

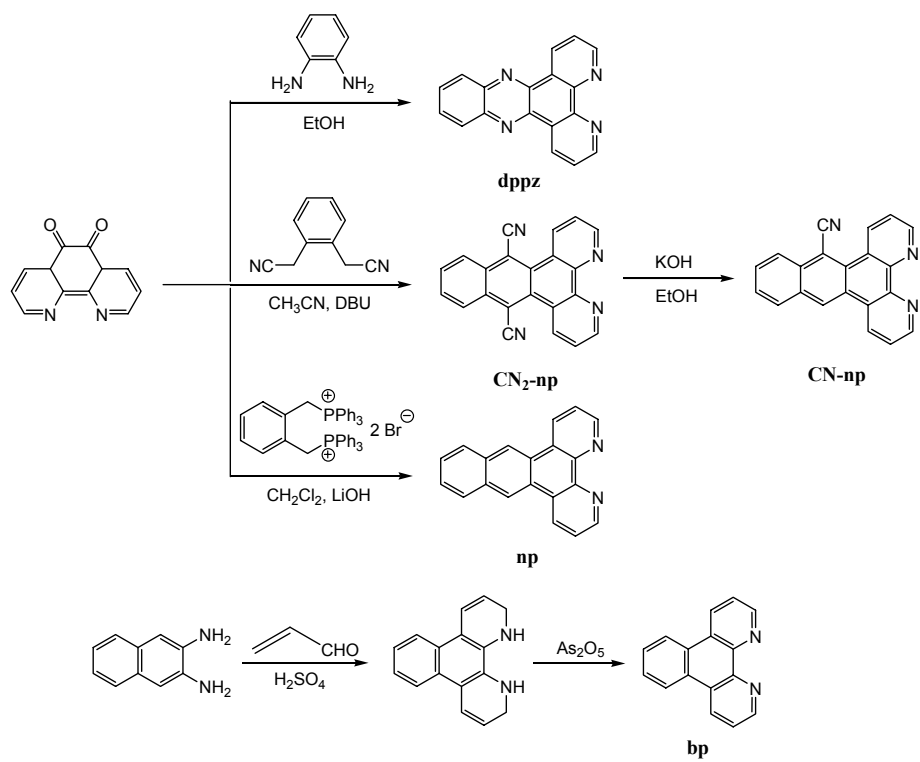
## Supporting Information

### Reductive and Oxidative DNA Damage by Photoactive Platinum(II) Intercalators

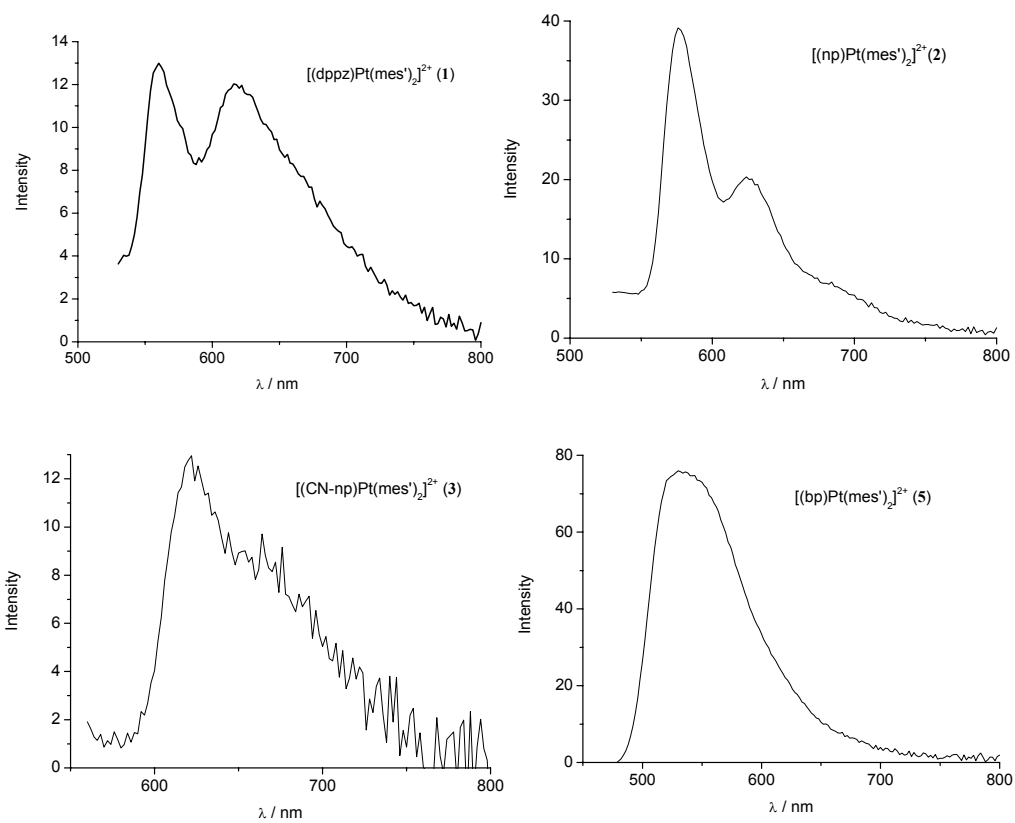
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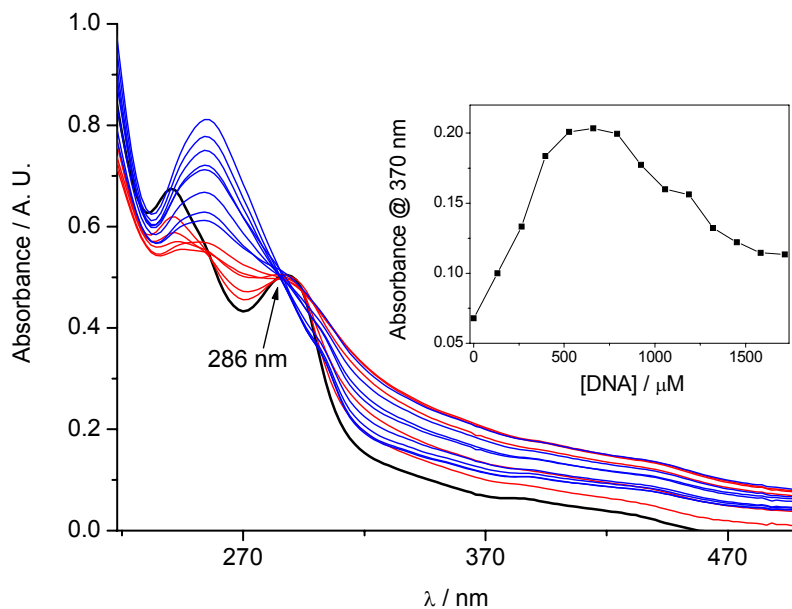
**Supporting Information Available:** Scheme depicting the synthesis of the ligand, glassy emission spectra, CIF file and structural parameters of crystal structure of  $2 \cdot (\text{DMF})_3 \cdot (\text{H}_2\text{O})_2$ , additional figures of the UV-vis traces of Pt(II) complexes upon DNA titration and HPLC traces for photoreactions with  $^{\text{Cp}}\text{C}$ ,  $\text{d}^{\text{Cp}}\text{G}$  and DNAs. This material is available free of charge via the Internet at <http://pubs.acs.org>.



