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## SUPPLYMENTARY INFORMATION

## Modification of oligonucleotides with weak basic residues via 2'-O-carbamoylethyl linker for improving nuclease resistance without loss of duplex stability and antisense activity

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 $N^3$ -benzoyl-2´-O-{2-(methoxycarbonyl)ethyl} 3´,5´-O-(1,1,3,3-tetraisopropyldisiloxane-1,3-diyl) 5-methyluridine (1')





## *N*<sup>3</sup>-benzoyl-2<sup>-</sup>-*O*-(2-methoxycarbonylethyl)-5-methyluridine (2)



N<sup>3</sup>-benzoyl-2´-O-(2-methoxycarbonylethyl)-5´-O-(4,4´-dimethoxytrityl)-5-methyluridine (3)

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR of compound 4a (PyECE)



<sup>1</sup>H-NMR of compound 5a (PyECE)



<sup>31</sup>P-NMR of compound 5a (PyECE)

190 180 170 160 150 140 130 120 110 100 90 80 70 60 50 40 30 20 10 0 -10 -20 -30 -40 -50 -60 -70 -80 -90 -100 -110 -120 -130 -140 -150 -160 -170 -180 -190 -20

 $<^{151.0}_{150.7}$ 

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<sup>1</sup>H-NMR of compound 4b (DMAECE)



<sup>1</sup>H-NMR of compound 5b (DMAECE)

 


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<sup>31</sup>P-NMR of compound 5b (DMAECE)

<150.8 <150.5

190 180 170 160 150 140 130 120 110 100 90 80 70 60 50 40 30 20 10 0 -10 -20 -30 -40 -50 -60 -70 -80 -90 -100 -110 -120 -130 -140 -150 -160 -170 -180 -190 -20

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR of compound 4c (MorECE)



<sup>1</sup>H-NMR of compound 5c (MorECE)



<sup>31</sup>P-NMR of compound 5c (MorECE)

<150.9 <150.2

190 180 170 160 150 140 130 120 110 100 90 80 70 60 50 40 30 20 10 fr (pm)

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR of compound 4d (BzimECE)



<sup>1</sup>H-NMR of compound 5d (BzimECE)



<sup>31</sup>P-NMR of compound 5d (BzimECE)

<150.8 <150.2

190 180 170 160 150 140 130 120 110 100 90 80 70 60 50 40 30 20 10 0 -10 -20 -30 -40 -50 -60 -70 -80 -90 -100 -110 -120 -130 -140 -150 -160 -170 -180 -190 -21 f1 (ppm)

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**Figure S1** HPLC chart of synthesized oligonucleotides for nuclease resistance. Mobile phase A: 30 mM NH<sub>4</sub>OAc buffer Mobile phase B: 100% MeCN, linear gradient from 0 to 40 minutes was 0% to 40% B.



**Figure S2** HPLC chart of synthesized oligonucleotides for  $T_m$  and antisense activity. Mobile phase A: 8 mM TEA, 100 mM HFIP buffer Mobile phase B: 100% MeOH, linear gradient from 0 to 40 minutes was 0% to 40% B.

oligonucleotide	calcd for [M+H]	found	purity (RP-HPLC)
MCE	6123.2	6125.7	98
PyECE	6487.6	6489.2	92
DMAECE	6351.5	6353.6	89
MorECE	6519.7	6521.9	98
BzimECE	6643.8	6643.9	99
ASO <sub>Me</sub>	6775.5	6776.6	92
ASO <sub>MCE</sub>	7130.9	7132.7	89
ASO <sub>PyECE</sub>	7585.5	7587.4	89
ASO <sub>DMAECE</sub>	7416.4	7417.3	94
	7626.6	7627.4	92
	7781.7	7782.7	95

 Table S1. Summary of mass values of synthesized oligonucleotide (MALDI-TOF-Mass)



Figure S3. Observed MALDI-TOF-Mass spectrum of each oligonucleotide.



Figure S4. Observed melting curve of each duplex.