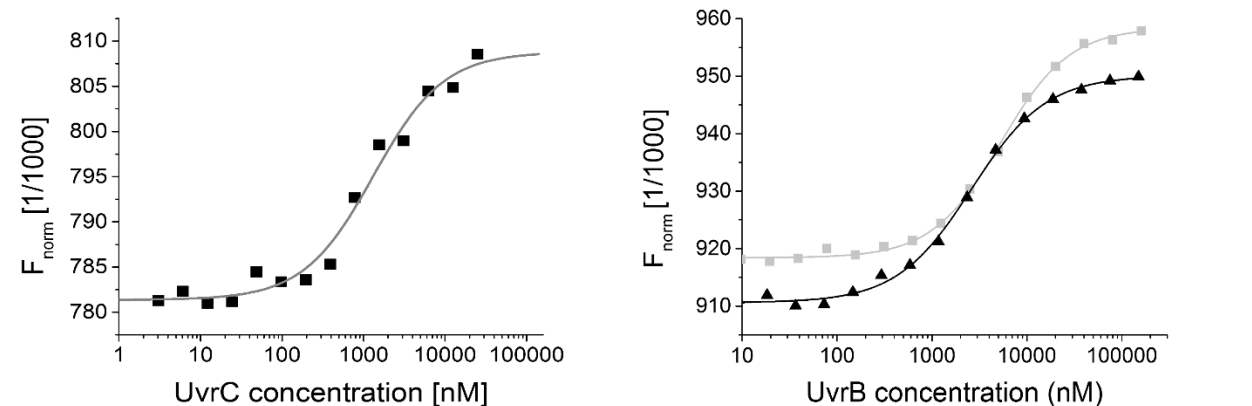


Figure S4: MST of interactions of UvrB with UvrC and with DNA. (Left) UvrB-UvrC interaction, (right) UvrB interactions with DNA substrates. The lines represent Hill equation fits to the data (symbols), giving an approximate K_D of 500 nM for the UvrB-UvrC interaction and K_D 's in the low micromolar range for UvrB interactions with dsDNA (grey line) and dsDNA containing an 8 nt unpaired region (DNA bubble, black line).

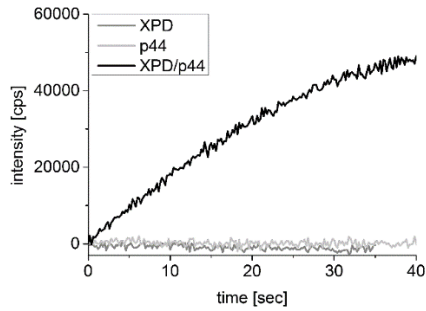


Figure S5: XPD helicase activity. Helicase assay for XPD in the presence (black line) and absence (dark grey) of its activating factor p44. P44 alone was also applied as a control (light grey line).

