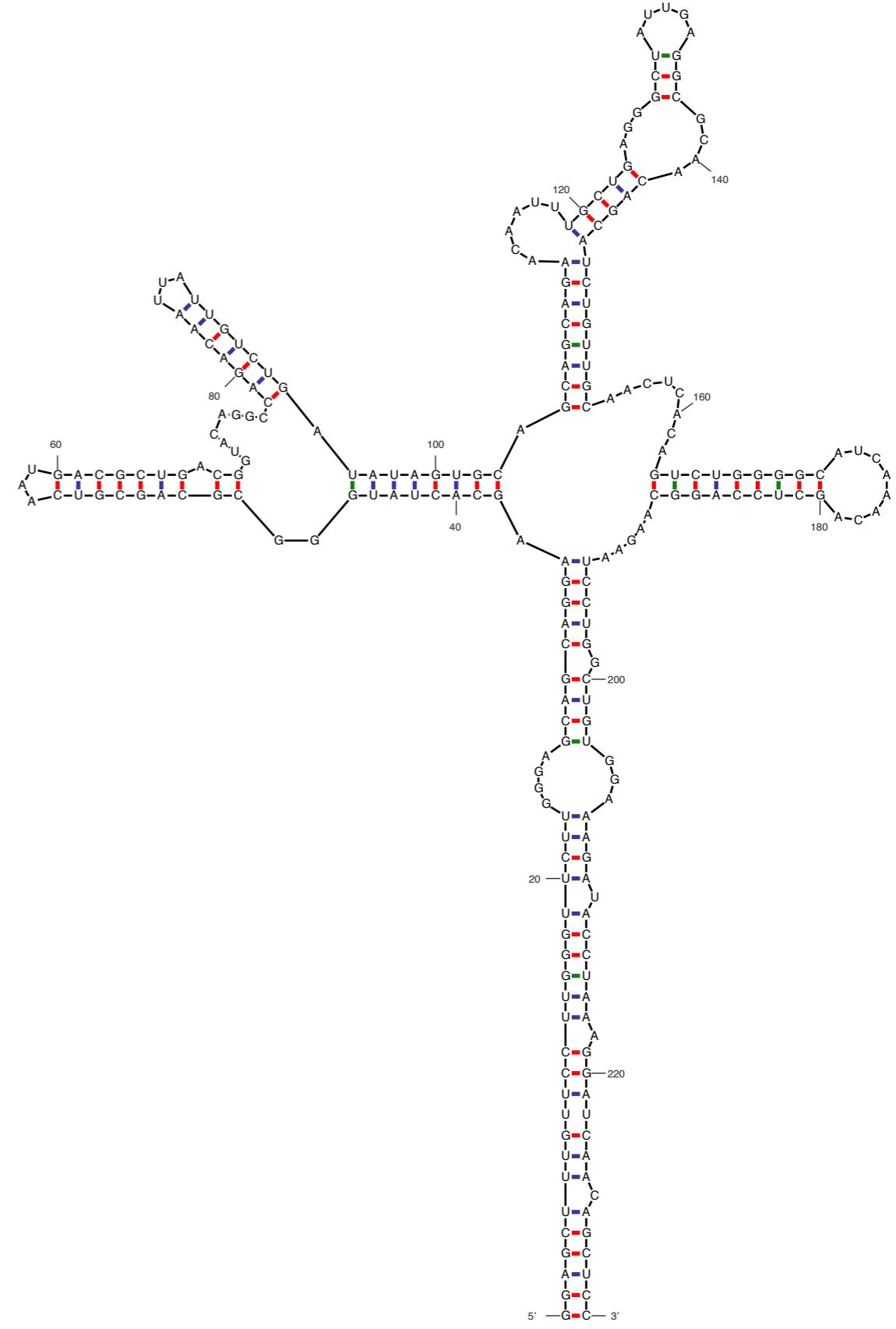
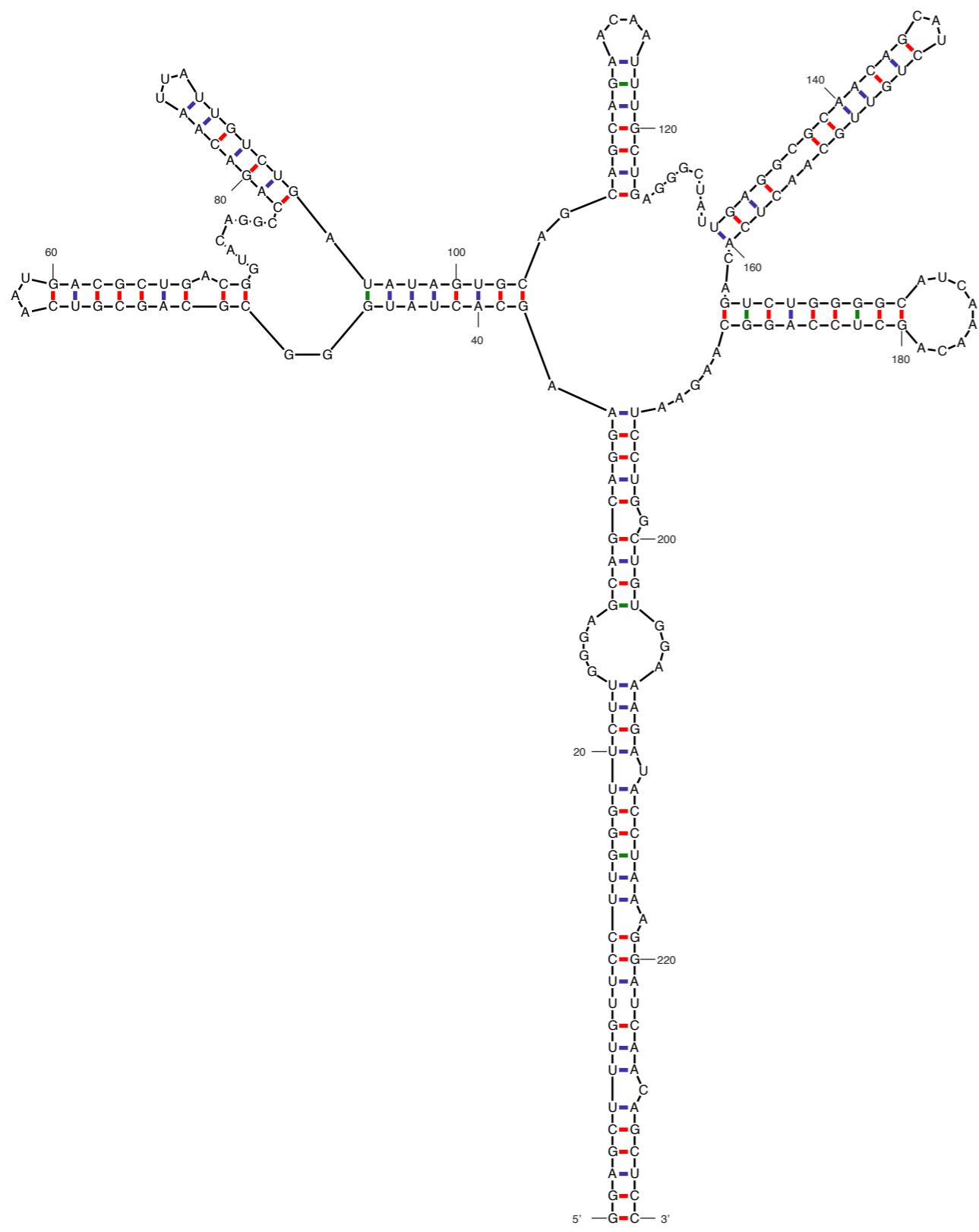
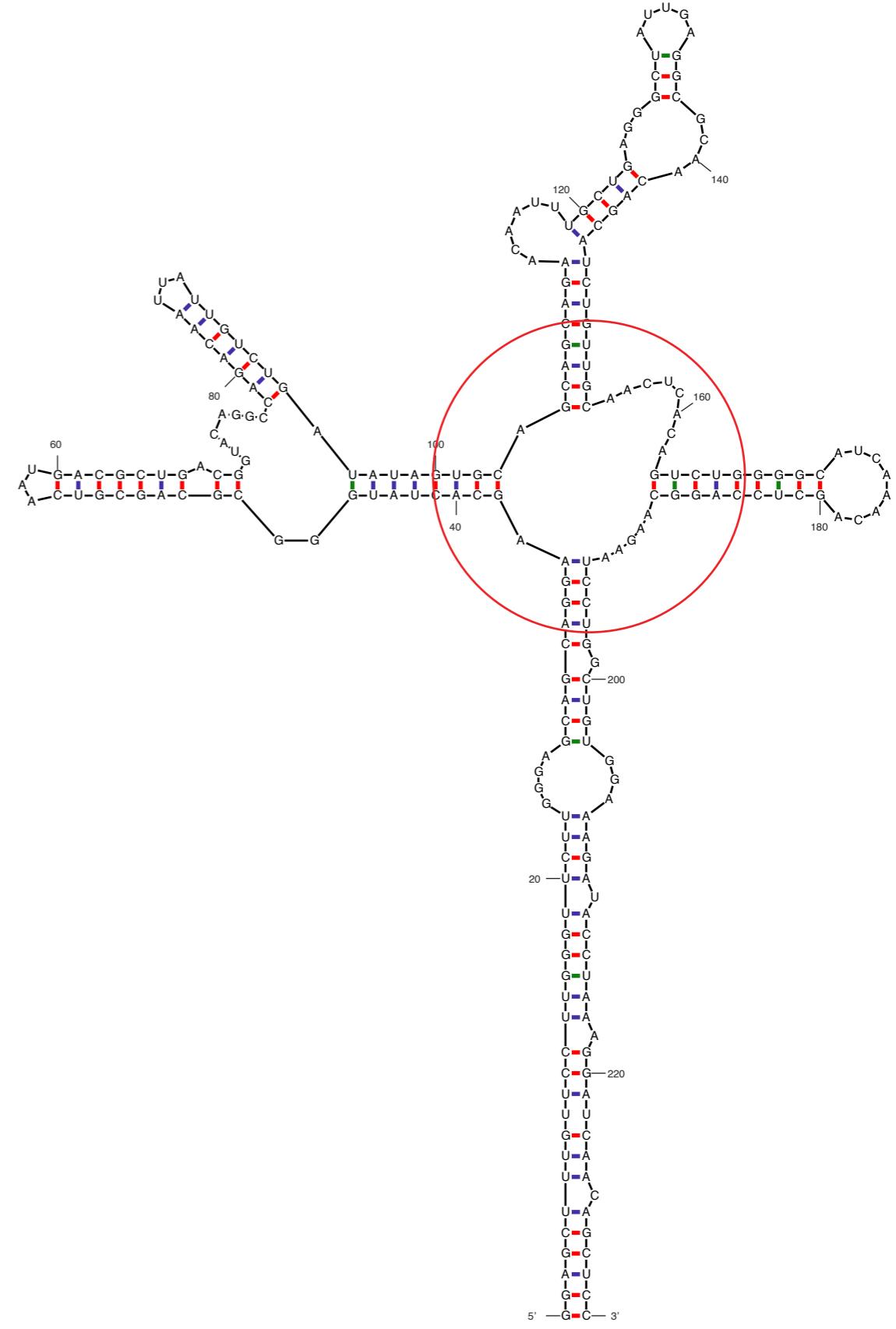
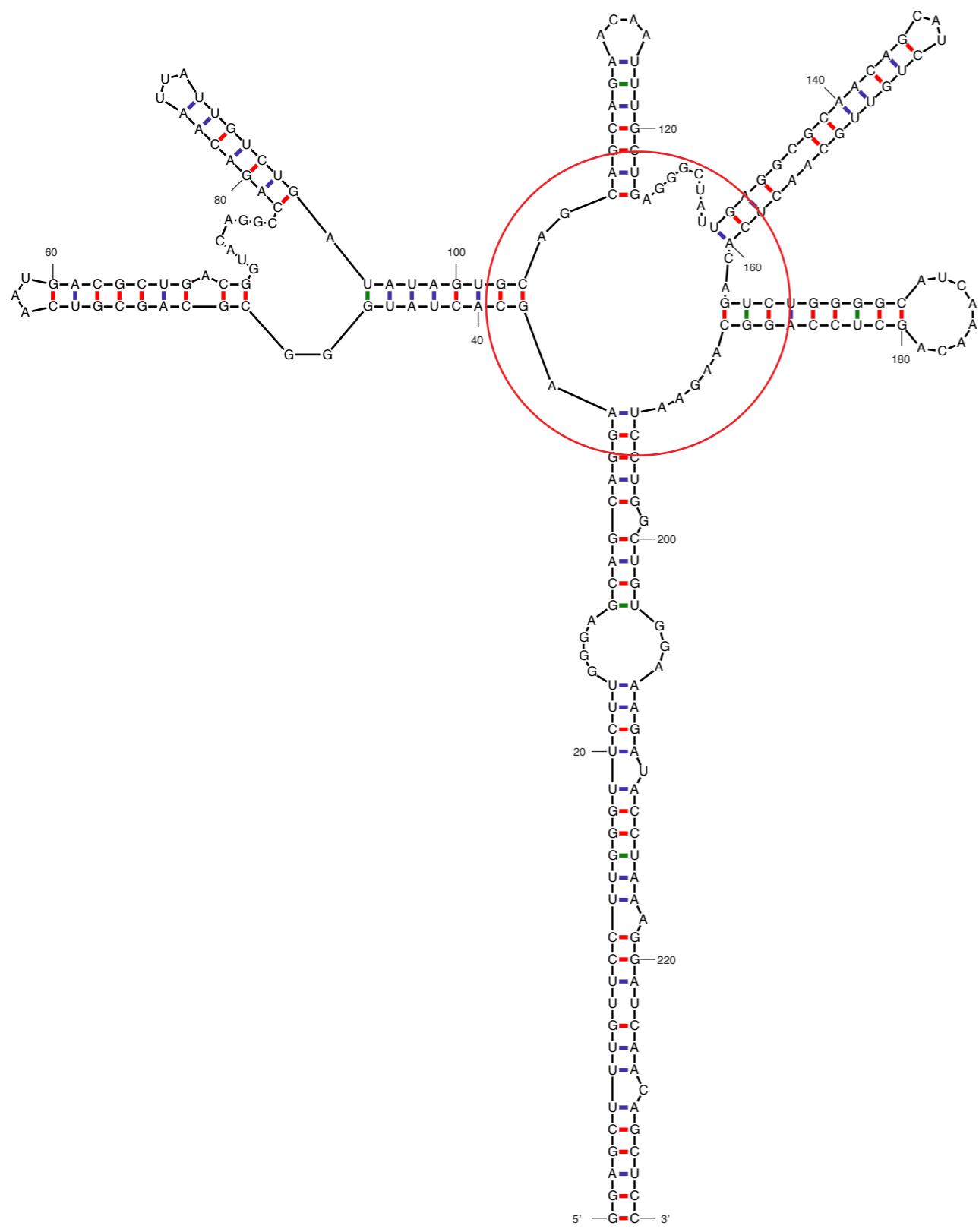




