

Supporting Information.

Effect of Histone Lysine Methylation on DNA Lesion Reactivity in Nucleosome Core Particles

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Nano LC-Orbitrap MS experimental procedure. Peptides were analyzed by on-line nanoflow LC-Orbitrap MS on a Dionex UltiMate 3000 RSLCnano system connected to a QExactive HF instrument (Thermo Fisher Scientific) via a Nanospray Flex ion source. Peptides were trapped on a C18P Pepmap100, 5 μ m, 100 Å (5 mm x 300 μ m internal diameter) column and separated on an Acclaim Pepmap RSLC C18, 2 μ m, 100 Å analytical column (15 cm \times 75 μ m internal diameter; Thermo Fisher Scientific). Mobile phases consisted of 0.1% formic acid (solvent A) and 0.1% formic acid in acetonitrile (solvent B). Chromatographic separation was achieved using the following gradient: 0-5 min, 5% B; 5-40 min, 5-55% B; 40-40.1 min 55-90% B; 40.1-45 min 90% B; 45-45.1 min 90-5% B; 45.1-60 min 5% B. The flow rate was set to 300 μ L min⁻¹, the temperature of the sample tray was set to 4 °C and the injection volume was 1 μ L.

The QExactive HF mass spectrometer was operated using positive ionization in full MS/dd-MS² mode. The spray voltage and capillary temperature were maintained at 1.8 kV and 250°C, respectively. The S-Lens RF level was set at 65. Full MS scans were acquired over the m/z 200–2000 range with a resolving power of 120,000 at m/z 200. The five most intense peaks were selected for fragmentation (MS²). Detection for all MS² spectra was performed with a resolving power of 30,000 at m/z 200. The target value for MS scans was 3×10^6 ions, and the target value for MS² scans was 1×10^5 ions. HCD collision energy was 30 eV.

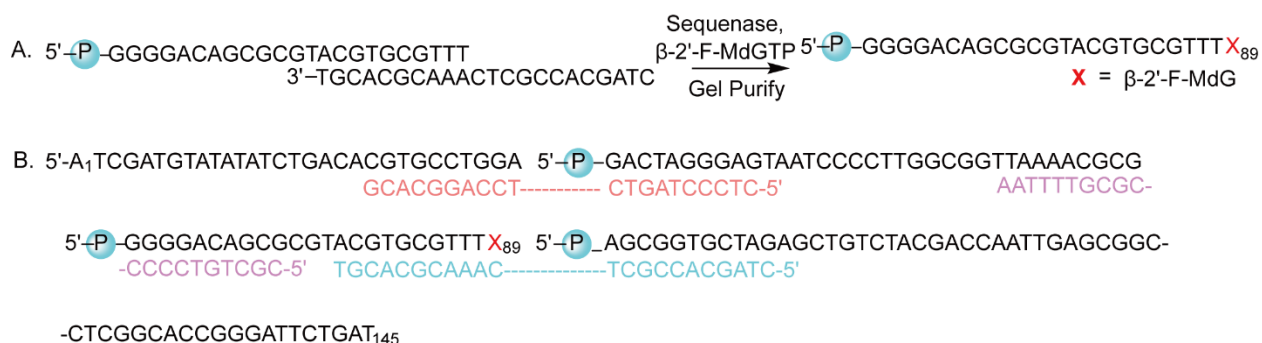


Figure S1: Preparation of 145-mer DNA containing β -2'-F-MdG₈₉. A. Incorporation of β -2'-F-MdG to position 89 by Sequenase. B. Enzymatic ligation to generate 145-mer 601 DNA containing β -2'-F-MdG₈₉. The ligated product was purified by denaturing PAGE.

