

Supplemental Information

Transposase-DNA Complex Structures

Reveal Mechanisms for Conjugative

Transposition of Antibiotic Resistance

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	Int^{82N} (225K)-CI5	Int^{82N} (225K)-CI6a	Int^{82N} (225K)-CI6b	Int^{82N} (WT)-CI5	Int^{82N}(379F)-IR_R	Int^{82N}(379F)-IR_RSe-MET
Data Collection						
X-ray source	EMBL PETRAIII P13	EMBL PETRAIII P13	EMBL PETRAIII P13	EMBL PETRAIII P13	EMBL PETRAIII P13	EMBL PETRAIII P13
Space group	P2 ₁	P2 ₁	C2	P2 ₁	P2 ₁	P2 ₁
a, b, c (Å)	64.59, 125.06, 77.98	77.74, 123.89, 77.76	79.93, 132.73, 125.03	77.66, 124.32, 77.40	77.23, 121.68, 77.23	77.7, 122.6, 77.9
α, β, γ (°)	90.00, 96.53, 90.00	90.00, 118.21, 90.00	90.00, 90.10, 90.00	90.00, 117.69, 90.00	90.00, 118.12, 90.00	90.0, 117.4, 90.0
Wavelength (Å)	0.9537	0.9763	0.9763	0.9763	0.9773	0.9773
Resolution	48.36 - 2.52 (2.67 - 2.52) ¹	68.47 - 2.60 (2.67 - 2.60)	68.47 - 2.48 (2.55 - 2.48)	46.04 - 2.80 (2.87 - 2.80)	45.38 - 2.50 (2.64 - 2.50)	50.0 – 2.80 (2.87 - 2.80)
R _{sym} (%)	9.6 (94.1)	13.3 (130.9)	6.0 (92.9)	10.2 (141.5)	6.5 (83.5)	10.9 (98.8)
R _{meas} (%)	10.6 (107.1)	15.6 (152.3)	7.4 (115.6)	12.5 (173.9)	7.6 (97.4)	12.9 (117.1)
I/σ (I)	13.29 (1.27)	8.19 (1.02)	11.85 (1.00)	10.67 (0.95)	11.7 (1.60)	8.79 (1.35)
Completeness (%)	96.6 (79.3)	99.3 (97.2)	92.5 (87.0)	96.6 (98.5)	96.5 (98.0)	97.1 (98.2)
Redundancy	5.6 (7.3)	3.8 (3.8)	2.6 (2.4)	2.9 (2.9)	3.8 (3.8)	3.5 (3.5)
Number of observations	222286 (20680)	152339 (10875)	112309 (7139)	88721 (6775)	158579 (23479)	213781 (16250)
CC (1/2) (%)	99.8 (55.2)	99.4 (49.2)	99.8 (44.4)	99.5 (62.2)	99.9 (65.9)	99.4 (54.7)
Refinement						
Resolution (Å)	48.36-2.79	68.47 – 2.67	68.47 – 2.67	46.04 – 2.80	38.60 ² – 2.50	
Number of reflections total/ free set	29672/1467	36788/1868	34209/1631	31128/1625	79794/ 4185	
R _{work} /R _{free} (%)	19.7/25.6	18.8/24.4	18.5/24.4	22.7/25.4	16.0/18.4	
Rmsd bond lengths (Å) / angles (°)	0.002/0.399	0.004/0.594	0.003/0.500	0.003/0.579	0.005/0.767	
Average B-value (Å ²)	67.0	65.0	75.0	95.0	71.0	
Ramachandran favored (%)	97	98	98	96	96	
Ramachandran outliers (%)	0	0	0	0	0	

¹ Numbers in parentheses show the statistic for the highest resolution shell.

² The low resolution cut-off was set to be consistent with the FreeR set inherited from other datasets.

Table S1. Summary of crystallographic data and refinement statistics, Related to Figure 2

