

Electronic Supplementary Information for:

**Never cared for what they do. High structural stability of Guanine-quadruplexes in presence of strand-break damages.<sup>†</sup>**

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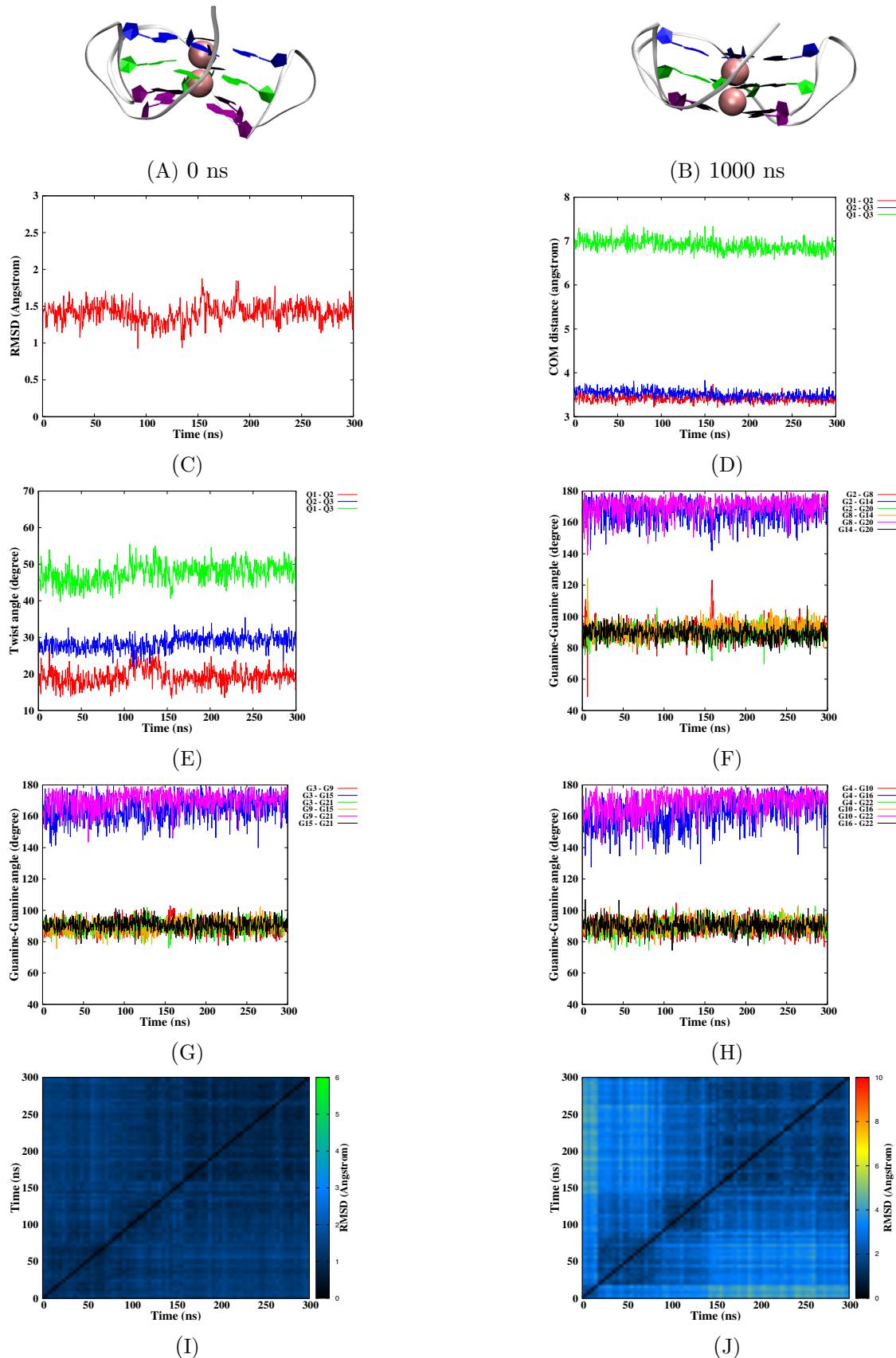


Figure S1 – Simulation of the native G-quadruplex DNA, run 1. Snapshots of the initial and final MD simulation (A-B). RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (C), distance between the tetrads (D), twist angle (E), angle between guanines for the first (F), second (G) and the third (H) tetrad, 2D-RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (I) and the whole DNA (J).

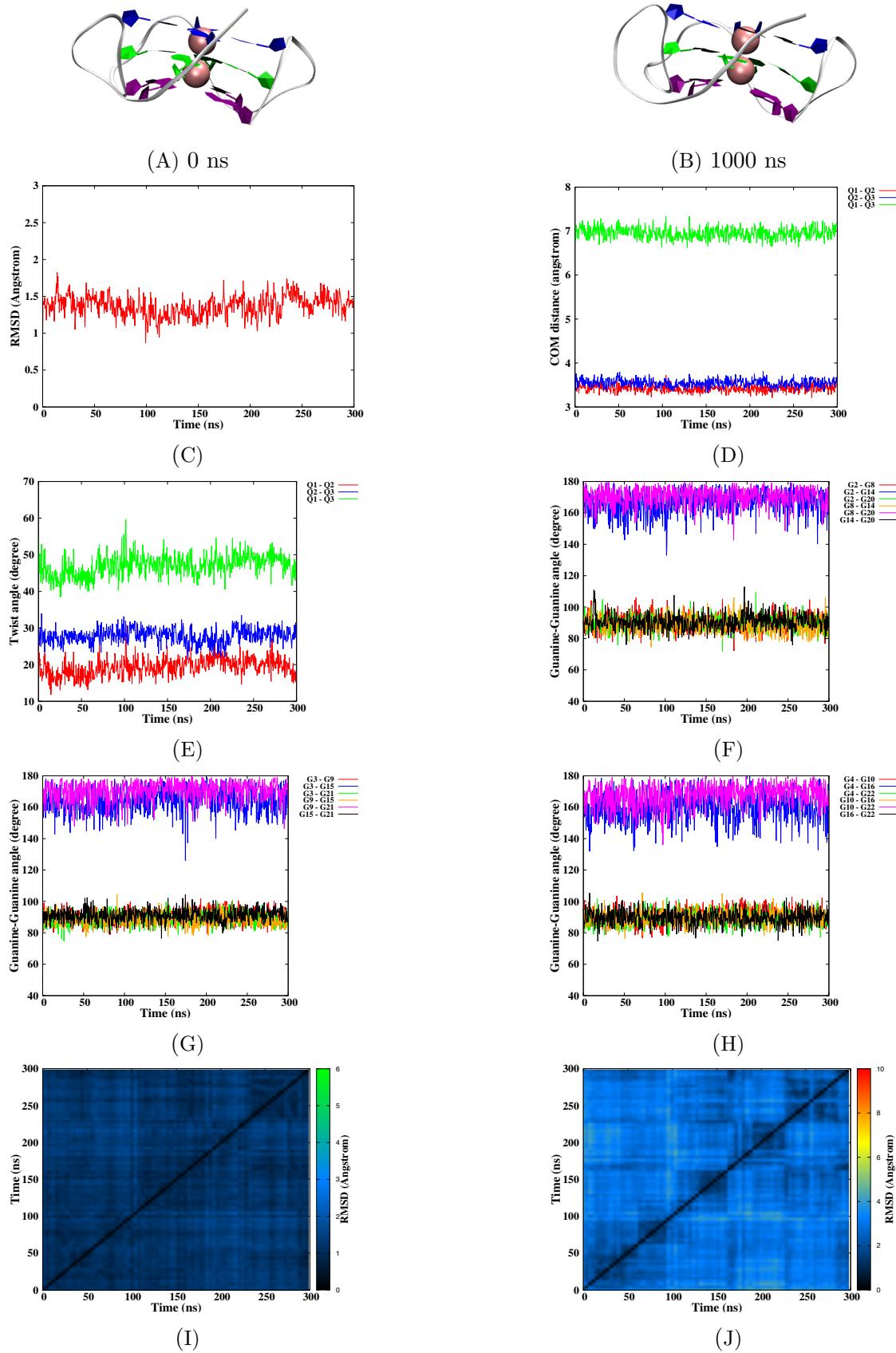


Figure S2 – Simulation of the native G-quadruplex DNA, run 2. Snapshots of the initial and final MD simulation (A-B). RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (C), distance between the tetrads (D), twist angle (E), angle between guanines for the first (F), second (G) and the third (H) tetrad, 2D-RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (I) and the whole DNA (J).

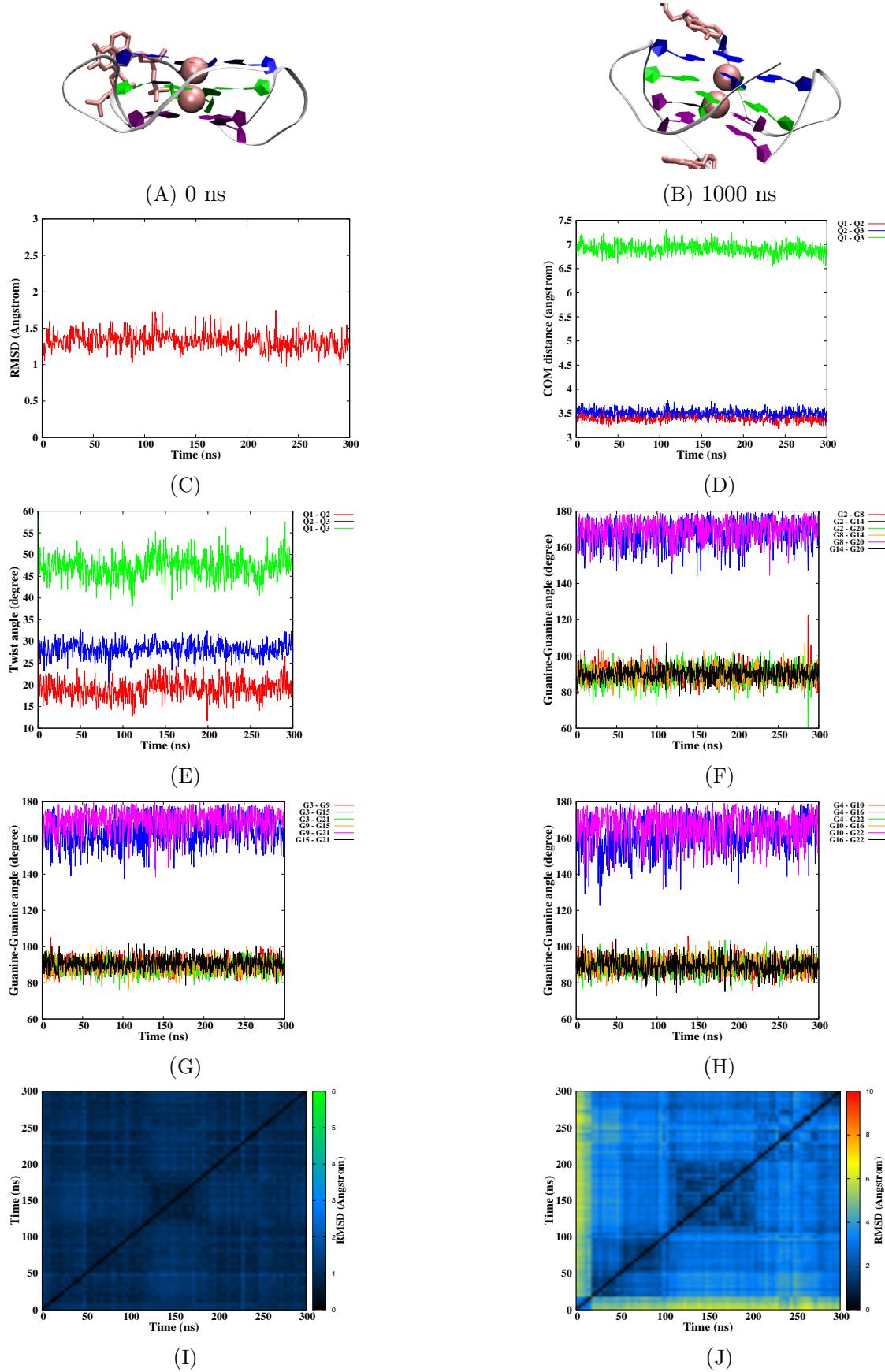


Figure S3 – Simulation of the CA damage at position 12-13 (in loop), run 1. Snapshots of the initial and final MD simulation (A-B). RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (C), distance between the tetrads (D), twist angle (E), angle between guanines for the first (F), second (G) and the third (H) tetrad, 2D-RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (I) and the whole DNA (J).

