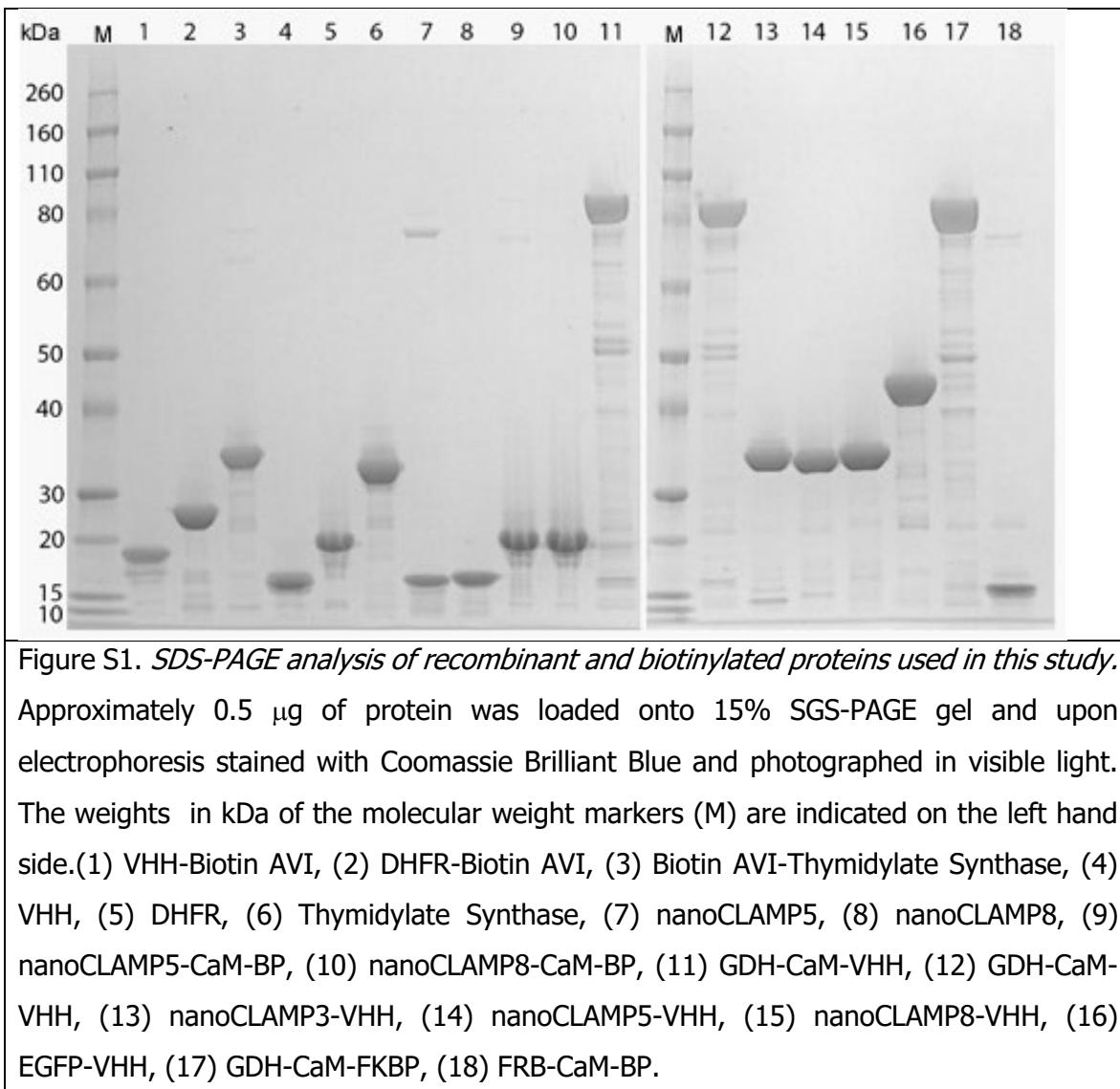
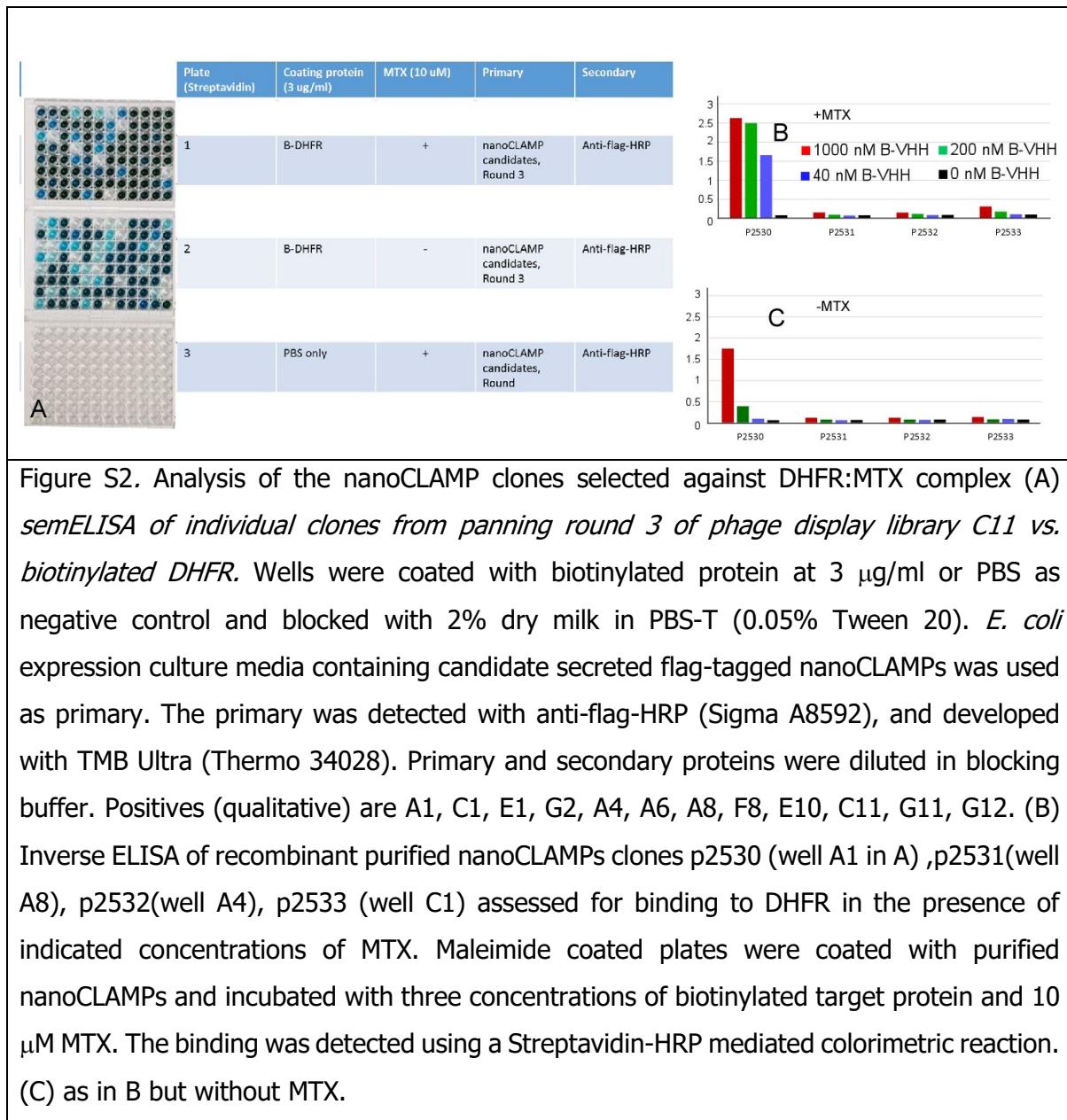


