

Figure S3. Properties of *s1b* mutant β-globin RNA and PKR- and phospho-eIF2α-dependent splicing of ^{*A*}γ-globin mRNA. (A) The *s1b* mutation abrogates PKR activation and eIF2α phosphorylation. Activation of PKR and phosphorylation of eIF2α in rabbit reticulocyte ribosomal fraction was assayed in the presence of 1.2 and 2 nM 477-nt *wt* or *s1b* β-globin pre-mRNA template. (B) The *s1b* mutation leaves affinity for PKR intact. Uniformly ³²P-labeled 477-nt *wt* β-globin pre-mRNA template (10⁴ cpm) was incubated for 20 min on ice with 250 nM rPKR in splicing buffer and 3 mM MgCl₂, in the absence (-) or presence of the indicated amounts of unlabeled *wt* or *s1b* mutant β-globin pre-mRNA template as competitor. Reaction mixtures (25 µl) were made 10% glycerol and separated on 5% native polyacrylamide gels. Left lane shows free labeled RNA in water. (C) PKRΔ6 blocks splicing of ^{*A*}γ-globin pre-mRNA template. Where indicated, rPKRΔ6 or storage buffer (sb) was added. (D) Activation of PKR by β-globin and ^{*A*}γ-globin pre-mRNA templates. Activation of PKR (68 kDa) in rabbit reticulocyte ribosomal fraction was assayed in the presence of the indicated RNA concentrations. (E) ^{*A*}γ-globin exon 1 RNA activates PKR and induces eIF2α phosphorylation. Activation by 145-nt ^{*A*}γ-globin exon 1 RNA activates PKR and induces eIF2α phosphorylation.

globin exon 1 RNA of PKR and phosphorylation of eIF2 α (38 kDa) was assayed in rabbit reticulocyte ribosomal fraction. (F) α PeIF2 α mAb inhibits splicing of ^A γ -globin pre-mRNA template. In vitro splicing was performed as for Figure 5H, using ^A γ -globin and β -globin pre-mRNA templates, in the absence (-) or presence (+) of anti-phospho-eIF2 α mAb (α PeIF2 α ; 1 µg). Bar graph shows normalized splicing efficiencies.