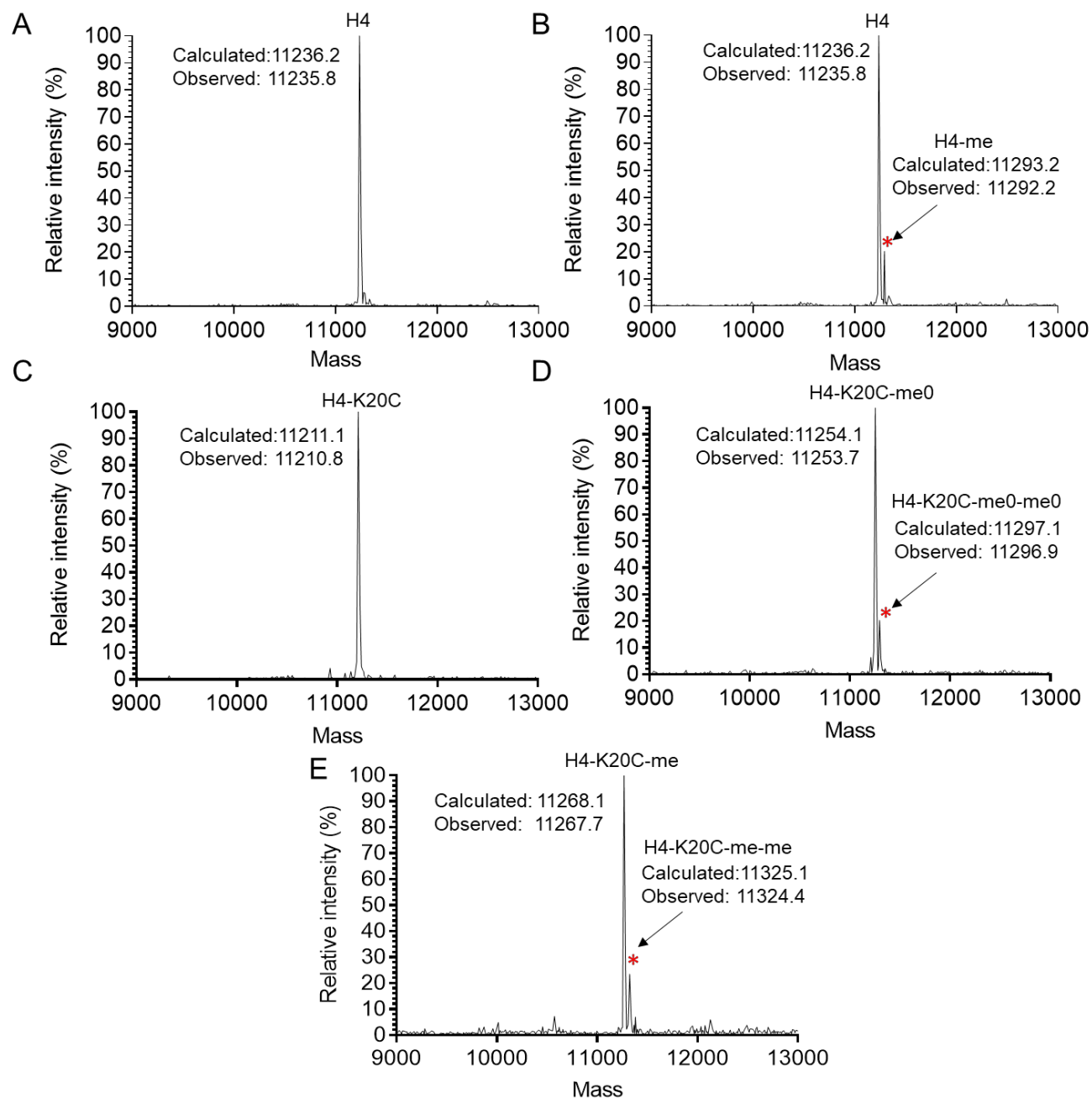


Figure S2: ESI-MS of histone proteins determined by UPLC-MS. A. Wild type H4. B. Reaction product of wild type histone H4 with 2-chloroethyl methylammonium chloride. C. H4-K20C. D. H4-K20C-me0. E. H4-K20C-me. The asterisk (*) indicates the undesired alkylation possibly at lysine residues of histone H4.