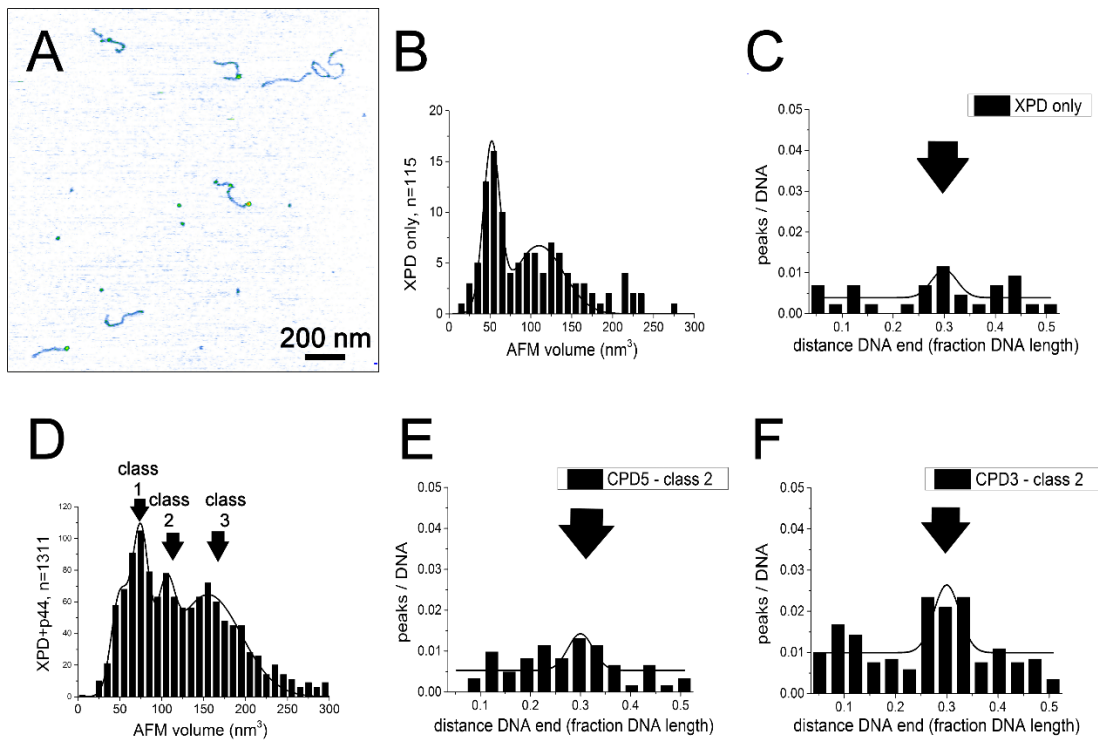


Figure S6: AFM imaging of XPD/(p44)-DNA complexes. (A) Representative image section of DNA sample containing only XPD (no p44). (B) Volume and (C) position distribution of DNA bound complexes in samples containing only XPD (no p44) including Gaussian fits to the data. (D) Volume distribution of DNA bound complexes for XPD+p44 samples. Comparison to volume distribution in the absence of p44 (B) reveals a distinct enhancement of volumes in the range between 140 and 250 nm³ (class 3). (E,F) Position distributions of class 2 peaks (80-140 nm³, interpreted as monomeric XPD complexes) in XPD/p44 samples with CPD/5'bubble (E) and XPD/3'bubble (F) DNA substrates. Class 2 peaks show clearly less specificity for the lesion position (at ~30% of DNA fragment length, arrows) compared to class 3 peaks (Figure 4).

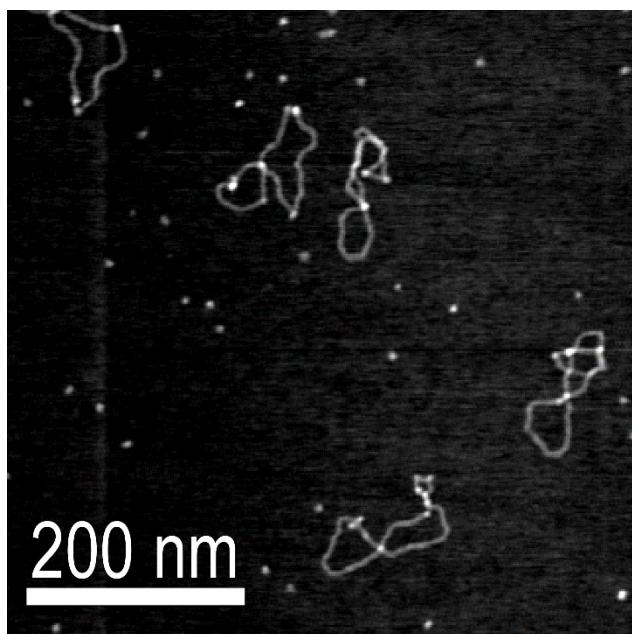


Figure S7: AFM of UvrB binding to closed circular plasmid DNA.

Supplemental Table S1: DNA substrates. Underlined sequences indicate an unpaired region (DNA bubble) in the annealed substrate. Lesions are shown in bold and red: F = fluorescein adducted thymine, T-T = cyclobutane pyrimidine dimer (CPD). The length of the oligonucleotides is given (in units of nucleotides, nts) as well as their experimental application.

