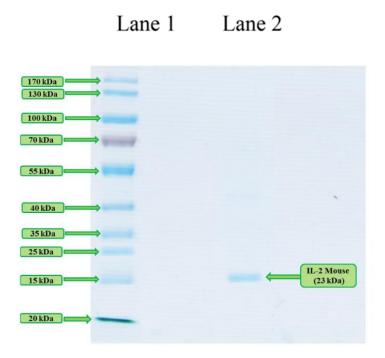
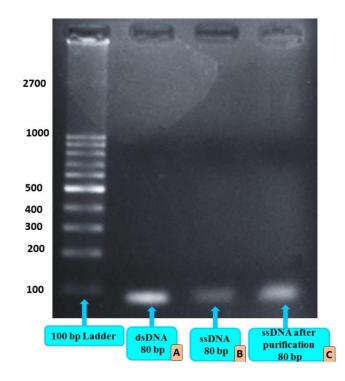
## Supplementary data

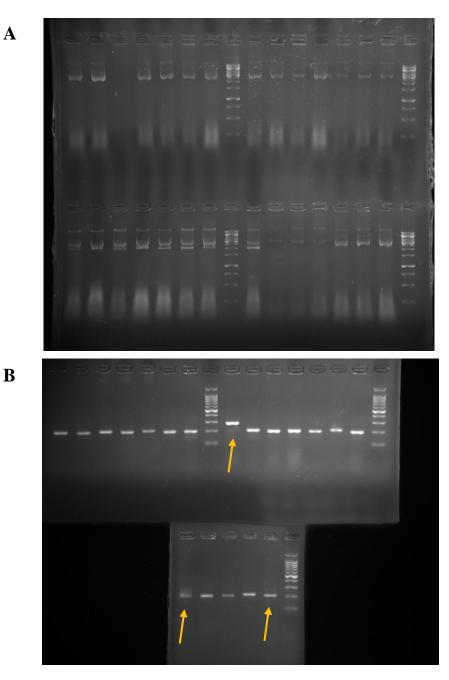
Supplementary data for research article entitled: 'Identification of G-quadruplex anti-Interleukin-2 aptamer with high specificity through SELEX stringency' by Mohsen Momeni, Kazem Mashayekhi, Jamshid Gholizadeh Navashenaq, Mojtaba Sankian.



**Supplementary 1:** The SDS-PAGE analysis of mIL-2: The mIL-2 protein was expressed as a 23 kDa monomeric form with His-tag domain at a concentration of 300  $\mu$ g/ml. Lane 1: low molecular Ladder, Lane 2: mIL-2.



**Supplementary 2:** The ssDNA preparation and purification: The phosphorylated dsDNA pools (A) were digested by lambda exonuclease (B) and then purified (C). In this regard, the lambda exonuclease method has proper efficacy for the SELEX process. L: DNA Ladder.