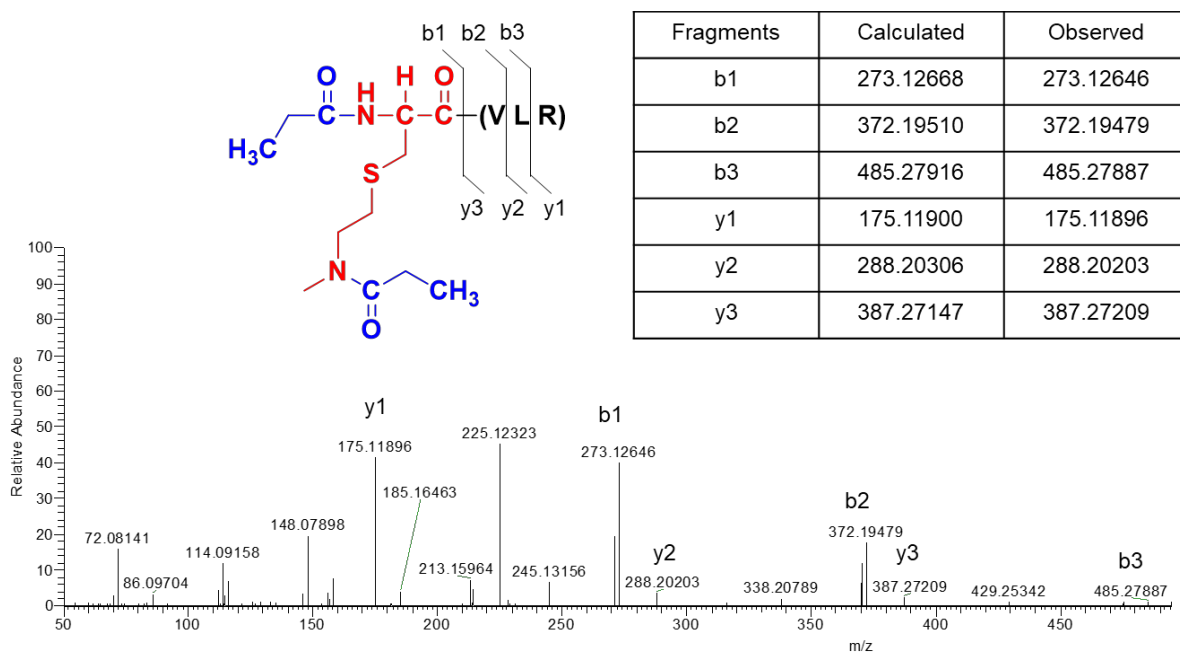
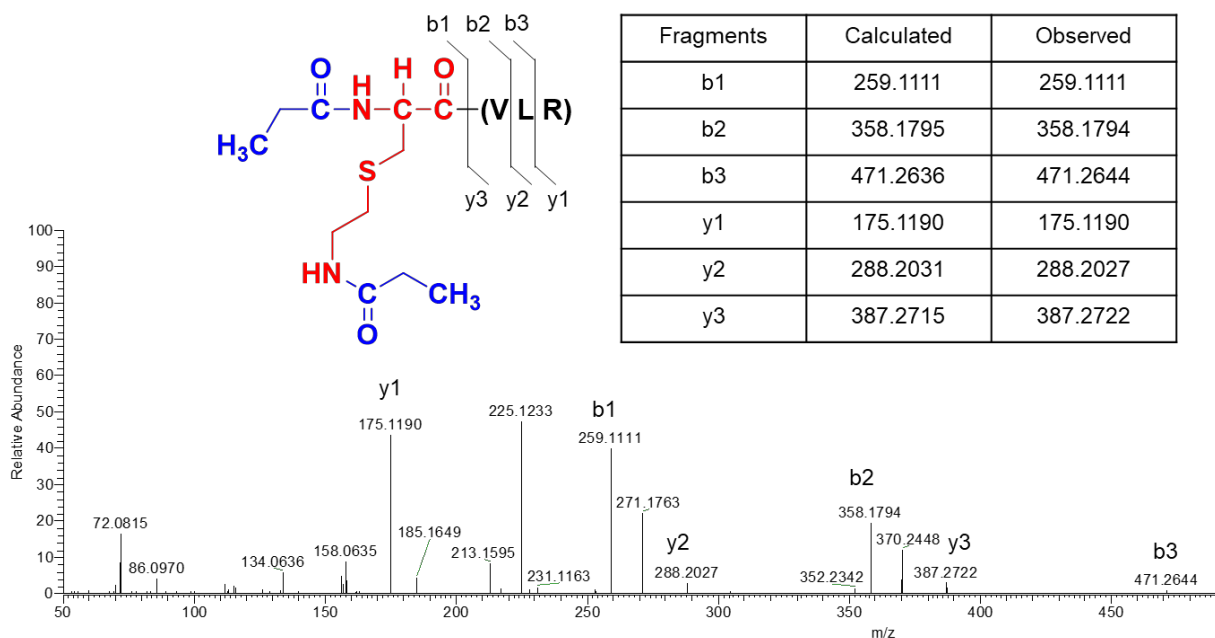