step	Shift	Slide	Rise	Tilt	Roll	Twist
AT/AT	0.12	-0.27	2.96	1.53	-7.41	38.19
TA/TA	0.42	0.11	3.44	5.44	-8.71	39.61
AA/TT	0.25	-0.32	3.36	0.91	-4.34	42.86
AC/GT	0.72	-0.55	3	1.27	5.8	30.3
CC/GG	-0.46	-0.68	3.57	-3.45	7.48	30.88
CT/AG	-0.01	-0.18	3.08	2.54	9.07	32.39
TA/TA	0.01	0.75	3.27	-2.39	1.3	36.99
AA/TT	0.29	-0.48	3.45	0.87	0.21	38.79
AA/TT	0.03	-0.74	3.09	0.78	-3.61	32.92
AA/TT	0.28	-0.87	3.25	-0.01	-6.33	34.67
AT/AT	-0.61	-1.43	3.07	-5.26	2.99	34.75
TT/AA	0.16	-0.64	4.16	5.48	-20.69	31.6
TT/AA	-0.5	-0.29	3.1	-0.69	-0.57	39.01
TT/AA	1.2	0.16	3.39	1.56	2.78	37.73
TA/TA	----	----	----	----	----	----
AG/CT	----	----	----	----	----	----
GA/TC	----	----	----	----	----	----
AA/TT	-0.96	-0.08	3.7	1.12	-2.1	37.31
AA/TT	0.62	-0.42	3.13	-0.21	-0.79	38.74
AA/TT	-0.11	-0.5	3.8	-3.33	-18.97	32.07
AT/AT	-0.09	-1.28	3.21	4.63	1.67	33.8
TT/AA	0.26	-0.92	3.21	-2.05	-5.86	33.95
TA/TA	-0.59	-0.61	3.43	-2.87	0.09	37.08
AT/AT	-0.71	-0.85	3.43	-3.06	-3.05	36.08
TA/TA	0.09	0.38	3.14	-0.26	1.32	34.84
AT/AT	-0.11	-0.73	3.09	-1.8	6.3	33.08
TG/CA	0.26	-0.33	2.82	0.98	10.51	27.83
GG/CC	-0.74	-0.14	3.07	-1.22	-1.17	34.15
GG/CC	0.27	-1	3.4	1.01	6.83	35.94
GA/TC	0.09	-0.45	3.59	-1.25	-19.29	38.81
average	0.07	-0.31	3.43	0	-1.1	36.23
SD	0.56	0.75	0.63	2.88	8.2	6.36

Table S2. DNA conformational parameters in the Int^{82N}-CI5 structure as calculated by 3DNA, Related to Figures 2 and 3

Listed are the six rigid body parameters that describe the position and orientation of one base pair relative to another (shift, slide, rise, tilt, roll and twist) for each dimer step in the CI5 sequence. Values are missing at the crossover region, where regular base pairing is disrupted due to base flipping, preventing confident determination of the rigid body parameters. SD refers to standard deviation. <http://x3dna.org/>

Protein: DNA ratio	Int ^{82N} - CI5-F		R153A - CI5-F		I(wt) / I(R153)
	I(mean)	SEM	I(mean)	SEM	
0.42	2382	3617	-4979	4791	0
0.84	24317	5396	3442	3021	7
1.2	32680	7701	15551	9196	2
1.68	63845	8480	36287	14444	2
2	64862	7411	14350	4121	5
2.5	96497	11428	42484	13392	2

Table S3. Fluorescence intensity values for Int^{82N} and R153A mutant in complex with a 2AP-modified CI5 DNA (CI5-F) at different protein-DNA ratios. Related to Figure 3

I(mean) refers to the mean intensity and SEM shows the standard error of the mean for 3-6 independent experiments.

sample	concentration (μ M)	I[product]	I[substrate]	I[product]/I[substrate]
Int ^{82N}	2.8	1316	884	1.49
Int ^{82N}	5.6	1783	920	2.04
Int ^{82N}	16.8	3406	984	3.7
R153A	2.8	1290	1178	1.31
R153A	5.6	1063	1417	0.9
R153A	16.8	1044	2016	0.74
R153A-Y160A	2.8	1050	1074	0.52
R153A-Y160A	5.6	1026	1941	0.95
R153A-Y160A	16.8	1231	1496	0.63

Table S4. Quantification of strand exchange products with Int^{82N}, R153A, and R153A-Y160A mutants. Related to Figure 3

The intensities (I) of substrate and product bands were quantified on denaturing PAGE gels using ImageQuantTL (GE Healthcare). The boxes used for quantification had the same area in all cases.

