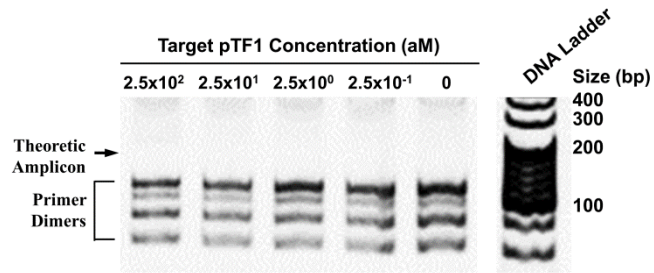


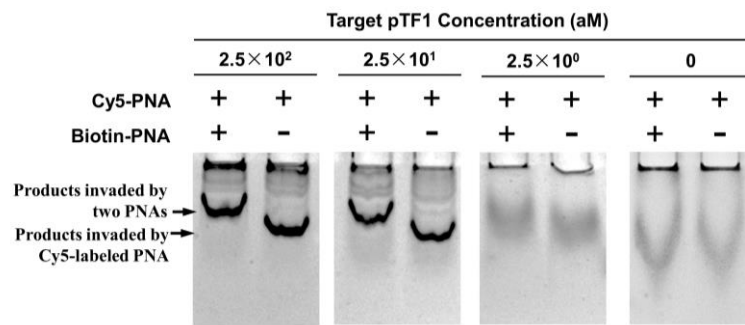
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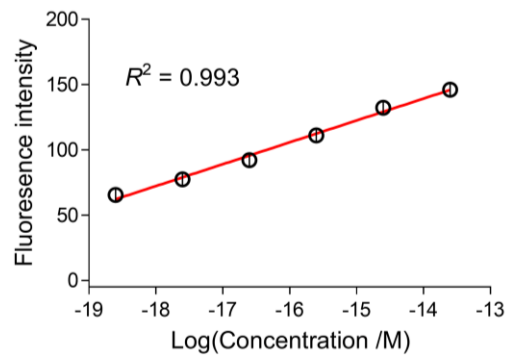
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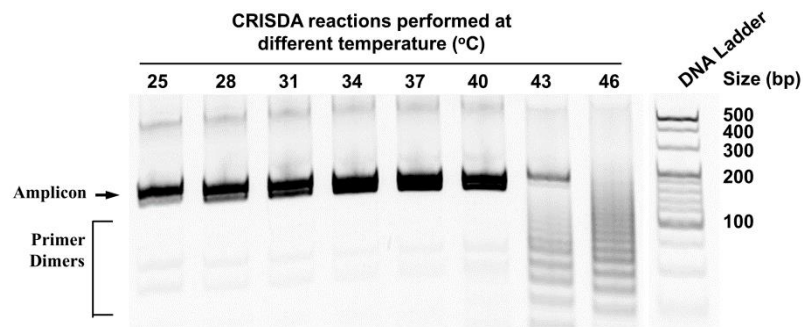
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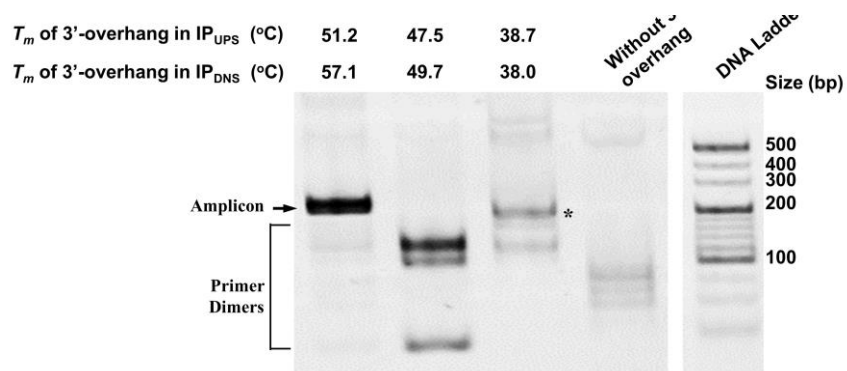
Supplementary Figure 2. Representative PAGE analysis showing that CRISDA detects attomolar pTF1 targets in combination with the PNA. The CRISDA reactions proceed at 37 °C for 90 min and the arrows indicate that PNA-invasion is confirmed by altered migration of Cy5-positive species in 6% native PAGE. Although lanes without target pTF1 also reveal Cy5-positive species, they do not interact with Biotin-labeled PNA and thus are not pulled down and interfere with subsequent fluorescence measurements.