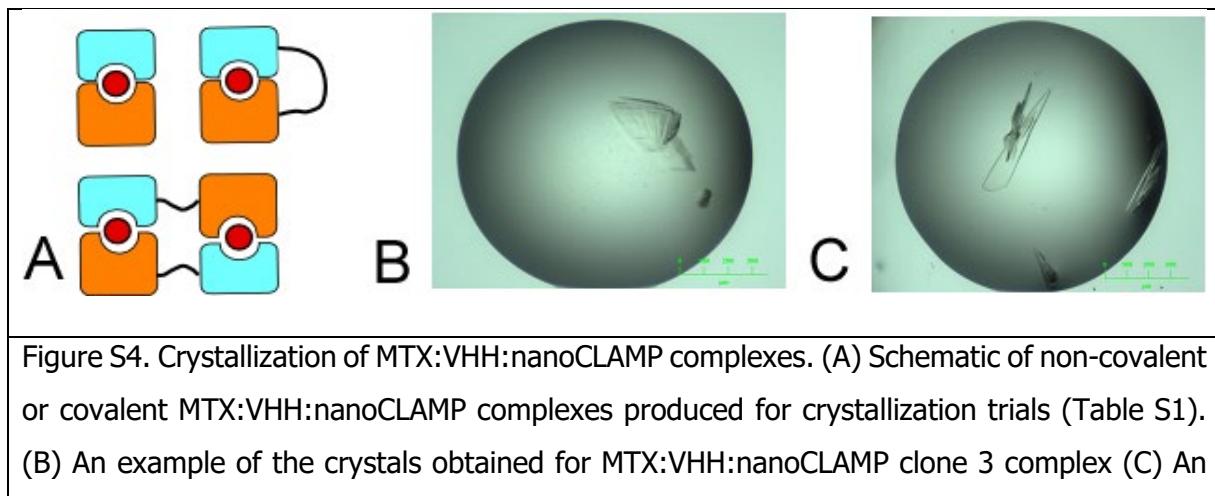
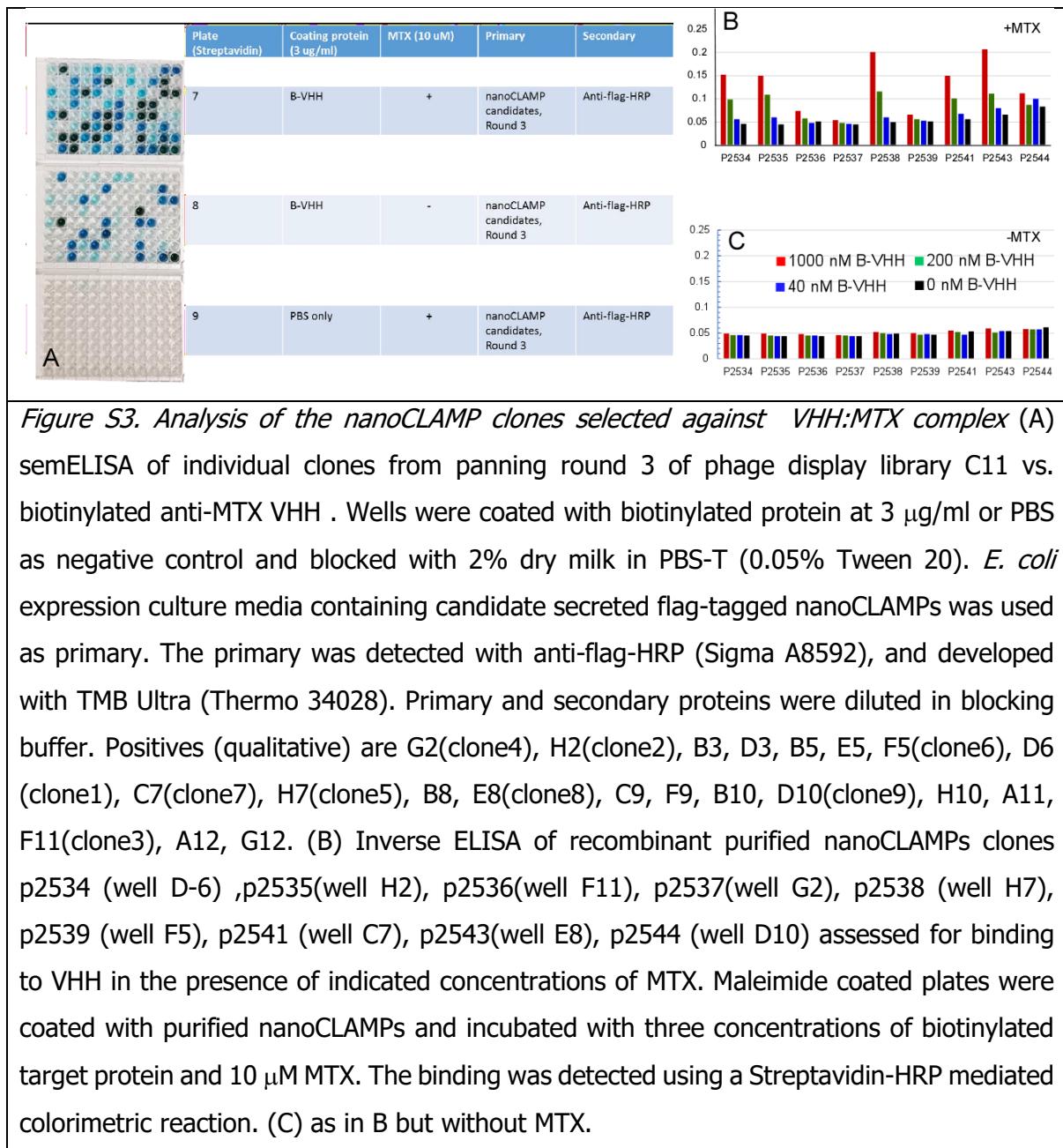
## Supplementary Information

### Design of a methotrexate-controlled chemical dimerization system and its use in bio-electronic devices

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example of the crystals obtained for MTX:VHH:nanoCLAMP clone 8 complex. The pictures were taken once.