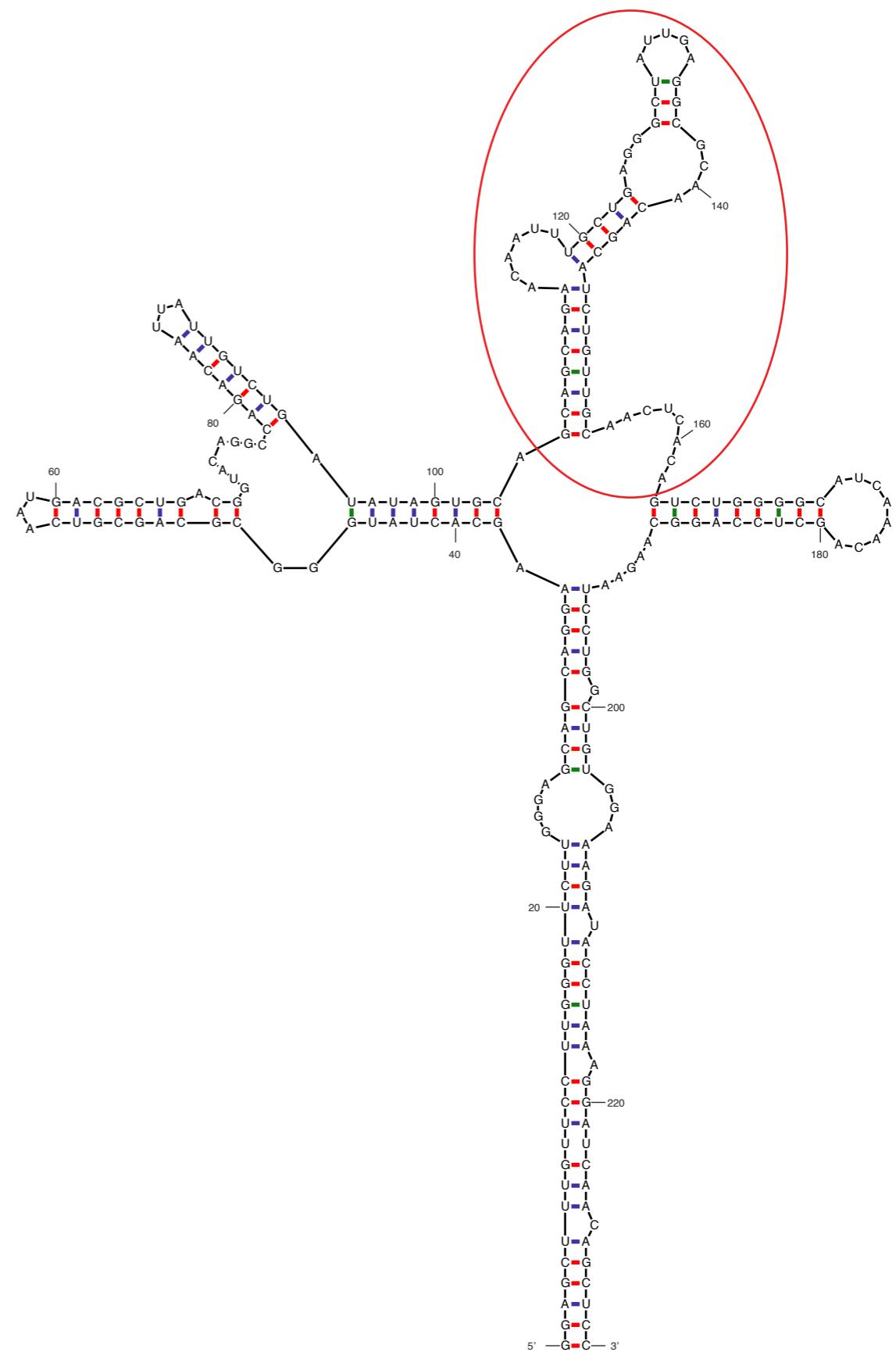
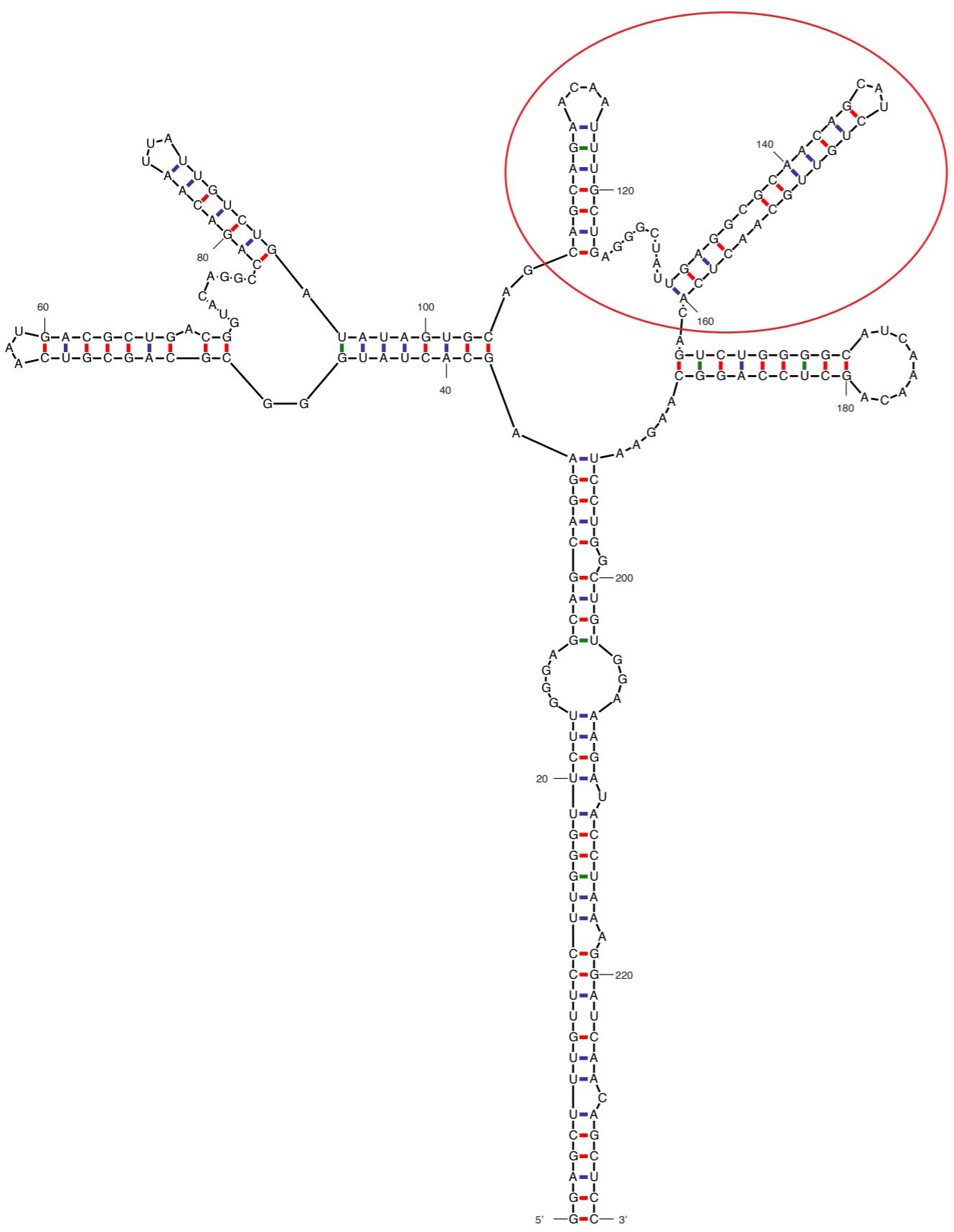
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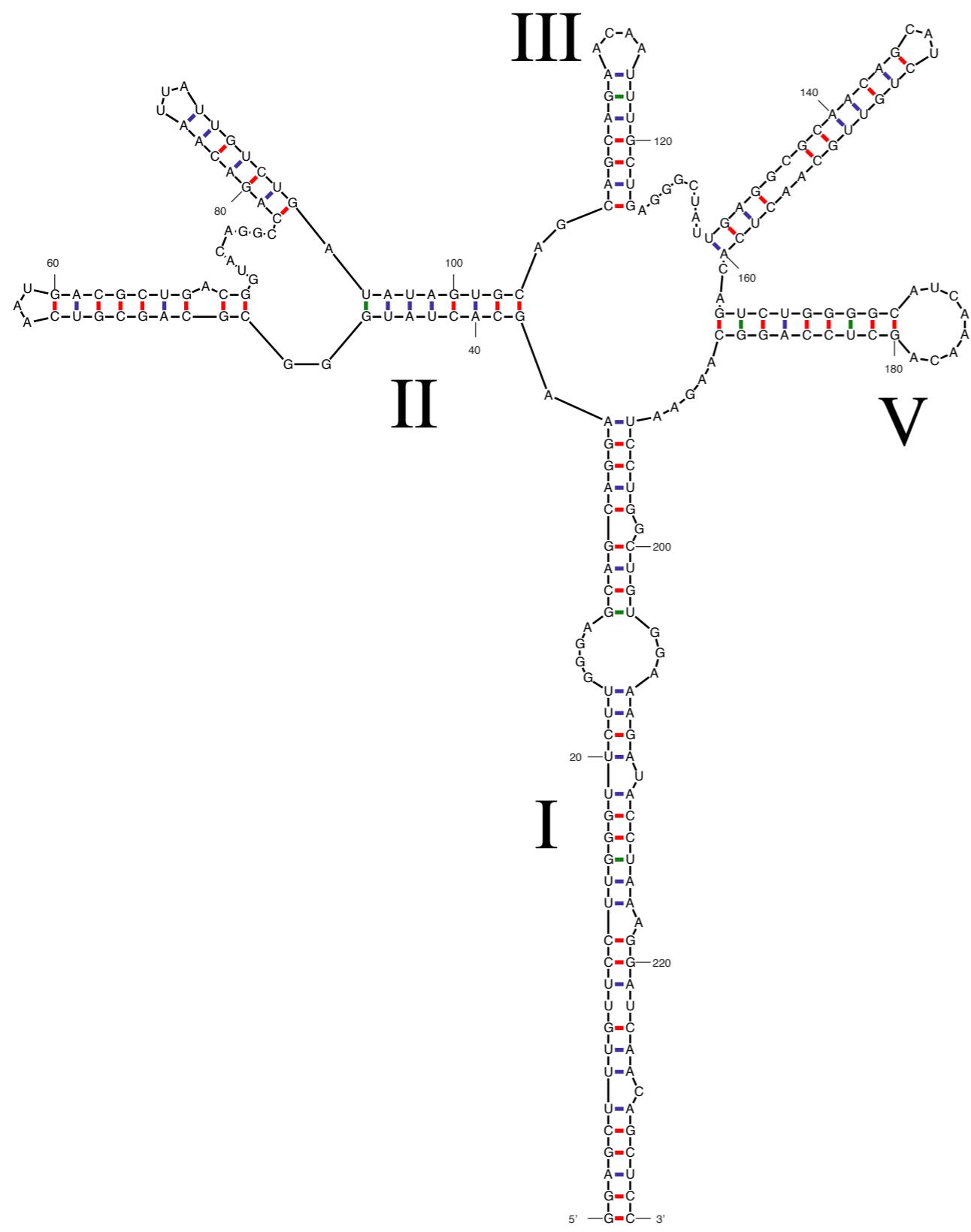
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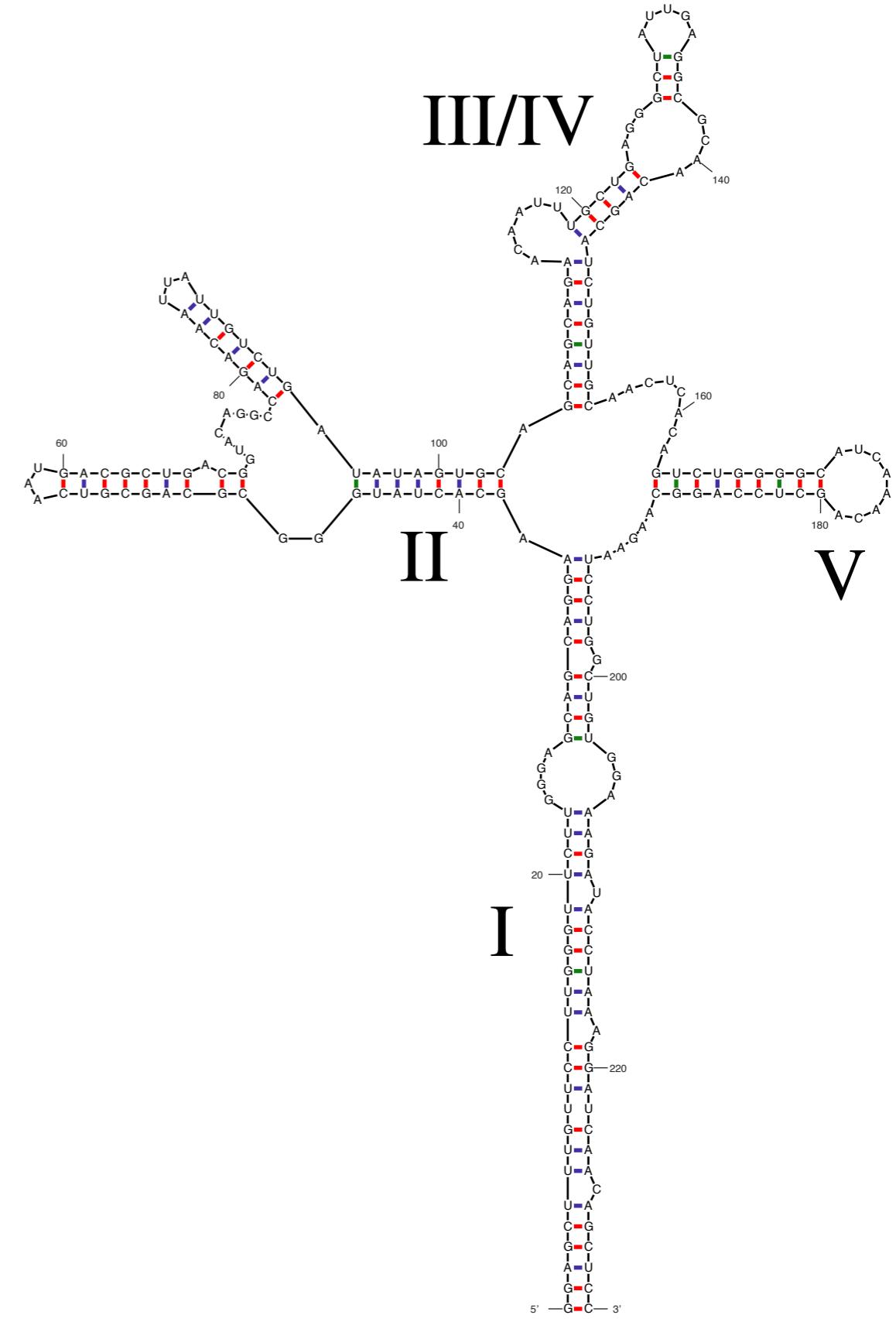
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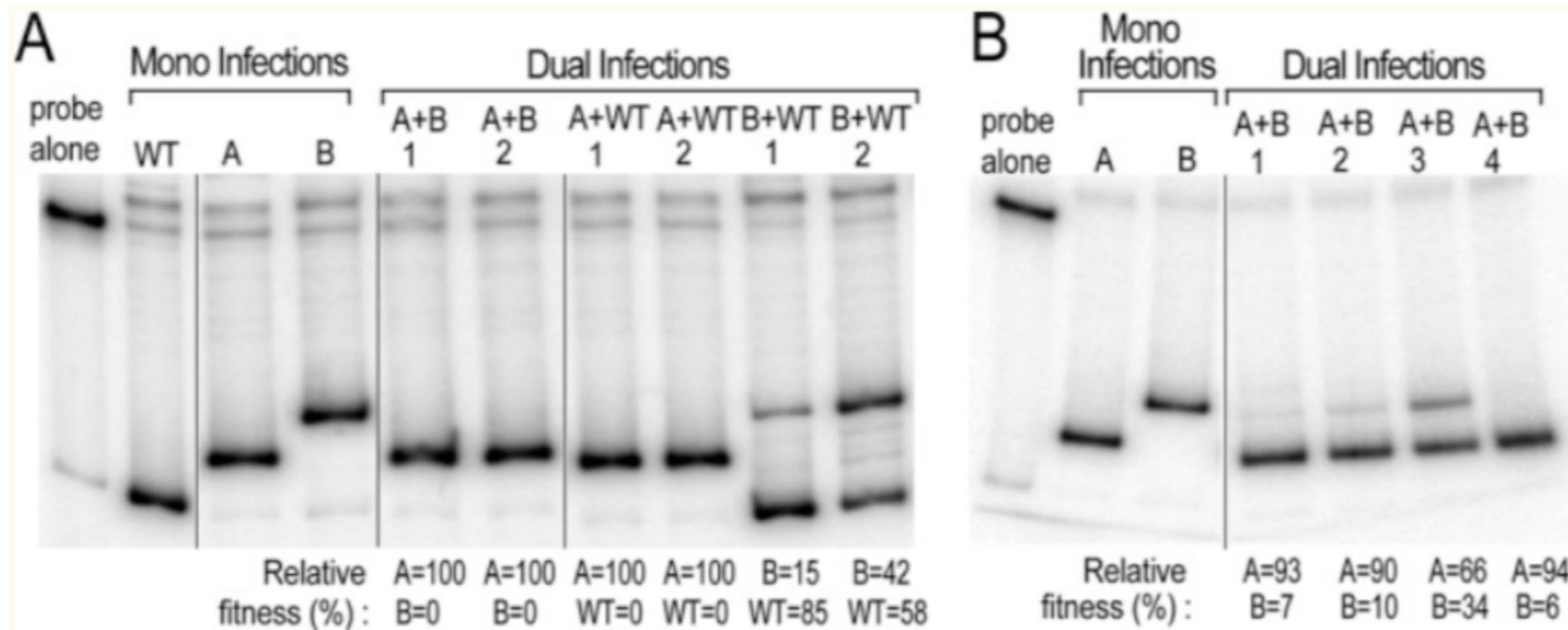
“5 stem”