Figure S3. Nano LC-Orbitrap MS of peptide fragments (a.a. 20-23) obtained by trypsin digestion of propionic anhydride treated H4-K20C-me0 and H4-K20C-me. (Note: Samples were treated again with propionic anhydride after trypsin digestion.)

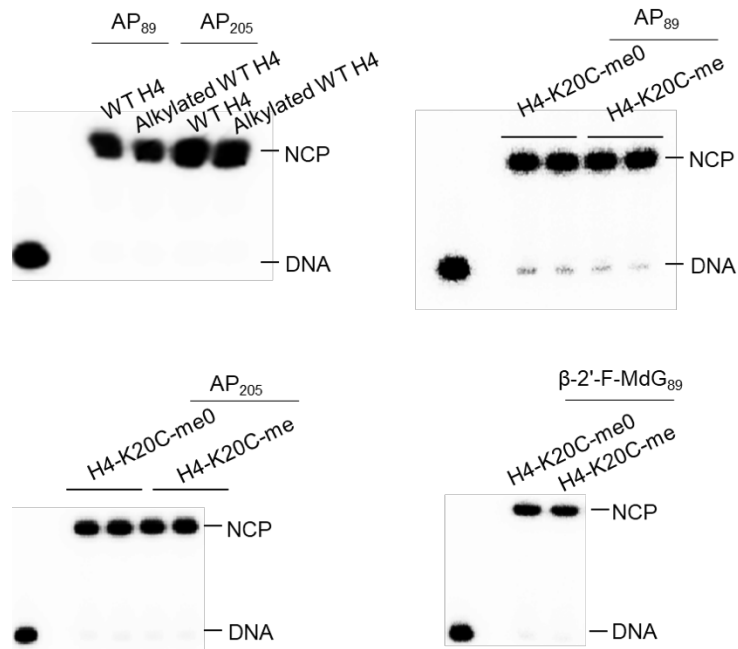


Figure S4: Native PAGE analysis of the reconstituted NCPs.