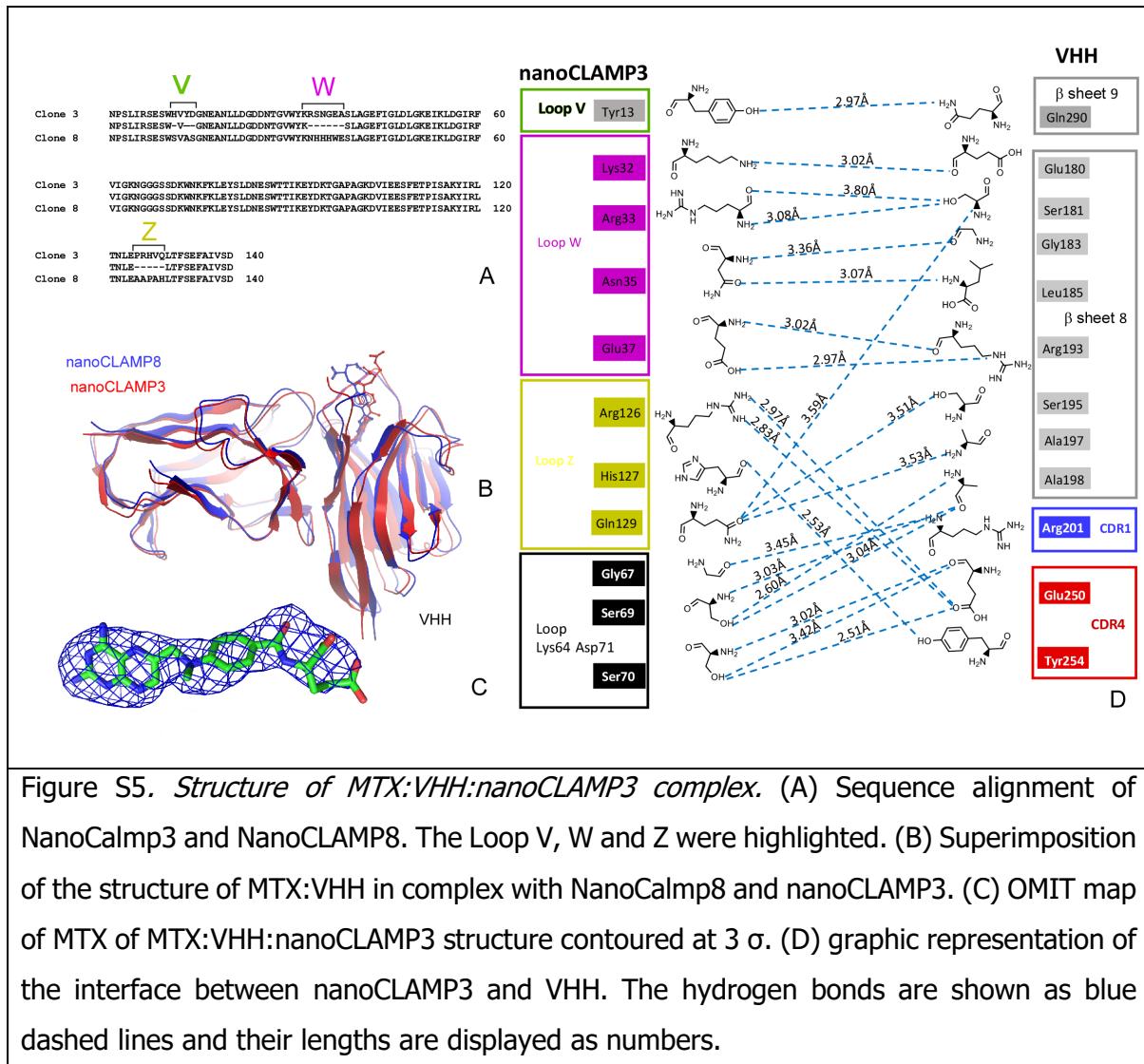
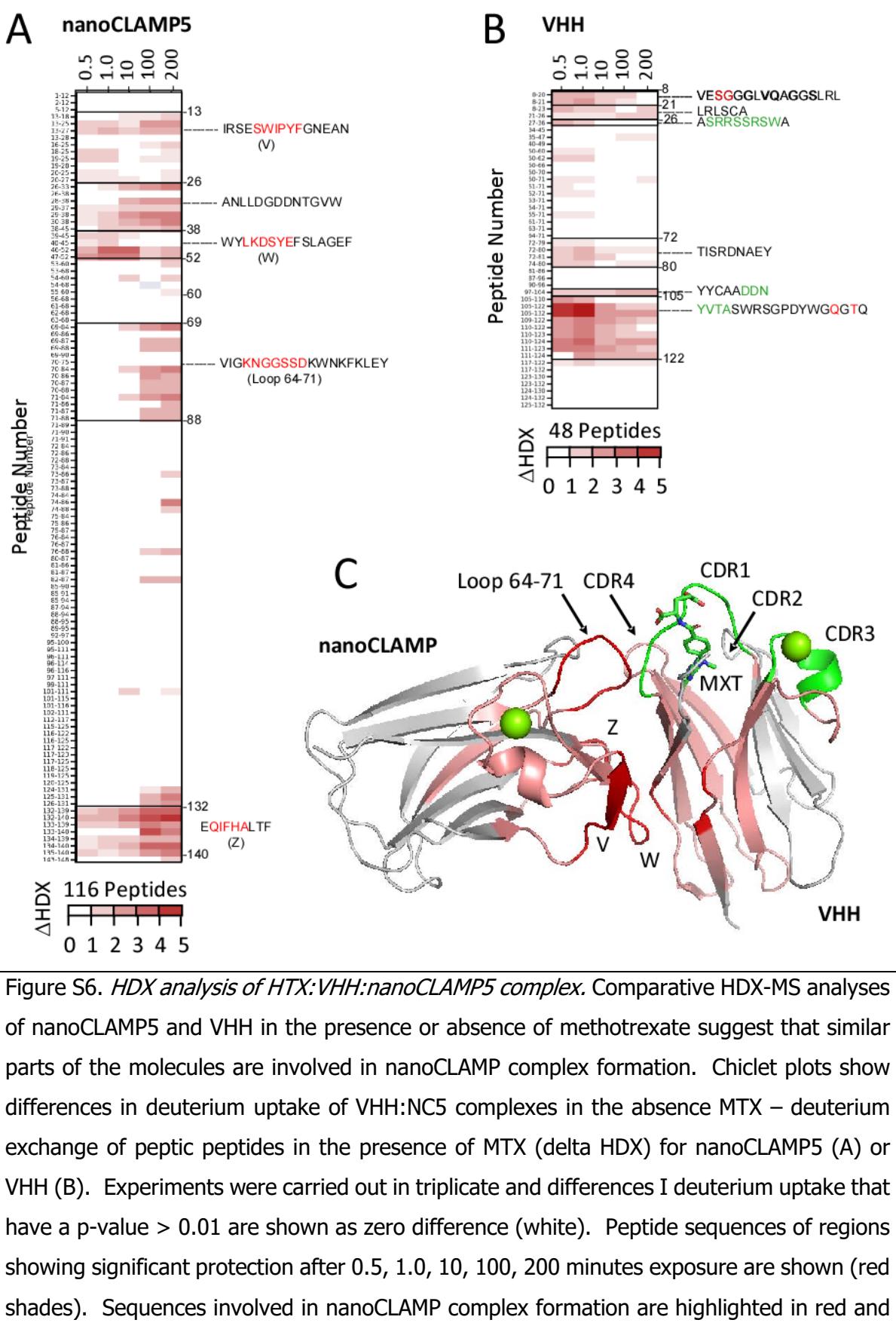