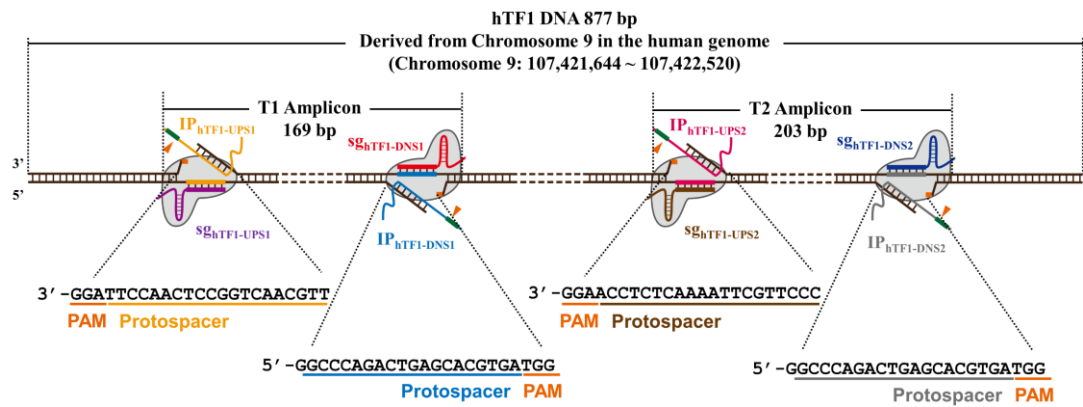
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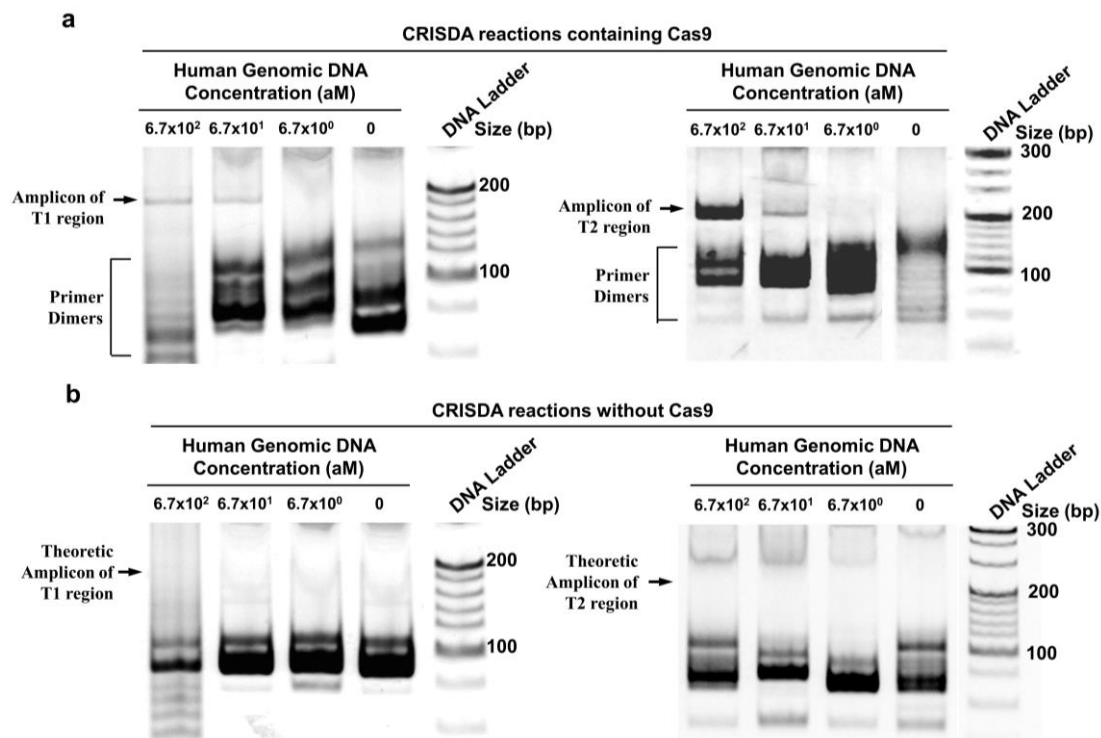
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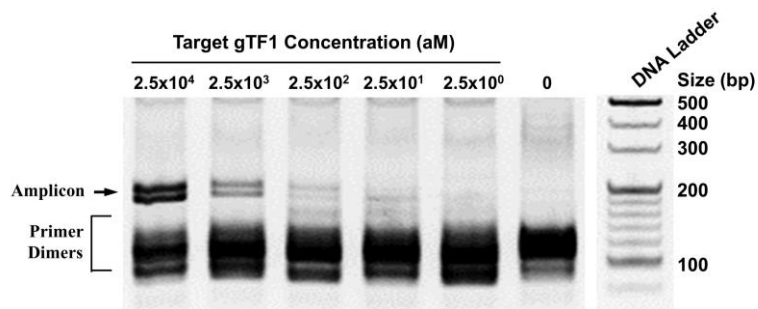
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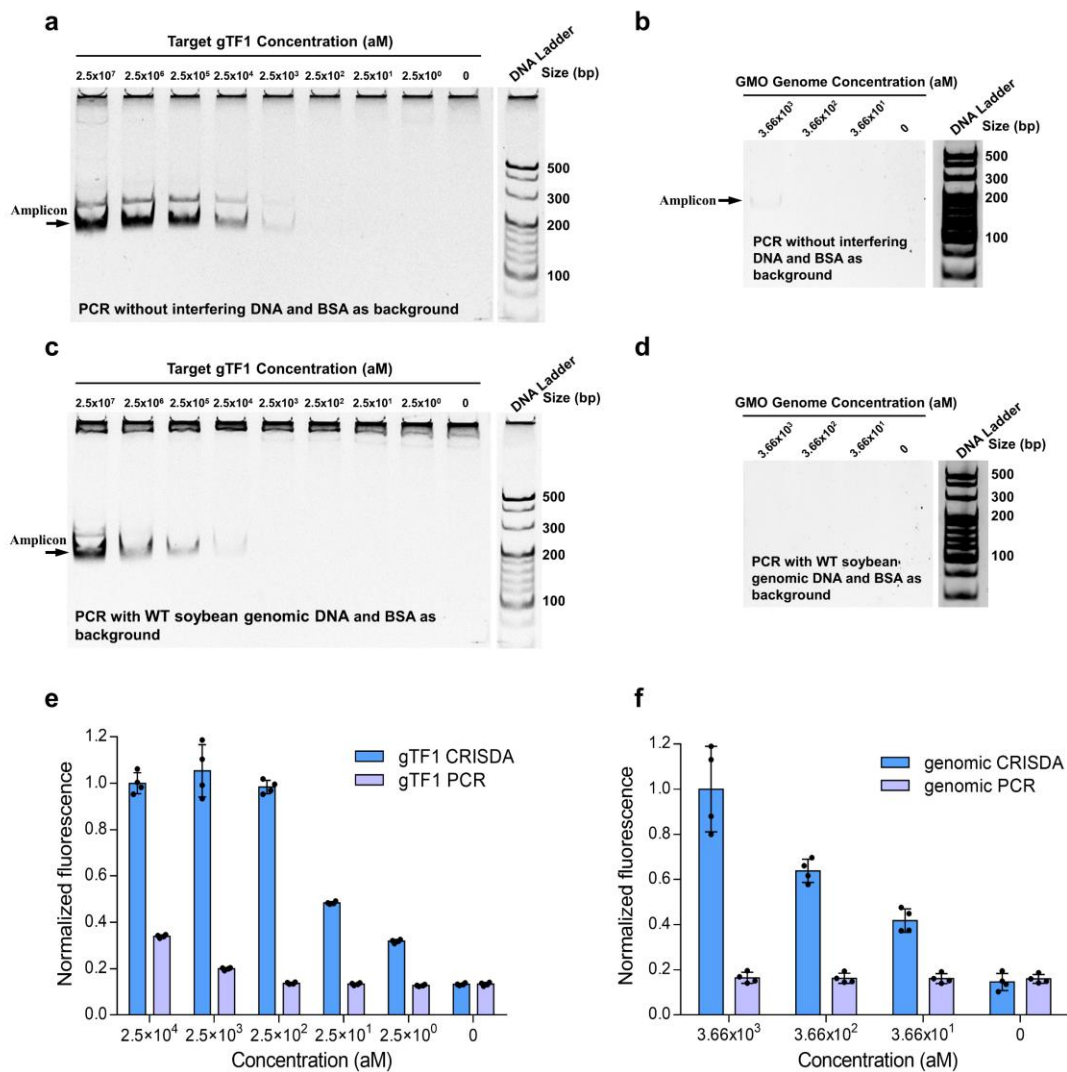
Supplementary Figure 6. Schematic of CRISDA-based DNA amplification and detection towards an 877 bp DNA fragment hTF1. DNA fragment hTF1 is derived from Chromosome 9 in the human genome. Two pairs of sgRNAs ($sg_{hTF1-UPS1/DNS1}$, and $sg_{hTF1-UPS2/DNS2}$) and IP primers ($IP_{hTF1-UPS1/DNS1}$, and $IP_{hTF1-UPS2/DNS2}$) are designed to specifically target and amplify a 169 bp (T1) and 203 bp (T2) region in hTF1, respectively. In genomic CRISDA, the same sgRNAs and IP primer pairs are used to amplify the corresponding T1 and T2 regions in the human genomic DNA extracted from HEK293 cells.