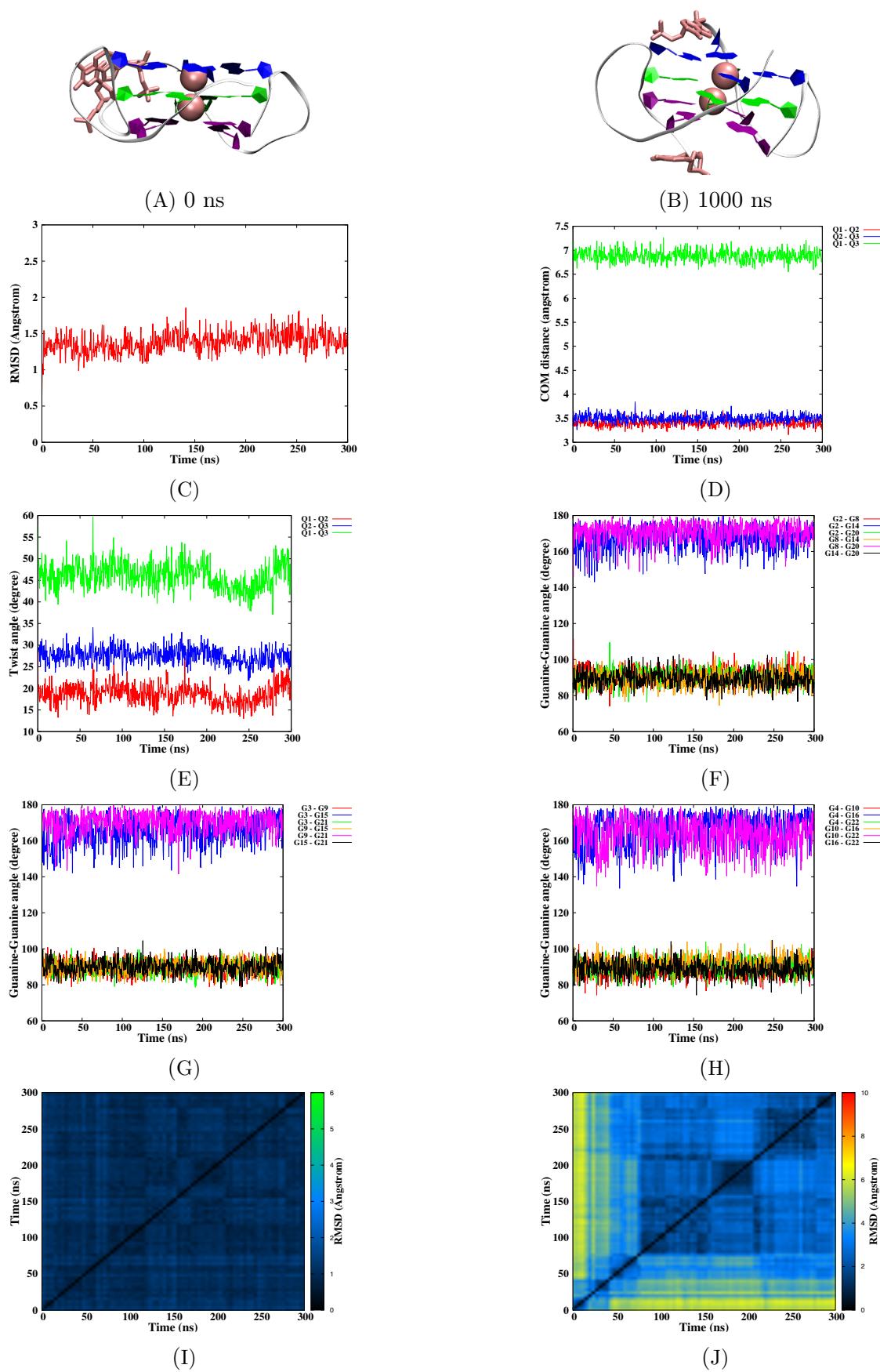


Figure S4 – Simulation of the CA damage at position 12-13 (in loop), run 2. Snapshots of the initial and final MD simulation (A-B). RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (C), distance between the tetrads (D), twist angle (E), angle between guanines for the first (F), second (G) and the third (H) tetrad, 2D-RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (I) and the whole DNA (J).

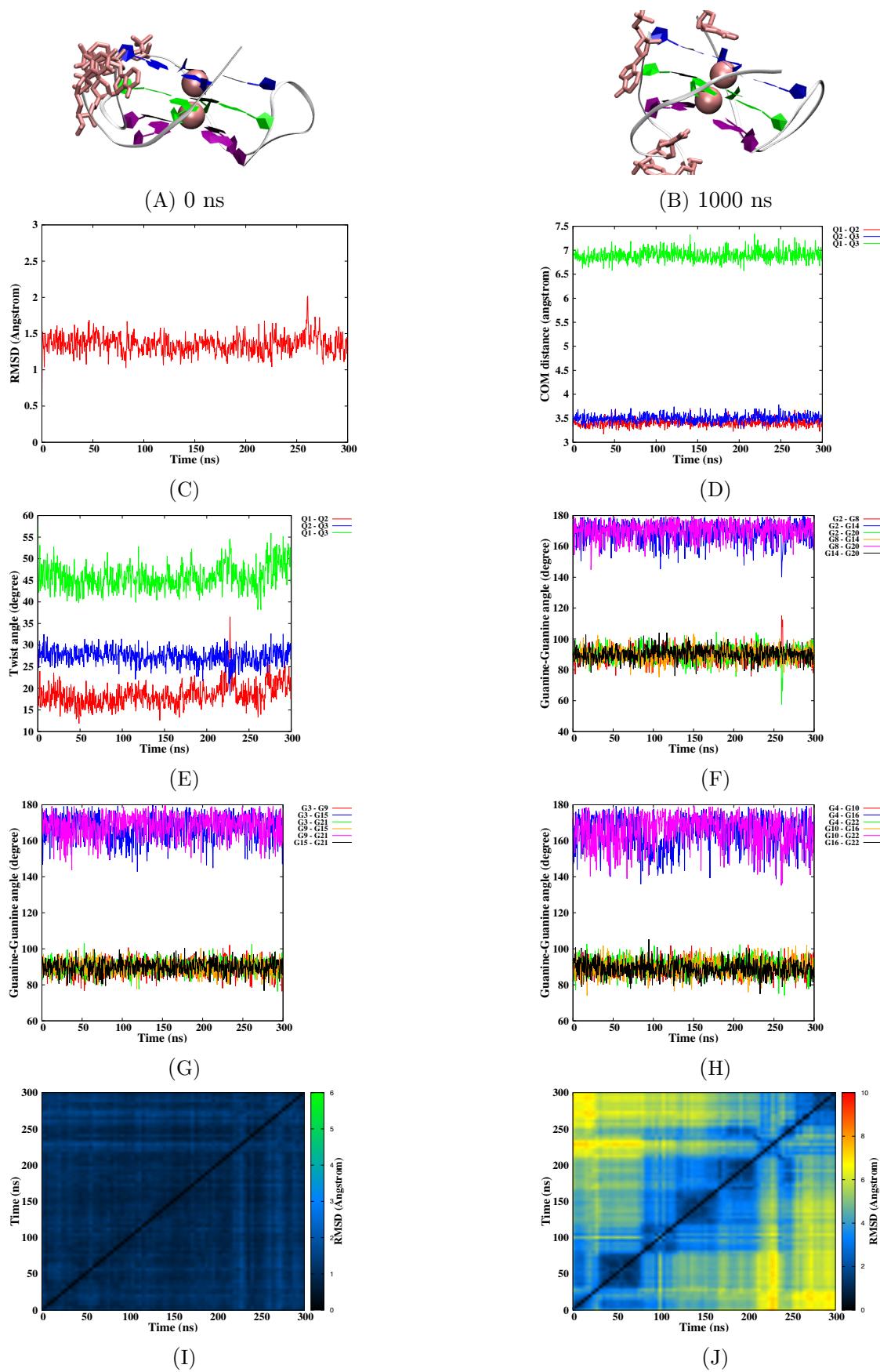


Figure S5 – Simulation of the CA damage at position 6-7/12-13 (in loop), run 1. Snapshots of the initial and final MD simulation (A-B). RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (C), distance between the tetrads (D), twist angle (E), angle between guanines for the first (F), second (G) and the third (H) tetrad, 2D-RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (I) and the whole DNA (J).