Figure S5. *Structure of MTX:VHH:nanoCLAMP3 complex.* (A) Sequence alignment of NanoCalmp3 and NanoCLAMP8. The Loop V, W and Z were highlighted. (B) Superimposition of the structure of MTX:VHH in complex with NanoCalmp8 and nanoCLAMP3. (C) OMIT map of MTX of MTX:VHH:nanoCLAMP3 structure contoured at 3  $\sigma$ . (D) graphic representation of the interface between nanoCLAMP3 and VHH. The hydrogen bonds are shown as blue dashed lines and their lengths are displayed as numbers.



**Figure S6. HDX analysis of HTX:VHH:nanoCLAMP5 complex.** Comparative HDX-MS analyses of nanoCLAMP5 and VHH in the presence or absence of methotrexate suggest that similar parts of the molecules are involved in nanoCLAMP complex formation. Chiclet plots show differences in deuterium uptake of VHH:NC5 complexes in the absence MTX – deuterium exchange of peptic peptides in the presence of MTX (delta HDX) for nanoCLAMP5 (A) or VHH (B). Experiments were carried out in triplicate and differences I deuterium uptake that have a p-value > 0.01 are shown as zero difference (white). Peptide sequences of regions showing significant protection after 0.5, 1.0, 10, 100, 200 minutes exposure are shown (red shades). Sequences involved in nanoCLAMP complex formation are highlighted in red and

mapped onto the X-ray crystal structure of MTX:VHH:nanoCLAMP8 (C). CDR sequences involved in MTX ligand binding are highlighted in green.

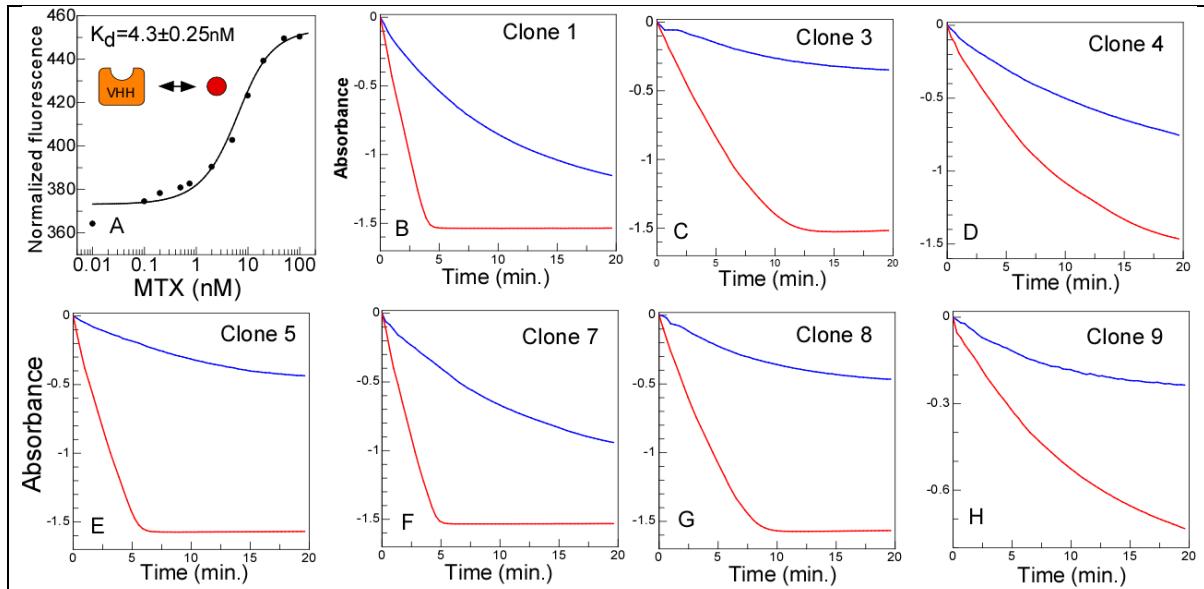


Figure S7. Interaction analysis of VHH and anti-MTX nanoCLAMP and activity analysis of two component MTX biosensors based on nanoCLAMP:VHH CID system. (A) MST titration of 10 nM of EGFP-VHH with increasing concentrations of MTX leading to a  $K_d$  fit of  $4.3 \pm 0.25 \text{ nM}$ . (B-F) Time resolved changes in absorbance of DCPIP as a measure of GDH enzymatic GDH activity of 10 nM VHH-GDH-CaM and 100 nM nanoCLAMP-CaM-BP fusion proteins (clone 1-9) was measured in the presence and in the absence of 1  $\mu\text{M}$  MTX in the buffer containing 20 mM Tris-HCl, pH 7.2, 100 mM NaCl, 1 mM  $\text{CaCl}_2$ .