Hydrophobic contacts				Hydrophilic contacts			
residue	buried area (%)	solvation energy ($\Delta^i G$, kcal/M)	identity (%)	residue	buried area (%)	solvation energy ($\Delta^i G$, kcal/M)	identity (%)
Core				Core			
Gly221	40	-0.08	19.6	Asn241	30	-0.14	79.6
Arg242	10	0	53.2	Gly358	40	-0.17	59.2
Val243	80	0.34	38.8	Asn360	40	-0.11	90.4
Lys271	40	0.37	8.8	Lys362	70	0	73.2
Ile272	90	0.03	24.4	αM			
Pro273	90	0.97	96.4	Tyr380	80	0.44	93.6
Asn275	20	0.15	2.4	Glu391	70	0.16	90.4
Phe350	50	0.17	75.6	Arg394	20	-0.26	87.6
Leu354	60	0.53	45.2				
Ala357	40	0.14	38.8				
Met359	100	0.86	92.8				
Pro361	100	0.71	93.6				
Ala363	100	0.61	37.6				
Tyr366	40	0.69	94.0				
Ile367	100	0.37	74.8				
Ile373	60	0.53	92.8				
Thr374	40	0.06	37.2				
Leu377	100	1	63.2				
Asn378	10	0.06	66.8				
αM							
Ala381	20	-0.17	90.8				
His382	10	0.12	93.6				
Ala383	80	0.62	65.6				
Thr384	10	0.08	50				
Phe385	90	1.69	49.2				
Ser387	10	0.03	54.8				
Ala388	90	0.75	85.2				
Arg389	50	0.09	6.8				
Met392	100	2.93	38.8				
Glu393	10	0.04	33.6				
Leu395	50	1.16	89.2				
Ala396	20	0.34	25.6				

Table S5. List of interface residues in the Int^{82N} dimer interface based on PISA (Krissinel and Henrick, 2007), Related to Figures 6 and S7

Hydrophobic or hydrophilic contacts were classified depending on $\Delta^i G$, the solvation energy of the corresponding residue. Positive $\Delta^i G$ for a residue has a negative contribution to the overall solvation energy gain, indicating hydrophobic contact. Buried area indicates the solvent-accessible surface area of the corresponding residue that becomes buried upon forming the interface. The buried area is shown as a percentage of the total solvent-accessible surface area for each residue. The identity (%) column indicates the percentage of sequences having the same residue in the corresponding position across Tn916-like transposases. Residues listed under the heading “Core” are located in the core of Int’s CAT domain and residues shown under “ αM ” are in the C-terminal helix of the protein.

	PCR primers	Modification
R225K	CACAGTCGCTAATCTCAGACCGGTGCCA	5' Phos
Int Δ β	CCCGTGATTATTGTTAGCGGTGGTAAAACCCAGAGCGGTGTTCG	5' Phos
R153A	CATCAACAATGATAAAGCTAGCCTGAAAGCAGC	5' Phos
Y160A	GTAGCCTGAAAGCAGCATTGCTACCGCAATTAGGATGATTGC	5' Phos
Y379F	GCAATATTACCATGACCCTGAACCTTATGCCCATGCAACCTTGATAGCGCACG	5' Phos
Y380F	GCAATATTACCATGACCCTGAACACTTTTGCCTGCAACCTTGATAGCGCACG	5' Phos
2YF	GCAATATTACCATGACCCTGAACCTTGCCTGCAACCTTGATAGCGCACG	5' Phos
381C	CATGACCCTGAACTATTATGCCCTAACACCAACCAACCAACTG	5' Phos
384C	GAACATTATGCCCATGCAACCTAACACCAACCAACCAACTG	5' Phos
390C	CCTTGATAGCGCACGTGCATAACACCAACCAACCAACTG	5' Phos
R225K-Int ^{FL}	GGGCTTaaaATTCGGAACGTGCGGACTG	5' Phos
R153A-Int ^{FL}	GACCATCAATAACGACAAGcgccTCCCTGAAAGCGGC	5' Phos
Y160A-Int ^{FL}	GCGGCTTTgcgACCGCCATACAGGACGATTGC	5' Phos
CI-1	GCGGGATCCTGTTCTCCAT	
CI-2	ACGCAAGCTTCGATTCCGCAAG	
DP-1	GAGAGCAGCTGAAGTTACCC	
DP-2	GTAACTTAACGGACCACTAGGAG	
	Crystallization oligonucleotides¹	Purification
CI5	TGCGATAACCTAAAATTTatagcAAAATTATATGGGATTTAG	PAGE
CI5'	CTAAAATCCCATAATAATTGtcatAAAATTAGGTTATCGCT	PAGE
CI6a	TGCGATAACCTAAAATTTatttcAAAATTATATGGGATTTAG	PAGE
CI6a'	CTAAAATCCCATAATAATTGtggaaatAAAATTAGGTTATCGCT	PAGE
CI6b	TGCGATAACCTAAAATTTcccttAAAATTATATGGGATTTAG	PAGE
CI6b'	CTAAAATCCCATAATAATTGaaaggAAAATTAGGTTATCGCT	PAGE
IR _R	atttcAAAATTATGGGATTTAG	PAGE
IR _{R'}	CTAAAATCCCATAATAATTG	PAGE
	DNA oligonucleotides for cleavage and strand exchange assays²	Modification
CI5_full	CTAAAATCCCATAATAATTGtcatAAAATTAGGTTATCGCT	5' Phos
CI5_nicked1	TGCGATAACCTAAAATTTa	
CI5_nicked2	tagcAAAATTATATGGGATTTAG	5' Phos
CI6a_full	CTAAAATCCCATAATAATTGtggaaatAAAATTAGGTTATCGCTG	5' Phos
CI6a_nicked1	CAGCGATAACCTAAAATTTa	
CI6a_nicked2	tttcAAAATTATATGGGATTTAG	5' Phos
CI6b_full	CTAAAATCCCATAATAATTGaaaggAAAATTAGGTTATCGCTG	5' Phos
CI6b_nicked1	CAGCGATAACCTAAAATTTc	
CI6b_nicked2	ccttAAAATTATATGGGATTTAG	5' Phos
	DNA oligonucleotides with 2-aminopurine (2AP) modification^{1,3}	Modification
CI5-F	TGCGATAACCTAAAATTTtt ag/2AP/AAAATTATATGGGATTTAG	i2AmPr
CI5-F'	CTAAAATCCCATAATAATTGtcat/2AP/AAAATTAGGTTATCGCT	i2AmPr
CI6b-F	CAGCGATAACCTAAAATTTccct/2AP/AAAATTATATGGGATTTAG	i2AmPr