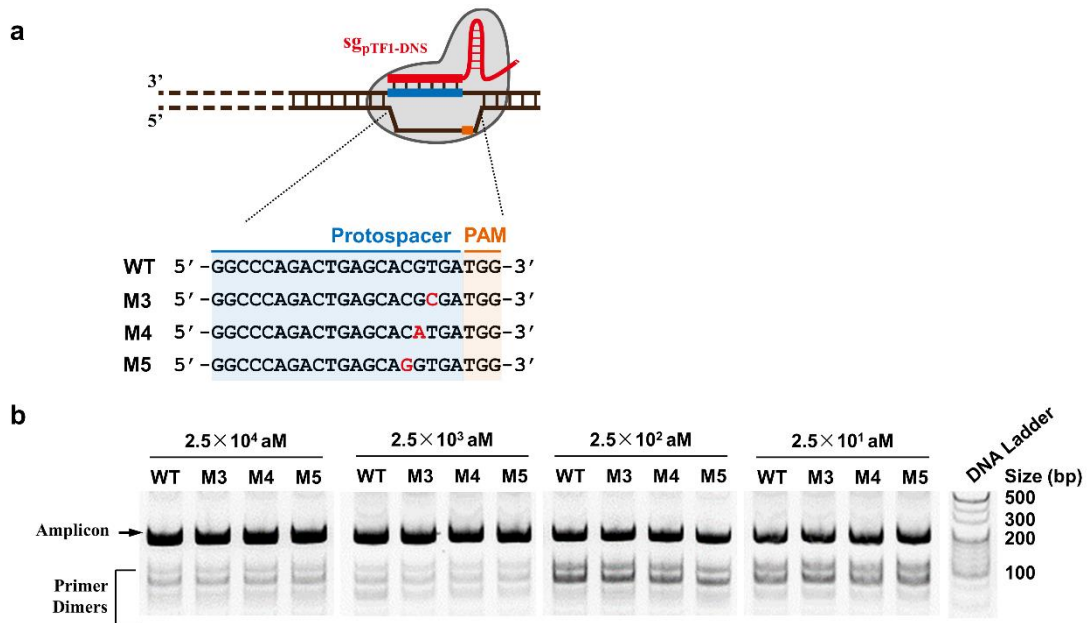
Supplementary Figure 7. PAGE analyses showing Cas9 protein is critical in genomic CRISDA amplification reactions. (a) CRISDA reactions containing Cas9 successfully amplify T1 (the left graph) and T2 (the right graph) from 67 aM human genomic DNA extracted from HEK293 cells. The arrows indicate successful amplification of the targeted amplicons. (b) CRISDA reactions fail to produce any amplicon from human genomic DNA in the absence of Cas9 protein. The arrows indicate the position of theoretic amplicon which is absent from the CRISDA reactions without Cas9.



