Supporting Information

Next Generation Hairpin Polyamides with

(R)-3,4-Diaminobutyric Acid Turn Unit

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Construction of Plasmids pCDMF-1 and pCDMF-2: Oligonucleotides were purchased from Integrated DNA Technologies. The plasmids pCDMF-1 and pCDMF-2 were constructed by annealing the oligonucleotides: 5'-AGCTGCGGCTCGAGACGGCTAACCCATCGAGACGGCTAGCCCATCG AGACGGCTATCCCATCGAGACGGCTACCCCATCGAGAGGATC-3' and 5-GATCGATCCTCT CGATGGGGTAGCCGTCTCGATGGGATAGCCGTCTCGATGGGCTAGCCGTCTCGATGGGTTA GCCGTCTCGAGCCGC-3'; 5'-AGCTGCGAGACGGCTCGAGACGGCTTGAACATCGAGACGG CTCGAGACGGCTTGACCATCGAGACGGCTCGAGACGGCTC-3' and 5-GATCGAGCCGTCTCG AGCCGTCTCGATGGTCAAGCCGTCTCGAGCCGTCTCGATGTTCAAGCCGTCTCGAGCCGTC TCGC-3', respectively, followed by ligation into the BamHI/HindIII restriction fragment of pUC19 using T4 DNA ligase. The plasmid was then transformed into Escherichia coli JM109 competent cells. Ampicillin-resistant white colonies were selected from 25 mL Luria-Bertani (LB) agar plates containing 50 mg/mL ampicillin treated with XGAL and isopropyl-B-D-thiogalactopyranoside (IPTG) solutions and grown overnight at 37 °C. Cells were harvested the following day and purification of the plasmid was performed with a Wizard Plus Midiprep DNA purification kit (Promega). DNA sequencing of the plasmid insert was performed by the sequence analysis facility at the California Institute of Technology.

DNase I Footprinting Titrations: Polyamide equilibrations and DNase I footprint titrations were conducted on the 5' end-labeled PCR product of pCDMF-1 and pCDMF-2 according to standard protocols.¹² DNA was incubated with polyamides or water (control) for 12 h at room temperature prior to reaction with DNase I.

Table S1. Melting temperatures of DNA/polyamide complexes for all four base pair variations at the turn position of hairpin polyamides.^{*a*}

	A•T		Т•А		C•G		G•C	
	5'-CGA TGGT	' C<u>A</u> AGC-3'	5'-CGA TGGTC<u>T</u> AGC-3'		5'-CGA TGGTC<u>C</u> AGC-3'		5'-CGA TGGTC<u>G</u> AGC-3'	
Polyamides	T _m / °C	$\Delta T_{\rm m}$ / °C	T _m / °C	$\Delta T_{\rm m}$ / °C	T _m / °C	$\Delta T_{\rm m}$ / °C	<i>T</i> _m / °C	$\Delta T_{\rm m}$ / °C
_	57.2 (±0.1)	_	55.8 (±0.1)	_	59.7 (±0.3)	_	60.4 (±0.2)	_
●●○○ →◇○○○● (5)	70.6 (±0.2)	13.4	69.0 (±0.3)	13.2	65.9 (±0.3)	6.2	64.3 (±0.1)	3.9
●●○○ →◇○○○●~ _{NH₃*} (6)	74.1 (±0.3)	16.9	72.9 (±0.2)	17.1	67.3 (±0.2)	7.6	64.7 (±0.2)	4.3
●●○○ →◇○○○● [→] •NH ₃ * (7)	76.1 (±0.2)	18.9	73.2 (±0.1)	17.4	69.7 (±0.3)	10.0	66.1 (±0.2)	5.7
●●○○ →◇○○○● ····NH ₃ * (8)	77.5 (±0.3)	20.3	74.2 (±0.1)	18.4	70.1 (±0.1)	10.4	66.8 (±0.2)	6.4

^[a]All values reported are derived from at least three melting temperature experiments with standard deviations indicated in parentheses. $\Delta T_{\rm m}$ -values are given as $T_{\rm m}^{\rm (DNA/polyamide)} - T_{\rm m}^{\rm (DNA)}$.

Table S2. Equilibrium association constants for hairpin polyamides determined by quantitative DNase I footprint titrations.^a

