

## SUPPLEMENTARY DATA

ZIP archive (IntaRNA\_Supp.zip) containing the calculations performed on the web server version of IntaRNA (<http://bit.ly/IntaRNA>) at the temperatures: 10 °C, 25 °C and 45 °C (see Materials and Methods for the other parameters).

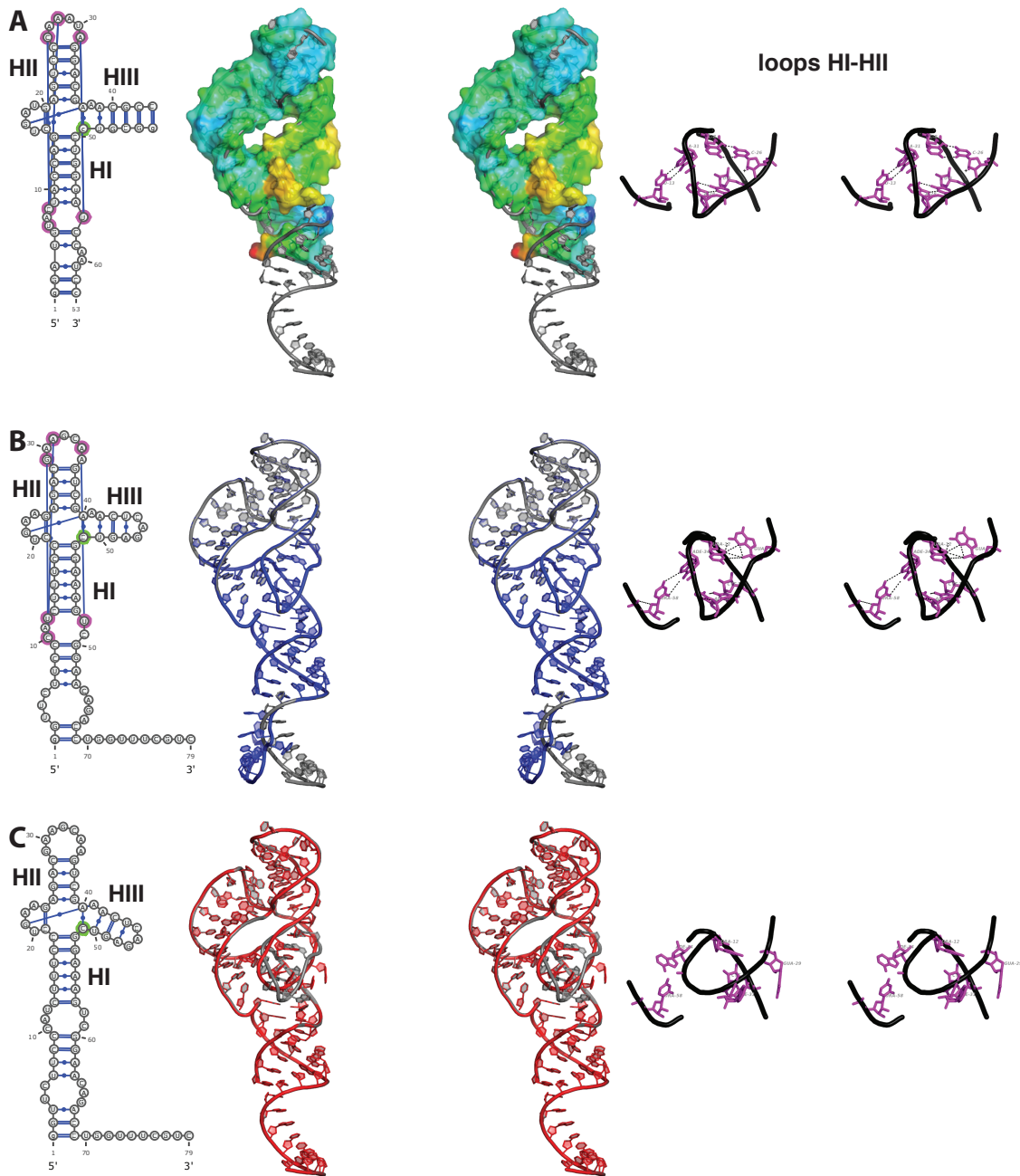


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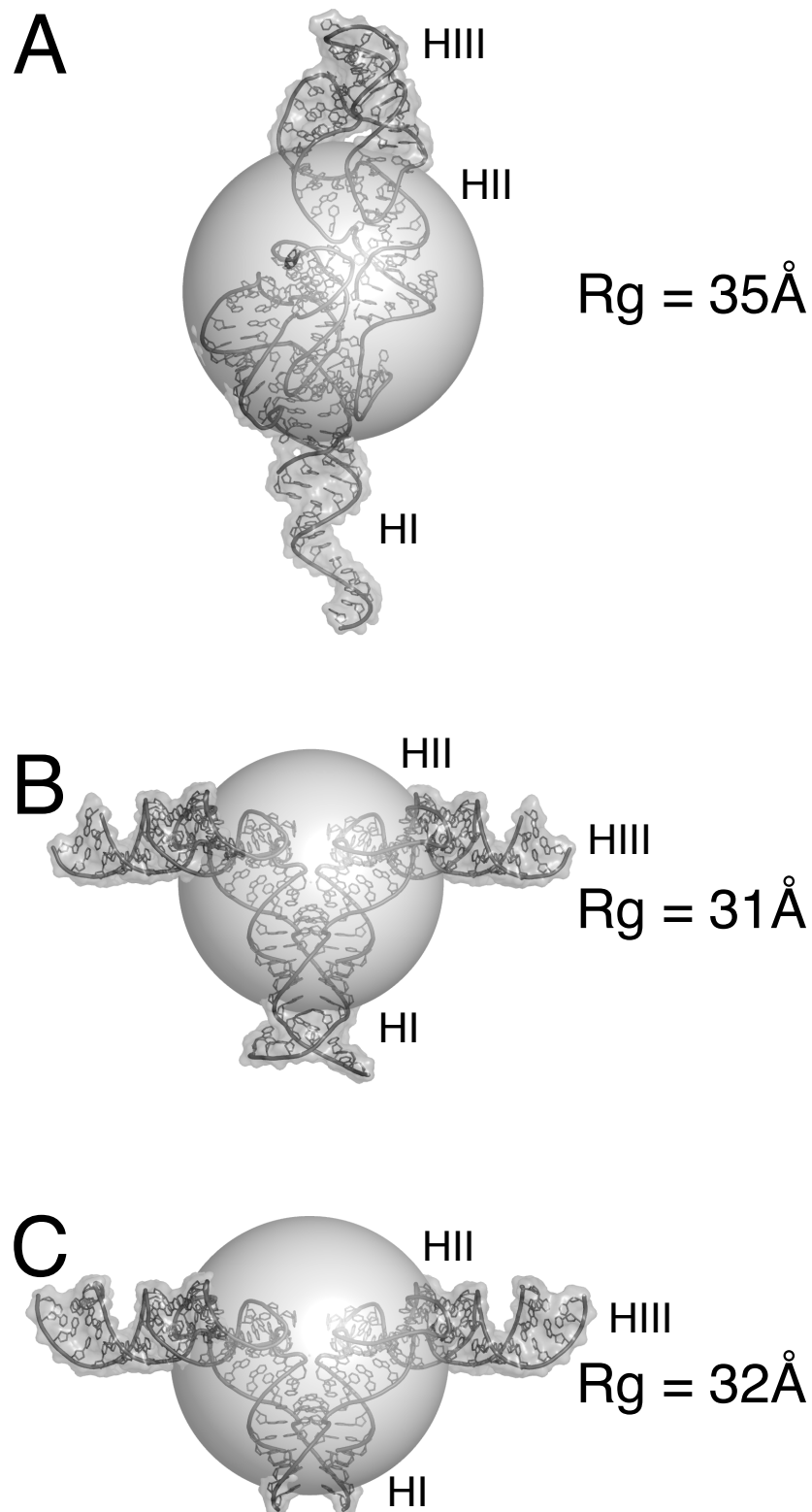


Figure S2: Relationship between the mode of association and the radius of gyration of HHR dimers. (A) 3D model of the HHR (-) dimer from ASBVd (Fig. 5C). (B) 3D structure of an artificial HHR dimer with an extended HI domain (PDB ID: 5DI2, 68 nt + 11 nt). (C) 3D structure of an artificial HHR dimer with an extended HIII domain (PDB ID: 5DI2, 68 nt + 11 nt). The 3D structures were extended by 11 nt in the HI or HIII domains to match the 79 nt length of HHR (-) and optimized using the same minimization protocol (see Methods). Using a scaling factor of 1.4 to account for the dynamics of the HHR RNA (see Results), the corrected radii of gyration are the following: 49Å (A), 43Å (B) and 45Å (C) versus 50Å as calculated from SANS data.