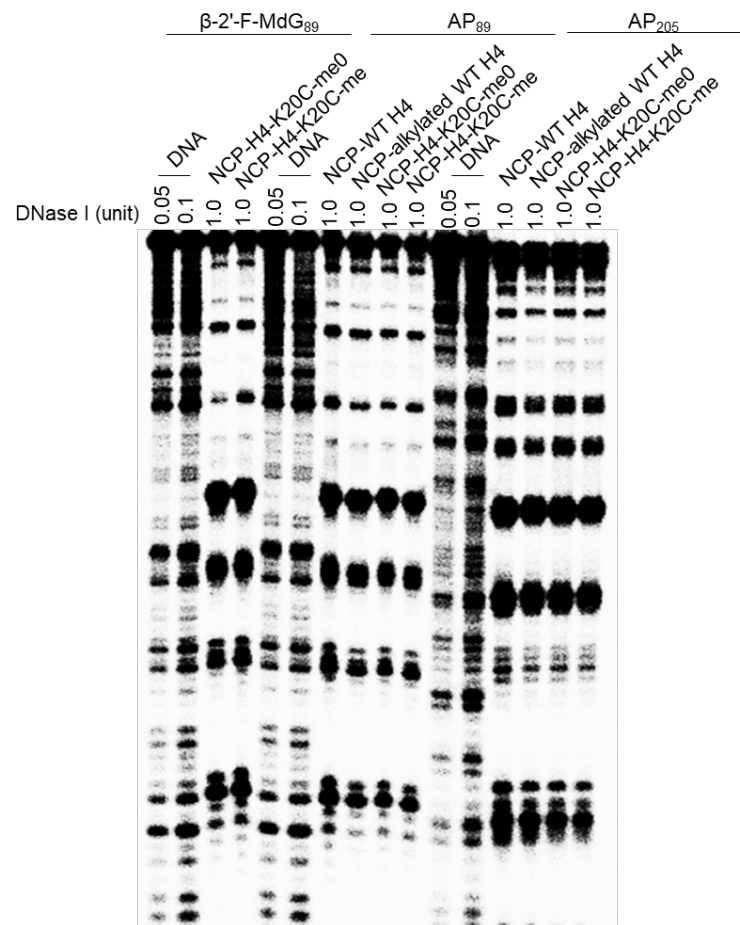


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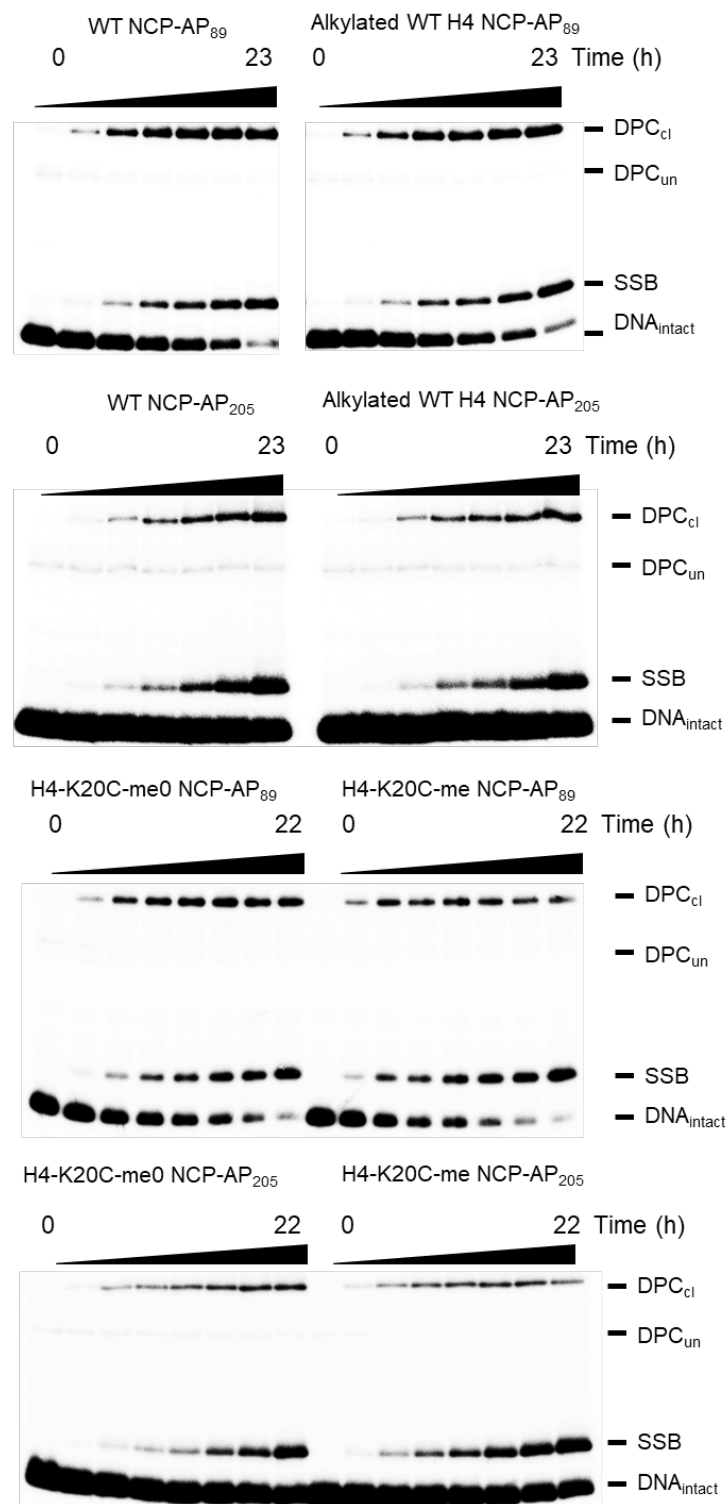