	A•T	T•A
	5'-CGA TGTTC<u>A</u> AGC-3'	5'-CGA TGTTC<u>T</u> AGC-3'
Polyamides	<i>K</i> _a / M ⁻¹	<i>K</i> _a / M ⁻¹
●000 +◇000● (1) $3.0 (\pm 0.8) \times 10^{10 [b]}$	n.d.
●000 +>>000 •NH ₃ ⁺ (2) 2.6 (±0.6) x 10 ¹⁰	n.d.
●000 +0000●-NH ₃ * (3) 2.1 (±0.1) x 10 ¹⁰	n.d.
●000 +>>000●·••NH ₃ ⁺ (4) 2.7 (±0.3) x 10 ¹⁰	n.d.
	5'-CGA TGGTC<u>A</u> AGC-3'	5'-CGA TGGTC<u>T</u> AGC-3'
●●○○ →◇○○○● (5) 1.3 (±0.7) x 10 ^{10 [b]}	n.d.
) 3.1 (±0.5) x 10 ¹⁰	n.d.
●●○○ +)◆○○○● ¬NH ₃ ⁺ (7) 2.4 (±0.3) x 10 ¹⁰	n.d.
●●○○ +>◇○○○● ^{···} NH ₃ * (8) 2.3 (±0.3) x 10 ¹⁰	n.d.
	5'-CGA TGGGC<u>A</u> AGC-3'	5'-CGA TGGGC<u>T</u> AGC-3'
●●●○ →◇○○○● (9) n.d.	n.d.
●●●○ +>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>	0) n.d.	1.5 (±0.2) x 10 ¹⁰
●●●○ →◇○○○●→¬NH ₃ * (1	1) n.d.	3.0 (±0.4) x 10 ⁹
●●●○ →◇○○○● ^{····(NH₃⁺} (1	2) n.d.	5.9 (±0.9) x 10 ⁹
	5'-CGA TGGGG<u>A</u> AGC-3'	5'-CGA TGGGG<u>T</u> AGC-3'
€€€€ ⇒≎○○○○○ (1	3) 2.8 (±0.2) x 10 ^{7 [b]}	n.d.
	4) n.d.	6.6 (±1.8) x 10 ⁹
	5) n.d.	9.4 (±3.0) x 10 ⁷
	6) n.d.	2.1 (±0.6) x 10 ⁸

^[a]Equilibrium association constants reported are mean values from at least three quantitative DNase I footprint titration experiments. Standard deviations are shown in parentheses. ^[b]Equilibrium association constants have been reported previously^[11] (n. d. = not determined).



Figure S1. Quantitative DNase I footprint titration experiments for polyamides **2**, **3**, and **4** on the 285 base pair, 5' end-labeled PCR product of plasmid pCDMF-2: lanes 1-11, 100 nM, 30 nM, 3 nM, 1 nM, 300 pM, 100 pM, 30 pM, 10 pM, 3 pM, and 1 pM polyamide, respectively; lane 12, DNase I standard; lane 13, intact DNA; lane 14, A reaction; lane 15, G reaction.



Figure S2. Quantitative DNase I footprint titration experiments for polyamides **6**, **7**, and **8** on the 285 base pair, 5' end-labeled PCR product of plasmid pCDMF-2: lanes 1-11, 100 nM, 30 nM, 3 nM, 1 nM, 300 pM, 100 pM, 30 pM, 10 pM, 3 pM, and 1 pM polyamide, respectively; lane 12, DNase I standard; lane 13, intact DNA; lane 14, A reaction; lane 15, G reaction.



Figure S3. Quantitative DNase I footprint titration experiments for polyamides **10**, **11**, and **12** on the 293 base pair, 5' end-labeled PCR product of plasmid pCDMF-1: lanes 1-11, 100 nM, 30 nM, 3 nM, 1 nM, 300 pM, 100 pM, 30 pM, 10 pM, 3 pM, and 1 pM polyamide, respectively; lane 12, DNase I standard; lane 13, intact DNA; lane 14, A reaction; lane 15, G reaction.



Figure S4. Quantitative DNase I footprint titration experiments for polyamides **14**, **15**, and **16** on the 293 base pair, 5' end-labeled PCR product of plasmid pCDMF-1: lanes 1-11, 100 nM, 30 nM, 3 nM, 1 nM, 300 pM, 100 pM, 30 pM, 10 pM, 3 pM, and 1 pM polyamide, respectively; lane 12, DNase I standard; lane 13, intact DNA; lane 14, A reaction; lane 15, G reaction.

Table S3. Melting temperatures of polyamides targeted to DNA-sequence 5'-AGAACA-3' in complex with DNA.^a

DNA sequence = 5'-TTGC AGAACA GCAA-3'					
Polyamides	<i>T</i> _m / °C	$\Delta T_{\rm m}$ / °C			
_	60.1 (±0.2)	_			
IPA ★ OOO ★ NH ₃ * (20)	74.4 (±0.2)	14.3			
■ IPA → → → → → → → → → → → → → → → → → → →	76.3 (±0.2)	16.2			
■ 100 •	64.6 (±0.1)	4.5			
₩NH ₃ * (23)	66.9 (±0.1)	6.8			

^[a]All values reported are derived from at least three melting temperature experiments with standard deviations indicated in parentheses. $\Delta T_{\rm m}$ -values are given as $T_{\rm m}^{\rm (DNA/polyamide)}$ - $T_{\rm m}^{\rm (DNA)}$.



Figure S5. A) Chemical structures and ball-and-stick models of matched and mismatched polyamides **20-23**, respectively, targeted to 5′-AGAACA-3′. B) Inhibition of DHT-induced PSA, KLK2, FKBP5, and TMPRSS2 expression by **20-23** measured by quantitative real-time RT-PCR.