“4 stem”

# Does conformation matter?

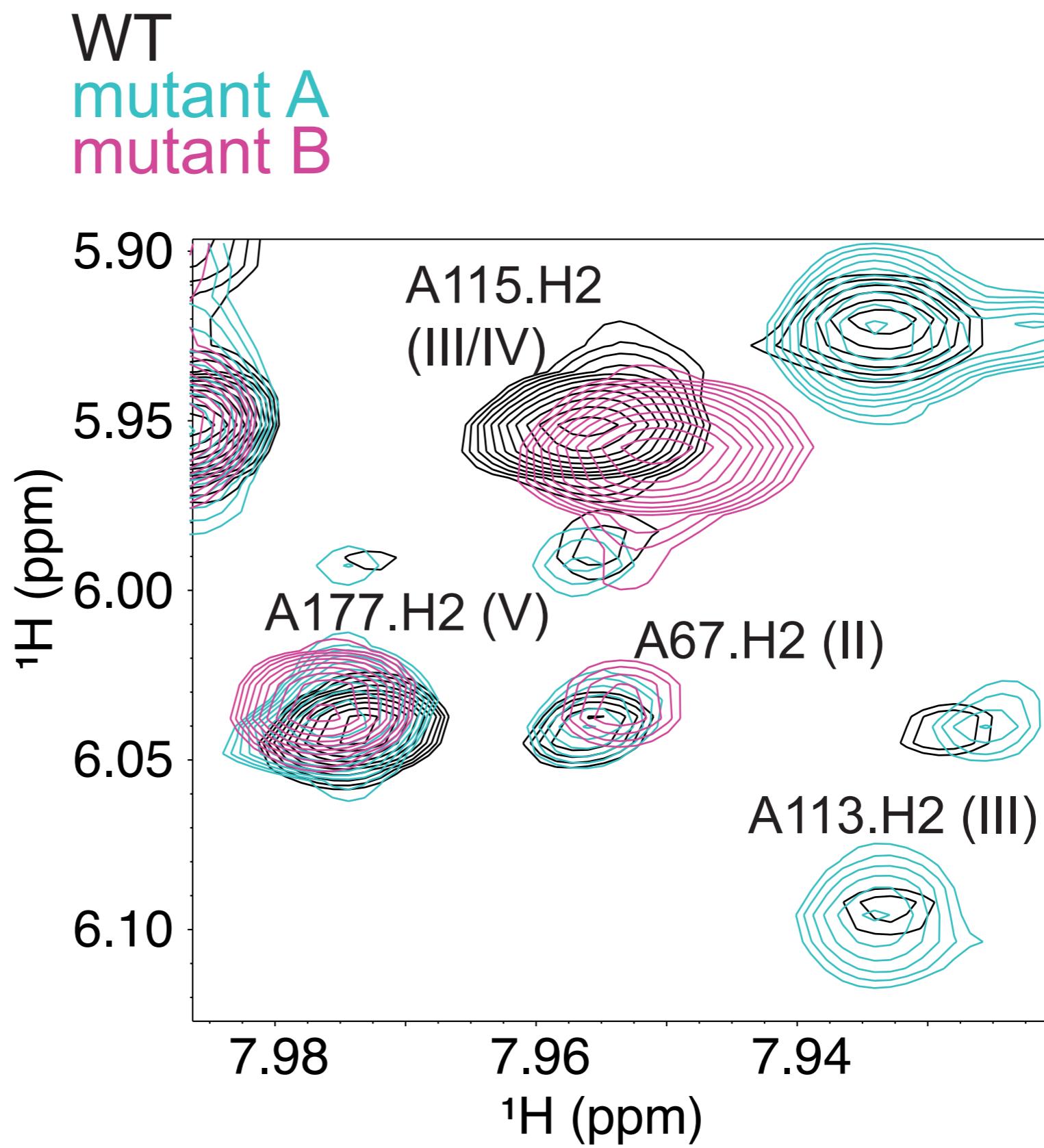
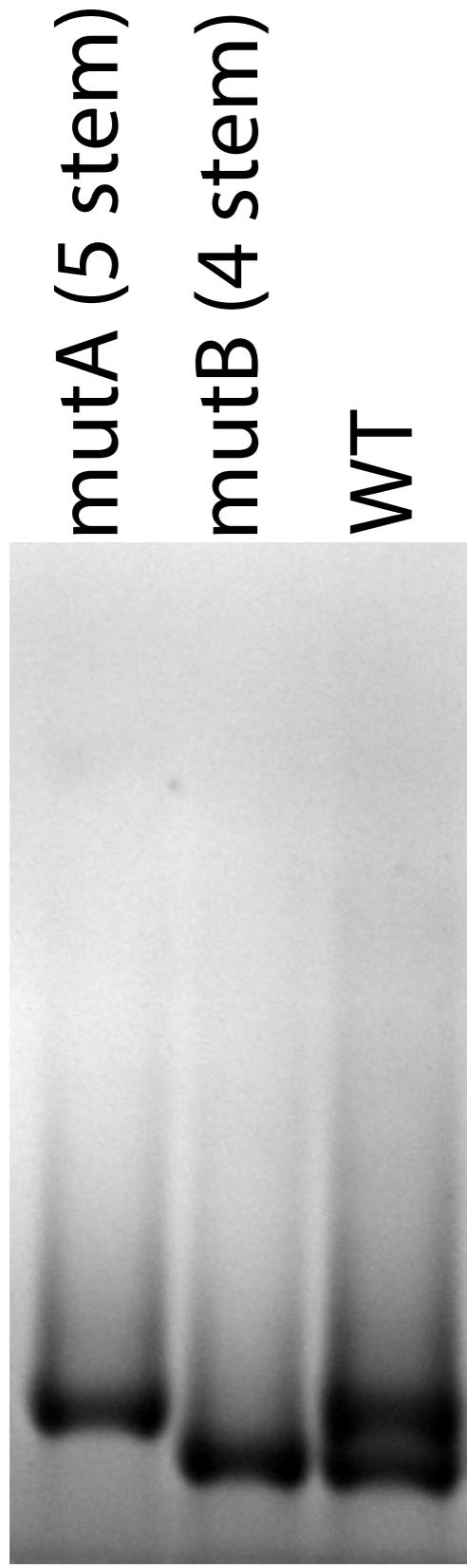
- local structure of high affinity Rev binding sites not perturbed



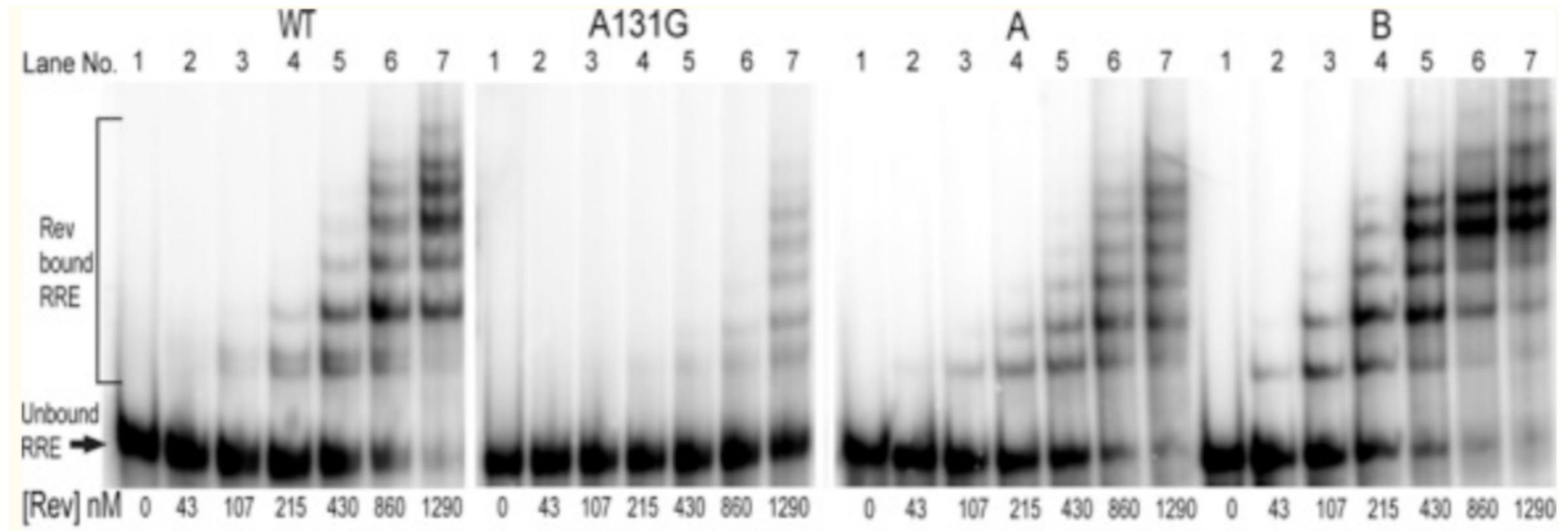
Competition growth experiments demonstrate a replicative advantage for virus containing a 5 SL RRE

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# Mutants recapitulate WT folds