Figure S6: Representative 10% SDS-PAGE analysis of the products from NCPs containing AP in the absence of NaBH₃CN.

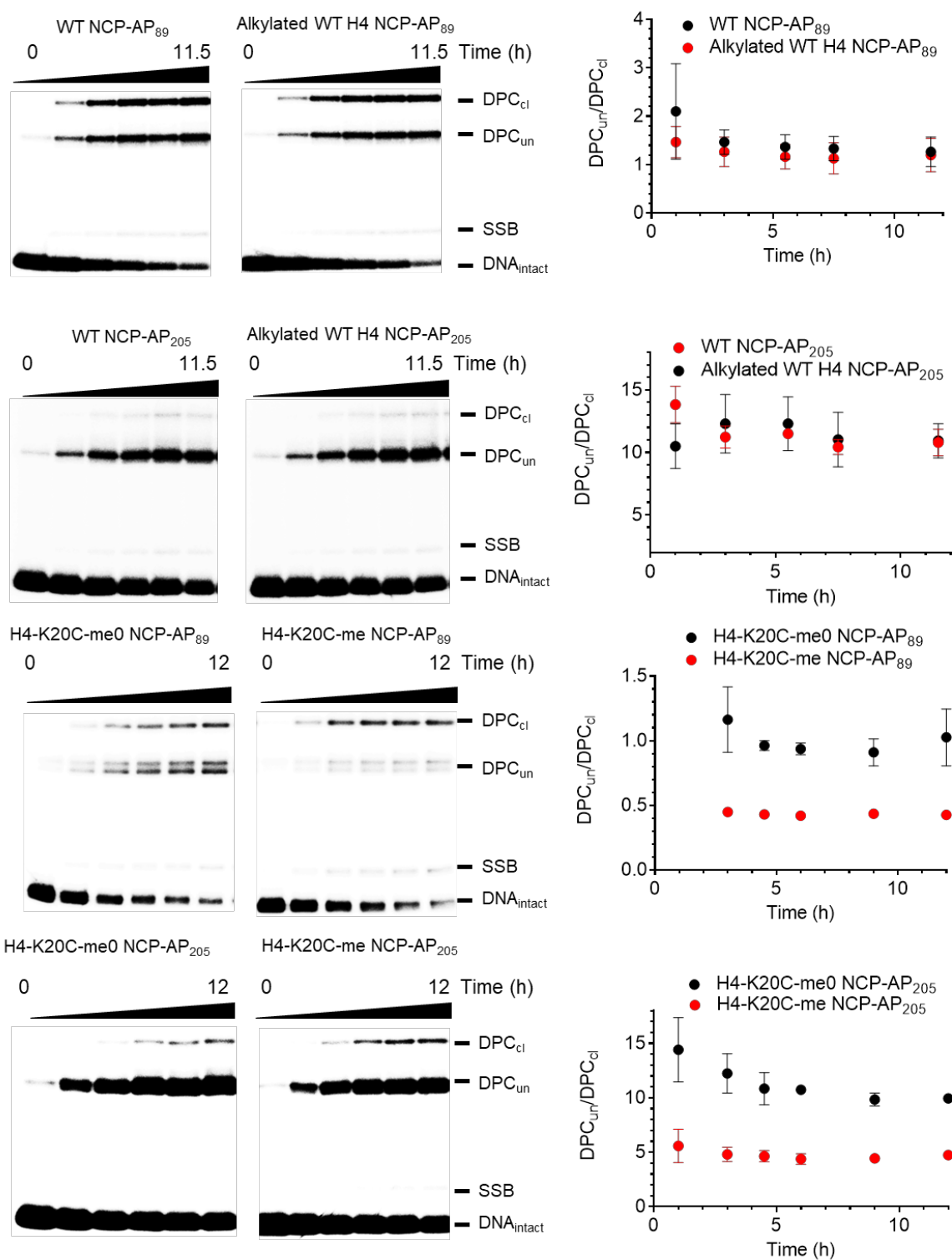


Figure S7: Representative 10% SDS-PAGE analysis of the products from NCPs containing AP in the presence of 30 mM NaBH₃CN.