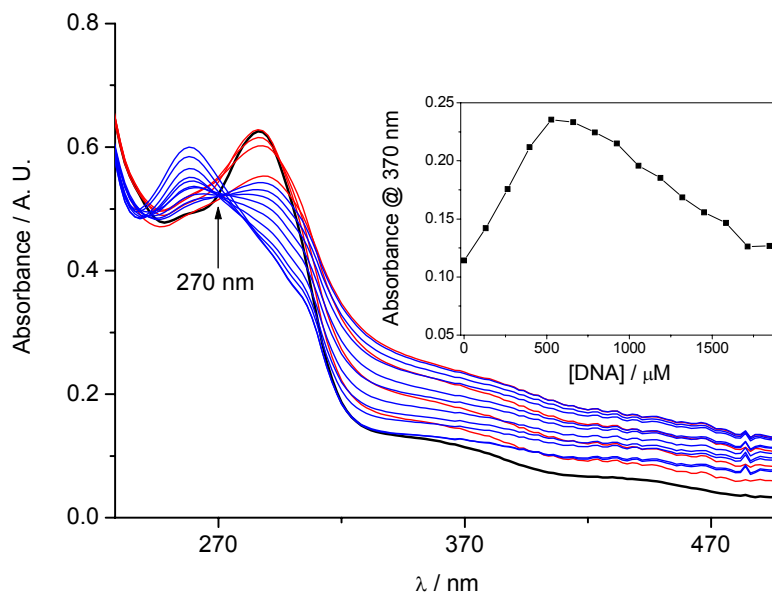
**Scheme S1** Ligand Synthesis



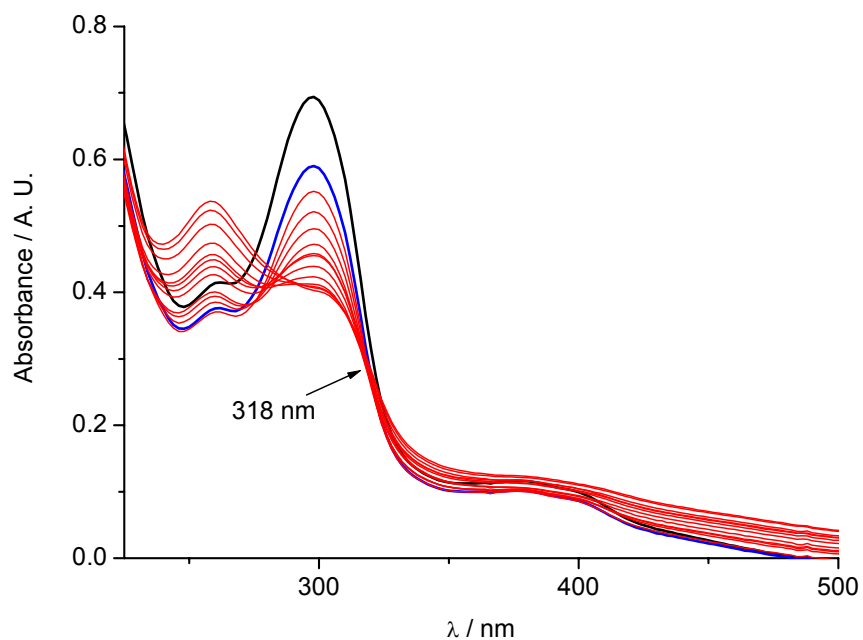
**Figure S1** Emission spectra of complex 1–3 and 5 in 10 M LiCl at 77 K,  $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 370 \text{ nm}$ , concentration  $\sim 5 \times 10^{-5} \text{ M}$ .



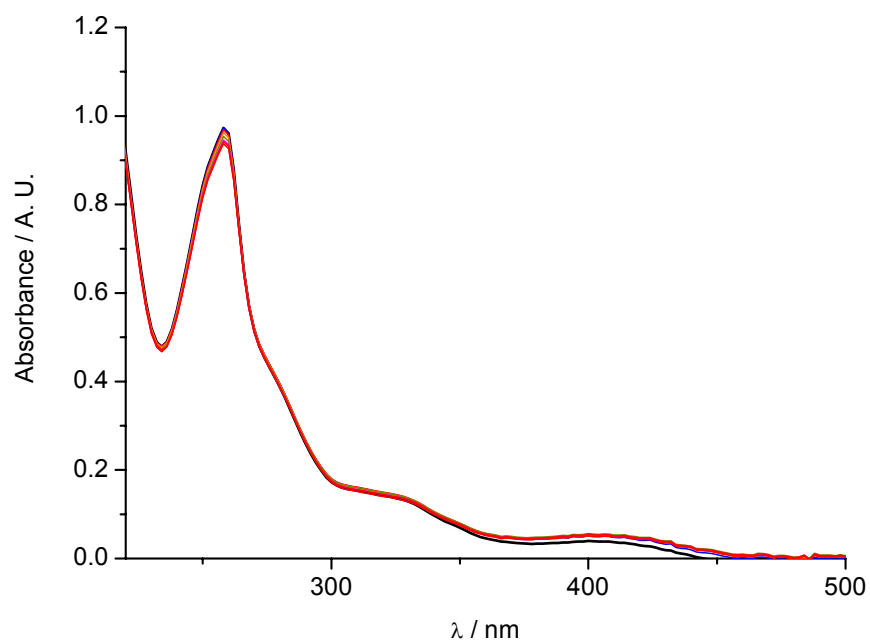
**Figure S2** Absorption traces of the titration of a 20-mer DNA into a 20  $\mu\text{M}$   $[(\text{np})\text{Pt}(\text{mes}')_2]\text{Cl}_2$  (**2**) in a buffer of 20 mM sodium phosphate and 50 mM NaCl, pH 7.0. Inset: Plot of the absorbance at 370 nm against the amount of DNA added.



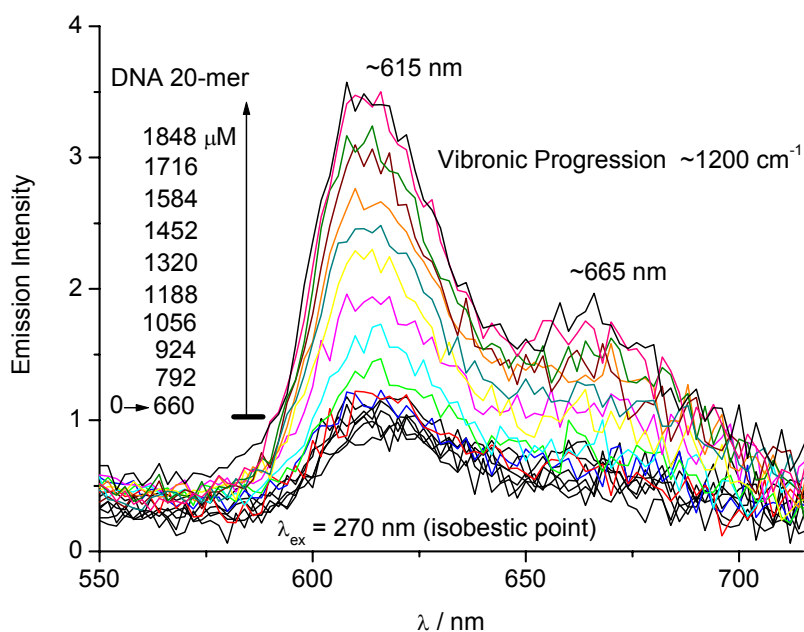
**Figure S3** Absorption traces of the titration of a 20-mer DNA into a 20  $\mu\text{M}$   $[(\text{CN-np})\text{Pt}(\text{mes}')_2]\text{Cl}_2$  (**3**) in a buffer of 20 mM sodium phosphate and 50 mM NaCl, pH 7.0. Inset: Plot of the absorbance at 370 nm against the amount of DNA added.