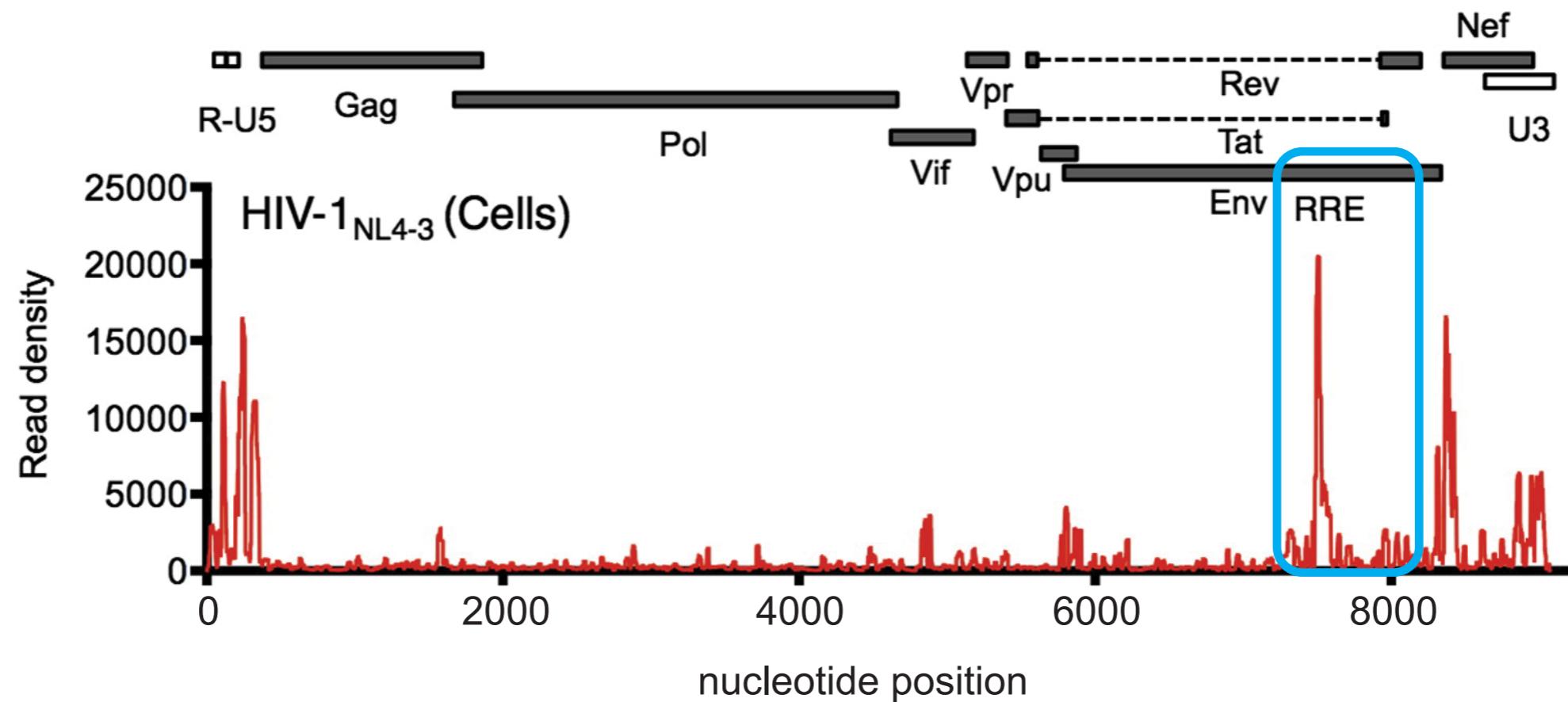


# Primary binding of Rev to the RRE and multimerization are largely unaffected by conformation



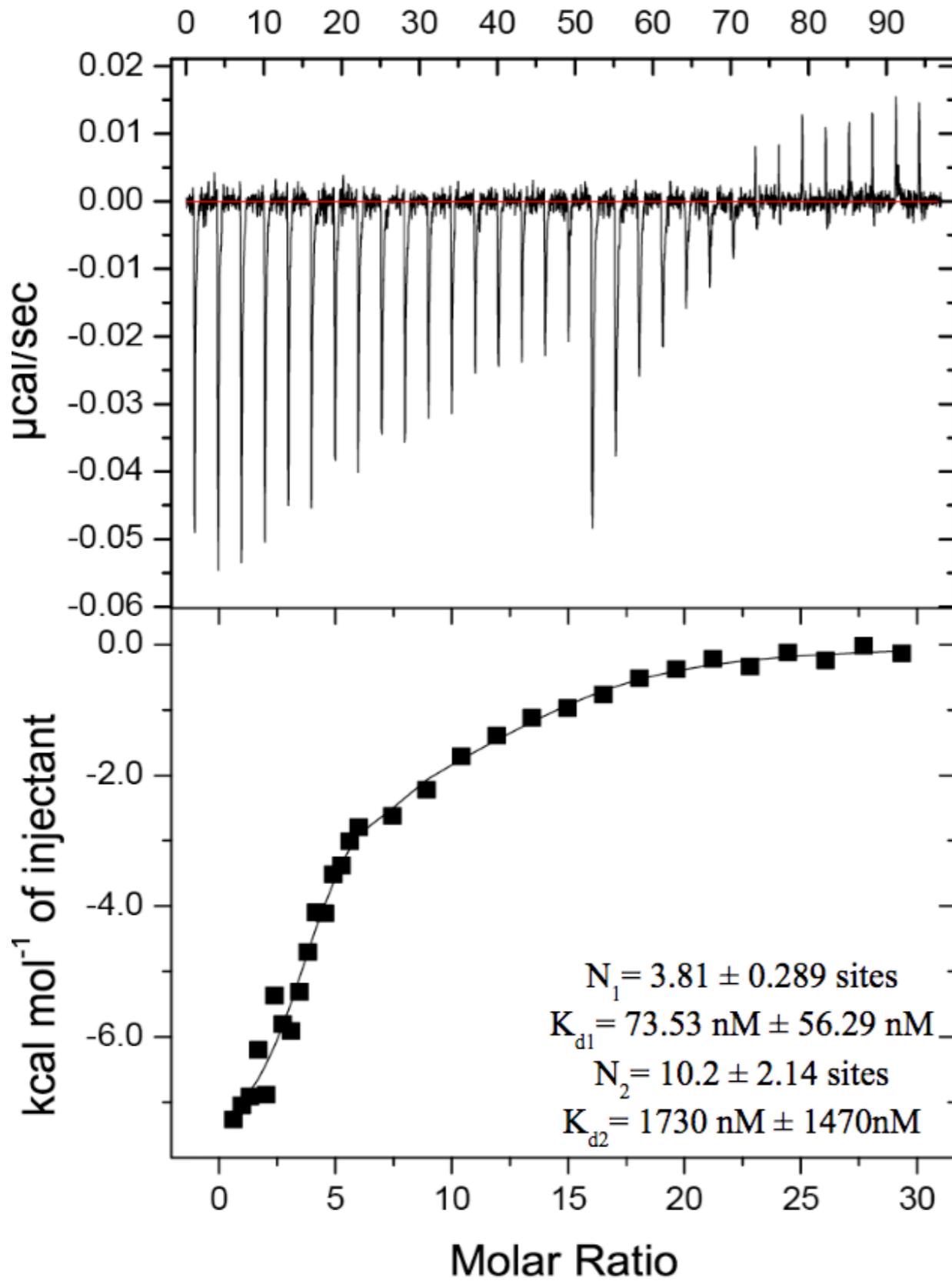
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# Any effect on Gag interaction?