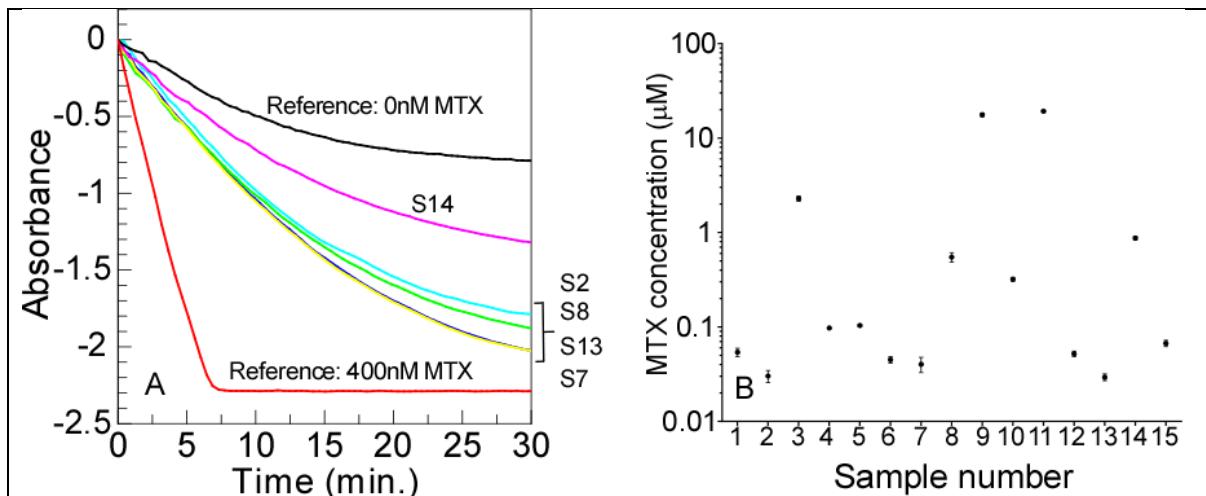


Figure S8. Quantification of MTX in the patient serum using the GDH biosensor-based assay.  
 (A) Representative time traces of the absorbance changes in the assay reactions supplemented with 1:40 diluted patient or reference serum. The concentration of the reference reflects the concentration of the drug in undiluted serum. The fit of the initial rates of sample 14 to the calibration curve results in the calculated serum concentration of 10nM. The samples 2,7,8,13 were calculated to contain MTX at concentration close to 50nM. Minor diversion of traces at the end of the reaction is not accounted for as only the fit of the initial rates were used for calculations. (B) A plot of MTX concentrations in samples of patients undergoing MTX therapy determined using the assay based on MTX-biosensor. The average of three experiments were plotted with error bars reflecting standard deviation of the data. The center of the data represents the mean of the data for each individual sample. In some cases, the error bars could not be displayed due to their small sizes.

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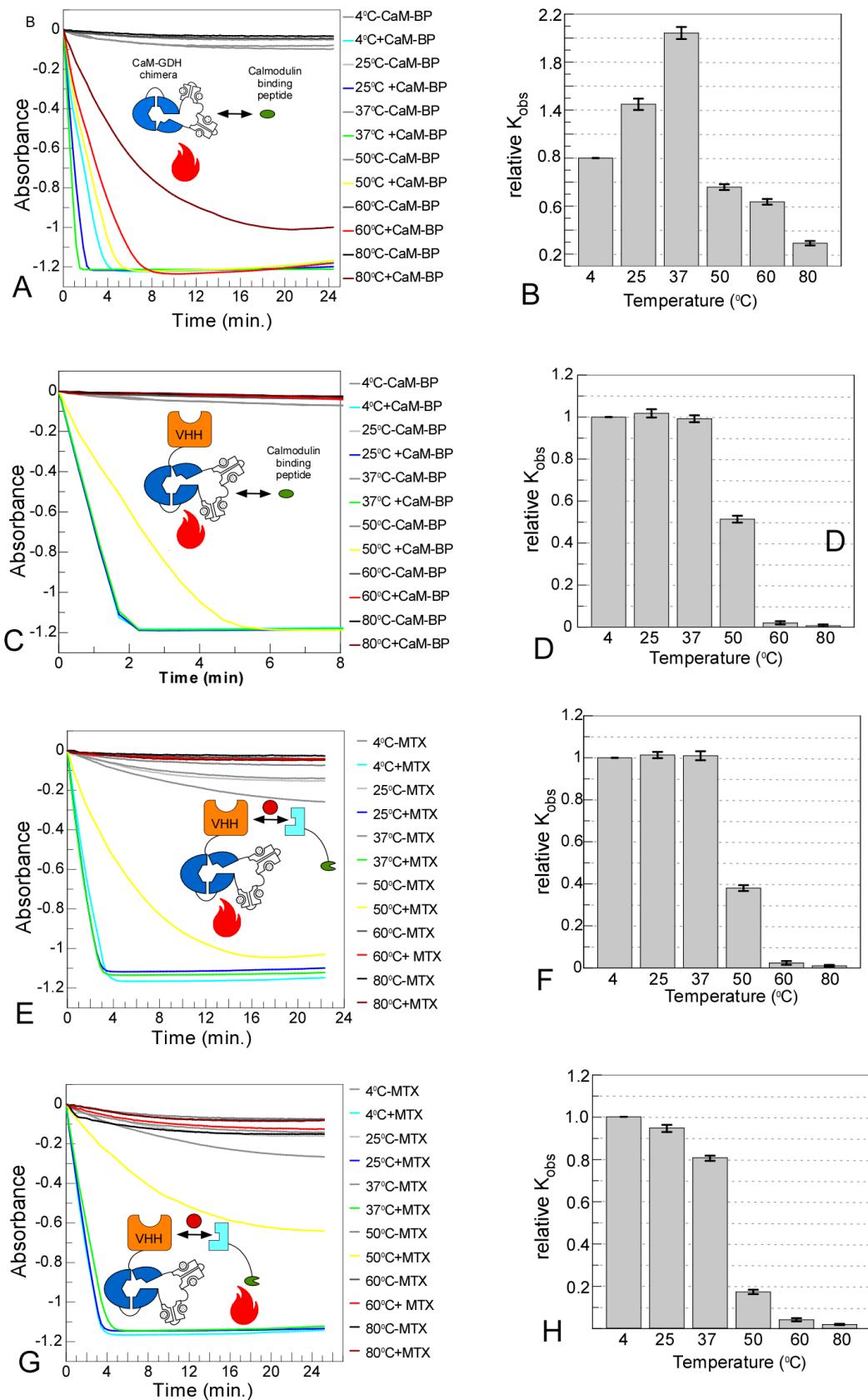
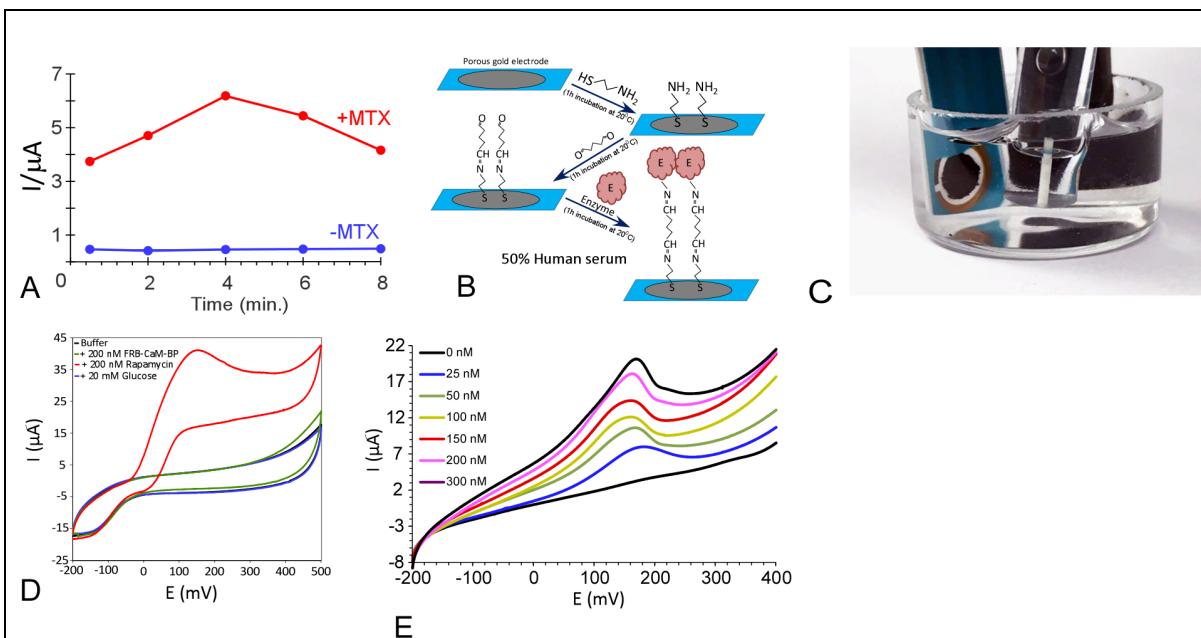


