NUPACK: a web-based tool for the analysis and design of nucleic acid systems

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NUPACK is a growing software suite for the analysis and design of nucleic acid systems. Current functionality includes:

- Thermodynamic analysis of dilute solutions (e.g., a test tube) of interacting nucleic acid strands in the absence of pseudoknots [1].
- Thermodynamic analysis of non-interacting strands with the possibility of certain physicallyrelevant pseudoknots [2, 3].
- Efficient hierarchical sequence design based on both positive and negative thermodynamic design paradigms (i.e., affinity and specificity for a target secondary structure) [4].

To enable easy access to biologists and molecular engineers worldwide, we have developed a userfriendly interactive web interface (www.nupack.org) that dramatically accelerates the rate at which hypotheses and designs can be tested computationally. Our poster will demonstrate the unique capabilities and ease of use of the NUPACK server.

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