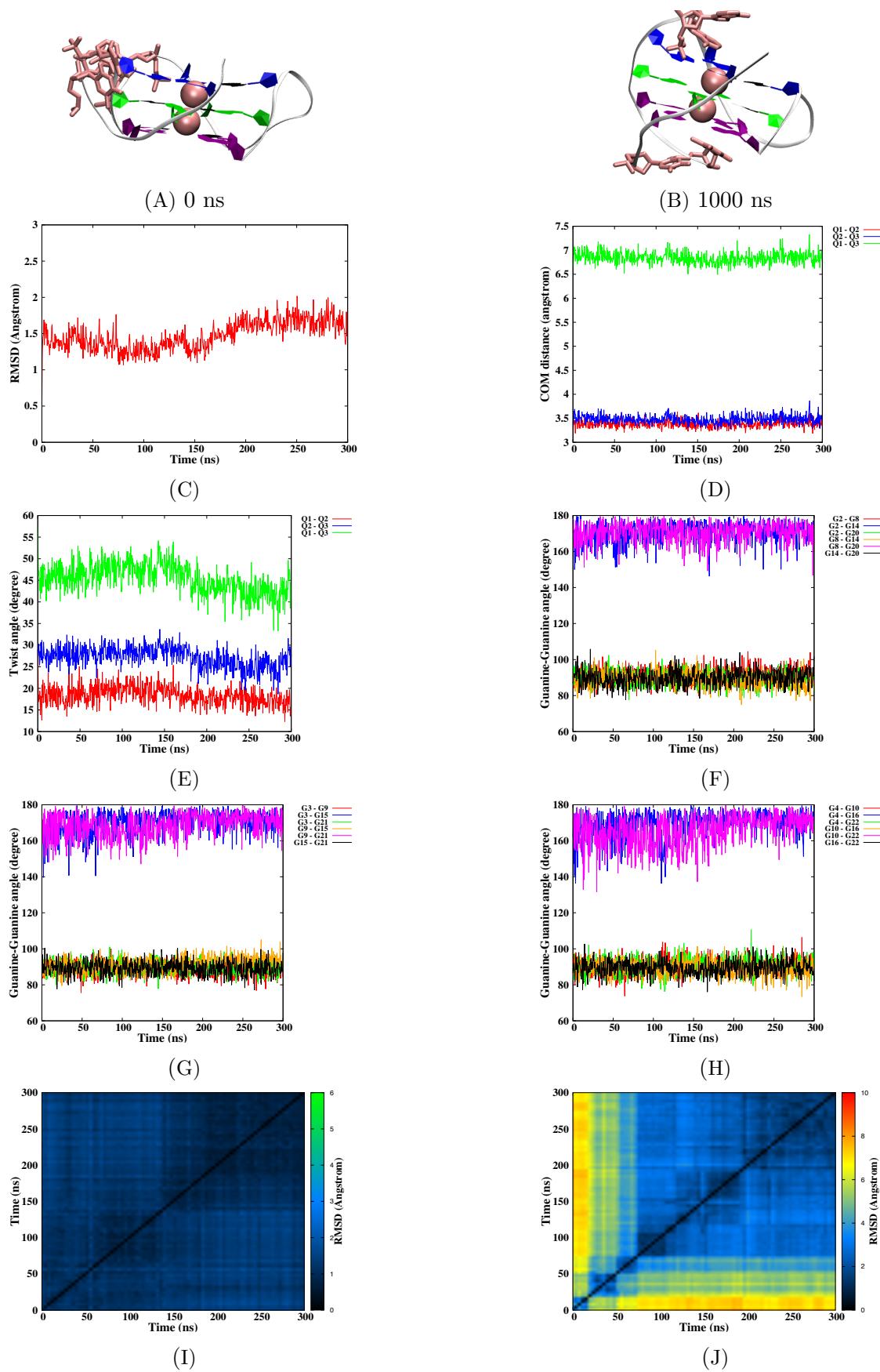


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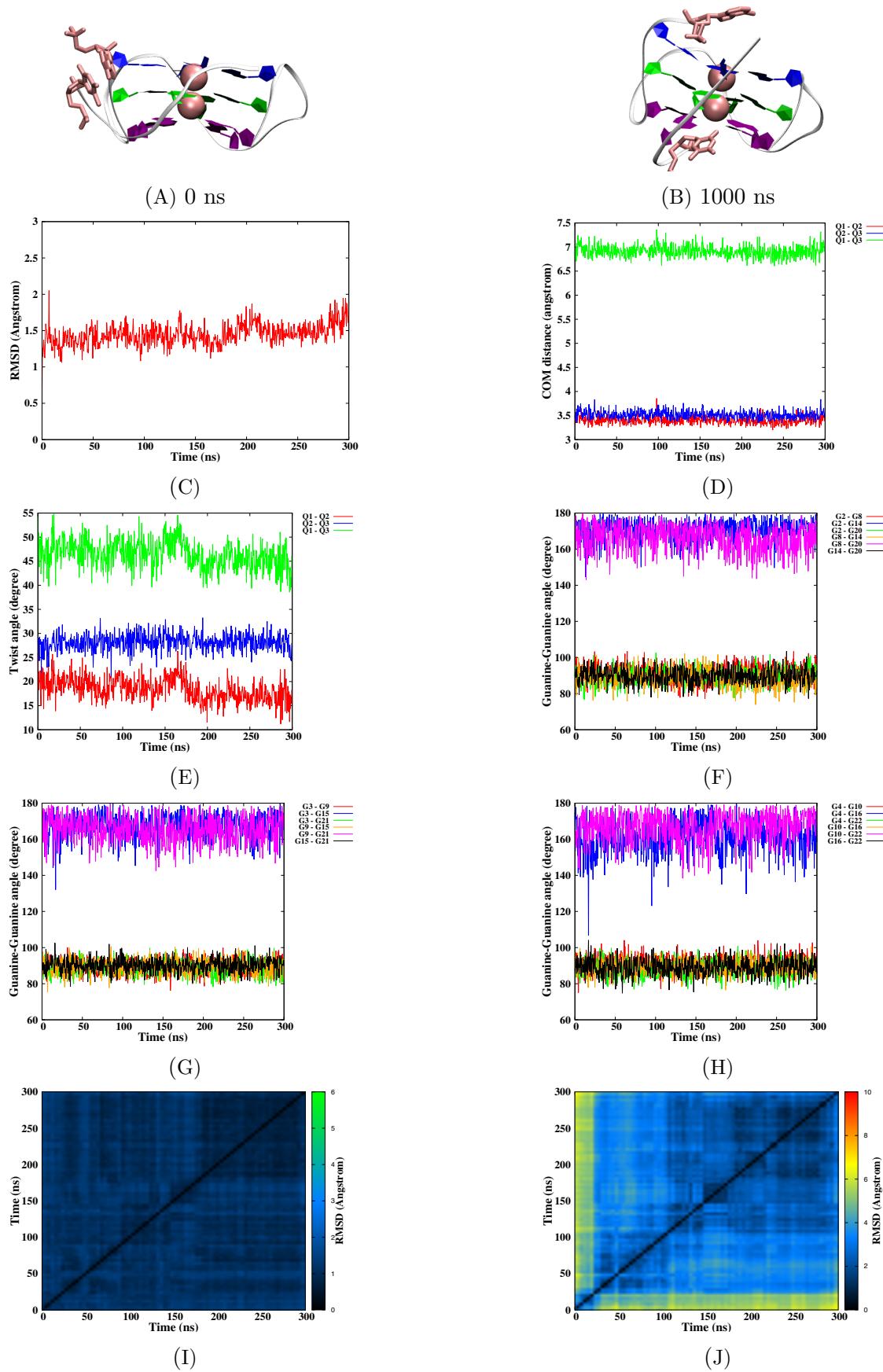


Figure S7 – Simulation of the CA damage at position 6-7 (in loop), run 1. Snapshots of the initial and final MD simulation (A-B). RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (C), distance between the tetrads (D), twist angle (E), angle between guanines for the first (F), second (G) and the third (H) tetrad, 2D-RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (I) and the whole DNA (J).

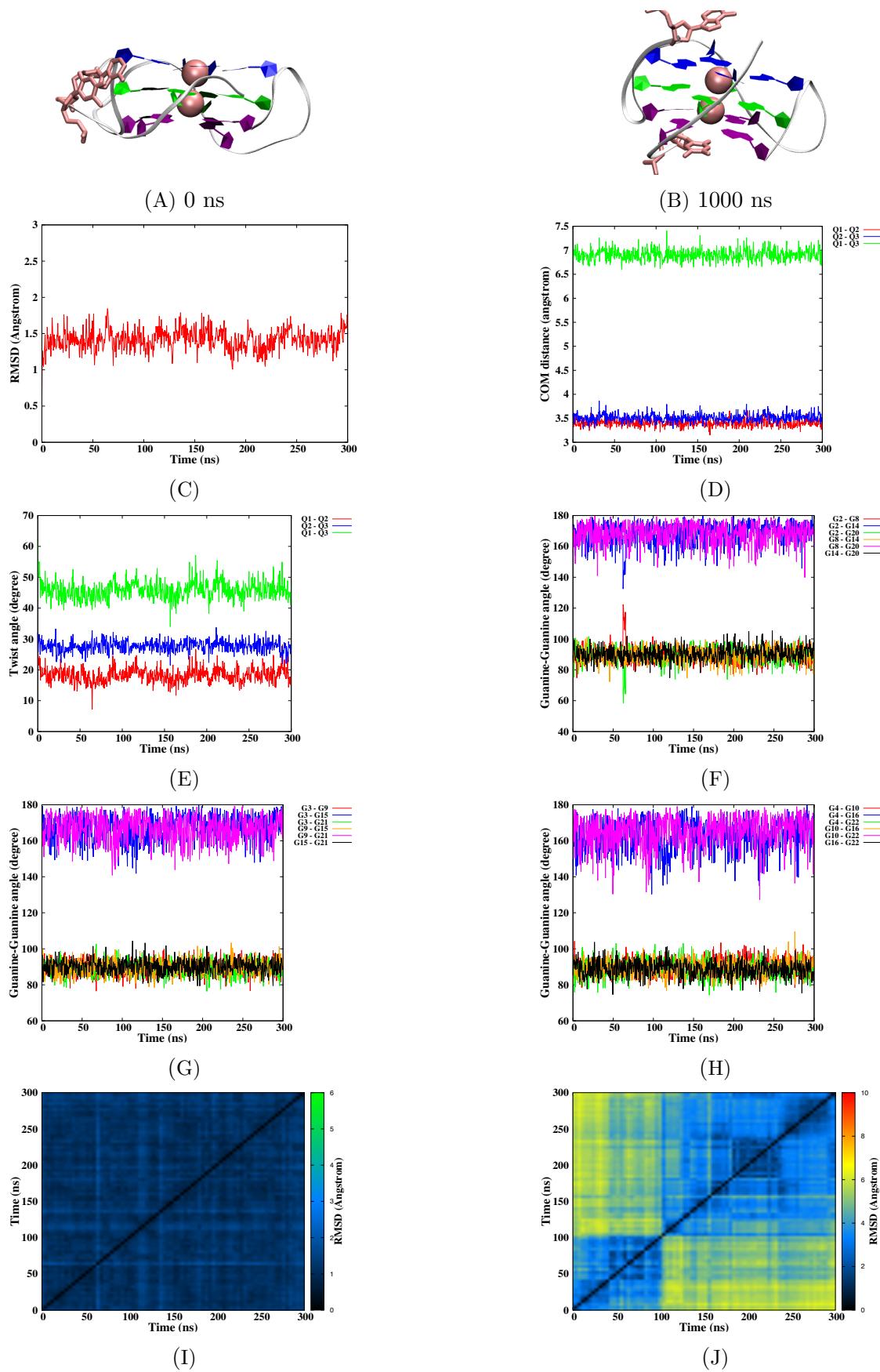


Figure S8 – Simulation of the CA damage at position 6-7 (in loop), run 2. Snapshots of the initial and final MD simulation (A-B). RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (C), distance between the tetrads (D), twist angle (E), angle between guanines for the first (F), second (G) and the third (H) tetrad, 2D-RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (I) and the whole DNA (J).