	sequence	nts	experiments
1	TACGGCCTCATCTTCAACGCAATC (no damage containing top strand)	24	EMSA, AUC
1'	TACGGCCTCATC F TCAACGCAATC (fluorescein containing top strand)	24	
2	GATTGCGTCTTTTTTGAGGCCGTA(bottom strand containing 6 nts bubble)	24	Incision assays with F lesion
3	GGGCGGCCGCGCATTAACTGAGGTCAGGCACCCGTACGTGACGTCAGT GAGACGAGC F GCATGGAGGCACCGATGCCCTGGATTTAACGCGCGCGC CCG (fluorescein lesion containing top strand)	100	
4	CGGGCGCGCGCGTTAAATCCAGGGCATCGGTGCCTCCATGCAGCTCGT CTCACTGACGTCACGTACGGGTGCCTGACCTCAGTTAAATGCGCGGCC GCCC (>>no bubble)	100	
5	CGGGCGCGCGCGTTAAATCCAGGGCATCGGTGCCTCCA <u>ACATAA</u> TCGT CTCACTGACGTCACGTACGGGTGCCTGACCTCAGTTAAATGCGCGGCC GCCC (>> 6 nts central bubble around lesion)	100	
6	CGGGCGCGCGCGTTAAATCCAGGGCATCGGTGCCTCCATGCAGCTCGT CTCACTGACGTCACGTACGGGTGCCTGACCTCAG <u>AATTTAG</u> CG CGG CC GCCC (>> 6 nts bubble 40 nts 5' from lesion)	100	
7	CGGGCGCGCGCGA <u>ATTTACC</u> AGGGCATCGGTGCCTCCATGCAGCTCGT CTCACTGACGTCACGTACGGGTGCCTGACCTCAGTTAAATGCG CGG CC GCCC (>> 6 nts bubble 24 bps 3' from lesion)	100	
8	F-AGCTATGACAGCTATGACCATGAT T-T ACGAATTGCTTGAATCCTGA CGAACTGTAG (CPD lesion containing top strand)	57	
9	CTACAGTTCGTCAGGATTCCAAGCAATTCGTAATCATGGTCATAGCTGT CATAGCT (>>no bubble)	57	
10	CTACAGTTCGTCAGGATTCCAAGCAATTC <u>TATTTAC</u> ATGGTCATAGCTGT CATAGCT (>> 6 nts central bubble around lesion)	57	
11	CTACAGTTCGTCAGGATTCCAAGCAATTCGTAATCATGGTCATA <u>TAATAA</u> ATAGCT (>> 6 nts bubble 13 bps 5' from lesion)	57	
12	CTACAGTTCGTCAT <u>TTAAACA</u> AGCAATTCGTAATCATGGTCATAGCTGT CATAGCT (>> 6 nts bubble 13 bps 3' from lesion)	57	
13	GGTCGACTCTAGAGGATCAGATCTGGTACCTCTAGACTCGAGGCATGC (>> AFM substrate preparation and bottom strand for BLI and MST)	48	AFM, BLI, MST
14	/Phos/GCATGCCTCG <u>TCAAATCT</u> GGTACCAGATCTGATCCTCTAGAGTC G FCC (>> 8 nts bubble 27 bps 5' from fluorescein lesion)	48	AFM
15	/Phos/GCA F GCTCGAGTCTAGAGGTACCAGATCT <u>CTAAAGTA</u> AGAGTCGACC (>> 8 nts bubble 26 bps 3' from fluorescein lesion)	48	with F lesion
16	/5Phos/GCATGCCTCGTCAAATCTGGTACCAGATCTGATCCTCTAGAT -TC GACC (>> 8 nts bubble 23 bps 5' from CPD lesion)	48	AFM
17	/5Phos/GCATGC T-T CGAGTCTAGAGGTACCAGATCT <u>CTAAAGTA</u> AGA GTCGACC (>> 8 nts bubble 23 bps 3' from CPD lesion)	48	with CPD lesion
18	GCATGCCTCGAGTCTAGAGGTACCAGATCTGATCCTCTAGAGTCGACC	48	EMSA, BLI, MST
19	GCATGCCTCGAGTCTAGACTCT <u>TTCCAT</u> CTGATCCTCTAGAGTCGACC (>> 8 nts bubble, no lesion)	48	
19'	GCATGCCTCGAGTCTAGACTC F TTCCATCTGATCCTCTAGAGTCGACC (>> 8 nts central bubble around fluorescein lesion)	48	
19''	GCATGCCTCGAGTCTAGACTC T-T TCCATCTGATCCTCTAGAGTCGACC (>> 8 nts central bubble around CPD lesion)	48	
20	Dabcyl-GCTATGACCATGATTACGAATTGCTT	26	Helicase assay
21	AGCTACCATGCCTGCACGAATTAAGCAATTCGTAATCATGGTCATAGC-Cy3	48	