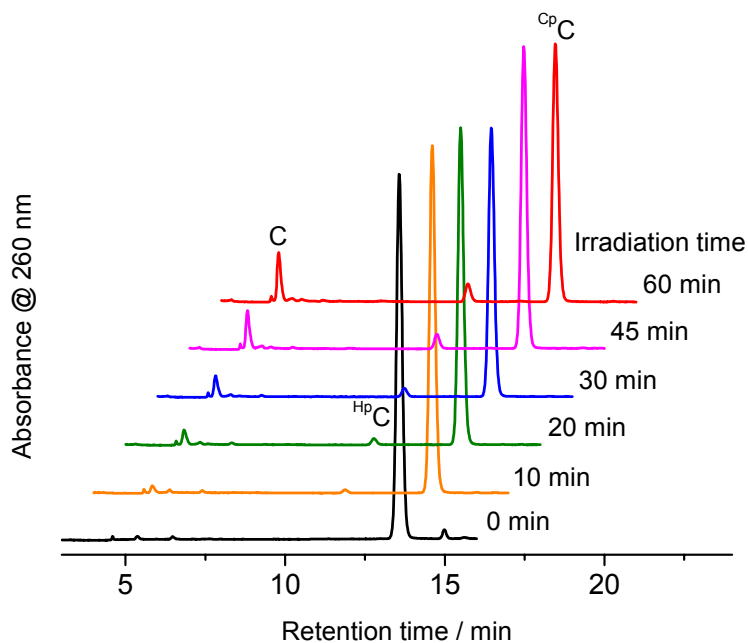
**Figure S4** Absorption traces of the titration of a 20-mer DNA into a 20  $\mu\text{M}$   $[(\text{CN}_2\text{-np})\text{Pt}(\text{mes}')_2]\text{Cl}_2$  (**4**) in a buffer of 20 mM sodium phosphate and 50 mM NaCl, pH 7.0.



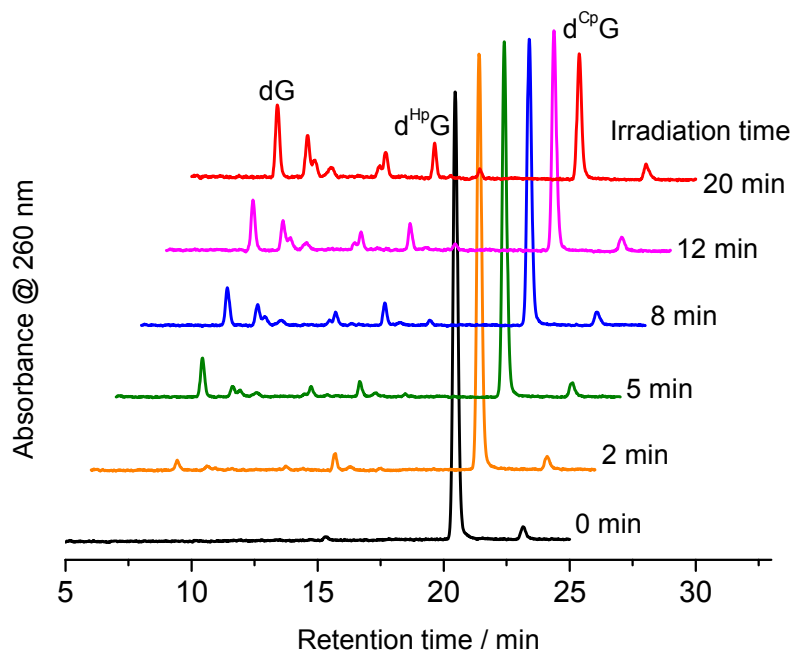
**Figure S5** Absorption traces of the titration of a 20-mer DNA into a 20  $\mu\text{M}$   $[(\text{bp})\text{Pt}(\text{mes}')_2]\text{Cl}_2$  (**5**) in a buffer of 20 mM sodium phosphate and 50 mM NaCl, pH 7.0.



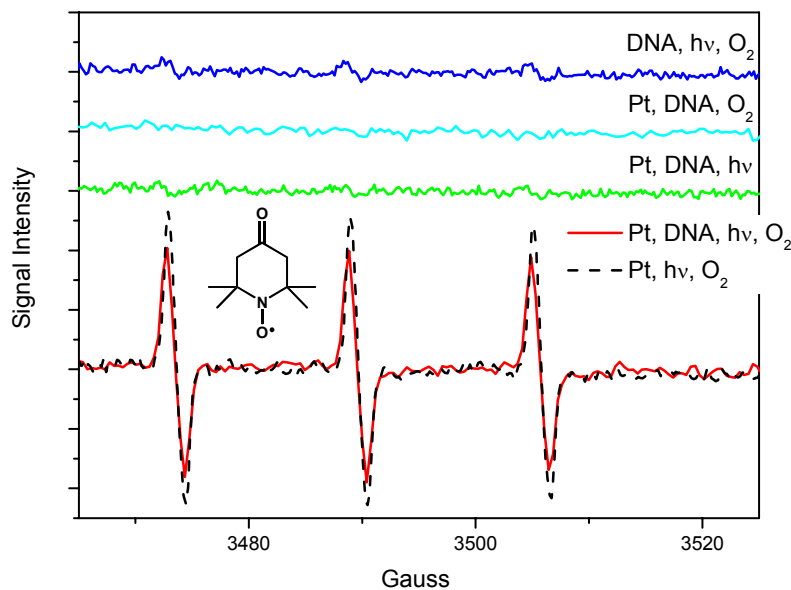
**Figure S6** Emission traces of the titration of a 20-mer DNA into a 20  $\mu\text{M}$   $[(\text{CN-np})\text{Pt}(\text{mes}')_2]\text{Cl}_2$  (**3**) in a buffer of 20 mM sodium phosphate and 50 mM NaCl, pH 7.0.



**Figure S7** HPLC traces for photoreaction of  $^{\text{Cp}}\text{C}$  nucleoside in the presence of  $[(\text{CN-np})\text{Pt}(\text{mes}')_2]^{2+}$  complex. Conditions: 30  $\mu\text{L}$  aliquot, 500  $\mu\text{M}$   $^{\text{Cp}}\text{C}$ ; 500  $\mu\text{M}$  Pt(II) complex; 50 mM NaCl; 20 mM NaP buffer; pH 7.0; 370 nm ( $\sim 12.5$  mW).

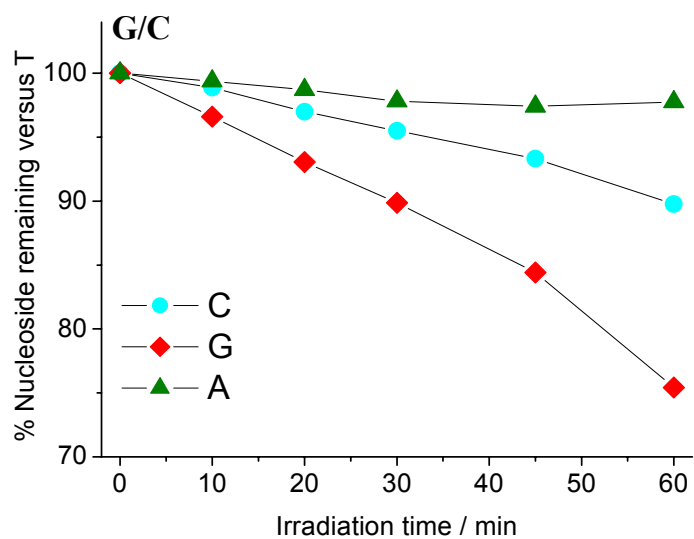
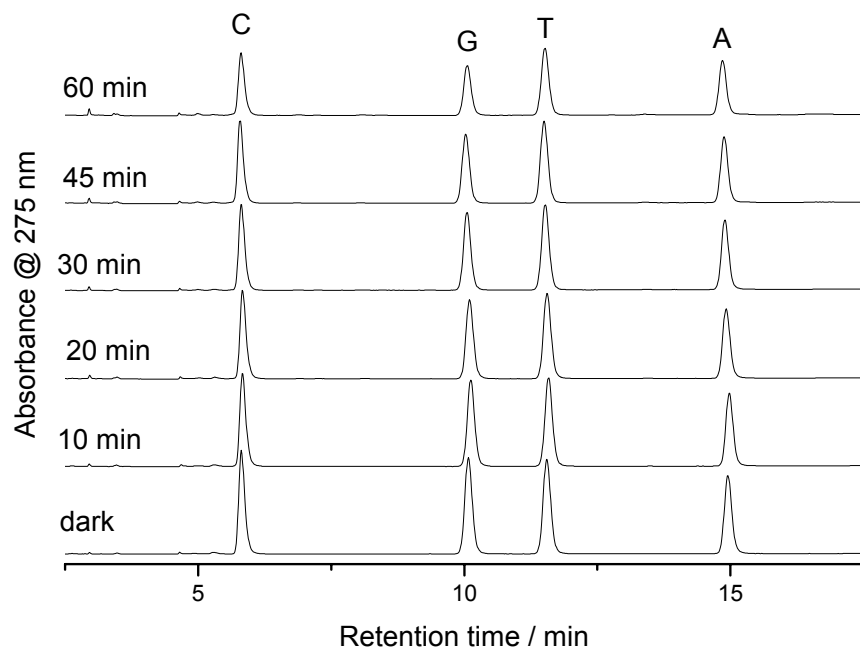