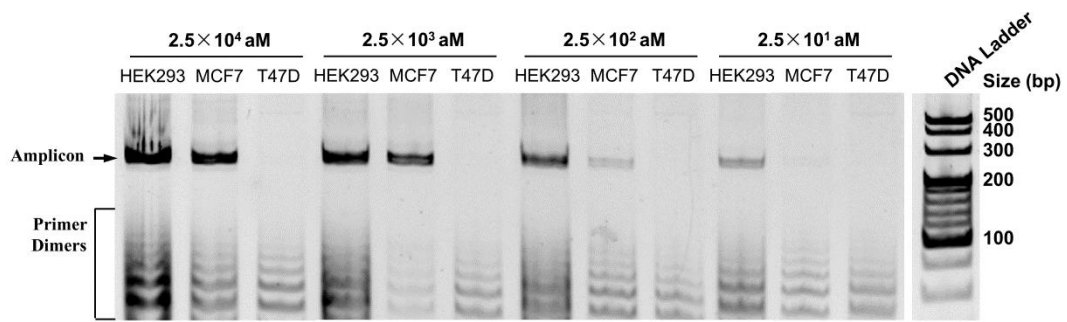
Supplementary Figure 8. PAGE analysis showing CRISDA is capable of highly sensitive amplification of GMO fragments gTF1. gTF1 is PCR amplified from the genome of a genetically-modified soybean, MON87705. The arrow indicates successful amplification of the targeted amplicon.



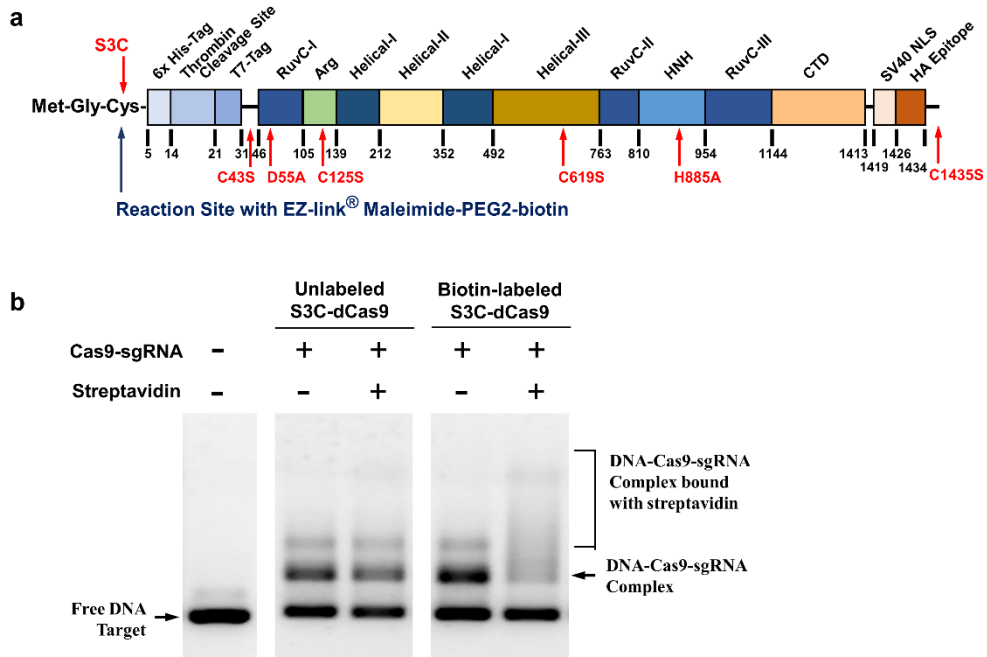
Supplementary Figure 9. PAGE analyses and PNA invasion-mediated endpoint measurements towards products amplified by traditional PCR. PAGE analyses reveal that PCR successfully amplifies (a) 1 ng (25 pM) to 0.1pg (2.5 fM) of target gTF1 and (b) 50 ng (3.66 fM) GMO genomic DNA diluted without background. In the presence of interfering DNA and BSA as background, PCR fails to produce detectable amplicons (c) below 25 fM gTF1 and (d) 3.66 fM GMO genomic DNA as templates. (e) Weak fluorescent signals are observed by the PNA invasion-mediated method from the PCR products containing 25 and 2.5 fM GMO fragment gTF1 as templates. (f) No fluorescence variations are observed from the PCR products using GMO genomic DNA as templates. (Fluorescence signals of CRISDA products are adopted from Fig. 4b and 4c) $n = 4$ technical replicates, two-tailed Student's t test, bars represent mean \pm s.d.



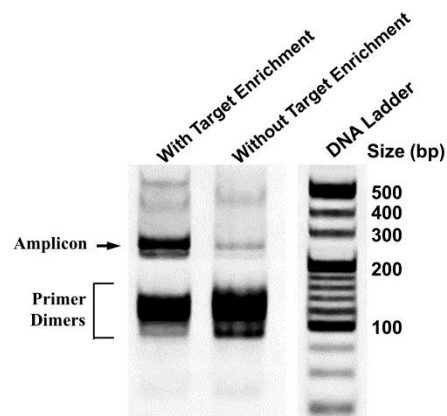
Supplementary Figure 10. CRISDA cannot discriminate single-nucleotide mutations at the +3 ~ +5 sites in the seed sequence. (a) Schematic of wild type pTF1 fragment and various mutants bearing single-nucleotide mutations at the +3 ~ +5 sites in the seed sequences. WT: wild type, M3: +3 mutant, M4: +4 mutant and M5: +5 mutant. (b) PAGE analyses showing that CRISDA cannot discriminate pTF1 fragments with single-nucleotide mutations at the +3 ~ +5 sites in the seed sequence.