CI6b-F'	CTAAAATCCCATAATTTaagg/2AP/AAAATTAGGTTATCGCTG	i2AmPr
CI5-IR	TGCGATAACCTAAAATTTatagc/2AP/AAATTATATGGGATTTAG	i2AmPr
CI5-IR'	CTAAAATCCCATAATTTgctat/2AP/AAATTAGGTTATCGCT	i2AmPr
CI5-Co	TGCGATAACCTAAAATTTata/2AP/cAAAATTATATGGGATTTAG	i2AmPr
CI5-Co'	CTAAAATCCCATAATTTgct/2AP/tAAAATTAGGTTATCGCT	i2AmPr
	DNA oligonucleotides with phosphorothioate (PTO) modification⁴	Modification
CI5_PTO_0'	CTAAAATCCCATAATTT*geta	PTO
CI5_PTO_-1'	CTAAAATCCCATAATTT*Tgcta	PTO
CI5_PTO_-1',0'	CTAAAATCCCATAATTT*T*gcta	PTO
CI5_PTO_0	TGCGATAACCTAAAATTT*at a	PTO
CI5_PTO_-1	TGCGATAACCTAAAATTT*Tata	PTO
CI5_PTO_-1,0	TGCGATAACCTAAAATTT*T*ata	PTO
CI6a_PTO_0'	CTAAAATCCCATAATTT*gaaa	PTO
CI6a_PTO_-1'	CTAAAATCCCATAATTT*Tgaaa	PTO
CI6a_PTO_-1',0'	CTAAAATCCCATAATTT*T*gaaa	PTO
CI6a_PTO_0	TGCGATAACCTAAAATTT*att	PTO
CI6a_PTO_-1	TGCGATAACCTAAAATTT*Tatt	PTO
CI6a_PTO_-1,0	TGCGATAACCTAAAATTT*T*att	PTO
	Half-site oligonucleotides^{1,5}	Modification
IR _L	AGCGATAACCTAAAATTTatagc	
IR _{L'} _T-1'	TgctatAAAATTAGGTTATCGCT	
IR _{L'} _g0'	gctatAAAATTAGGTTATCGCT	
IR _{L'} _T-1' ^P	TgctatAAAATTAGGTTATCGCT	5' Phos
IR _{R'}	CTAAAATCCCATAATTTgctat	
IR _R _T-1	TatagcAAAATTATATGGGATT	
IR _R _a0	atagcAAAATTATATGGGATT	
IR _R _t1	tagcAAAATTATATGGGATT	
IR _R _T-1 ^P	TatagcAAAATTATATGGGATT	5' Phos
IR _{L'} _T	TgctatAAAATTAGGTTATCGCT	
IR _{L'} _A	AgctatAAAATTAGGTTATCGCT	
IR _{L'} _C	CgctatAAAATTAGGTTATCGCT	
IR _{L'} _G	GgctatAAAATTAGGTTATCGCT	
IR _{L'} _T ^P	TgctatAAAATTAGGTTATCGCT	5' Phos
IR _R _T	TatagcAAAATTATATGGGATT	
IR _R _A	AatagcAAAATTATATGGGATT	
IR _R _C	CatagcAAAATTATATGGGATT	
IR _R _G	GatagcAAAATTATATGGGATT	
IR _R _T ^P	TatagcAAAATTATATGGGATT	5' Phos
IR _L _6a	AGCGATAACCTAAAATTTatttc	
IR _{L'} _6a_T	TgaaaatAAAATTAGGTTATCGCT	
IR _{L'} _6a_A	AgaaaatAAAATTAGGTTATCGCT	
IR _{L'} _6a_C	CgaaaatAAAATTAGGTTATCGCT	
IR _{L'} _6a_G	GgaaaatAAAATTAGGTTATCGCT	
IR _{L'} _6a_T ^P	TgaaaatAAAATTAGGTTATCGCT	5' Phos
IR _R _6a	CTAAAATCCCATAATTTgaaaat	

