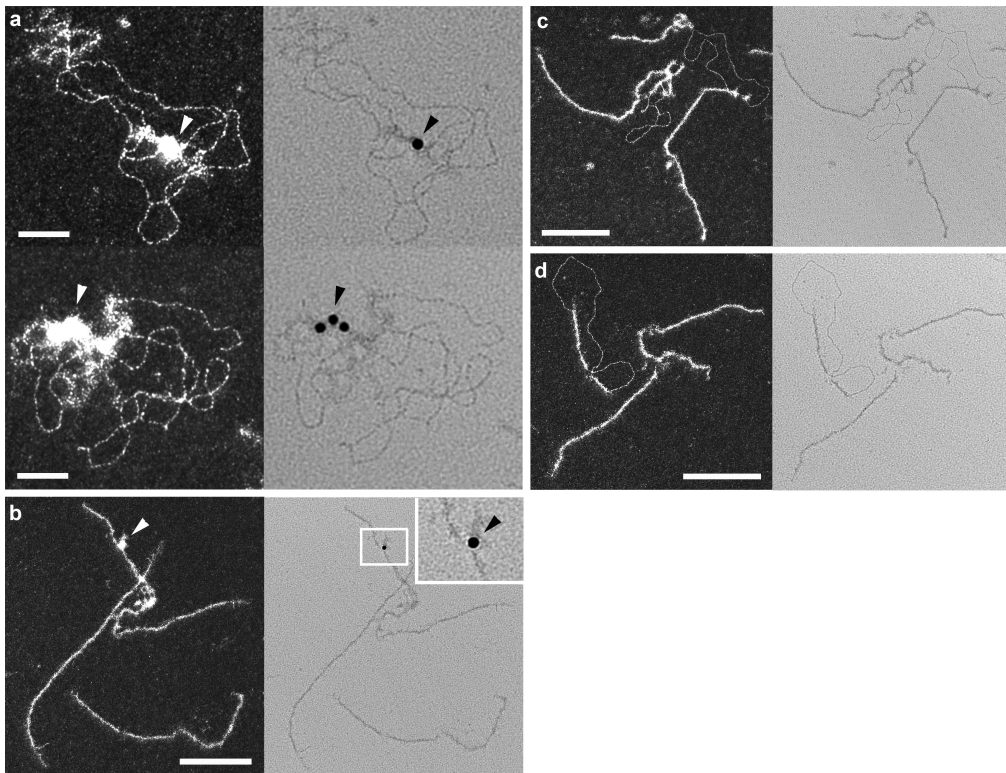


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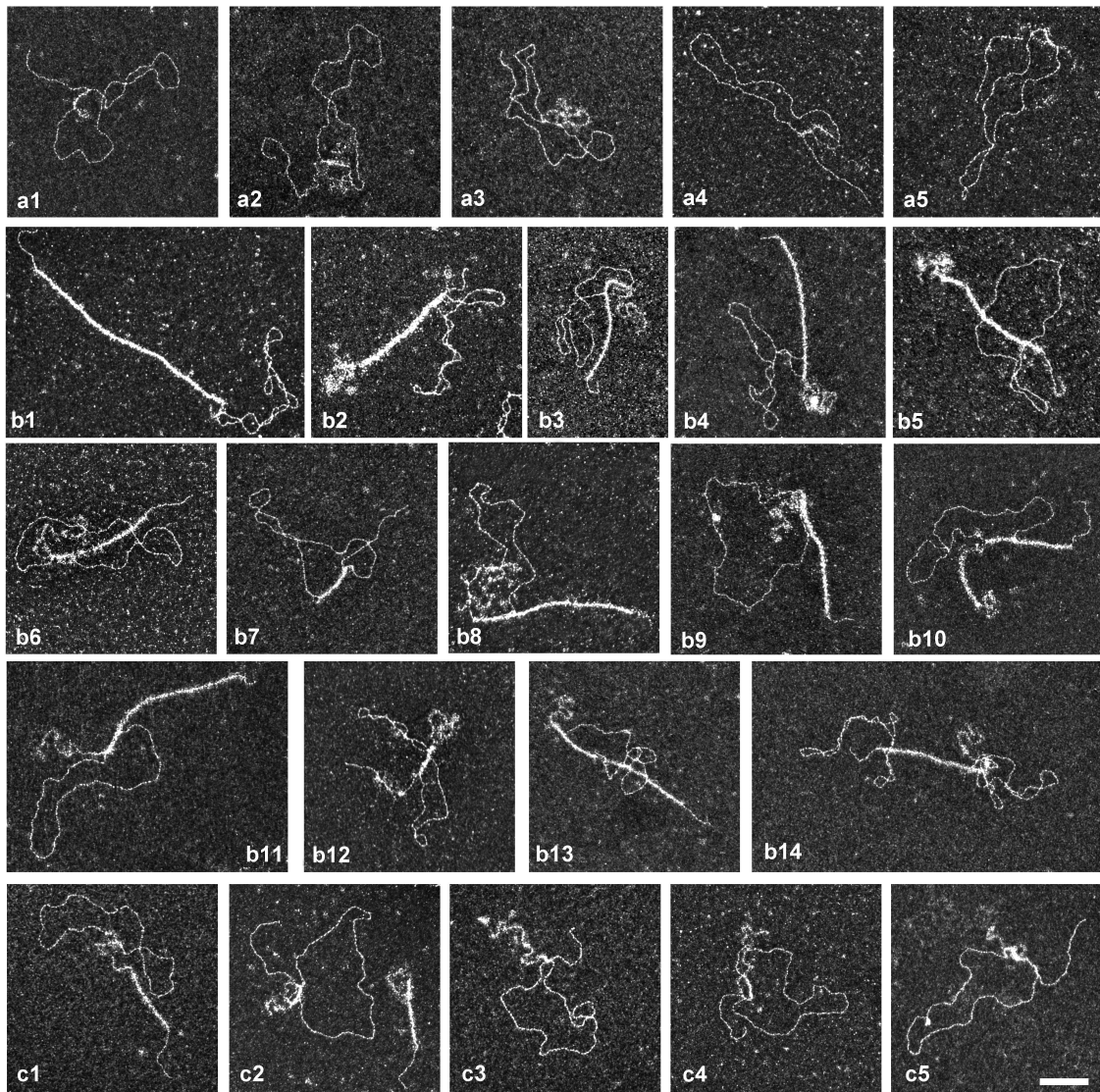
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Name	sequence
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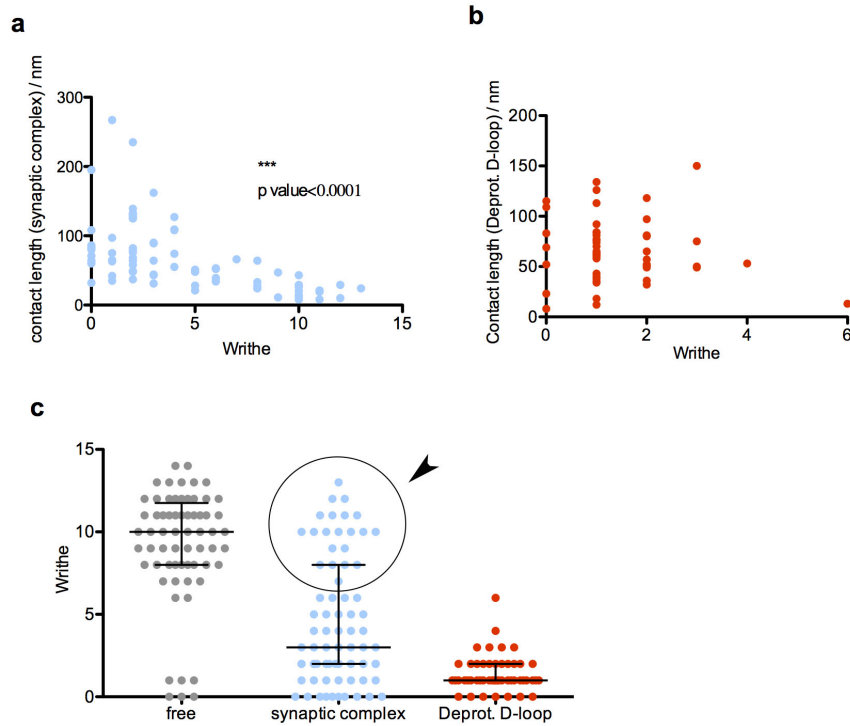
Supplementary Table 1: oligonucleotides used in the study



Supplementary Figure 1. EM representative views of Rad54 immunodetection during D-loop reaction: a) Rad54 is detected in the contact zone of joint molecules (scale bars: 50 nm); b) Rad54 is detected inside the Rad51 nucleofilament (scale bar: 200 nm); c) Control experiment using a primary antibody directed against yeast Srs2. No gold beads are detected demonstrating the specificity of the labeling (scale bar 200 nm); d) Reaction in absence of Rad54, no immunolabeling is shown (scale bar 200 nm). N = 2. Source data are provided as a Source Data file.



Supplementary Figure 2. Picture gallery of joint molecules generated during D-loop *in vitro* assay with Rad51 and Rad54 observed by EM: a) D-loops from deproteinized samples (see **Fig. 1**); b) synaptic complexes and c) D-loops from DNA-protein samples (see **Fig. 2**); and d) D-loops with visibly displaced strand. White bar represents 100 nm. Source data are provided as a Source Data file.



Supplementary Figure 3. (a) Relationship between synaptic complexes contact length and the absolute writhe (number of times the DNA double helix crosses itself). (b) Relationship between deproteinized D-loops contact length (heteroduplex) and the absolute writhe. (c) Distribution of the absolute writhe in the free DNA donor, synaptic complexes and deproteinized D-loops. Graphs show median with interquartile range, free donor (n=64), synaptic complexes (n=76), deproteinized D-loops (n=49), from three independent replicates. The round with the arrow points out a subpopulation of synaptic complex molecules without any change in the writhe number. For (a) and (b), a Spearman correlation test was applied, in which (a) shows a significant correlation (***), whereas (b) does not. Source data are provided as a Source Data file.