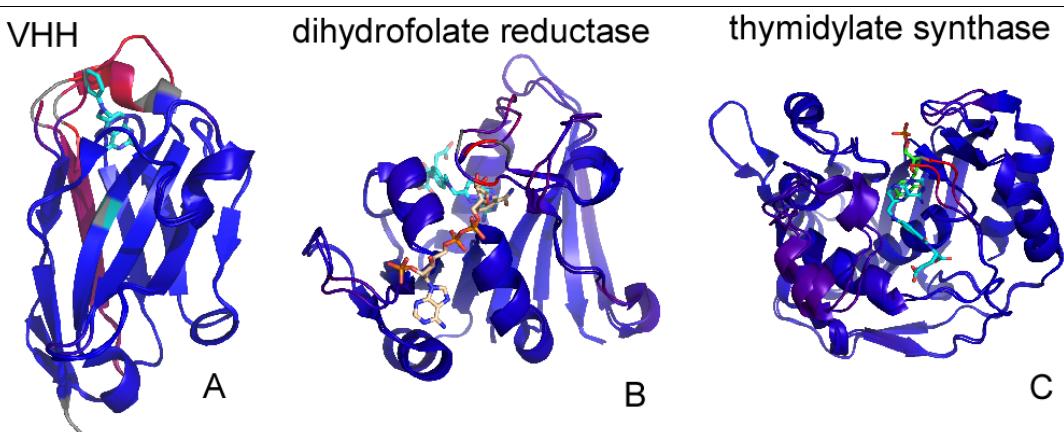
Figure S9. Thermostability analysis of GDH-based biosensors. (A) Changes in absorbance of DCPIP as a measure of GDH enzymatic activity of 10nM solution of GDH-CaM fusion

preincubated at indicated temperatures prior to addition of  $1\mu\text{M}$  CaM-BP. The flame icon marks the molecules subjected to thermostability analysis. The experiments were performed in triplicates. (B) A bar plot of normalized GDH activity derived from A. The bars represent values of average of three independent measurements performed in the same experiment. The error bars denote positive and negative boundaries of the standard error of mean. (C) As in A but using solution of  $10\text{nM}$  VHH-GDH-CaM fusion and  $1\mu\text{M}$  CaM-BP. The experiments were performed in triplicates. (D) A bar plot of normalized GDH activity derived from C. (E) Changes in absorbance of DCPIP as a measure of GDH enzymatic activity of  $10\text{nM}$  solution of VHH-GDH-CaM fusion pre-incubated at indicated temperatures and mixed with  $100\text{nM}$  of fresh nanoCLAMP-CaM-BP and  $100\text{nM}$  MTX where indicated. The experiments were performed in triplicates. (F) A bar plot of normalized GDH activity derived from E. (G) As in E but using  $100\text{nM}$  of nanoCLAMP-CaM-BP that was pretreated at various temperatures, fresh  $10\text{nM}$  solution of VHH-GDH-CaM fusion and  $100\text{nM}$  MTX where indicated. (G) A bar plot of normalized GDH activity derived from E. In all plots the bars represent values of average of three independent measurements performed in the same experiment. The error bars denote positive and negative boundaries of the standard error of mean.



**Figure S10. Electrochemical analysis of two component MTX biosensor.** (A) Time resolved activity of solution-based two component MTX assay in the presence or absence of the ligand. The decay in signal after 4 min reflects precipitation of mPMS electron mediator. The plot represents results of individual measurements. (B) Principal scheme of the

immobilization of the GDH component of the MTX biosensor on the working electrode surface. (C) A photograph of the cell used to carry out electrochemical analysis of electrodes with immobilized two component biosensors. (D) A typical cyclic voltammograms for Rapamycin biosensor-based bioelectrode: black- buffer solution (25 mM Tris-H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> buffer, pH 7.2, 100 mM Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and 1 mM Ca(CH<sub>3</sub>COO)<sub>2</sub>); blue- in presence of 20 mM glucose; green- in presence of 20 mM glucose and 200 nM FRB-CaM-BP; red- in presence of 20 mM glucose, 200 nM FRB-CaM-BP and 200 nM Rapamycin. The electrode was scanned at the rate of 2 mV/s *vs.* Ag/AgCl/3 M KCl reference electrode at room temperature. (E) Analysis of MTX biosensor-based bioelectrode in 50% human serum. The serum was diluted to a final concentration of the following buffer 25 mM Tris-H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> buffer, pH 7.2, 100 mM Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, 1 mM Ca(CH<sub>3</sub>COO)<sub>2</sub>, 20 mM glucose and 200 nM nanoCLAMP-CaM-BP. The electrode was scanned at the rate of 2 mV/s *vs.* Ag/AgCl/3M KCl reference electrode at room temperature. The figure represents a typical cyclic voltammogram.



**Figure S11. Analysis of the conformational changes in MTX:protein complexes.** Structural data of apo- and holo- bound proteins was collected from the Protein Data Bank for DHFR (apo: 4EIZ, holo: 3DAU); thymidylate synthase (apo: 1F4B, holo: 1AXW); and anti-methotrexate VHH (apo: 3qxw, while the biosensor complex was used as the holo structure). RMSD was visualized using the colorbyRMSD script in Pymol, which aligns two structures, and colors the residues by the distance between their C-alpha atoms with blue representing the minimum distance and red the maximum.

**Supplementary Table 1.** Summary of protein sequences used in this study. The sequences are colored according to the functional elements.