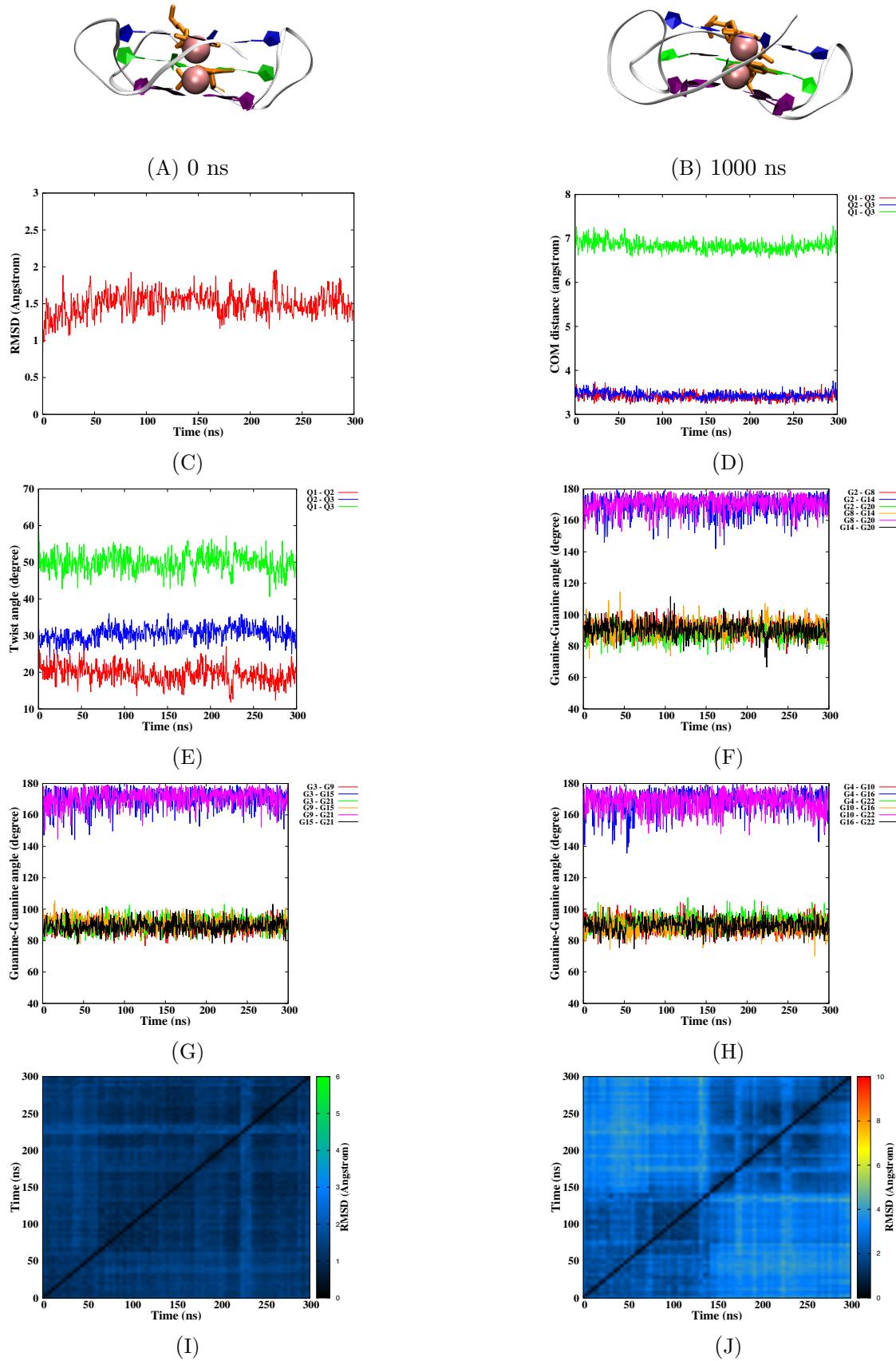


Figure S9 – Simulation of the CA damage at position 14-15, run 1. Snapshots of the initial and final MD simulation (A-B). RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (C), distance between the tetrads (D), twist angle (E), angle between guanines for the first (F), second (G) and the third (H) tetrad, 2D-RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (I) and the whole DNA (J).

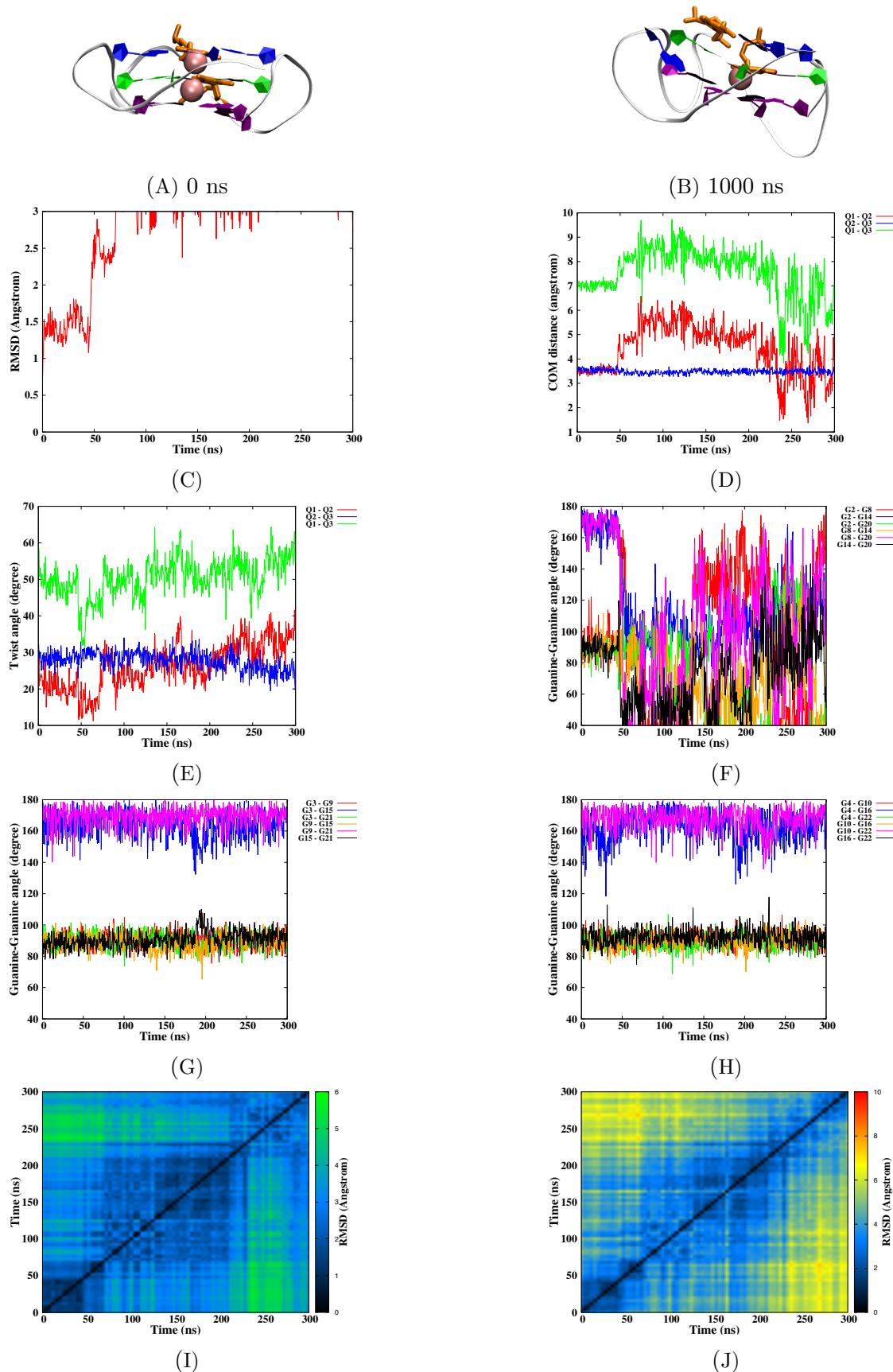


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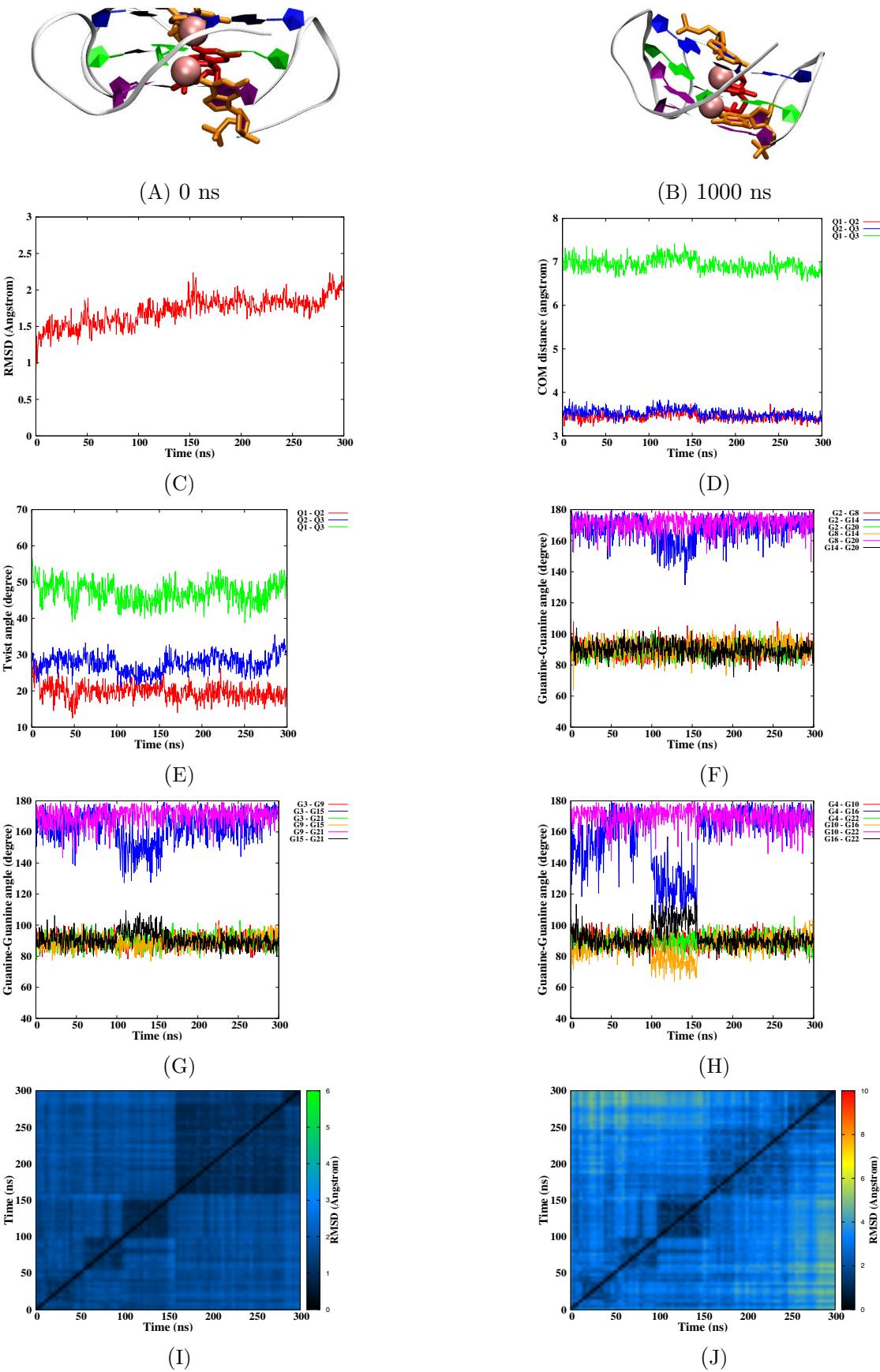


Figure S11 – Simulation of the CA damage at position 14-15-16, run 1. Snapshots of the initial and final MD simulation (A-B). RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (C), distance between the tetrads (D), twist angle (E), angle between guanines for the first (F), second (G) and the third (H) tetrad, 2D-RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (I) and the whole DNA (J).