IR _R _6a_T	Tat ^t tcAAAATTATATGGGATT	
IR _R _6a_A	Aat ^t tcAAAATTATATGGGATT	
IR _R _6a_C	Cat ^t tcAAAATTATATGGGATT	
IR _R _6a_G	Gat ^t tcAAAATTATATGGGATT	
IR _R _6a_T ^P	Tat ^t tcAAAATTATATGGGATT	5' Phos
	DNA oligonucleotides for crossover competition assays	Size (nt)
Cross5	TGCTA	5
Cross5_[5'P]	[Phos]TGCTA	5
Cross10	TGCTATAAAA	10
	DNA oligonucleotides for Holliday Junction binding assays⁶	Size (nt)
T _L _EMSA (T _L -IR _L)	AGTGAACAGCCCACAAAATTGAAAATAAAATTAGGTTATCGC TGGCTAGTCATGC	60
IR _L *_EMSA (IR _L -IR _R)	GCATGGACTAGCCAGCGATAACCTAAAATTATTAAATAAAAATT TATGGGATT	55
T _R *_EMSA (T _R -T _L)	CCAAATTTCACCGGGTTTGAATTCAAAATTGTGGCTGTTCA CT	49
IR _R _EMSA (IR _R -T _R)	AAATCCCATAATTTCACCAAAACCCGGTAAAAATTGG	44
	DNA oligonucleotides for Holliday Junction resolution assays⁶	Size (nt)
T _L * (T _L -IR _L)	ACAGCCCACAAAATTGAAAATAAAATTAGGTTATCGCTGG	44
IR _L * (IR _L -IR _R)	CCAGCGATAACCTAAAATTATTAAATAAAAATTATGGGATT GAT	49
T _R * (T _R -T _L)	AAATTTCACCGGGTTTGAATTCAAAATTGTGGCTGT	42
IR _R * (IR _R -T _R)	ATCTAAAATCCCATAATTTCACCAAAACCCGGTAAAAATT T	47
Product marker 44	TGTC GGGTGTAAACTTTATTAAAATCCAATAGCGACC	44
Product marker 49	GGTCGCTATTGGATTAAATAATTTCACCAATACCCCTAAATC TA	49
Product marker 42	TTTAAAAATGCCAAACTTAAGTTAAAACACCCGACA	42
Product marker 47	TAGATTAGGGTATATTAAAAGTTGGCCATTAA	47

¹ The oligonucleotides labelled with ' represent the 'strand as in Figures 2A and S3E.

² CI5_nicked1 and CI5_nicked2 were annealed with CI5_full, to generate a double stranded suicide DNA substrate with a nick positioned 2 nts downstream of the cleavage site. Similarly, CI6a_nicked1 and CI6a_nicked2 were annealed with CI6a_full to generate the CI6a suicide DNA, and CI6b_nicked1 and CI6b_nicked2 were annealed with CI6b_full to generate the CI6b suicide DNA.

³ The DNA oligonucleotides used for fluorescent assays contain 2-aminopurine (2AP) modification at various positions. F: 2AP at the flipped-out base on both strands, IR: 2AP adjacent to the flipped-out base inside the IR, Co: 2AP next to the flipped-out base in the crossover region.

⁴ PTO modification is indicated with an asterisk in the DNA sequence.

⁵ Half-site oligonucleotides labelled IR_R and IR_L represent the CI5 sequence; oligonucleotides labelled with 6a contain the CI6a sequence.

⁶ The synthetic Holliday Junction intermediate was created by annealing the four ssDNA oligonucleotides listed.

Table S6. List of DNA oligonucleotides used for cloning, crystallization, DNA cleavage, strand exchange, ligation and fluorescent assays, Related to STAR Methods