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nanoCLAMP8		<b>MDSHHHHHHHNP</b> SLIRSES <b>WSVAS</b> GNEANLLDGDDNTGVWY <b>KNHHHW</b> E <b>SLAGEFIGLDLG</b> <b>K</b> EIKLDG <b>I</b> R <b>V</b> IGKNGGGSSDKWNKF <b>KLEYSLDNES</b> WT <b>T</b> TIKEYDKT <b>G</b> A <b>P</b> AGKD <b>V</b> IE <b>E</b> S <b>F</b> ETPI <b>S</b> AKY <b>I</b> RLTN <b>L</b> EA <b>APA</b> LT <b>F</b> SEFAI VSD
nanoCLAMP5-CaM BP		<b>MDGSSHHHHHHNP</b> SLIRSES <b>WIPYFGNEANLLDGDDNTGVWYLKDSY</b> EF <b>SLAGEFIGLDLG</b> <b>K</b> EIKLDG <b>I</b> R <b>V</b> IGKNGGGSSDKWNKF <b>KLEYSLDNES</b> WT <b>T</b> TIKEYDKT <b>G</b> A <b>P</b> AGKD <b>V</b> IE <b>E</b> S <b>F</b> ETPI <b>S</b> AKY <b>I</b> RLTN <b>L</b> E <b>QIFHAL</b> LT <b>F</b> SEFAI VSD <b>GGSGSGGGSGSSGGSGGG</b> <b>KRRWKKNFIAVSAANR</b>
nanoCLAMP8-CaM BP		<b>MDGSSHHHHHHNP</b> SLIRSES <b>WSVAS</b> GNEANLLDGDDNTGVWY <b>KNHHH</b> H <b>WESLAGEFIGLDLG</b> <b>K</b> EIKLDG <b>I</b> R <b>V</b> IGKNGGGSSDKWNKF <b>KLEYSLDN</b> E <b>SWTTIKEYDKT</b> <b>G</b> A <b>P</b> AGKD <b>V</b> IE <b>E</b> S <b>F</b> ETPI <b>S</b> AKY <b>I</b> RLTN <b>L</b> EA <b>APA</b> LT <b>F</b> SEF A <b>IVSDGGSGSGGGSGSSGGSGGG</b> <b>KRRWKKNFIAVSAANR</b>
nanoCLAMP3-VHH		<b>MDHHHHHHS</b> NPSLIRSES <b>WHVYDGNEANLLDGDDNTGVWYKRSNGE</b> AS <b>LAGEFIGLDLG</b> <b>K</b> EIKLDG <b>I</b> R <b>V</b> IGKNGGGSSDKWNKF <b>KLEYSLDNES</b> WT <b>T</b> TIKEYDKT <b>G</b> A <b>P</b> AGKD <b>V</b> IE <b>E</b> S <b>F</b> ETPI <b>S</b> AKY <b>I</b> RLTN <b>L</b> E <b>PRHVQL</b> LT <b>F</b> SEFAI VSD <b>GGSGSGASGSGSGSGASGGSSGGSGGG</b> <b>GSQVQLVESGG</b> <b>LVQAGGSLRLSCAASRRSSRSWAMAWFRQAPGKEREVAKISGDGRLT</b> <b>TYGDSVKGRFTISRDNAEYLVYLQMDSLKPEDTAVYYCAADDNYVTAS</b> <b>WRSGPDYWQGBTQTVSS</b>
nanoCLAMP5-VHH		<b>MDHHHHHHS</b> NPSLIRSES <b>WIPYFGNEANLLDGDDNTGVWYLKDSYE</b> F <b>SLAGEFIGLDLG</b> <b>K</b> EIKLDG <b>I</b> R <b>V</b> IGKNGGGSSDKWNKF <b>KLEYSLDNES</b> WT <b>T</b> TIKEYDKT <b>G</b> A <b>P</b> AGKD <b>V</b> IE <b>E</b> S <b>F</b> ETPI <b>S</b> AKY <b>I</b> RLTN <b>L</b> E <b>QIFHAL</b> LT <b>F</b> SEFAIVS <b>DGGSGSGASGSGSGSGASGGSSGGSGGG</b> <b>GSQVQLVESGG</b> <b>QAGGSLRLSCAASRRSSRSWAMAWFRQAPGKEREVAKISGDGLRTT</b>

	<b>GDSVKGRFTISRDNAEYLVYLQMDSLKPEDTAVYYCAADDNYVTASWR SGPDYWGQGTQTVSS</b>
<b>nanoCLAMP8-VHH</b>	DHHHHHHSNPSLIRSESWSVASGNEANLLDGDDNTGVWYKNHHHWESLAGEFIGLDLGKEIKLDGIRFVIGKNGGGSDKWNKFKELEYSLNESWTTIKEYDKTGAPAGKDVIIESFETPISAKYIRLTNLEAAPAHLTSEFAIVSDGGSGSGASGSGSGSGASGGSSGGSGGGGSQVQLVESGGGLVQAGGSLRLSCAASRRSSRSWAMAWFRQAPGKEREVFVAKISGDGRLTTYGDSVKGRFTISRDNAEYLVYLQMDSLKPEDTAVYYCAADDNYVTASWRSGPDYWGQGTQTVSS
<b>EGFP-VHH</b>	MDGVSKGEELFTGVVPILVLDGVNGHKFSVSGEGEGDATYGKLTLFKICTTGKLPVPWPTLVTTLGYGVQCFSRYPDHMKQHDFFKSAMPEGYVQERTIFFKDDGNYKTRAEVKFEGDTLVNRIELKGIDFKEDGNILGHKLEYNYNSHNVYIMADKQKNGIKVNFKIRHNIEDGSVQLADHYQQNTPIGDGPVLLPDNHYLSTQSALSKDPEKRDHMLLEFVTAAGITLGMDELYKGGSGGGSQVQLVESGGGLVQAGGSLRLSCAASRRSSRSWAMAWFRQAPGKEREVFVAKISGDGRLTTYGDSVKGRFTISRDNAEYLVYLQMDSLKPEDTAVYYCAADDNYVTASWRSGPDYWGQGTQTVSS <b>KLAAALEHHHHHH</b>
<b>VHH-GDH-CaM</b>	DVPLIPSQFAKAKSENFDKKVILSNLNKPHALLWGPDNQIWLTERATGKILRVNPESGSVKTVFQVPEIVNDADGQNGLLGFAFHPDFKNNPYIYISGTFKNPKSTDKELPNQTIIIRRRTYNKSTDTEKPVDLLAGLPSSKDHQSRLVIGPDQKIYYTIGDQGRNQLAYLFLPNQAQHTPTQQELNGKDYHTYMGKVLRLNLDGSIPKDNPSFNGVVSHIYTLGHRNPQGLAFTPNGKLLQSEQGPNSDDEINLIVKGGNYGWPNVAGYKDDSGYAYANYSAANAKTIKDLAQNGVKVAAGVPVTKESWTGKNFVPPPLKTLTYVQDTNYNDPTCGEMTYICWPTVAPSSAYVYKGGKKAITGWENTLLVPSLKRGVIFRIKLDPTYSTTYDDAVPMFKSGSGGTEEQIAEFKEAFSLFDKDGDTITT <b>KELGTVMRS</b> LGQNPTAEALQDMINEVDADGNGTIDPFEFLTMMARKMKDTDSEEIREAFRVFDKDNGNGYISAAELRHVMTNLGEKLTDEEVDEMIREADIDGDGQVNYEEFVQMMTAGGSSGNRYRDIASPDGNVLYVLTDTAGNVQKDDGSVTNTLENPGSLIKFTYKAKGGSGSGGSQVQLVESGGGLVQAGGLRLSCAASRRSSRSWAMAWFRQAPGKEREVFVAKISGDGRLTTYGDSVKGRFTISRDNAEYLVYLQMDSLKPEDTAVYYCAADDNYVTASWRSGPDYWGQGTQTVSS <b>KLAAALEHHHHHH</b>
<b>GDH-CaM</b>	DVPLIPSQFAKAKSENFDKKVILSNLNKPHALLWGPDNQIWLTERATGKILRVNPESGSVKTVFQVPEIVNDADGQNGLLGFAFHPDFKNNPYIYISGTFKNPKSTDKELPNQTIIIRRRTYNKSTDTEKPVDLLAGLPSSKDHQSRLVIGPDQKIYYTIGDQGRNQLAYLFLPNQAQHTPTQQELNGKDYHTYMGKVLRLNLDGSIPKDNPSFNGVVSHIYTLGHRNPQGLAFTPNGKLLQSEQGPNSDDEINLIVKGGNYGWPNVAGYKDDSGYAYANYSAANAKTIKDLAQNGVKVAAGVPVTKESWTGKNFVPPPLKTLTYVQDTNYNDPTCGEMTYICWPTVAPSSAYVYKGGKKAITGWENTLLVPSLKRGVIFRIKLDPTYSTTYDDAVPMFKSGSGGTEEQIAEFKEAFSLFDKDGDTITT <b>KELGTVMRS</b> LGQNPTAEALQDMINEVDADGNGTIDPFEFLTMMARKMKDTDSEEIREAFRVFDKDNGNGYISAAELRHVMTNLGEKLTDEEVDEMIREADIDGDGQVNYEEFVQMMTAGGSSGNRYRDIASPDGNVLYVLTDTAGNVQKDDGSVTNTLENPGSLIKFTYKAK <b>KLAAALEHHHHHH</b>
<b>FKBP-GDH-CaM</b>	DVPLIPSQFAKAKSENFDKKVILSNLNKPHALLWGPDNQIWLTERATGKILRVNPESGSVKTVFQVPEIVNDADGQNGLLGFAFHPDFKNNPYIYISGTFKNPKSTDKELPNQTIIIRRRTYNKSTDTEKPVDLLAGLPSSKDHQSRL