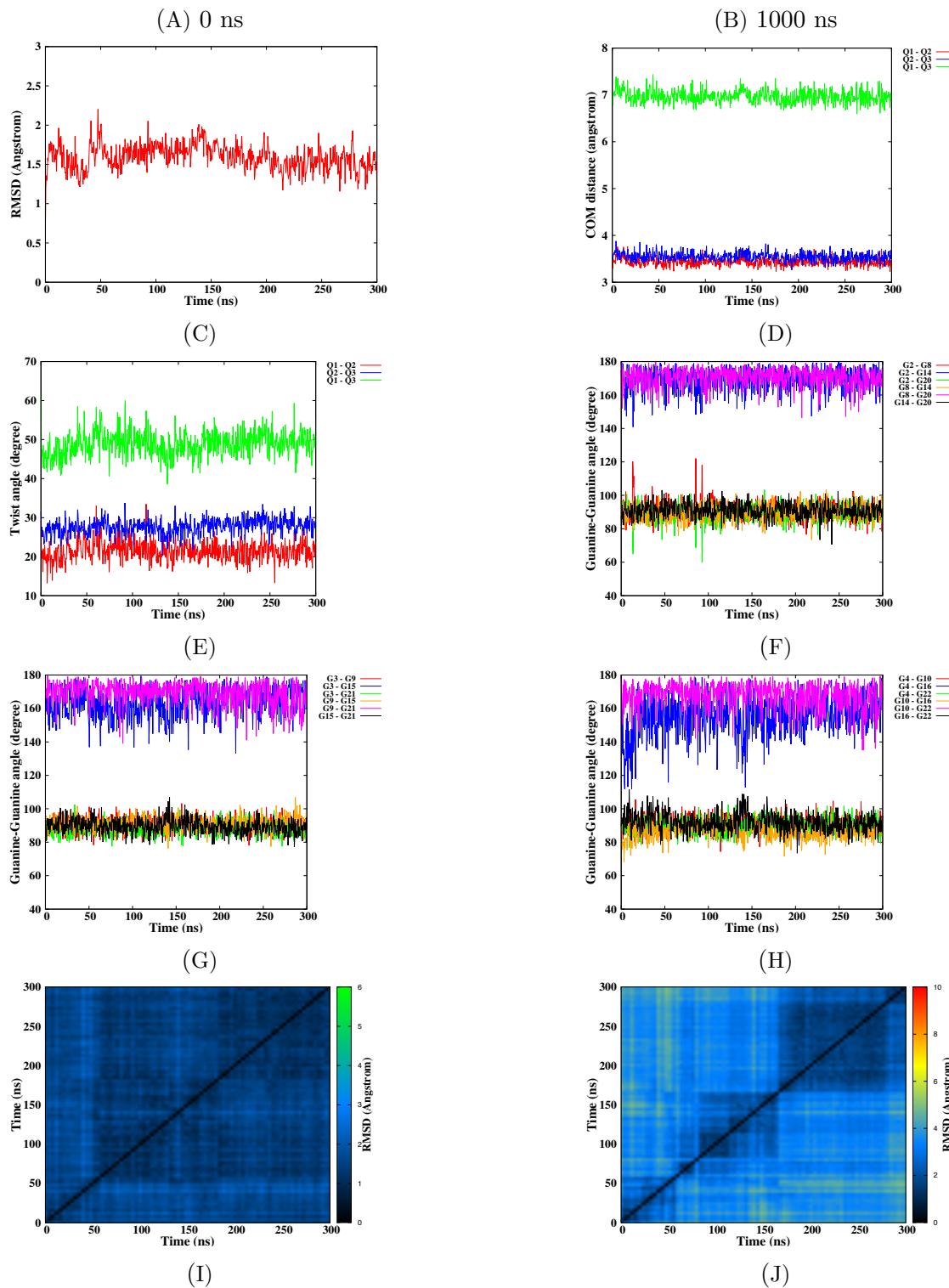


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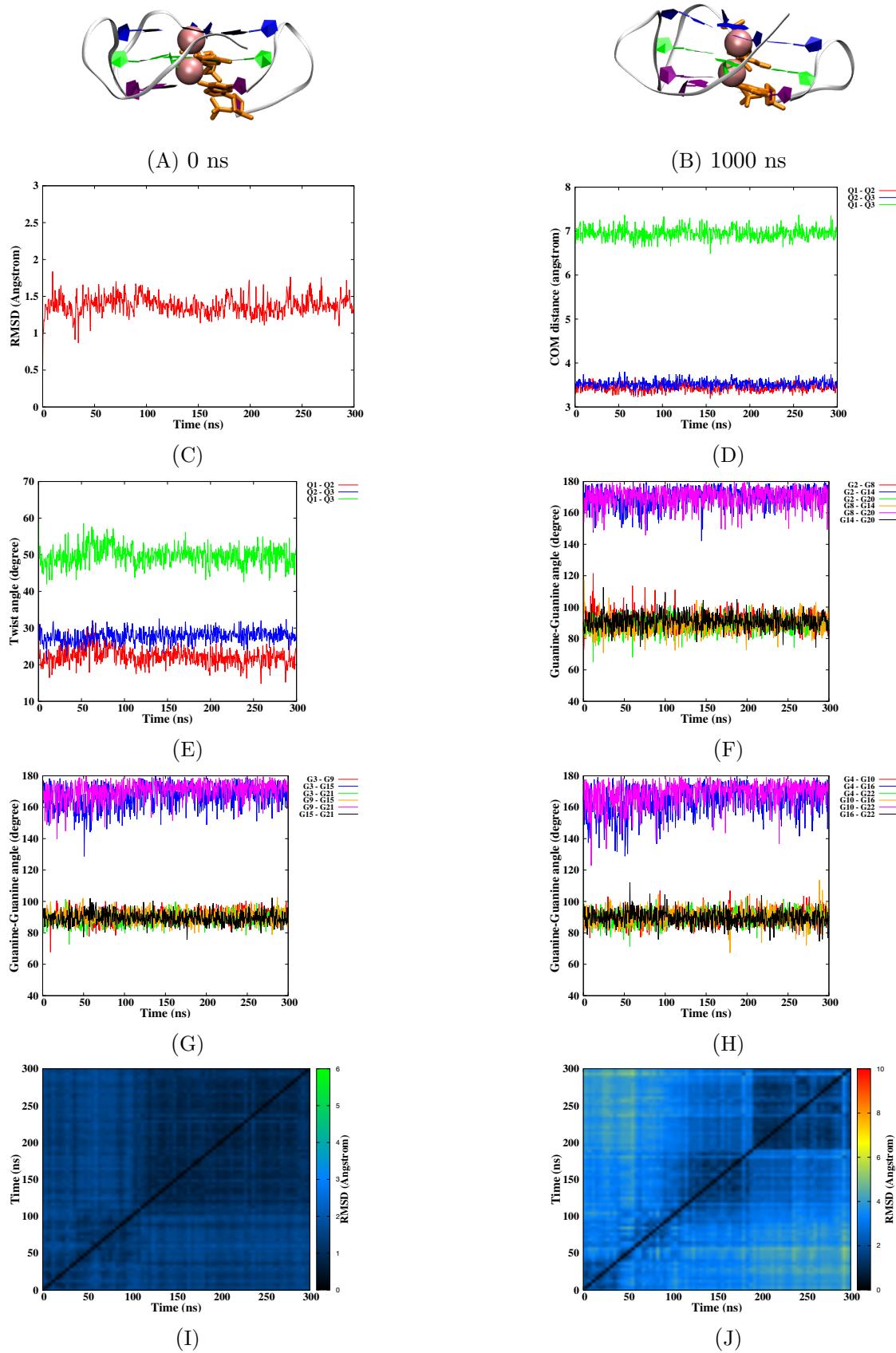


Figure S13 – Simulation of the CA damage at position 15-16, run 1. Snapshots of the initial and final MD simulation (A-B). RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (C), distance between the tetrads (D), twist angle (E), angle between guanines for the first (F), second (G) and the third (H) tetrad, 2D-RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (I) and the whole DNA (J).