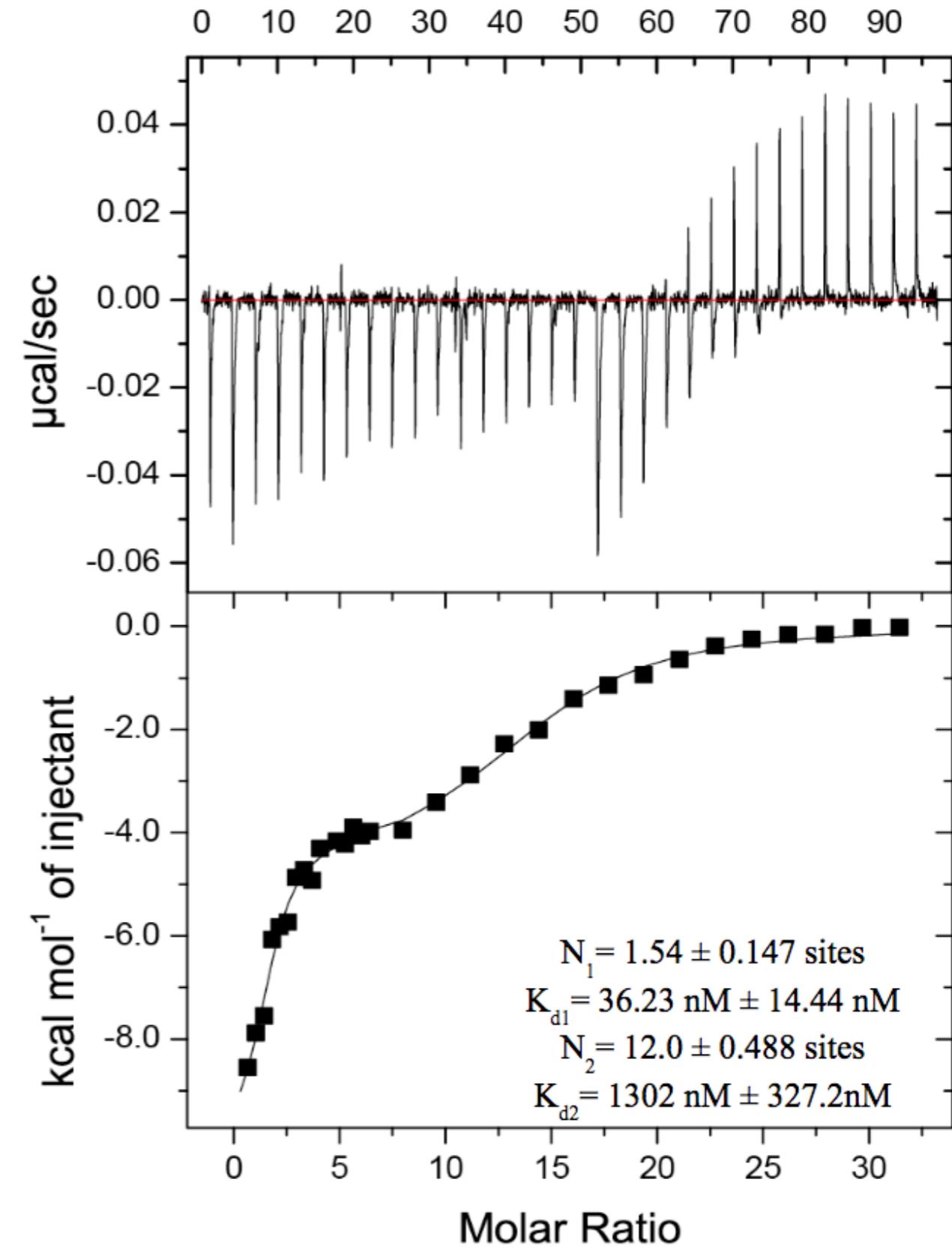
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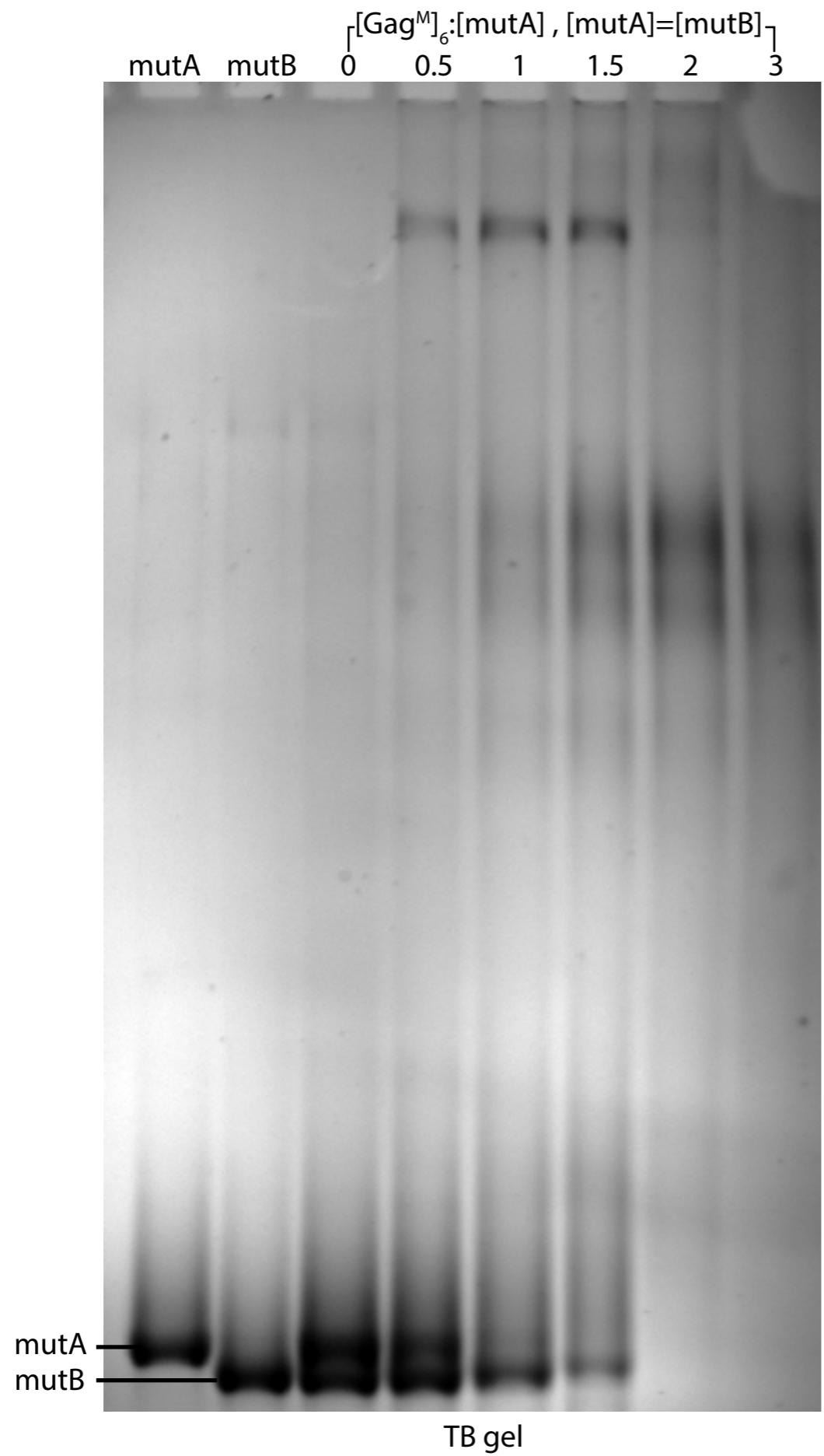
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