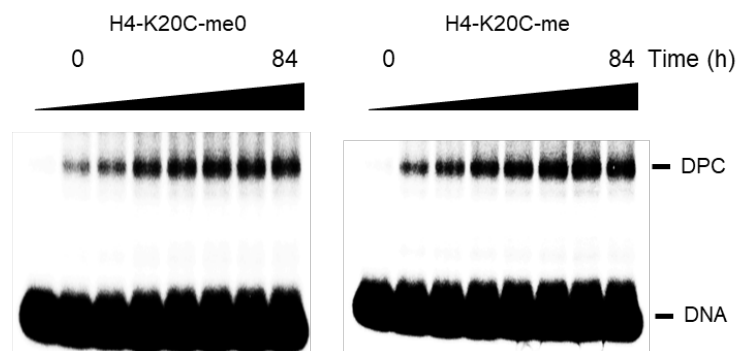


Figure S8: Representative 10% SDS-PAGE analysis of the DPCs from NCPs containing β -2'-F-MdG₈₉.

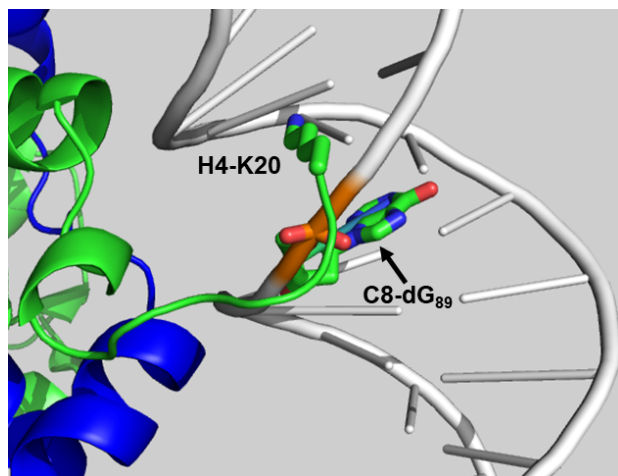


Figure S9: Proximity of C8-dG₈₉ to H4-K20 in a NCP. PDB: 1aoi.