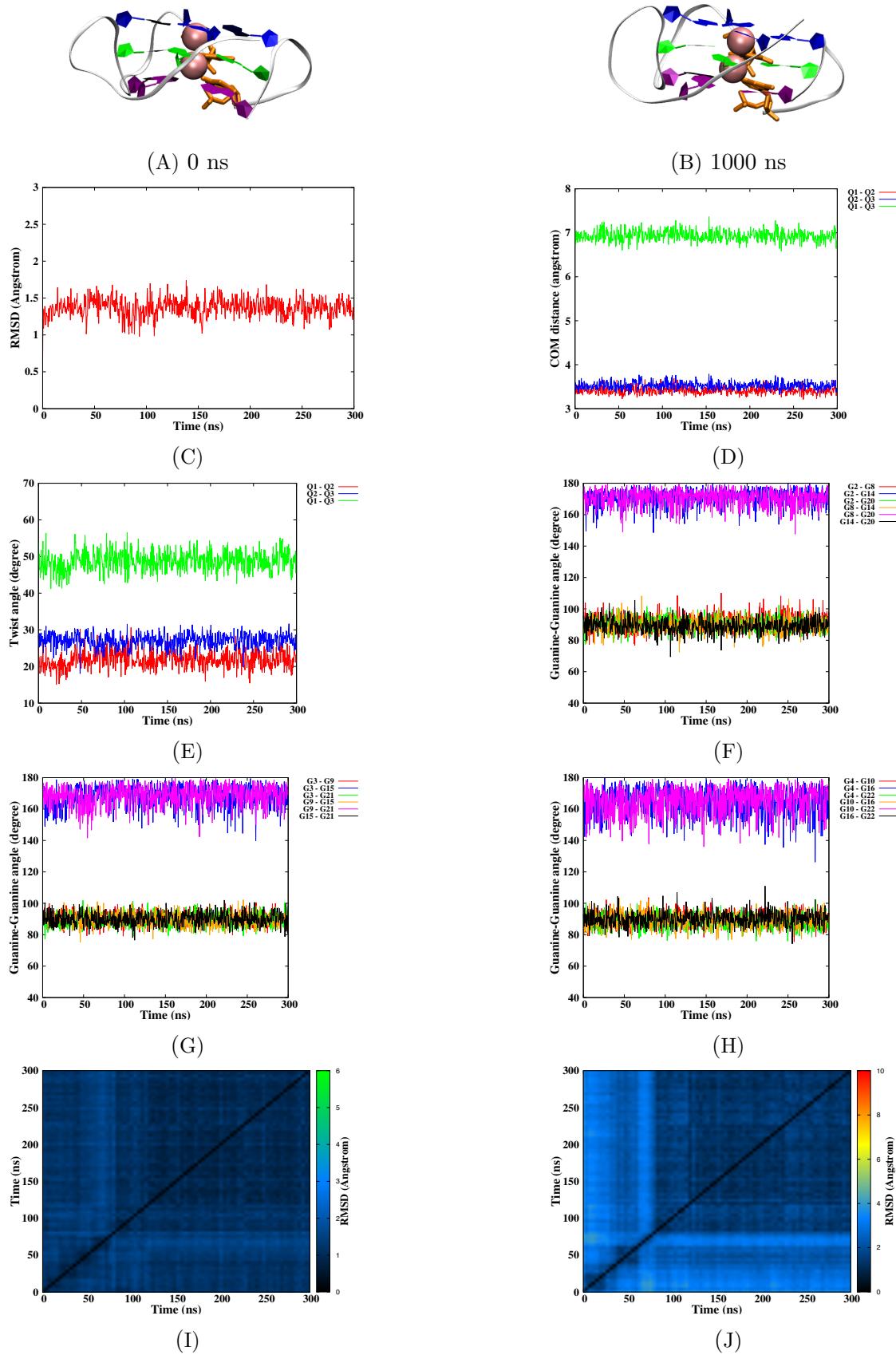


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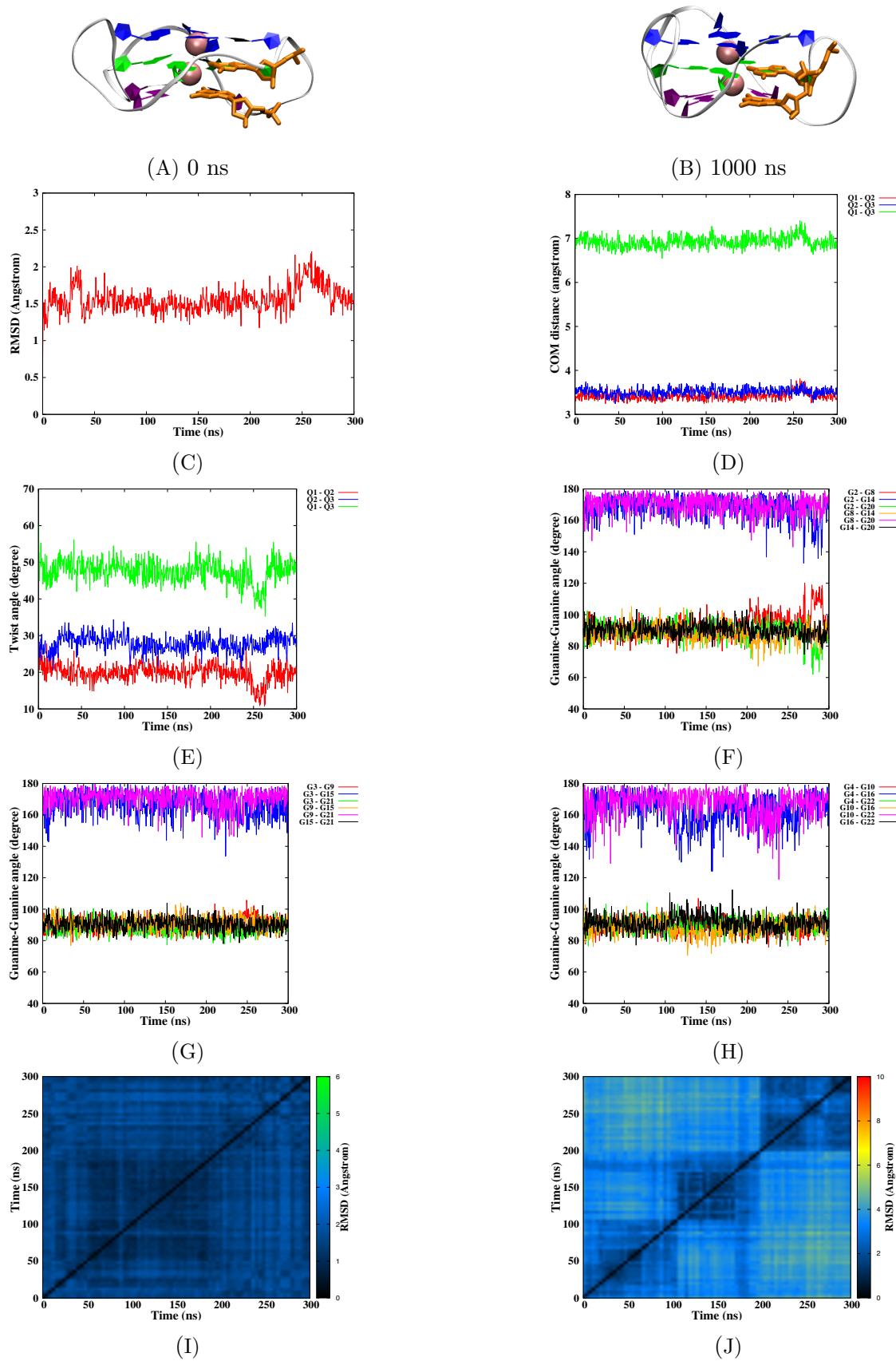


Figure S15 – Simulation of the CA damage at position 21-22, run 1. Snapshots of the initial and final MD simulation (A-B). RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (C), distance between the tetrads (D), twist angle (E), angle between guanines for the first (F), second (G) and the third (H) tetrad, 2D-RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (I) and the whole DNA (J).

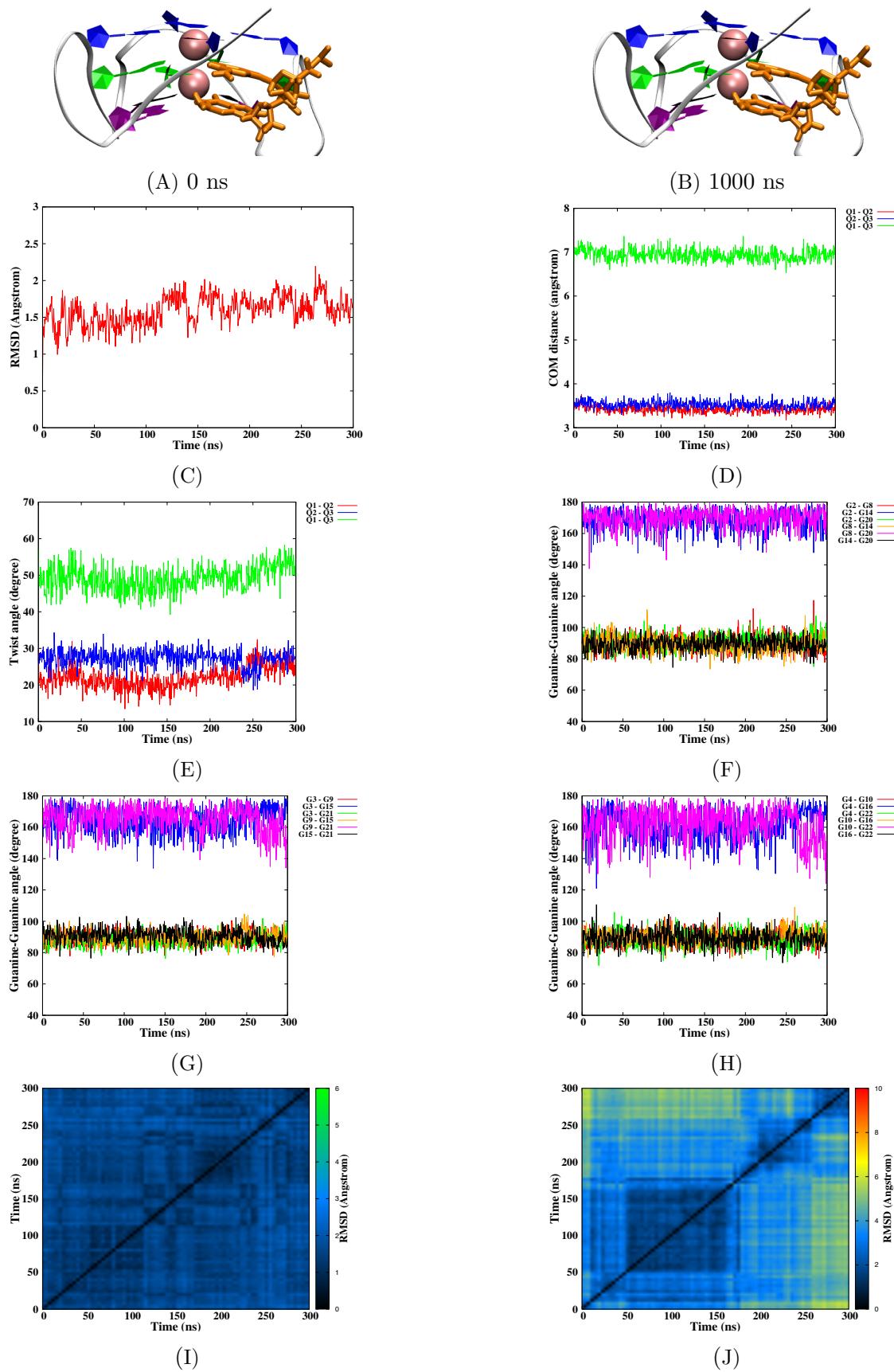


Figure S16 – Simulation of the CA damage at position 21-22, run 2. Snapshots of the initial and final MD simulation (A-B). RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (C), distance between the tetrads (D), twist angle (E), angle between guanines for the first (F), second (G) and the third (H) tetrad, 2D-RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (I) and the whole DNA (J).