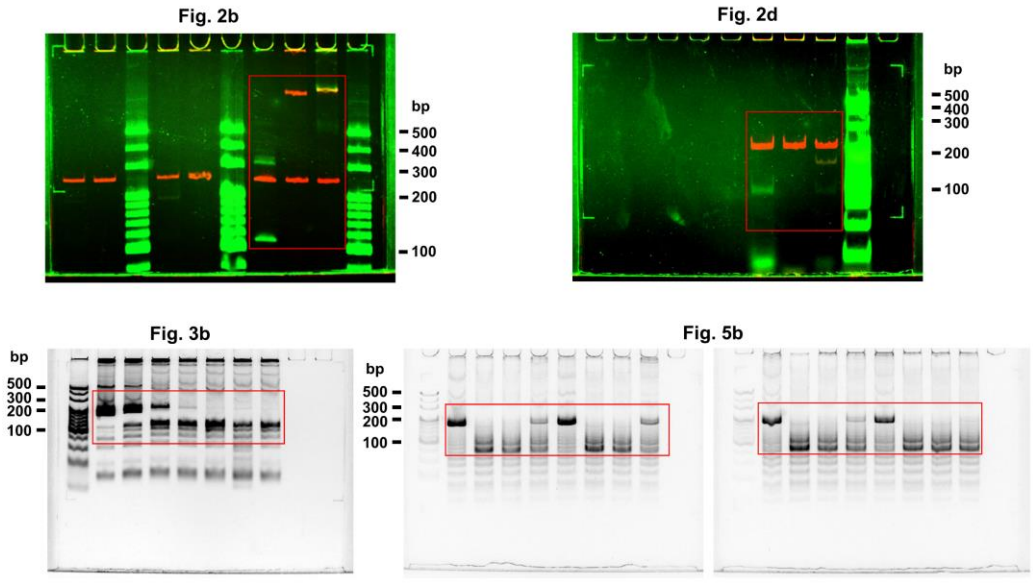
Supplementary Figure 11. PAGE analyses showing that CRISDA discriminates hTF2 fragments with single-nucleotide mutations at the rs3803662 site.



Supplementary Figure 12. Site-specific biotin labeling of S3C-dCas9. (a) To construct a dCas9 protein with single cysteine at the N-terminus, the 3rd Serine in Cas9 from pET-28a/Cas9-Cys plasmid (Addgene: Plasmid #53261) is mutated to Cysteine (S3C) and other Cysteines are mutated to Serine (C43S, C125S, C619S, and C1435S). S3C mutation provides a single reaction site for the EZ-link® Maleimide-PEG2-biotin. dCas9 mutations are also indicated in the domain schematic. (b) Agarose gel electrophoresis revealing successful biotinylation of active S3C-dCas9.



Supplementary Figure 13. Cas9-mediated enrichment of target DNA enhances sensitivity and reliability of CRISDA. The arrow indicates successful amplification of the targeted amplicon. (reactions performed at the hTF1 concentration of 2.5 aM).



Supplementary Figure 14. Uncropped figures of PAGE gels. Cropped regions are indicated with rectangles as appropriate.

Supplementary Table 1. Sequences of Cas9(H840A)-Cys in plasmid pET28a/Cas9(H840A)-Cys

>Cas9(H840A)-Cys

Labels: Cas9(H840A); 6xHis-Tag; Thrombin Cleavage Site; T7-Tag; H885A mutation of Cas9 HNH catalytic residue; SV40 Nuclear Localization Signal; HA Epitope; stop codon (italic)
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Supplementary Table 2. Sequences of S3C-dCas9 in plasmid pET28a/S3C-dCas9

>S3C-dCas9

<p>Labels: Serine to Cysteine Mutation (S3C); Cas9(H840); 6xHis-Tag; Thrombin Cleavage Site; T7-Tag; D55A (D10A) mutation and H885A (H840A) mutation of Cas9 RuvC and HNH catalytic residue; SV40 Nuclear Localization Signal; HA Epitope; Cysteine to Serine mutation (bold); stop codon (italic)</p>
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Supplementary Table 3. Sequences of oligonucleotides used to study the mechanism of CRISDA

Oligo name	Sequence, 5'-3'	Purpose
IP _{pTF1-DNS-Cy3}	Cy3-CGTGCTCAGTCTGGG	IP _{pTF1-DNS-Cy3} is labeled with Cy3 at 5' end and it is used to bind the exposed region of nontarget strand caused by Cas9 and to initiate strand displacement for CRISDA mechanism study.
RV3 _{Cy5}	Cy5-CTAGCAAAATAGGCTGTCCC	pGL3-For/Rev is labeled with Cy5 at 5' end, and the primer pair is used to produce pTF1-Cy5 from the pGL3-100-Target _{WT} vector for CRISDA mechanism study.
GL2 _{Cy5}	Cy5-CTTTATGTTTTTGGCGTCTTCCA	
IP _{pTF1-UPS-47.5}	TAGATCGGTAAGGATAGCGCTGAGGCG AAGTGCAGGTGCCAGAACATTTCTCTA TCGATAGGT	IP _{pTF1-UPS-47.5} and IP _{pTF1-DNS-49.7} primer pair is used to investigate function of the 3' overhang in IP primers where pTF1 fragment is used as the template. The melting temperatures of the 3' overhang in IP _{pTF1-UPS-47.5} and IP _{pTF1-DNS-49.7} are 47.5 and 49.7 °C, respectively.
IP _{pTF1-DNS-49.7}	TAGATCGGTAAGGATAGCGCTGAGGAC GTGCTCAGTCTGGGCCTCGAGCCCGG	
IP _{pTF1-UPS-38.7}	TAGATCGGTAAGGATAGCGCTGAGGCG AAGTGCAGGTGCCAGAACATTTCTCTA TCGA	IP _{pTF1-UPS-38.7} and IP _{pTF1-DNS-38} primer pair is used to investigate function of the 3' overhang in IP primers where pTF1 fragment is used as the template. The melting temperatures of the 3' overhang in IP _{pTF1-UPS-38.7} and IP _{pTF1-DNS-38} are 38.7 and 38.0 °C, respectively.
IP _{pTF1-DNS-38}	TAGATCGGTAAGGATAGCGCTGAGGAC GTGCTCAGTCTGGGCCTCGAGCCCG	