**Figure S8** HPLC traces for photoreaction of <sup>Cp</sup>C nucleoside in the presence of [(np)Pt(mes')<sub>2</sub>]<sup>2+</sup> complex. Conditions: 30 μL aliquot, 20 μM <sup>Cp</sup>C; 20 μM Pt(II) complex; 50 mM NaCl; 20 mM NaP buffer; pH 7.0; 370 nm (~12.5 mW).

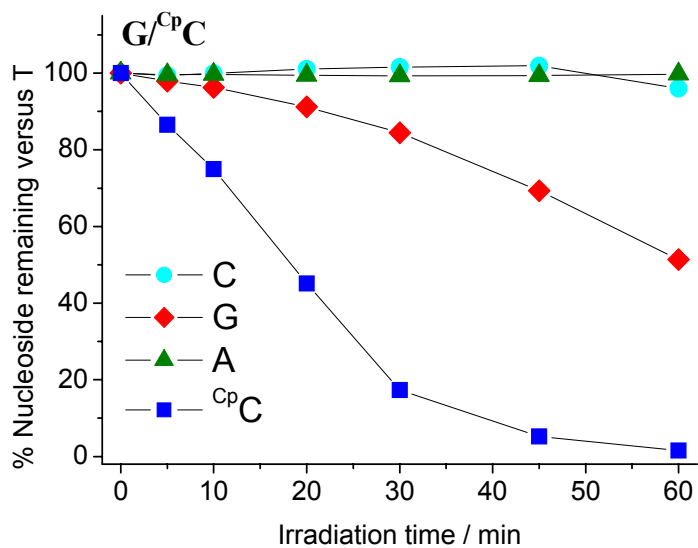
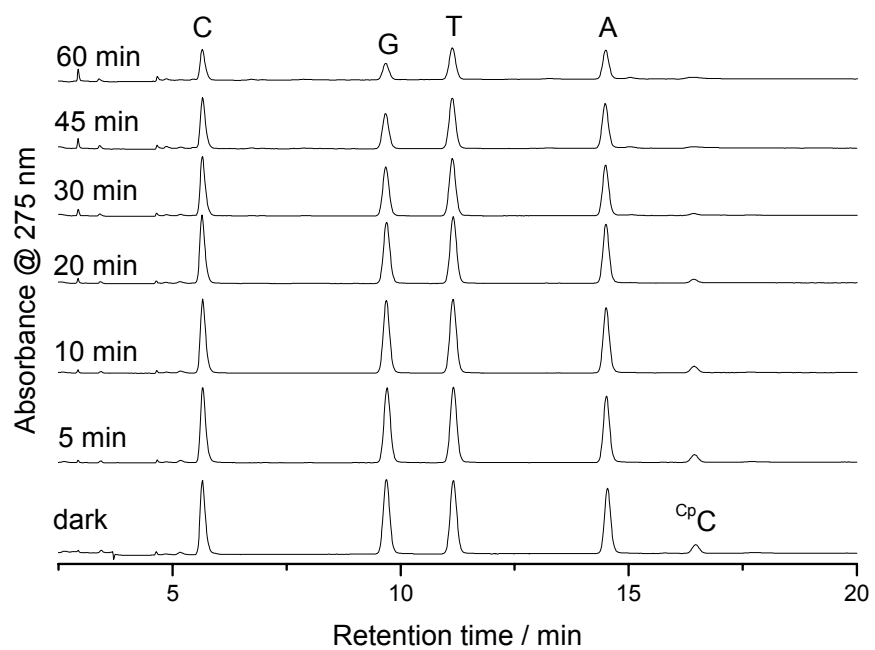


**Figure S9** EPR spectra of the mixtures of complex **1** and TEMP. General conditions: 150  $\mu\text{L}$  aliquot; 20 mM TEMP; 500  $\mu\text{M}$   $[(\text{dppz})\text{Pt}(\text{Mes}')_2]^{2+}$ ; 20  $\mu\text{M}$  DNA where applicable; 50 mM NaCl; 20 mM NaP buffer; pH 6.99; room temperature; 370 nm ( $\sim 8$  mW) irradiation 10 min where applicable; three freeze-pump-thaw cycles where applicable; X-band EPR spectra were obtained on a Bruker EMX spectrometer equipped with a rectangular cavity working in the  $\text{TE}_{102}$  mode; EPR parameters: receiver gain =  $1 \times 10^4$ , modulation amplitude = 2 G, microwave power = 10 mW, 5 scans.

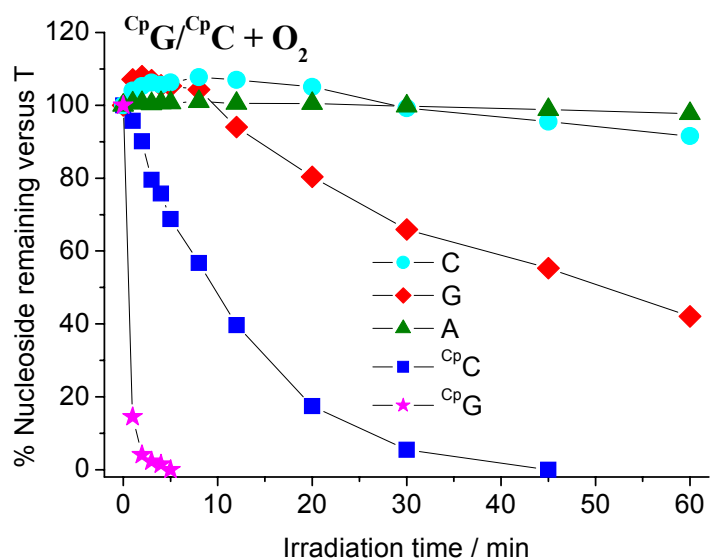
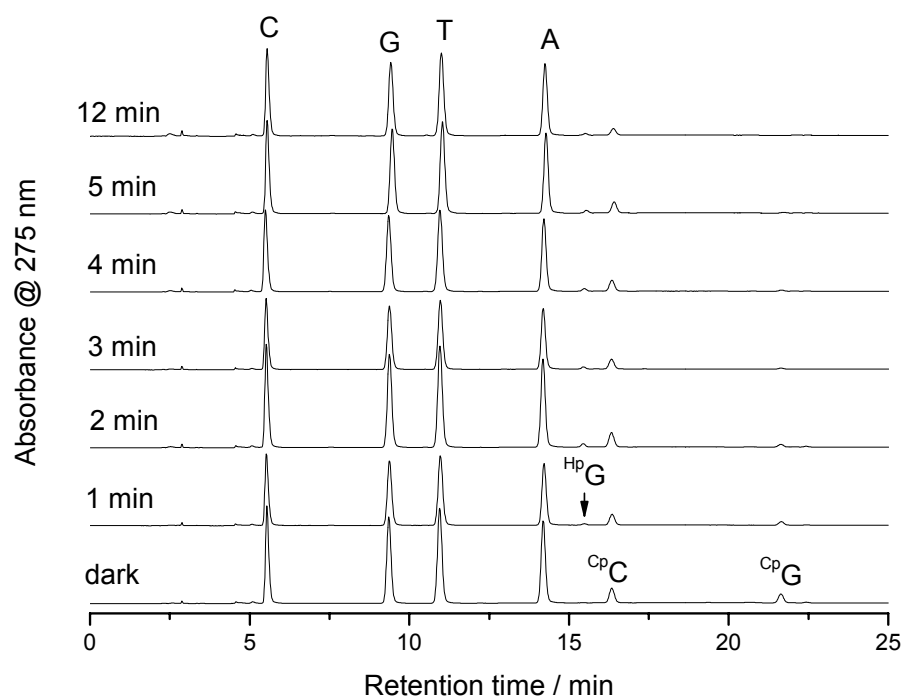




