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Abstract

A simple and homogeneous histone assay is developed based on histone-induced DNA compressing coupled with cationic conjugated polymer (CCP)-mediated fluorescence resonance energy transfer (FRET). In this strategy, the CCP serves as the FRET donor and SYBR Green I (SG), which can strongly fluoresce not at its free state but after intercalated into the double stranded calf thymus DNA (dsDNA), serves as the acceptor of FRET. In the absence of histone, the dsDNA-SG and CCP combine