Supplementary Table 4. Sequences of DNA oligonucleotides for generating CRISDA templates in study

Oligo name	Sequence, 5'-3'	Purpose
pTF1-For	TACGGGAGGTACTTGGAGC	pTF1-For/Rev primer pair is used to amplify the partial sequence of the pGL3-100-Target _{WT} vector and mutated plasmids to produce the pTF1 fragment and mutated fragments for CRISDA detection.
pTF1-Rev	TATGCAGTTGCTCTCCAGCG	
hTF1-For	ACTGCAGGTGCAAAGGCCCG	hTF1-For/ Rev primer pair is used to amplify the partial sequence from the human genome to produce the hTF1 fragment for CRISDA detection.
hTF1-Rev	TGAGGCTGGCCCCCTCCAGG	
hTF2-For	TAGTCCTGGCTGTTCTGTGAT	hTF2-For/ Rev primer pair is used to amplify the partial sequence from the human genome to produce hTF2 fragment for CRISDA detection.
hTF2-Rev	TTGTATGTTGCCTGCCTGTTT	
gTF1-For	AGCGAATTACAACCA	gTF1-For/ Rev primer pair is used to amplify the partial sequence from the MON87705 genome to produce the gTF1 fragment for CRISDA detection.
gTF1-Rev	TTCAAAGATGCCCACTAAC	

Supplementary Table 5. Sequences of DNA oligonucleotides for constructing different pDR274-sgRNA expression plasmids

Oligo name	Sequence, 5'-3'	Purpose
pTF1-DNS-sgFor	TAGGGGCCCAGACTGAGCACGTGA	Annealed products of the two oligos are ligated with BsaI digested pDR274 to construct the derived plasmid for <i>in vitro</i> transcription of sgRNA sg _{pTF1-DNS} .
pTF1-DNS-sgRev	AAACTCACGTGCTCAGTCTGGGCC	
pTF1-UPS-sgFor	TAGGTCTGGCACCTGCACTTGAC	Annealed products of the two oligos are ligated with BsaI digested pDR274 to construct the derived plasmid for <i>in vitro</i> transcription of sgRNA sg _{pTF1-UPS} .
pTF1-UPS-sgRev	AAACGTGCAAGTGCAGGTGCCAGA	
hTF1-DNS-sgFor1	TAGGCTTGTAGCTACGCCTGTGAT	Annealed products of the two oligos are ligated with BsaI digested pDR274 to construct the derived plasmid for <i>in vitro</i> transcription of sgRNA sg _{hTF1-DNS1} .
hTF1-DNS-sgRev1	AAACATCACAGGCGTAGCTACAAG	
hTF1-UPS-sgFor1	TAGGTTGCAACTGGCCTCAACCTT	Annealed products of the two oligos were ligated with BsaI digested pDR274 to construct derived plasmid for further study of generating sg _{hTF1-UPS1} .
hTF1-UPS-sgRev1	AAACAAGGTTGAGGCCAGTTGCAA	
hTF1-DNS-sgFor2	TAGGGGCCCAGACTGAGCACGTGA	Annealed products of the two oligos are ligated with BsaI digested pDR274 to construct the derived plasmid for <i>in vitro</i> transcription of sgRNA sg _{hTF1-DNS2} .
hTF1-DNS-sgRev2	AAACTCACGTGCTCAGTCTGGGCC	
hTF1-UPS-sgFor2	TAGGCCCTTGCTTAAACTCTCCA	Annealed products of the two oligos are ligated with BsaI digested pDR274 to construct the derived plasmid for <i>in vitro</i> transcription of sgRNA sg _{hTF1-UPS2} .
hTF1-UPS-sgRev2	AAACTGGAGAGTTTTAAGCAAGGG	
hTF2-DNS-sgFor	TAGGAACTACCCAGTATTTGTTTC	Annealed products of the two oligos are ligated with BsaI digested pDR274 to construct the derived plasmid for <i>in vitro</i> transcription of sgRNA sg _{hTF2-DNS} .
hTF2-DNS-sgRev	AAACGAAACAAATACTGGGTAGTT	
hTF2-UPS-sgFor	TAGGCACAGTTTTATTCTTCGCTA	Annealed products of the two oligos are ligated with BsaI digested pDR274 to construct the derived plasmid for <i>in vitro</i> transcription of sgRNA sg _{hTF2-UPS} .
hTF2-UPS-sgRev	AAACTAGCGAAGAATAAAACTGTG	
gTF1-DNS-sgFor	TAGGTACGATCCGTCGTATTTATA	Annealed products of the two oligos are ligated with BsaI digested pDR274 to construct the derived plasmid for <i>in vitro</i> transcription of sgRNA sg _{gTF1-DNS} .
gTF1-DNS-sgRev	AAACTATAAATACGACGGATCGTA	
gTF1-UPS-sgFor	TAGGTTAGTGATTTCTCCCTTTAT	Annealed products of the two oligos are ligated with BsaI digested pDR274 to construct the derived plasmid for <i>in vitro</i> transcription of sgRNA sg _{gTF1-UPS} .
gTF1-UPS-sgRev	AAACATAAAGGGAGAAATCACTAA	