	VIGPDQKIYYTIGDQGRNQLAYLFLPNQAQHTPTQQELNGKDYHTYMG KVLRLNLDSIPKDNPNSFNGVVSHIYTLGHRNPQGLAFTPNGKLLQSEQ GPNSDDEINLIVKGGNYGPVNAGYKDDSGYAYANYSAAANKTIKDLA QNGVKVAAGVPVTKESWTGKNFVPLKTLTYTVQDTNYNDPTCGEMT YICWPTVAPSSAVYKGGKKAITGWENTLLVPSLKRGVIFRIKLDPTYST TYDDAVPMFKS <b>GCGGTEEQIAEFKEAFSLFDKDGDTITTKELGTVMRS</b> <b>LGQNPTAEALQDMINEVDADGNGTIDFPEFLTMMARKMKDTDSEEIR</b> <b>EAFRVFDFKDGNGYISAAELRHVMTNLGEKLTDEEVDEMIREADIDGDG</b> <b>QVNYEEFVQMMTAGGSCGNRYRDIASPDGNVLYVLTDTAGNVQKDD</b> GSVTNTLENPGSLIKFTYKAK <b>GGSGGGVQVETISP GDRTFPKRGQTCV</b> <b>VHYTGMLEDGKKFDSSDRNPKFKMLGKQE VIRG WEEGV A QMSVGQ</b> <b>RAKL TISPDYAYGATGHPG IIPP HATLV F DVELL KLEK LAA LEHHHHHH</b>
FRB-CaM BP	AHHHHHHSSGTRVAILWHEMWHEGLEEASRLYFGERNVKGMFVLEP LHAMMERGPQLKETSFNQAYGRDLMEAQEWCRKYMKSgnVKDLTQ AWDLYYHFRRIS <b>GGSGGGSGSGSGSGGGKRRWKKNFI AVSAANR</b>
M13 CaM-BP	KRRWKKNFI AVSAANRFKKISSSGAL

**Supplementary Table 2:** Statistics of diffraction data and refinement.

Data collection	<i>nanoCLAMP8-VHH</i>	<i>nanoCLAMP3-VHH</i>
Wavelength (Å) <sup>a</sup>	0.95372	0.95373
Resolution (Highest Shell, Å)	59.05 – 1.83 (1.88 – 1.83)	48.38 – 2.9 (2.975 – 2.9)
Space group	C2221	I2
Cell constants (Å; °)	a=54.1, b=95.9, c=118.1; α=β=γ=90	a=173.2, b=144.0, c=181.8; α=90, β=94.3, γ=90
V <sub>M</sub>	2.36	4.95
Total measurements	375031(21790)	1401844(70152)
Unique reflections	27424(1597)	98506(4830)
Average redundancy	13.7 (13.6)	14.2 (14.5)
I/σ	16.7 (3.5)	7.5 (0.7)
Completeness (%)	99.5 (96.5)	100.0 (100.0)
R <sub>pm</sub>	0.036 (0.222)	0.086 (1.210)
CC1/2	0.999 (0.952)	0.994 (0.340)
Refinement		
Resolution (Highest Shell, Å)	1.83 (1.87 – 1.83)	2.9 (2.975 – 2.9)
R <sup>b</sup>	14.9(24.6)	19.5(34.0)
R <sub>free</sub> <sup>c</sup>	20.2(42.6)	24.2(38.7)
rmsd bonds (Å) / angles (°)	0.026/2.049	0.021/2.057
B-factor deviation bonds / angles (Å <sup>2</sup> ) main chain	1.826/2.781	0.949/1.835

side chain	3.874/5.405	2.421/4.204
Residues in Ramachandran Core (%) <sup>d</sup>	98.17	91.70
Protein atoms	2200	14529
solvent atoms	830	3
ligand atoms	35	245
Average B-factor ( $\text{\AA}^2$ )	19	73
PDB accession code	7RG7	7RGA

<sup>a</sup>All data were collected at beamline MX1 or MX2 of the Australia Synchrotron (Melbourne, Australia)

<sup>b</sup>R is the R-factor =  $( \sum |F_o| - \sum |F_c| ) / \sum |F_o|$ .

<sup>c</sup> $R_{\text{free}}$  is the R-factor calculated using 5% of the data that were excluded from the refinement.

<sup>d</sup>Ramachandran core refers to the most favoured regions in the  $\phi/\psi$ -Ramachandran plot