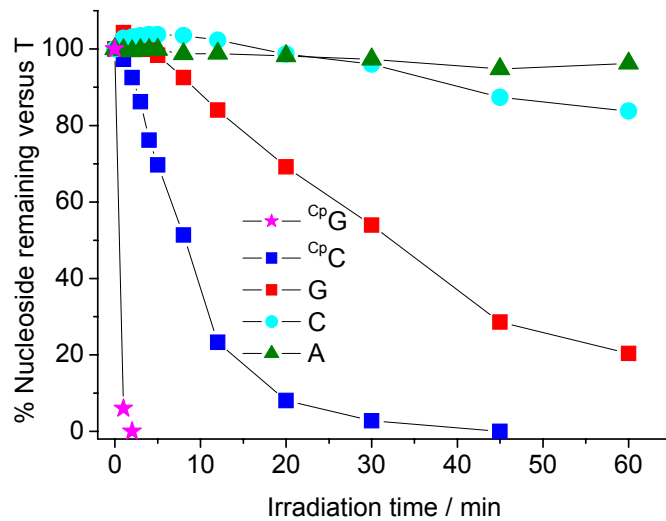
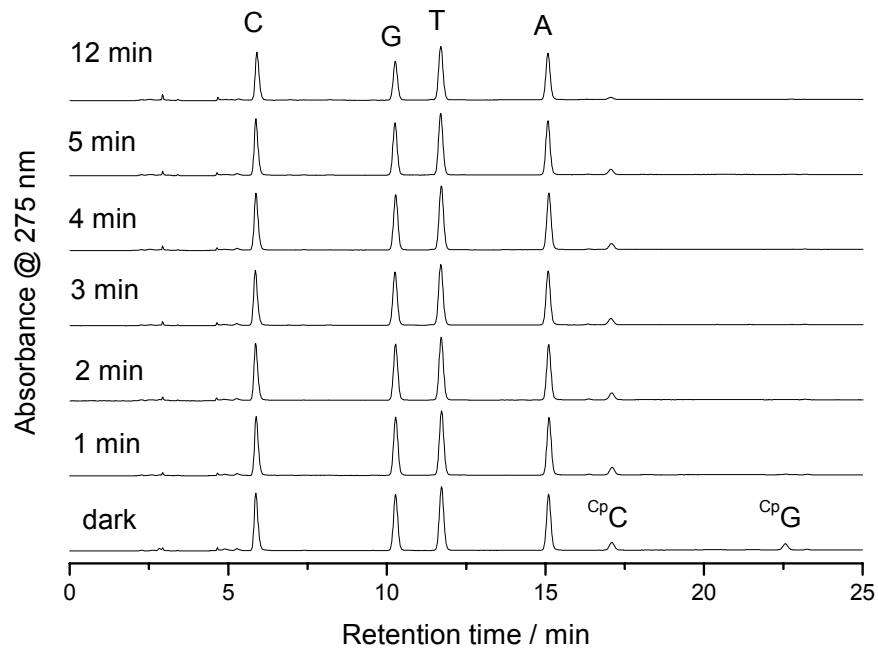
**Figure S10** HPLC traces of DNA base damages during the photoreaction of 5  $\mu\text{M}$  DNA duplex G/C and 50  $\mu\text{M}$   $[(\text{dppz})\text{Pt}(\text{mes}')_2]^{2+}$  complex in buffer in the presence of  $\text{O}_2$ .



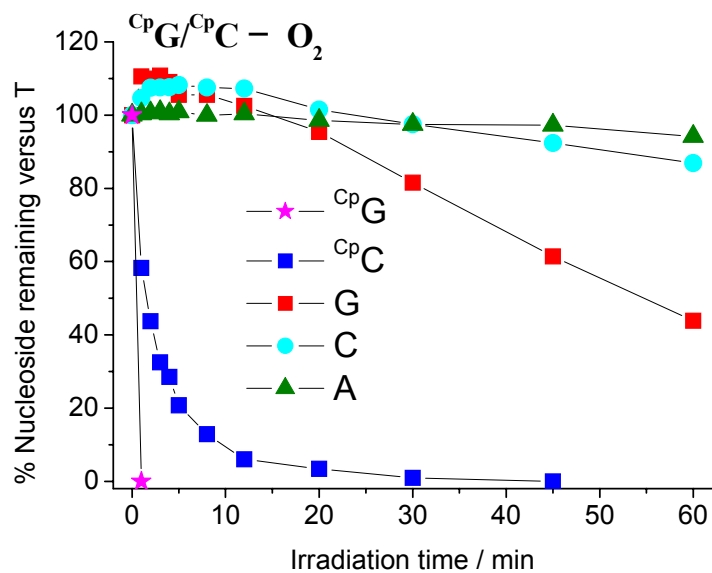
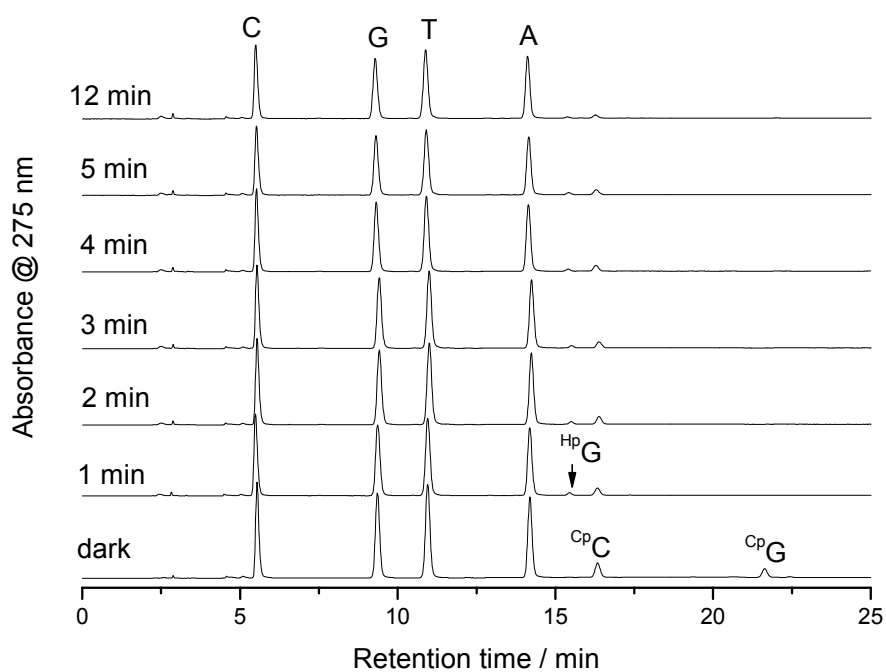
**Figure S11** HPLC traces of DNA base damages during the photoreaction of 5  $\mu\text{M}$  DNA duplex  $\text{G}^{\text{CpC}}$  and 50  $\mu\text{M}$   $[(\text{dppz})\text{Pt}(\text{mes}')_2]^{2+}$  complex in buffer in the presence of  $\text{O}_2$ .