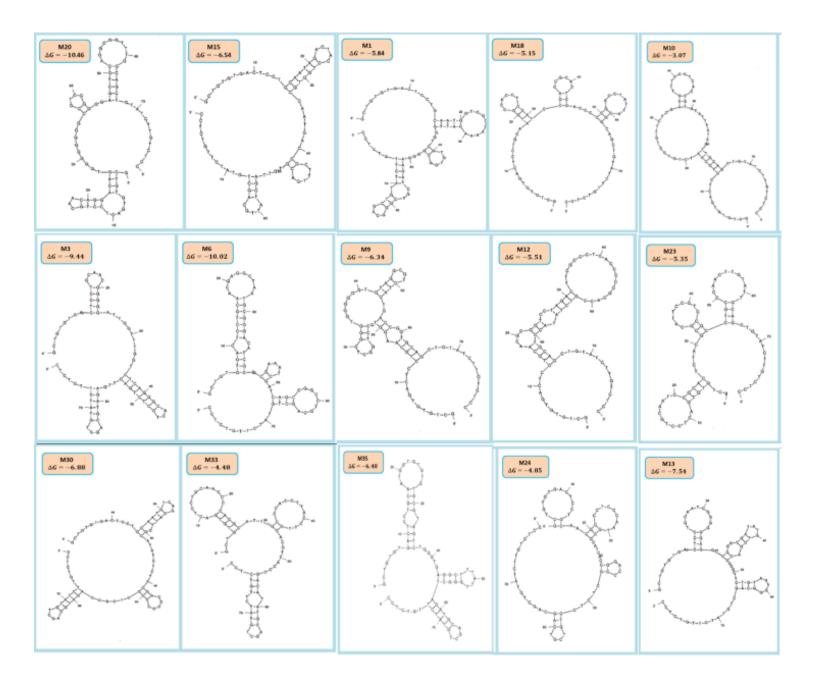


Supplementary 3: Recombinant plasmid extraction from 35 clones: The recombinant plasmids were extracted (A, 28 samples are shown). The PCR was performed with M13 and T7 primers to confirming insertion (B, 19 samples are shown), and some plasmids have had junk insertions (B, yellow arrows).

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ml	GCTGTGTGACTCCTGCAATGGTCGGCAAAACATTGGGTCGTGTGGCGGGGAAGATCGTCGGGCAGCTGTATCTTGTCTCC
m2	A.A.TA.CTGGTGCCAATGACC.CTTT.AC.TGTTAGC.ATT
m15	A.A.TA.CTGGTGCCAATGACC.CTTT.AC.TGTTAGC.ATT
MM22A	
MM27	
MM25	A.A
m10	CTGTCCTGTTCTCGAC.T.TCCC.CA.C.T.T.ATCGTT
MM29	
MM28	ACCA.T.AT.TT.CT.T.TCC.CATTCATTCC.TA.C.GTT
m3	
m18	
MM23	CCG.ACTCT.CGCGCATTCCC.C.T.CCC.AC.T.ATT
MM24	C.CC.TC.CTGCGCATCA.CG.ACCCTCTCCTGTCGTCA
m9	G.TG.CTGGCTCGGGGGA.GC.TCT.CTGACCG.T
MM30	
MM33	CCCCACTTG.CCACCT.ACCTCAC.TT.CCCGACATAT
m16	CCTA.TT.CCC.TTCCTCCG.TGA.CTTATTC.CCCCGT.GCC
m5	CCCA.CGCC.TCTC.TGTTTCTCTCGTTC.CC
MM32	
mб	C.AGGCTA.TGCGGGACATCGCGCGAAATC.ATCAGC.G.CT
m7b	
m12	C.CGGTC.T.GT.C.CCCTCACCCCCACCGTC.ATA.CT
m11	C.AC.ACTCCTCC.CTCCACCCGCAAACTCGTTCC.AA.TT
m8b	GCAC.CT.CCCCGCCCC.AGAACT.TA.CACATCCGAACATCC
m19b	
m20	CA.GACAGTGGGGGGG.CCGTCG.G.A.CT.CGCG.TT
m13	CGACGCTTCTGTAATC.GGG.GGCGGGC.ATATCGACGCTTCTGTAAT
m14b	
MM21	ATC.CTTCGCGCTACC.TCCCCT.ATT.CTAT.GATT
MM34	ATCT.CGCTACCCACAC.C.CC.TCCCGT.TC.CT
MM35	
MM36	CA.GTCCTGCC.GTC.CTACATATTTTAG.TTAT

Supplementary 4: The list of the 32 sequences acquired after the cloning.



**Supplementary 5:** Prediction of aptamer structures: The sequences of 32 aptamers were aligned by BioEdit software and divided based on similarities and differences. Then, the aptamer 2D structures were determined with the M-fold software. The M-fold results predicted that 15 aptamers have a stem, loop, and stem-loop structures with sufficient stability.