Supplementary Table 6. Sequences of initiating primer (IP) pairs to trigger exponential amplification in CRISDA reactions

Oligo name	Sequence, 5'-3'	Purpose
IP _{pTF1-UPS}	TAGATCGGTAAGGATAGCGCTGAGG GCAAGTGCAGGTGCCAGAACATTTCTCTATCGATAGGTACC	IP _{pTF1-UPS/DNS} primer pair is used for amplification in the CRISDA reaction where pTF1 fragment and its mutated fragments are used as templates.
IP _{pTF1-DNS}	TAGATCGGTAAGGATAGCGCTGAGG ACGTGCTCAGTCTGGGCTCGAGCC CGGGCTAG	
IP _{hTF1-UPS1}	TAGATCGGTAAGGATAGCGCTGAGG GGTTGAGGCCAGTTGCCAAAGACAAT TGACATGTTACATTTTG	IP _{hTF1-UPS1/DNS} primer pair is used for amplification in the CRISDA reaction where hTF1 fragment is used as the template.
IP _{hTF1-DNS1}	TAGATCGGTAAGGATAGCGCTGAGG CACAGGCGTAGCTACAAGATTAGTT TTGAGACTCTCATTCTA	
IP _{hTF1-UPS2}	TAGATCGGTAAGGATAGCGCTGAGG GAGAGTTTTAAGCAAGGGCTGATGT GGGCTGCCTAGA	IP _{hTF1-UPS2/DNS2} primer pair is used for amplification in the CRISDA reaction where hTF1 fragment is used as the template.
IP _{hTF1-DNS2}	TAGATCGGTAAGGATAGCGCTGAGG ACGTGCTCAGTCTGGGCCCCAAGGA TTGACCCAGGC	
IP _{hTF2-UPS}	TAGATCGGTAAGGATAGCGCTGAGG ACGAAGAATAAACTGTGGGACTG ACCCCCACCCAT	IP _{hTF2-UPS/DNS} primer pair is used for amplification in the CRISDA reaction where hTF2 fragment is used as the template.
IP _{hTF2-DNS}	TAGATCGGTAAGGATAGCGCTGAGG AACAAATACTGGGTAGTTATTATTT TGCTTAAGTGAAAAACA	
IP _{gTF1-UPS}	TAGATCGGTAAGGATAGCGCTGAGG AAAGGGAGAAATCACTAAGTTTGTG GTTTCAGTCCGG	IP _{gTF1-UPS/DNS} primer pair is used for amplification in the CRISDA reaction where gTF1 fragment is used as the template.
IP _{gTF1-DNS}	TAGATCGGTAAGGATAGCGCTGAGG AAATACGACGGATCGTAATTTGTCTG TTTTATCAAATGTA	

Supplementary Table 7. Sequences of PCR primer pair to compare the performance between CRISDA and PCR

Oligo name	Sequence, 5'-3'	Purpose
GMO-For	CCAATAAAGGGAGAAATCACTAA	GMO-For/Rev primer pair is used in PCR reactions to amplify fragments from gTF1 fragment and MON87705 genome, in order to compare the performance between CRISDA and PCR.
GMO-Rev	CCTATAAATACGACGGATCGTAA	

Supplementary Table 8. Sequences of oligonucleotides for generating pGL3-100-Target_{WT} vector and its mutants

Oligo name	Sequence, 5'-3'	Purpose
pGL3-100-For	GTCTGCCTAAAGGTGTCGCT	A Luciferase coding region is amplified from pGL-3 plasmid by the two oligos and inserted in SacI and NheI digested pGL-3 Vector to generate the pGL3-100 vector.
pGL3-100-Rev	CGCAGTATCCGGAATGATTTGA	
pTF1 _{WT} -For	TCGAGGCCCCAGACTGAGCACGTGATGG	Annealed products of the two oligos are ligated with the pGL3-100 vector digested by XhoI and HindIII to construct mutated plasmid at PAM sequence (pGL3-100-Target _{WT}), used to produce templates for testing specificity of CRISDA.
pTF1 _{WT} -Rev	AGCTCCATCACGTGCTCAGTCTGGGCC	
pTF1 _{MP} -For	TCGAGGCCCCAGACTGAGCACGTGATTG	Annealed products of the two oligos are ligated with the pGL3-100 vector digested by XhoI and HindIII to construct mutated plasmid at PAM sequence (pGL3-100-Target _{MP}), used to produce templates for testing specificity of CRISDA.
pTF1 _{MP} -Rev	AGCTCAATCACGTGCTCAGTCTGGGCC	
pTF1 _{M1} -For	TCGAGGCCCCAGACTGAGCACGTGCTGG	Annealed products of the two oligos are ligated with the pGL3-100 vector digested by XhoI and HindIII to construct mutated plasmid at the first nucleotide close to PAM end (pGL3-100-Target _{M1}), used to produce templates for testing specificity of CRISDA.
pTF1 _{M1} -Rev	AGCTCCAGCACGTGCTCAGTCTGGGCC	
pTF1 _{M2} -For	TCGAGGCCCCAGACTGAGCACGTAATGG	Annealed products of the two oligos are ligated with the pGL3-100 vector digested by XhoI and HindIII to construct mutated plasmid at the second nucleotide close to PAM end (pGL3-100-Target _{M2}), used to produce templates for testing specificity of CRISDA.
pTF1 _{M2} -Rev	AGCTCCATTACGTGCTCAGTCTGGGCC	
pTF1 _{M3} -For	TCGAGGCCCCAGACTGAGCACGCGATGG	Annealed products of the two oligos are ligated with the pGL3-100 vector digested by XhoI and HindIII to construct mutated plasmid at the third nucleotide close to PAM end (pGL3-100-Target _{M3}), used to produce templates for testing specificity of CRISDA.
pTF1 _{M3} -Rev	AGCTCCATCGCGTGCTCAGTCTGGGCC	
pTF1 _{M4} -For	TCGAGGCCCCAGACTGAGCACATGATGG	Annealed products of the two oligos are ligated with the pGL3-100 vector digested by XhoI and HindIII to construct mutated plasmid at the fourth nucleotide close to PAM end (pGL3-100-Target _{M4}), used to produce templates for testing specificity of CRISDA.
pTF1 _{M4} -Rev	AGCTCCATCATGTGCTCAGTCTGGGCC	
pTF1 _{M5} -For	TCGAGGCCCCAGACTGAGCAGGTGATGG	Annealed products of the two oligos are ligated with the pGL3-100 vector digested by XhoI and HindIII to construct mutated plasmid at the fifth nucleotide close to PAM end (pGL3-100-Target _{M5}), used for producing templates testing specificity of CRISDA.
pTF1 _{M5} -Rev	AGCTCCATCACCTGCTCAGTCTGGGCC	