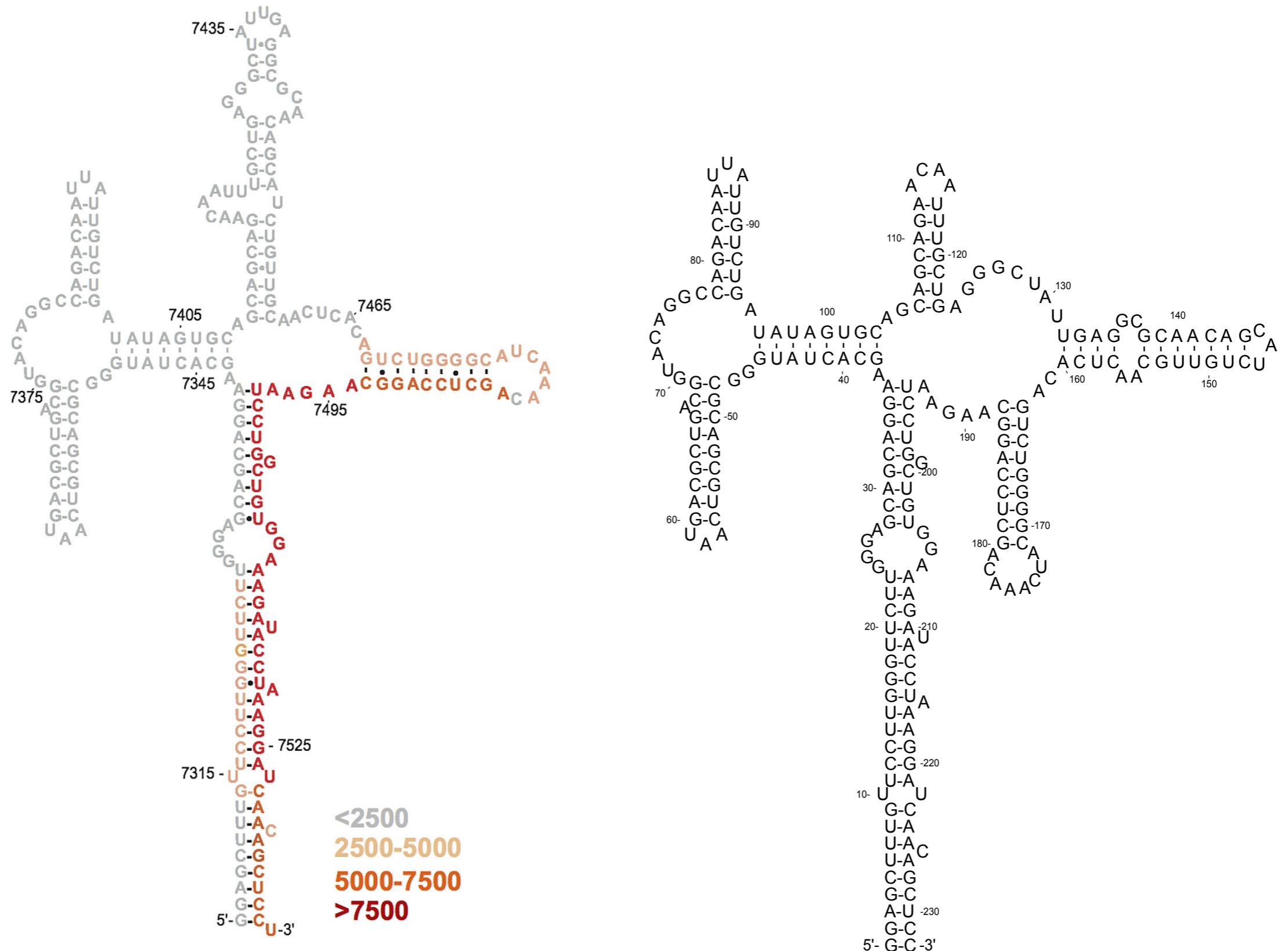
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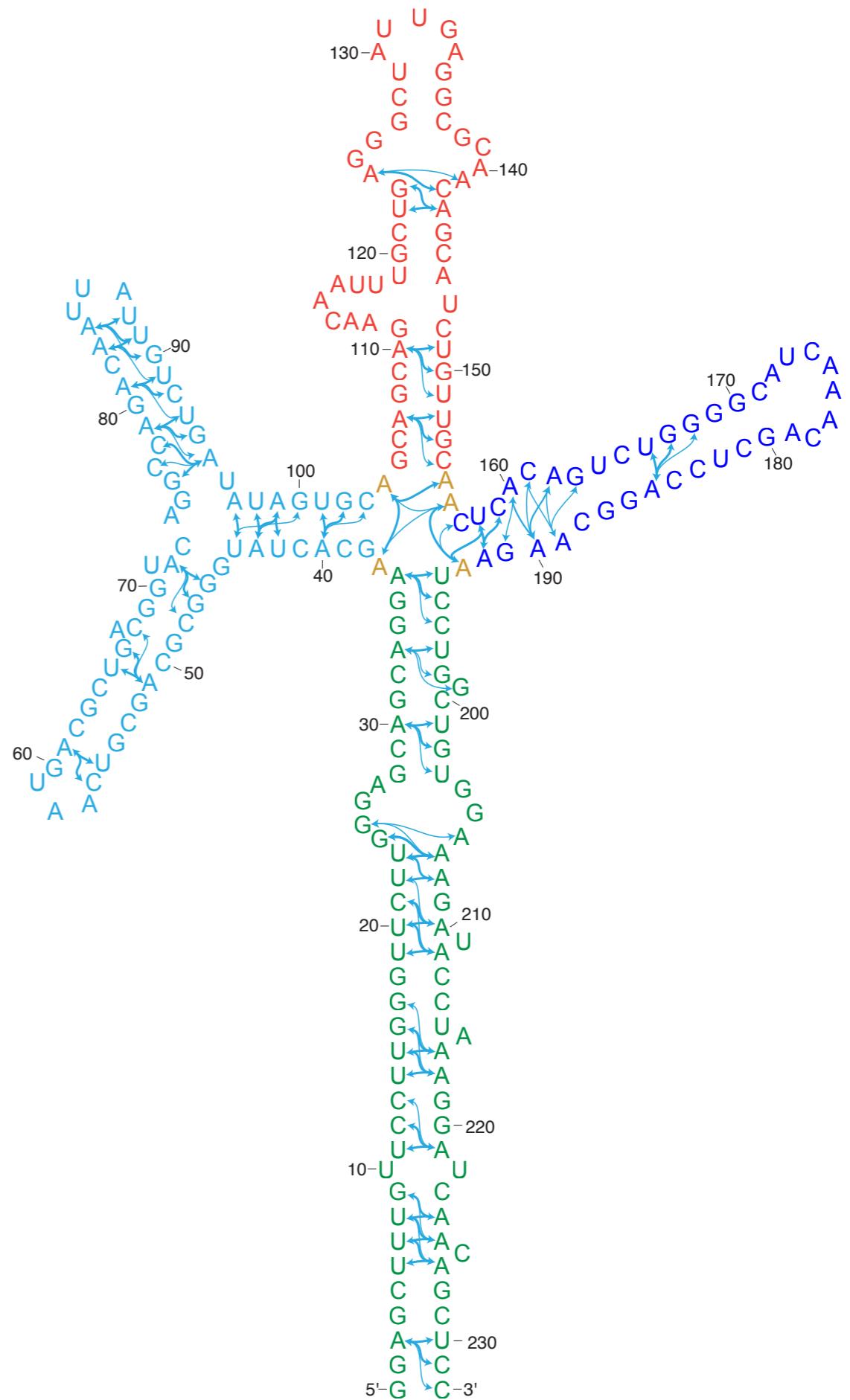
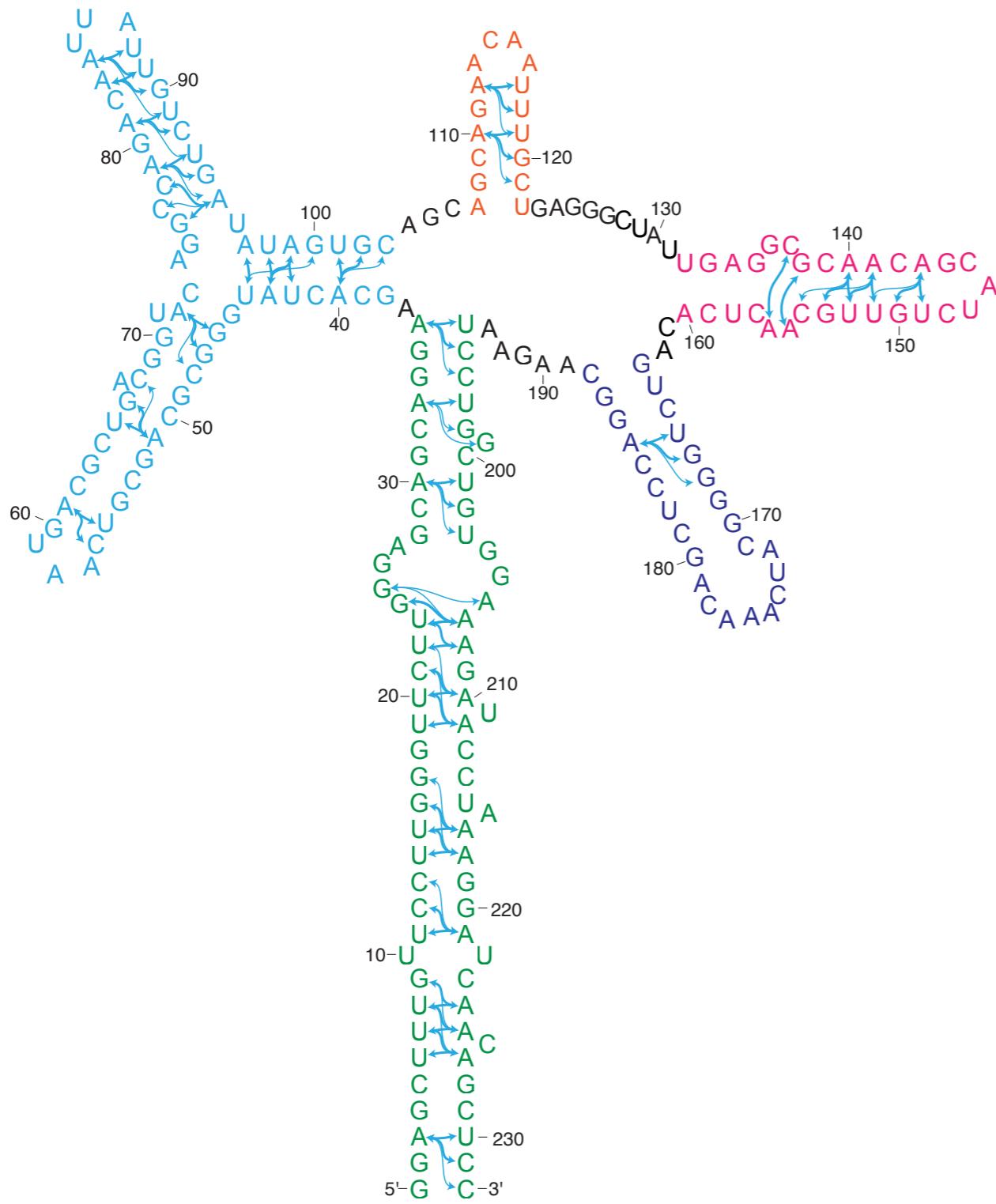