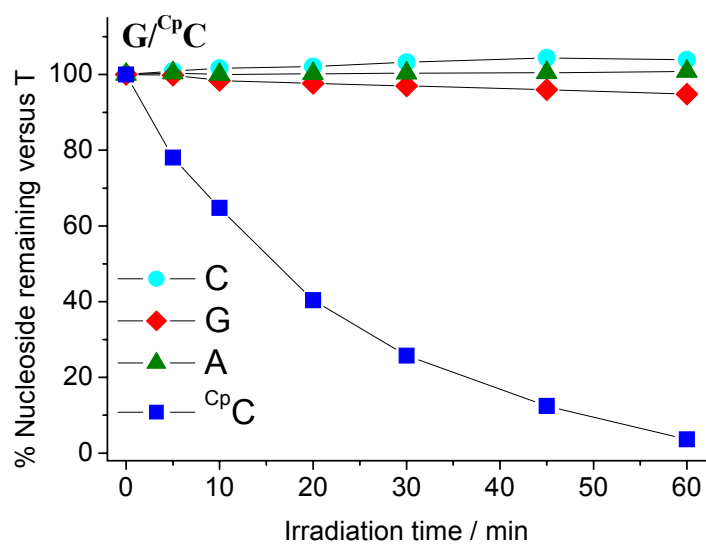
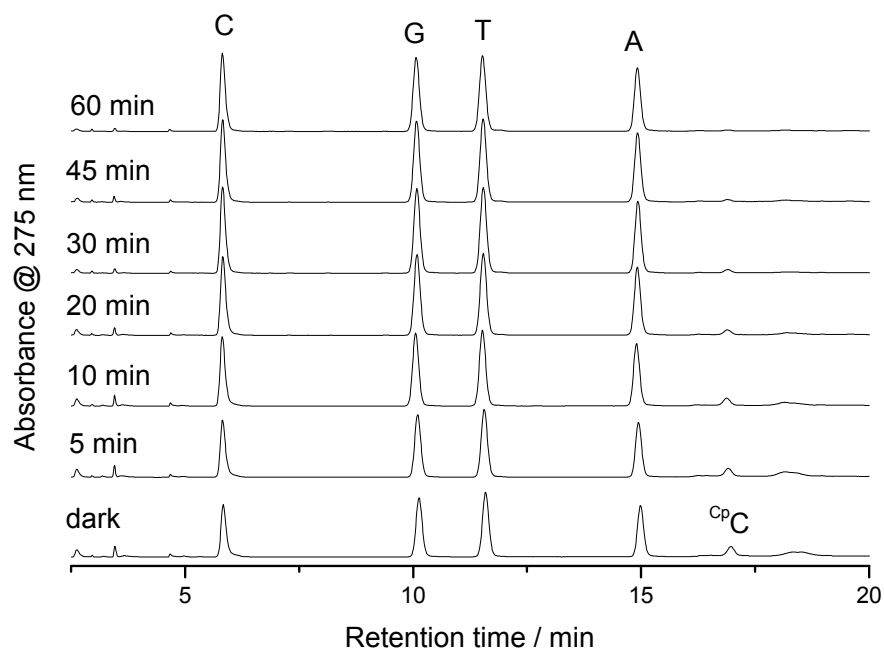
**Figure S12** HPLC traces of DNA base damages during the photoreaction of 5  $\mu\text{M}$  DNA duplex  $^{\text{CpG/CpC}}$  and 50  $\mu\text{M}$   $[(\text{dppz})\text{Pt}(\text{mes}')_2]^{2+}$  complex in buffer in the presence of  $\text{O}_2$ .



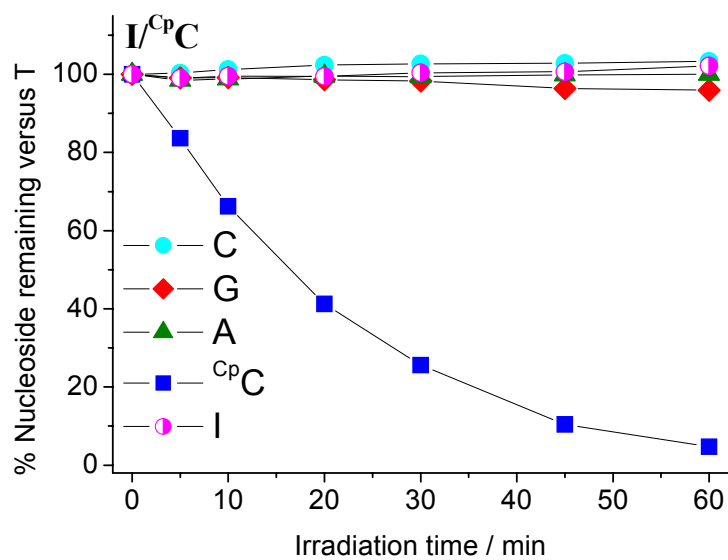
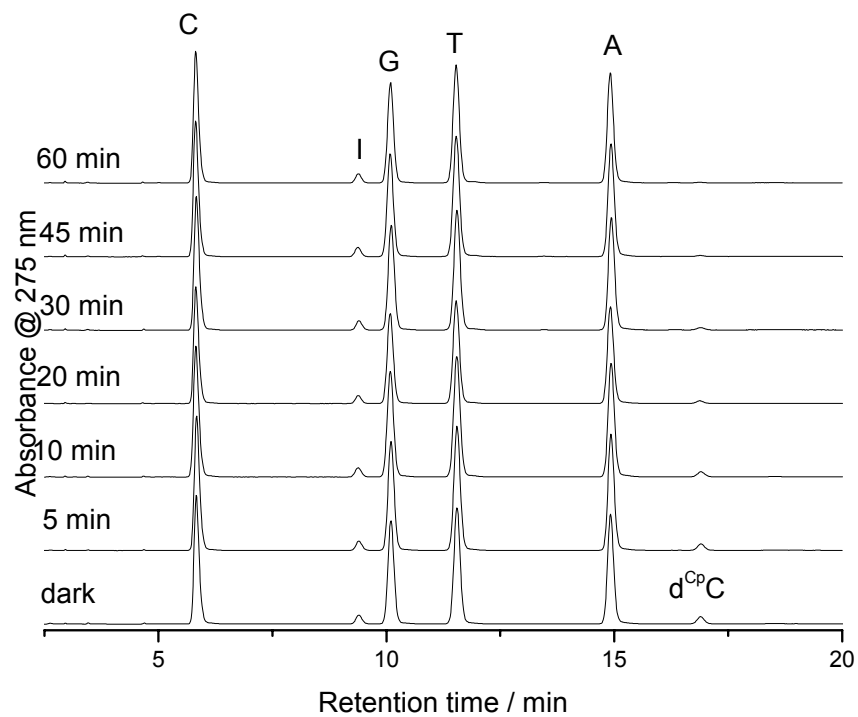
**Figure S13** HPLC traces of DNA base damages during the photoreaction of 5  $\mu\text{M}$  DNA duplex  $^{\text{CpG}}/^{\text{CpC}}$  and 50  $\mu\text{M}$   $[(\text{dppz})\text{Pt}(\text{mes}')_2]^{2+}$  complex in  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$  in the presence of  $\text{O}_2$ .