Supplementary Table 9. PNAs used in the study for endpoint measurements

PNA name	Sequence, N to C terminal	Purpose
PNA _{pTF1} -Cy5	Cy5-GCCTAAAGGTGTCGCTCTG	PNA _{pTF1} -biotin/Cy5 are used to invade CRISDA products generated by the IP _{pTF1-UPS/DNS} primer pair from pTF1 fragment and its mutated fragments for separating specific product from non-specific products
PNA _{pTF1} -biotin	TGGCAATCAAATCATTCCG-biotin	
PNA _{hTF1-UPS1/DNS1} -Cy5	Cy5-CTTGACGGCTTTCTTGT	PNA _{hTF1-UPS1/DNS1} -biotin/Cy5 are used to invade CRISDA products generated by IP _{hTF1-UPS1/DNS1} primer pair from hTF1 fragment for separating specific product from non-specific products
PNA _{hTF1-UPS1/DNS1} -biotin	CAGTTTTGGAGGATGTA-biotin	
PNA _{hTF1-UPS2/DNS2} -Cy5	Cy5-TATTTCTGCTGCAAGTAAG	PNA _{hTF1-UPS2/DNS2} -biotin/Cy5 are used to invade CRISDA products generated by IP _{hTF1-UPS2/DNS2} primer pair from hTF1 fragment for separating specific product from non-specific products
PNA _{hTF1-UPS2/DNS2} -biotin	TTCTGCTTCTCCAGCCCTG-biotin	
PNA _{hTF2} -Cy5	Cy5-ACTGGGTCTTCAGCTTTCA	PNA _{hTF2} -biotin/Cy5 are used to invade CRISDA products generated by IP _{pTF2-UPS/DNS} primer pair from hTF2 fragment for separating specific product from non-specific products
PNA _{hTF2} -biotin	GTCAGCCGGTGGTCTTT-biotin	
PNA _{gTF1} -Cy5	Cy5-GAGTATGATGGTCAATATGG	PNA _{gTF1} -biotin/Cy5 are used to invade CRISDA products generated by IP _{gTF1-UPS/DNS} primer pair from gTF1 fragment for separating specific product from non-specific products
PNA _{gTF1} -biotin	TGTAGATGTCCGCAGCGTTAT-biotin	

Supplementary Table 10. Summary of sgRNAs applied to detect regions in the human genome in this study

sgRNA Name	Sequence in the guide region (5' ~ 3')	Distance between sg ^{UPS} and sg ^{DNS}	sgRNA performance analyzed by CRISPR Design (V1)*	
			Score	Number of potential off-target sites in the human genome
sg ^{hTF1} -DNS1	CUUGUAGCUACGCCUGUGAU	169 bp	85	60
sg ^{hTF1} -UPS1	UUGCAACUGGCCUCAACCUU		77	148
sg ^{hTF1} -DNS2	GGCCAGACUGAGCACGUGA	203 bp	65	275
sg ^{hTF1} -UPS2	CCCUUGC U UAAAACUCUCCA		55	312
sg ^{hTF2} -DNS	AACUACCCAGUAUUUGUUUC	194 bp	63	243
sg ^{hTF2} -UPS	CACAGUUUUAUUCUUCGCUA		74	205

* sequences are analyzed by an online tool, CRISPR Design (V1, Zhang's Lab, MIT, 2013), at: <http://crispr.mit.edu/>.

Supplementary Table 11. The GC-content and melting temperature of the middle region in IP primers used in this study.

IP Primer Name	The middle hybridization region complementary to the exposed nontarget strand	
	GC content	T_m
IP _{pTF1} -UPS	62.5%	54 °C
IP _{pTF1} -DNS	68.8%	56.2 °C
IP _{hTF1} -UPS1	56.2 %	52.8 °C
IP _{hTF1} -DNS1	50.0 %	50.0 °C
IP _{hTF1} -UPS2	37.5 %	42.6 °C
IP _{hTF1} -DNS2	68.8 %	56.2 °C
IP _{hTF2} -UPS	31.2 %	39.8 °C
IP _{hTF2} -DNS	37.5 %	42.9 °C
IP _{gTF1} -UPS	37.5 %	42.6 °C
IP _{gTF1} -DNS	43.8 %	46.2 °C