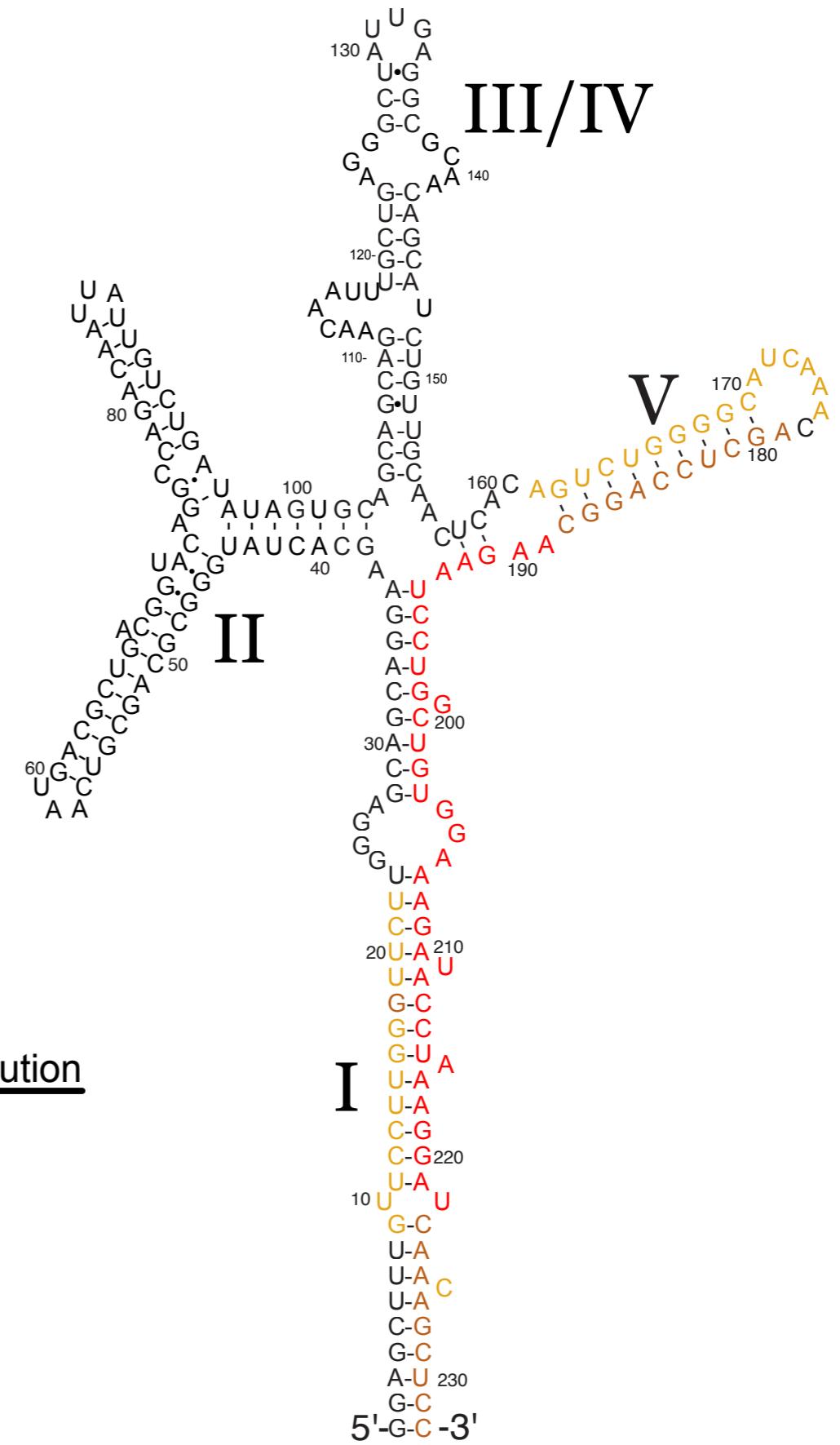
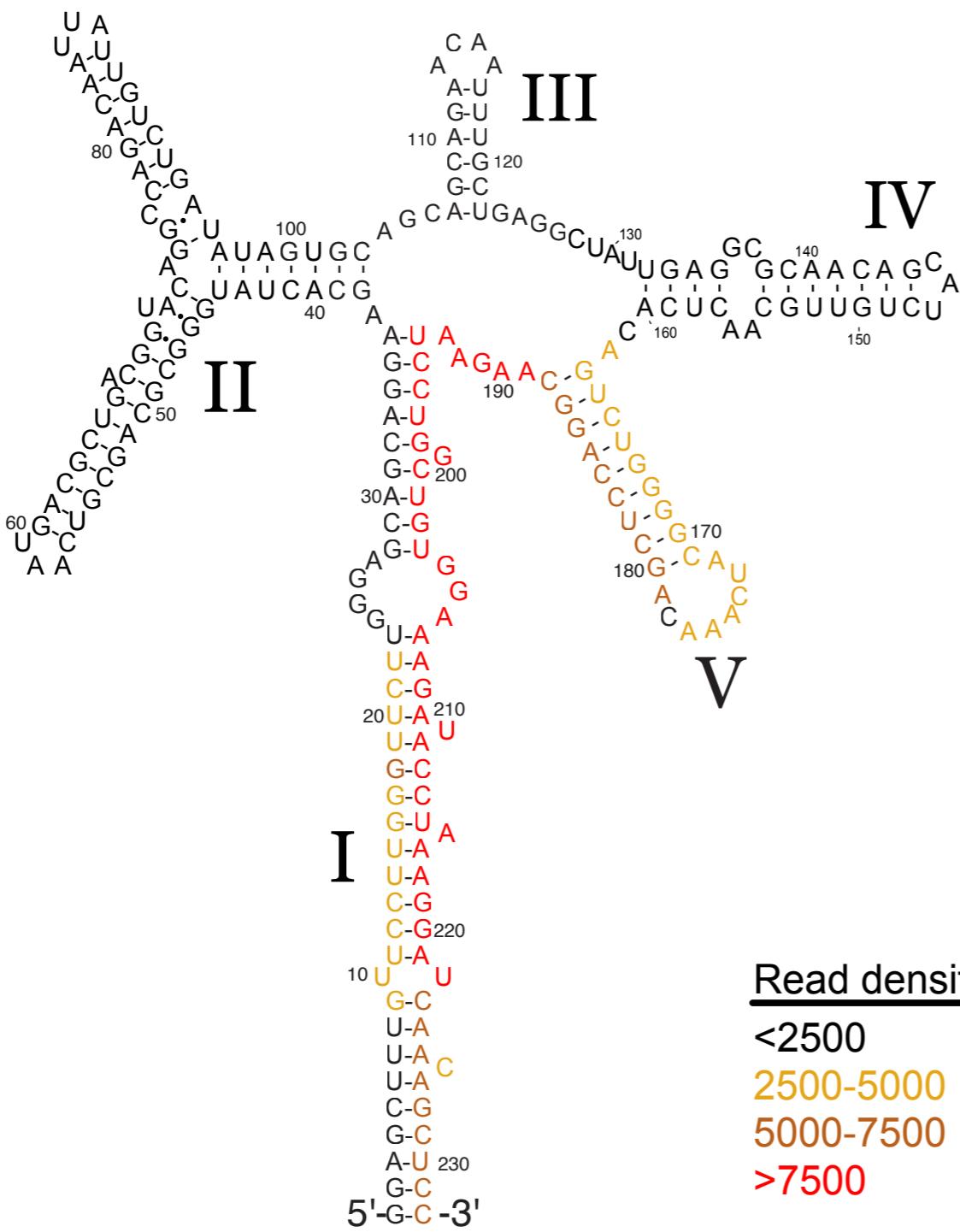


