SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL

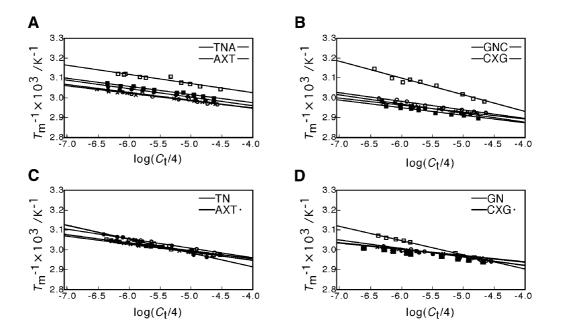


Figure S1. T_m^{-1} versus $\ln(C_t/4)$ plot for determination of the thermodynamic parameters. (A–D) Results for the sequences [1], [2], [3] and [4] in Figure 1, respectively. Data for the duplexes having A–T, A*–A, A*–G, A*–C and A*–T base pair as X–N are shown as curves drawn by cross, open square, filled square, open circle and filled circle, respectively.