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## **OPEN Corrigendum: Fluorescence**tunable Ag-DNA biosensor with tailored cytotoxicity for live-cell applications

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In the 'Introduction' and 'Results and Discussion' sections of this manuscript, the authors used 2 sequences that were previously published and cited already as references 35 and 44. To better reflect the use of these sequences within the Introduction:

"Using these dependencies, we designed Ag-DNA templates to function as an optical sensor in living cells' interior environments (Fig. 1b-d) (for DNA sequences please see Table S1)".

"Using these dependencies, we selected and optimized Ag-DNA templates to function as an optical sensor in living cells' interior environments (Fig. 1b-d) (for DNA sequences please see Table S1)".

In the Results and Discussion section under the 'Ag-DNA nanoagent design' subheading:

"The design of DNA sequences is the result of optimizing fluorescence and/or sensor properties of Ag-DNA within the cell by varying the base sequences for enhanced performance".

#### Now reads:

"The choice of DNA sequences is the result of optimizing fluorescence and/or sensor properties of Ag-DNA within the cell by varying the base sequences for enhanced performance".

#### Secondly,

"The DNA template, consisting of 28 single bases, is designed to yield an Ag-DNA construct (Ag-28b in Fig. 1b) with strong and stable fluorescence properties upon insertion into living cells".

### Now reads:

"The DNA template, consisting of 28 single bases, yields an Ag-DNA construct (Ag-28b in Fig. 1b) with strong and stable fluorescence properties<sup>35</sup>, which we show are retained upon insertion into living cells".

#### In addition,

"Here, we demonstrate that by a simple modification of Ag-28b, we produced an Ag-DNA construct which shows optical sensor functionality inside living cells: shortening the 28b sequence by nine bases produces the Ag-19b construct (Fig. 1c), which exhibits an optical response to the intracellular environment".

#### Now reads:

"Here, we demonstrate that a simple modification of Ag-28b produces an Ag-DNA construct which shows optical sensor functionality inside living cells: shortening the 28b sequence by nine bases produces the Ag-19b construct<sup>44</sup> (Fig. 1c), which exhibits an optical response to the intracellular environment".

#### Finally,

"To decrease the toxicity level to a biocompatible Ag-DNA for an optical biosensor sensitive to intracellular ions, we designed an Ag-hairpin (Ag-HP) construct (Fig. 1d)".

#### Now reads:

"To decrease the toxicity level to a biocompatible Ag-DNA for an optical biosensor sensitive to intracellular ions, we designed an Ag-hairpin (Ag-HP) construct (Fig. 1d), as DNA hairpins with Poly-C loops have been shown to stabilize strongly fluorescent Ag-DNA species<sup>37</sup>".

In addition, the original Article contained typographical errors in the reference list. These errors have now been corrected in the HTML and PDF versions of this Article.

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