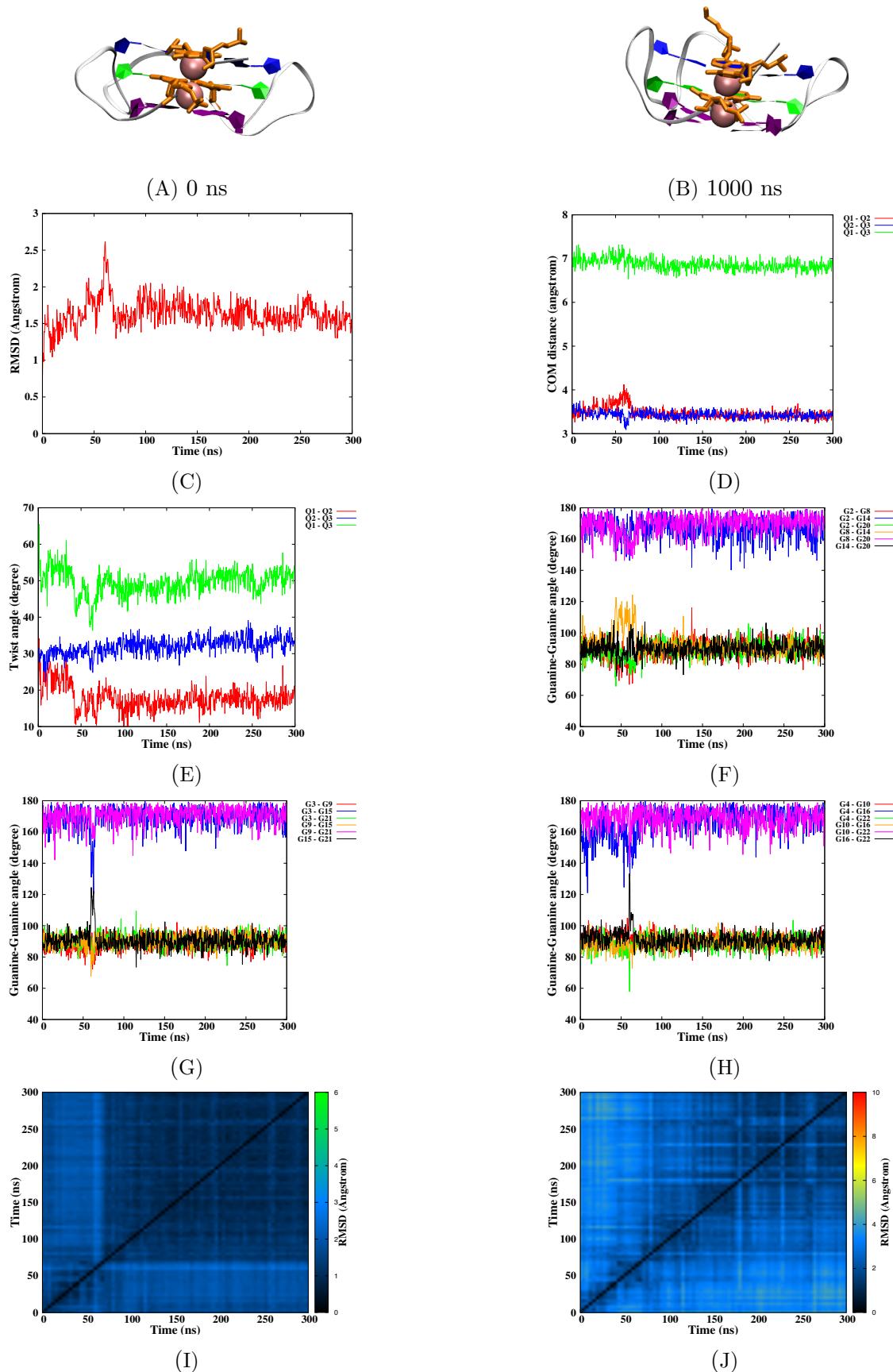


Figure S17 – Simulation of the CA damage at position 2-3/14-15, run 1. Snapshots of the initial and final MD simulation (A-B). RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (C), distance between the tetrads (D), twist angle (E), angle between guanines for the first (F), second (G) and the third (H) tetrad, 2D-RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (I) and the whole DNA (J).

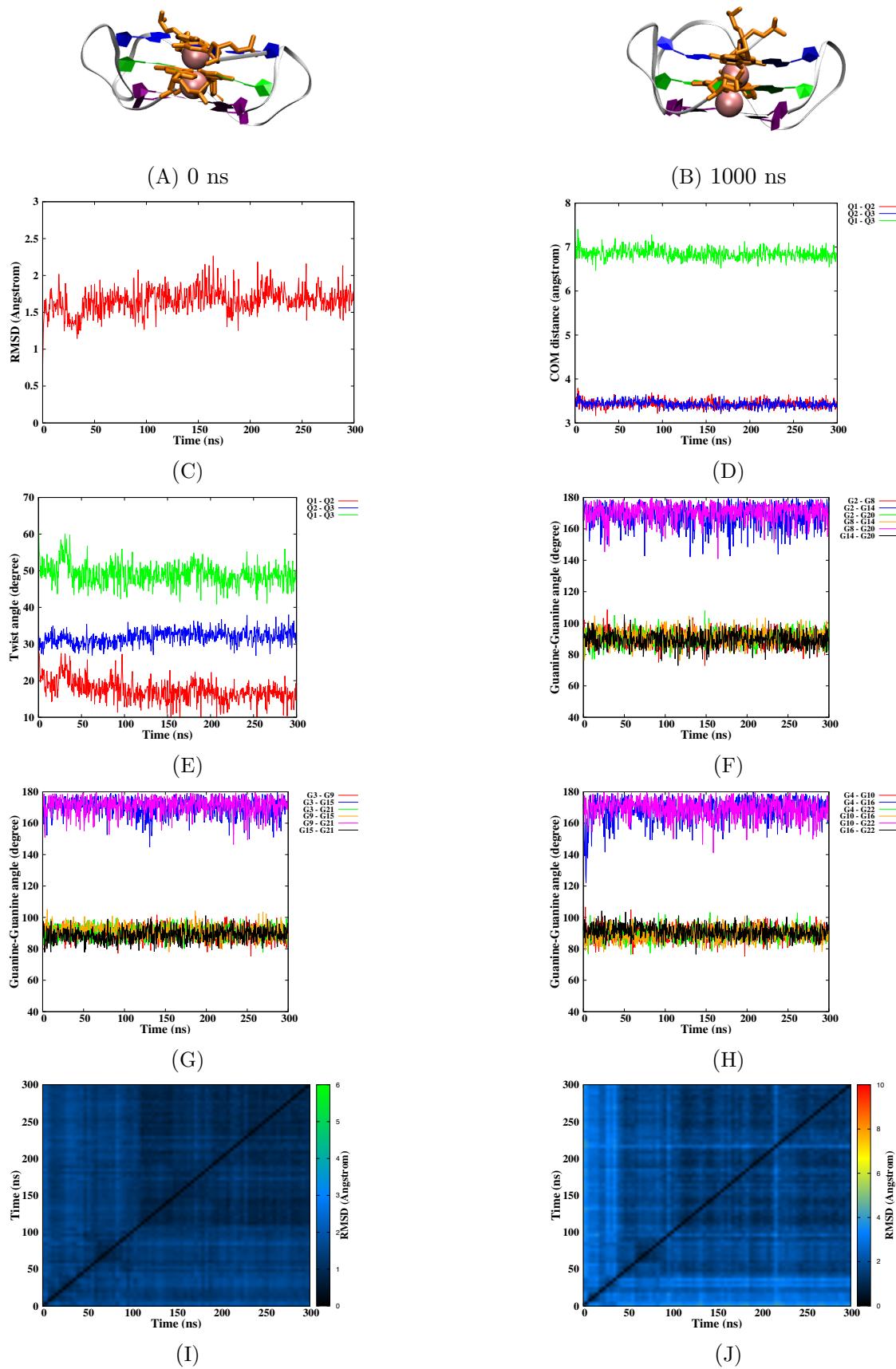


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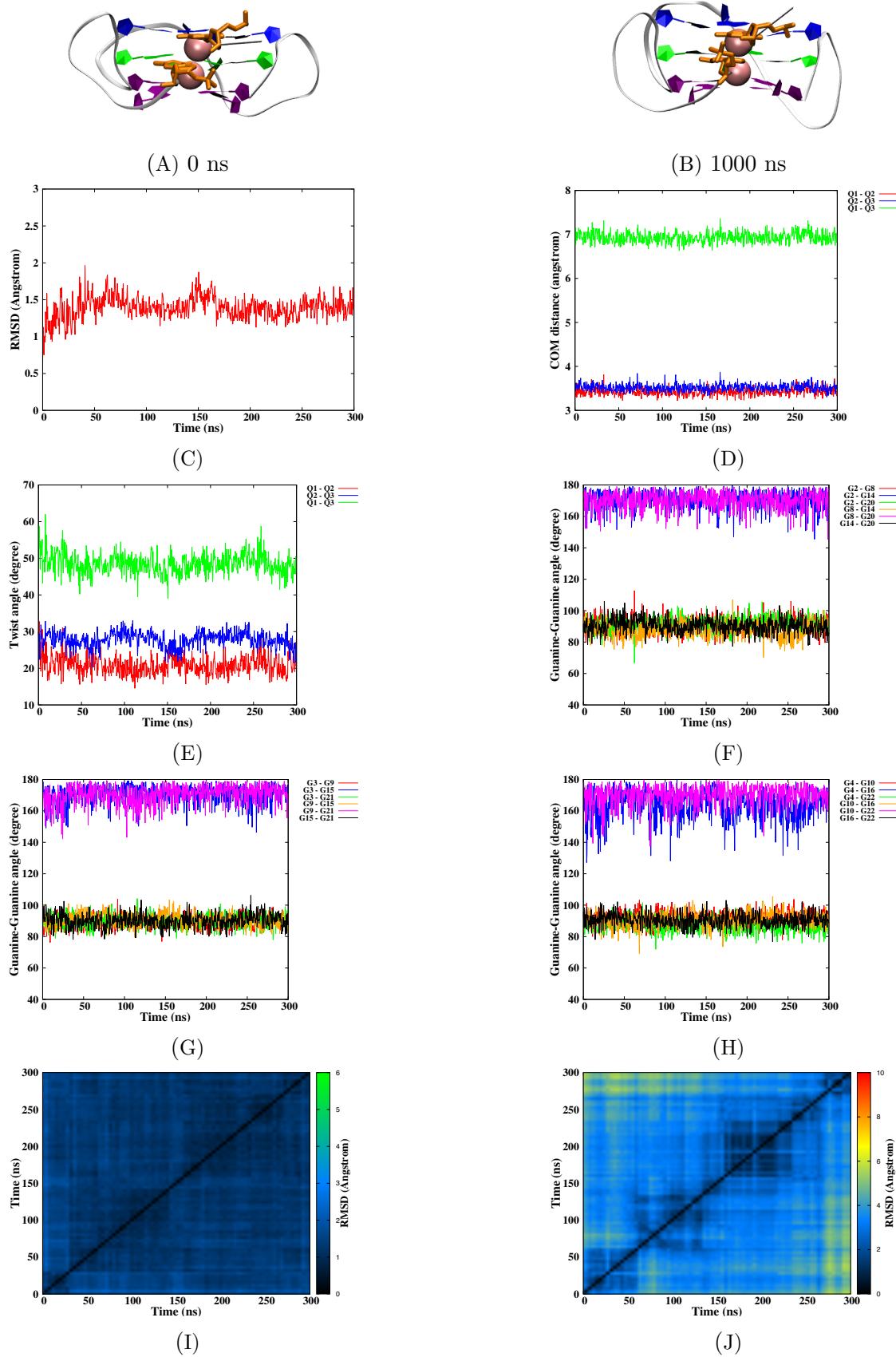


Figure S19 – Simulation of the CA damage at position 2-3, run 1. Snapshots of the initial and final MD simulation (A-B). RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (C), distance between the tetrads (D), twist angle (E), angle between guanines for the first (F), second (G) and the third (H) tetrad, 2D-RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (I) and the whole DNA (J).

