

Table 2: Equilibrium and Kinetic Constants for the Binding of the Egr-1 ZFD to Synthetic DNA Duplex Determined by Single-Molecule Counting^a

Equilibrium Parameters	
assay	K_d (pM)
direct ligand ^b	13 (± 3)
tracer ligand ^c	14 (± 1)
competitive inhibitor ^d	10 (± 3)
Kinetic Parameters	
assay	constant
association ^e	$k_{\text{on}} = 1.0 (\pm 0.5) \times 10^9 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$
dissociation ^f	$k_{\text{off}} = 1.11 (\pm 0.10) \times 10^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1}$

^a Average (\pm SD) of at least three independent determinations. Experimental conditions: 100 mM NaCl, 10 mM Tris at pH 8.0, 10 mM EDTA, 10 μ M ZnSO₄, and 250 μ g/mL BSA at room temperature. ^b Saturation titration of the protein with Cy5-EBS, as in Figure 7A. Data were fitted with eq 2. ^c Saturation titration of the protein with tracer Cy5-EBS/EBS (1:3), as in Figure 7C. Data fitted with a modified form of eq 2 yielded K_d^{app} equal to 3.5 (± 0.2) pM. K_d was calculated from K_d^{app}/n , where n represents the fraction of DNA that is labeled with Cy5. ^d Saturation titration of the protein and 24 pM free Cy5-EBS with the competitor unlabeled EBS, as in Figure 7D. Data fitted with eq 3 yielded IC₅₀ equal to 28 (± 3) pM. K_d was calculated from IC₅₀ using eq 4 and the 13 pM K_d value from the direct ligand titration assay. ^e Association time courses were initiated by the addition of Cy5-EBS to the protein. k_{on} was calculated using eq 6 from slopes of three independent determinations, as in Figure 8B. ^f The dissociation time course was initiated by the addition of a large molar excess of unlabeled EBS to the protein prebound to Cy5-EBS, as in Figure 9A. Data were fitted with monoexponential eq 1.