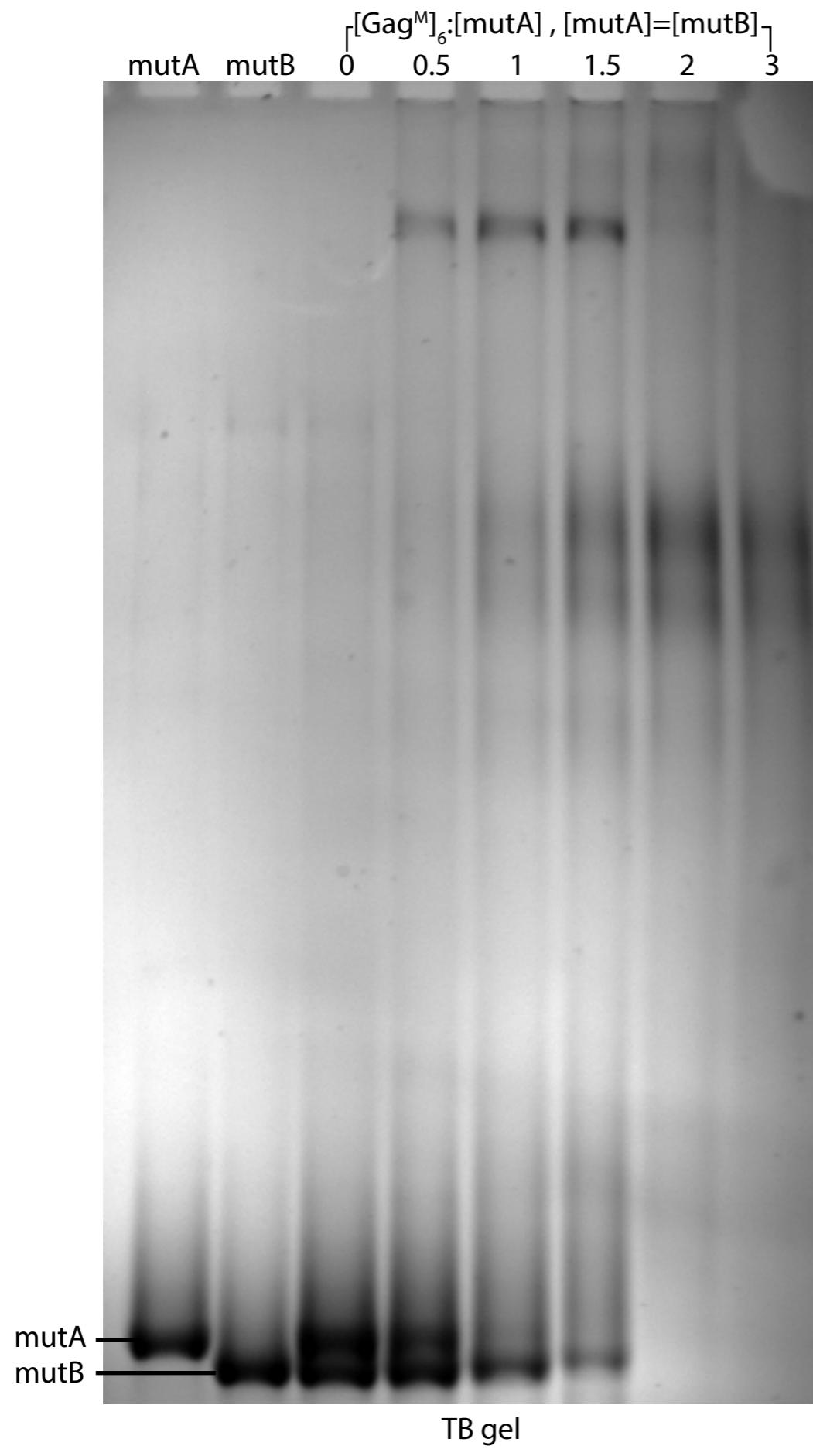
$[Gag^M]_6$  is a Gag mimetic consisting of a hexameric coiled coil chimera with CActd-SP1-NC

## HIV-1<sub>NL4-3</sub> RRE









# Directions

Identify further high affinity binding sites by mutagenesis

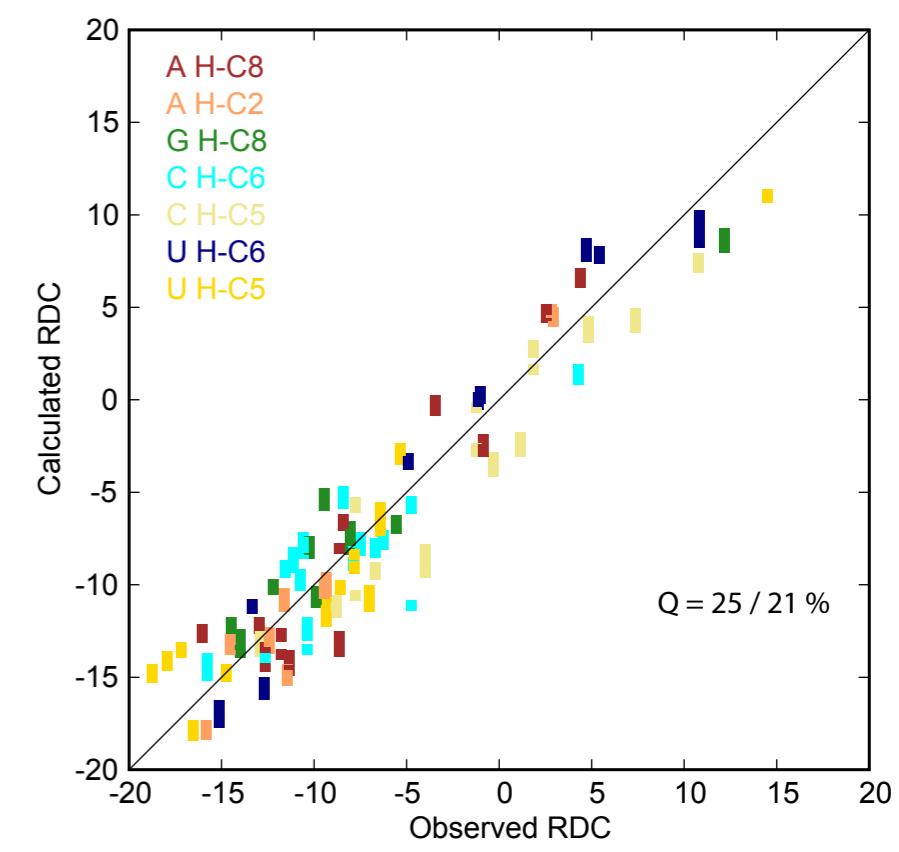
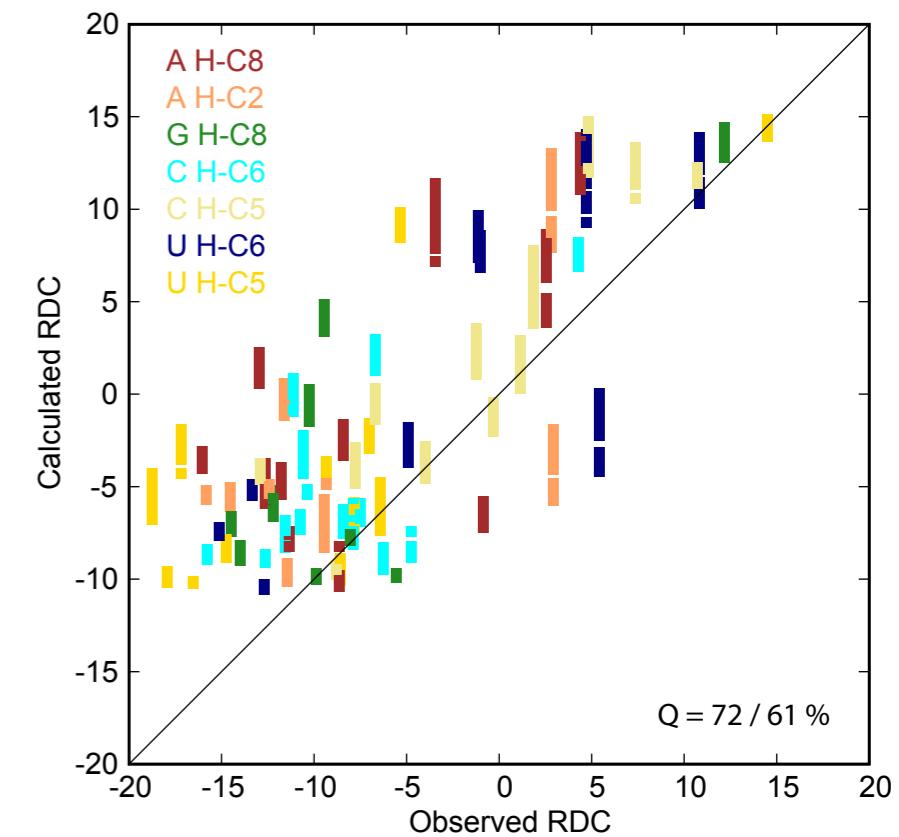
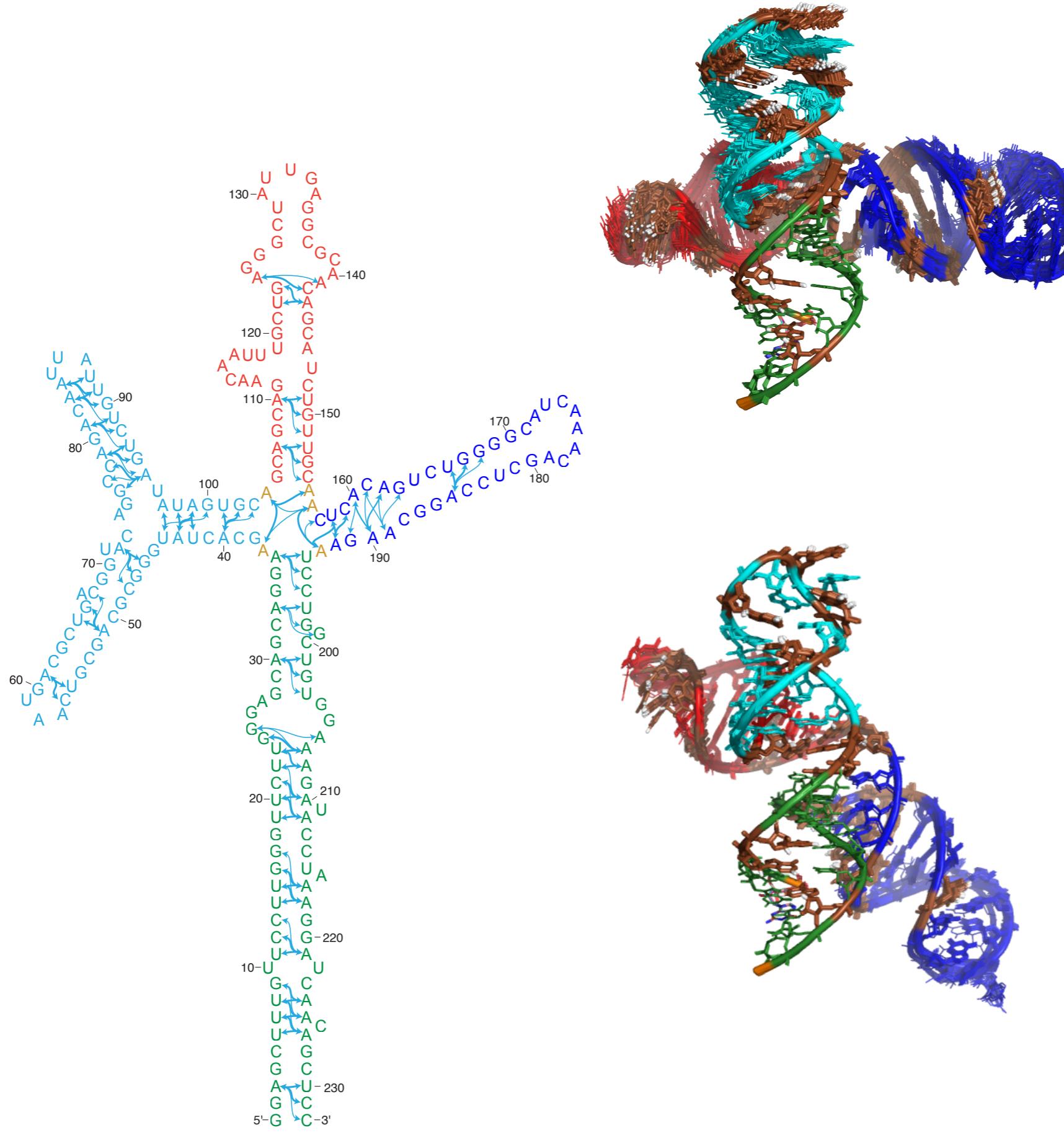
- target bulge guanosines
- test with Gag mimetics in competition

CLIP experiments with RRE mutants

- does Gag selectively bind 5 stem conformer *in vivo*?

Finalize structural characterization of both conformers

- including 5 stem conformer in high [Mg<sup>2+</sup>]



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