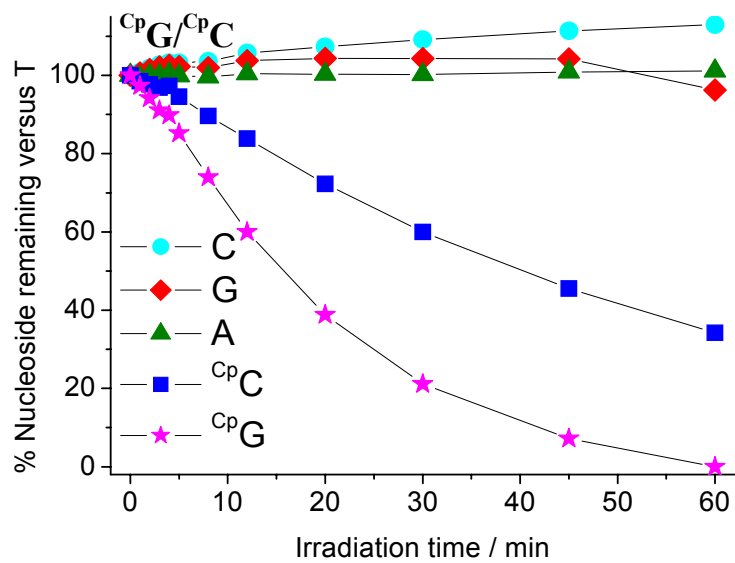
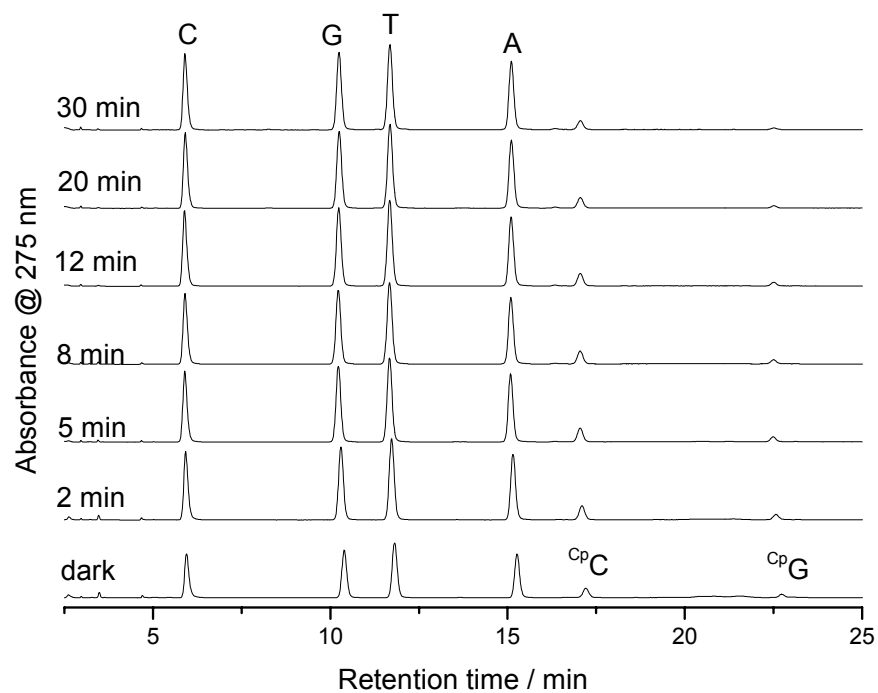
**Figure S14** HPLC traces of DNA base damages during the photoreaction of 5  $\mu\text{M}$  DNA duplex  $\text{CpG/CpC}$  and 50  $\mu\text{M}$   $[(\text{dppz})\text{Pt}(\text{mes}')_2]^{2+}$  complex in buffer in the absence of  $\text{O}_2$ .



**Figure S15** HPLC traces of DNA base damages during the photoreaction of 5  $\mu\text{M}$  DNA duplex  $\text{G}^{\text{CpC}}$  and 5  $\mu\text{M}$   $[(\text{dppz})\text{Pt}(\text{mes}')_2]^{2+}$  complex in buffer in the presence of  $\text{O}_2$ .

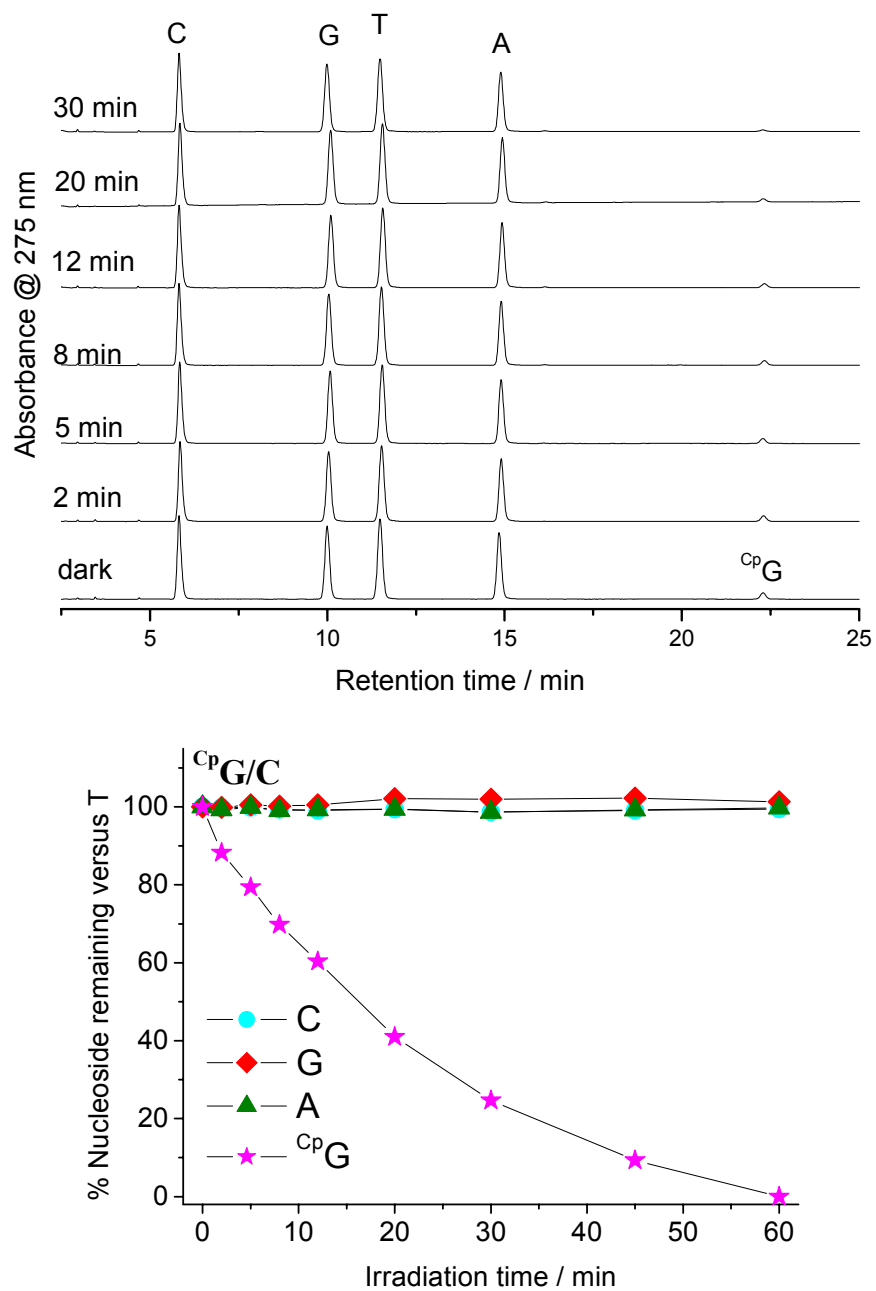


**Figure S16** HPLC traces of DNA base damages during the photoreaction of 5  $\mu\text{M}$  DNA duplex  $\text{I}^{\text{CpC}}$  and 5  $\mu\text{M}$   $[(\text{dppz})\text{Pt}(\text{mes}')_2]^{2+}$  complex in buffer in the presence of  $\text{O}_2$ .

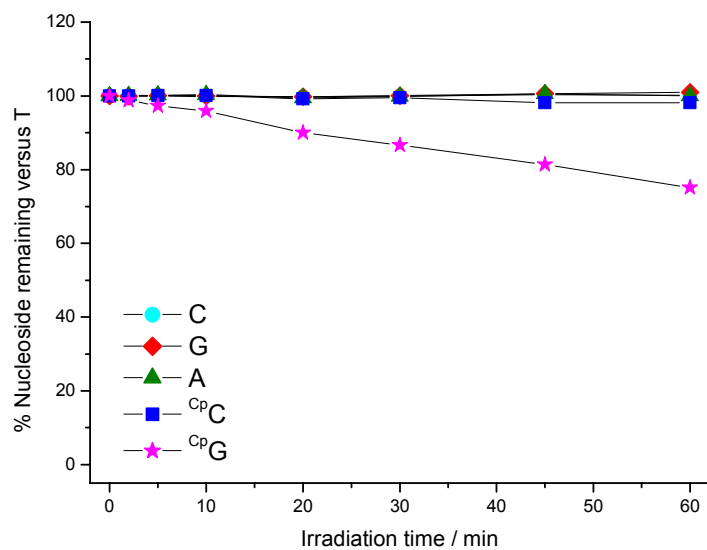


**Figure S17** HPLC traces of DNA base damages during the photoreaction of 5  $\mu\text{M}$  DNA duplex  $\text{CpG/CpC}$  and 5  $\mu\text{M}$   $[(\text{dppz})\text{Pt}(\text{mes}')_2]^{2+}$  complex in buffer in the presence of  $\text{O}_2$ .

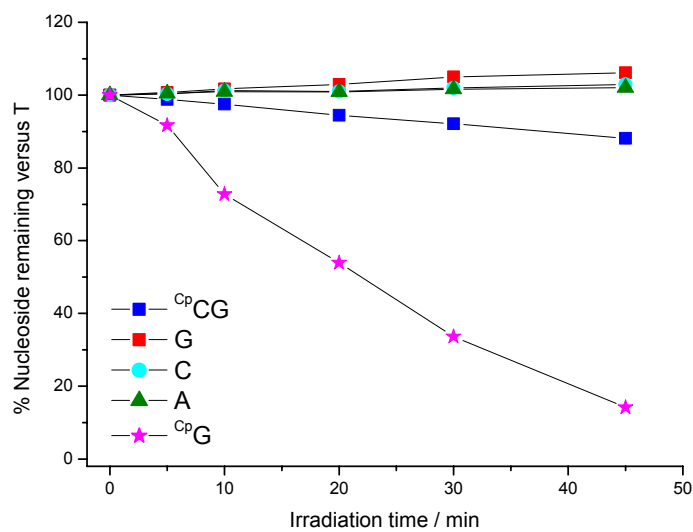




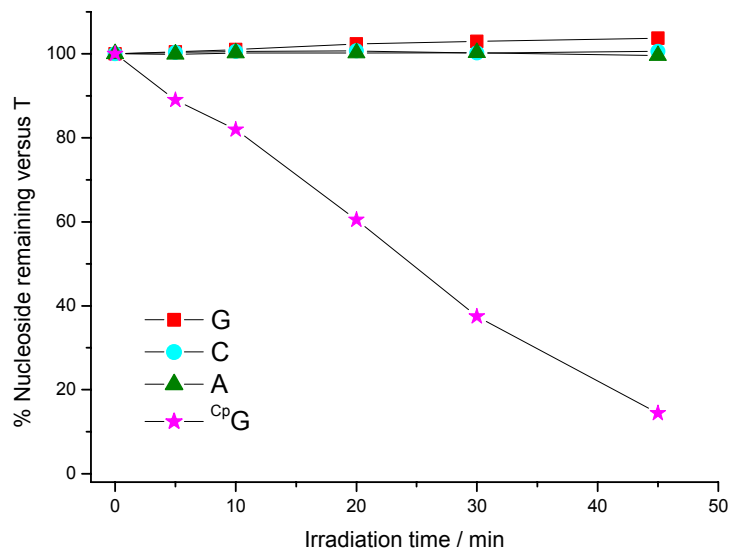
**Figure S18** HPLC traces of DNA base damages during the photoreaction of 5  $\mu\text{M}$  DNA duplex  $^{\text{Cp}}\text{G}/\text{C}$  and 5  $\mu\text{M}$   $[(\text{dppz})\text{Pt}(\text{mes}')_2]^{2+}$  complex in buffer in the presence of  $\text{O}_2$ .



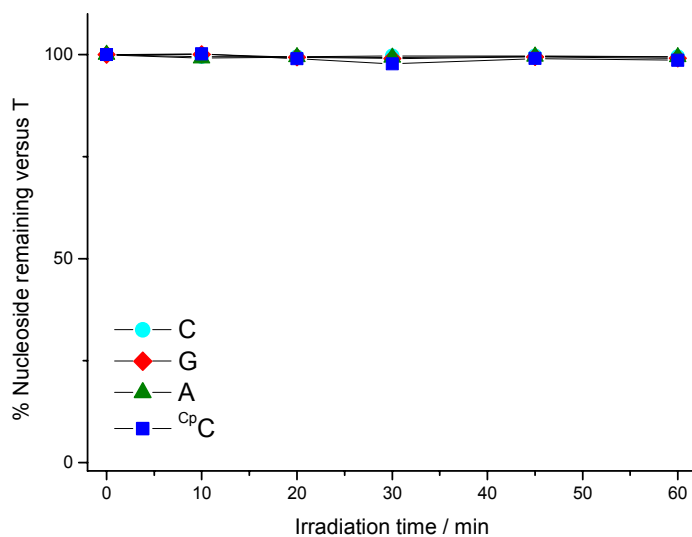
**Figure S19** Percent nucleoside remaining after photoreaction of 5 μM [(bp)Pt(mes')<sub>2</sub>]Cl<sub>2</sub> (5) and 5 μM duplex <sup>Cp</sup>G/<sup>Cp</sup>C in the presence of O<sub>2</sub>, and after nuclease digestion and HPLC analysis. For HPLC quantitation, T was used as internal standard.



**Figure S20** Percent nucleoside remaining after photoreaction of 50 μM [(bp)Pt(mes')<sub>2</sub>]Cl<sub>2</sub> (5) and 5 μM duplex <sup>Cp</sup>G/<sup>Cp</sup>C in the presence of O<sub>2</sub>, and after nuclease digestion and HPLC analysis. For HPLC quantitation, T was used as internal standard.



**Figure S21** Percent nucleoside remaining after photoreaction of 50  $\mu\text{M}$   $[(\text{bp})\text{Pt}(\text{mes}')_2]\text{Cl}_2$  (**5**) and 5  $\mu\text{M}$  duplex  $\text{CpG}/\text{C}$  in the presence of  $\text{O}_2$ , and after nuclease digestion and HPLC analysis. For HPLC quantitation, T was used as internal standard.



**Figure S22** Percent nucleoside remaining after photoreaction of 50  $\mu\text{M}$   $[(\text{bp})\text{Pt}(\text{mes}')_2]\text{Cl}_2$  (**5**) and 5  $\mu\text{M}$  duplex  $\text{G}/\text{CpC}$  in the presence of  $\text{O}_2$ , and after nuclease digestion and HPLC analysis. For HPLC quantitation, T was used as internal standard.