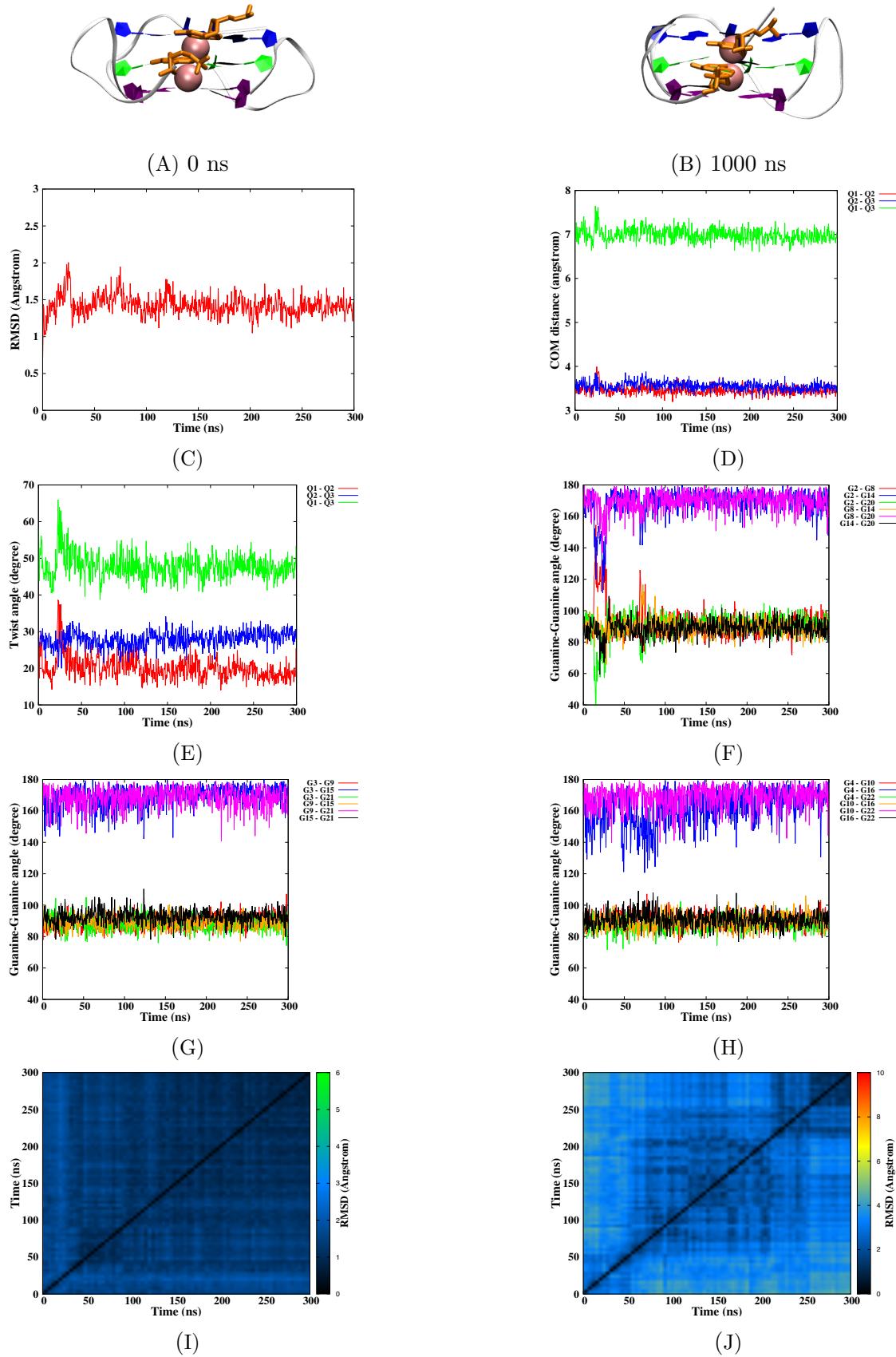


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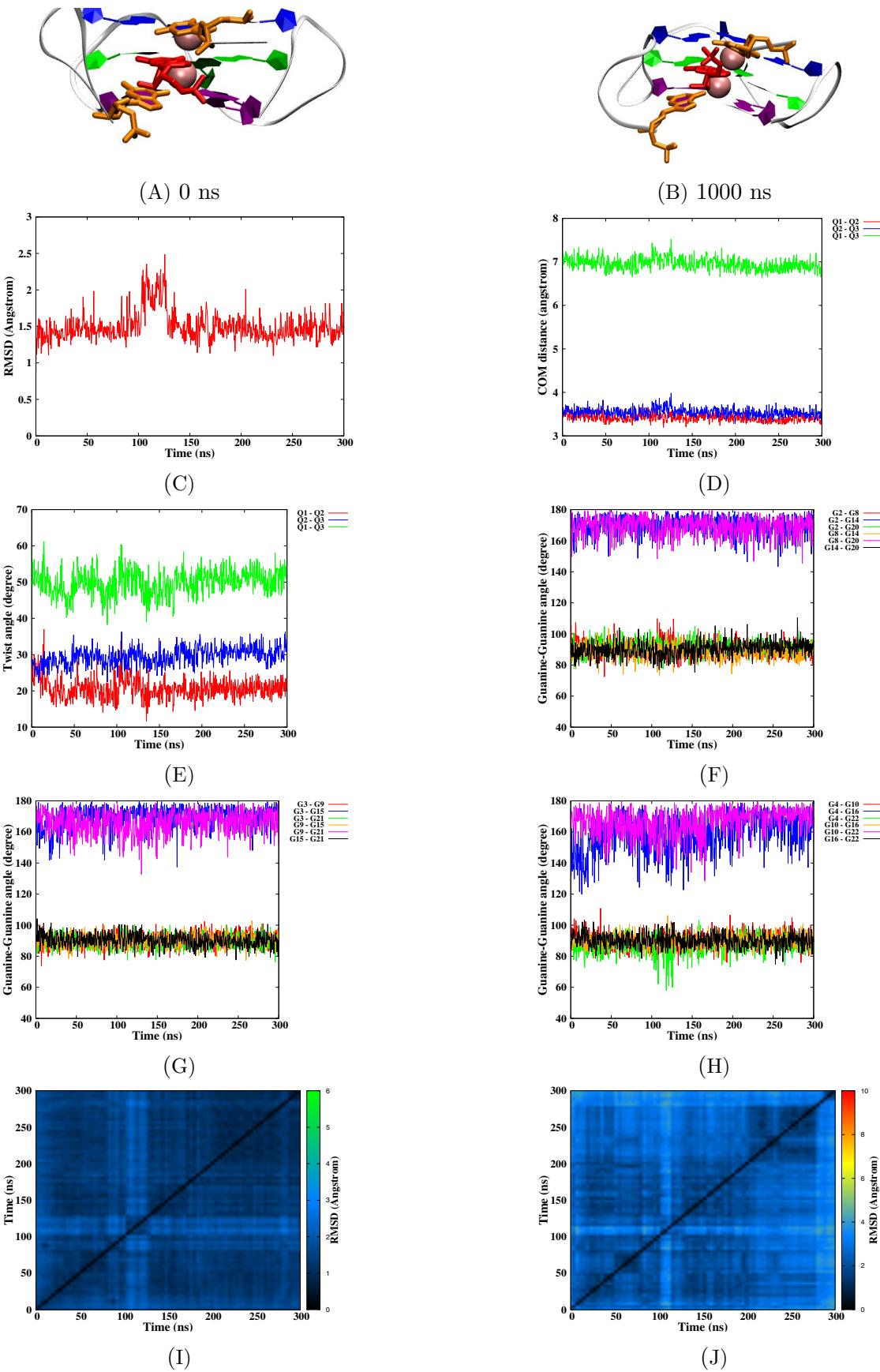


Figure S21 – Simulation of the CA damage at position 2-3-4, run 1. Snapshots of the initial and final MD simulation (A-B). RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (C), distance between the tetrads (D), twist angle (E), angle between guanines for the first (F), second (G) and the third (H) tetrad, 2D-RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (I) and the whole DNA (J).

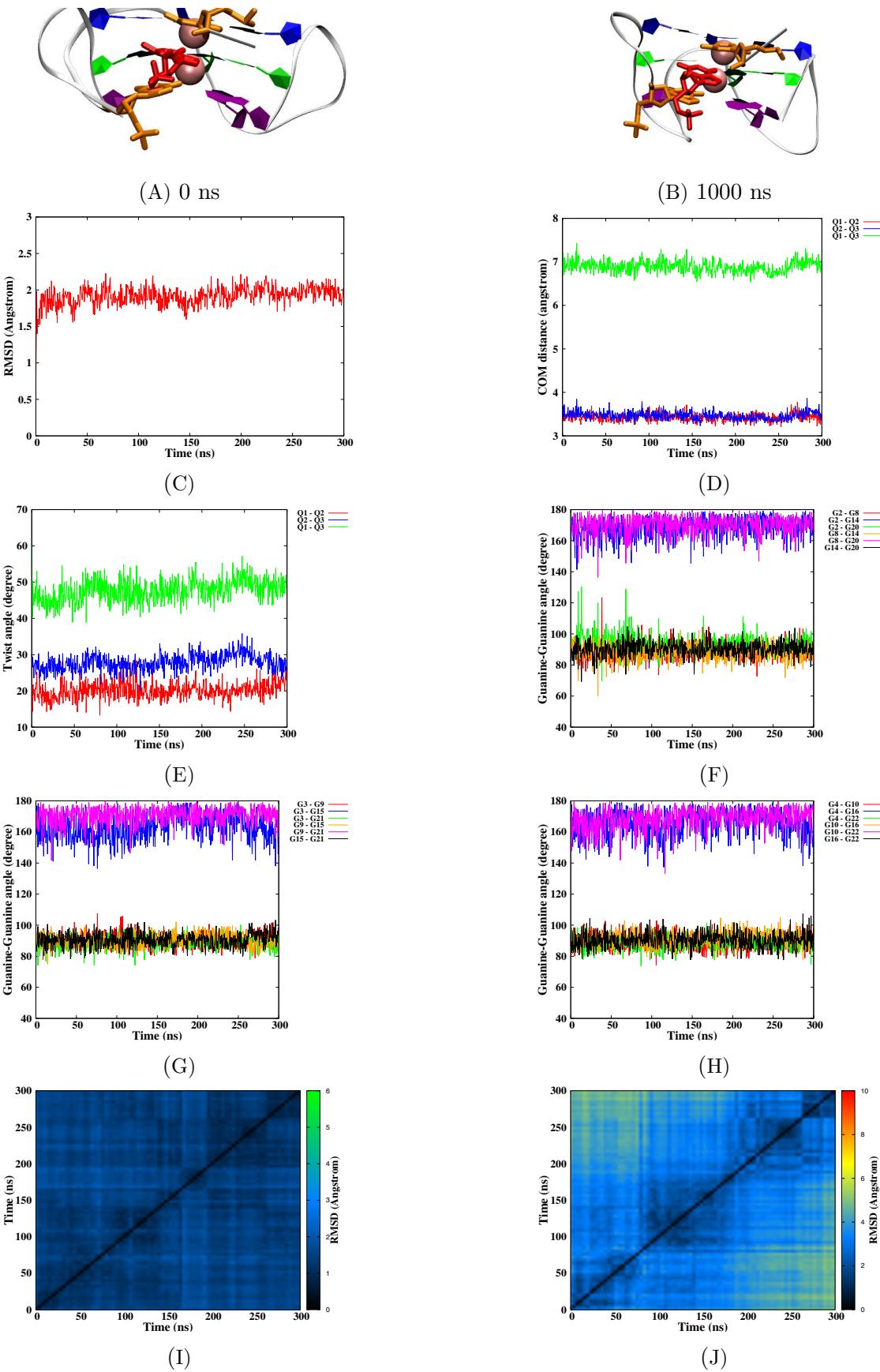


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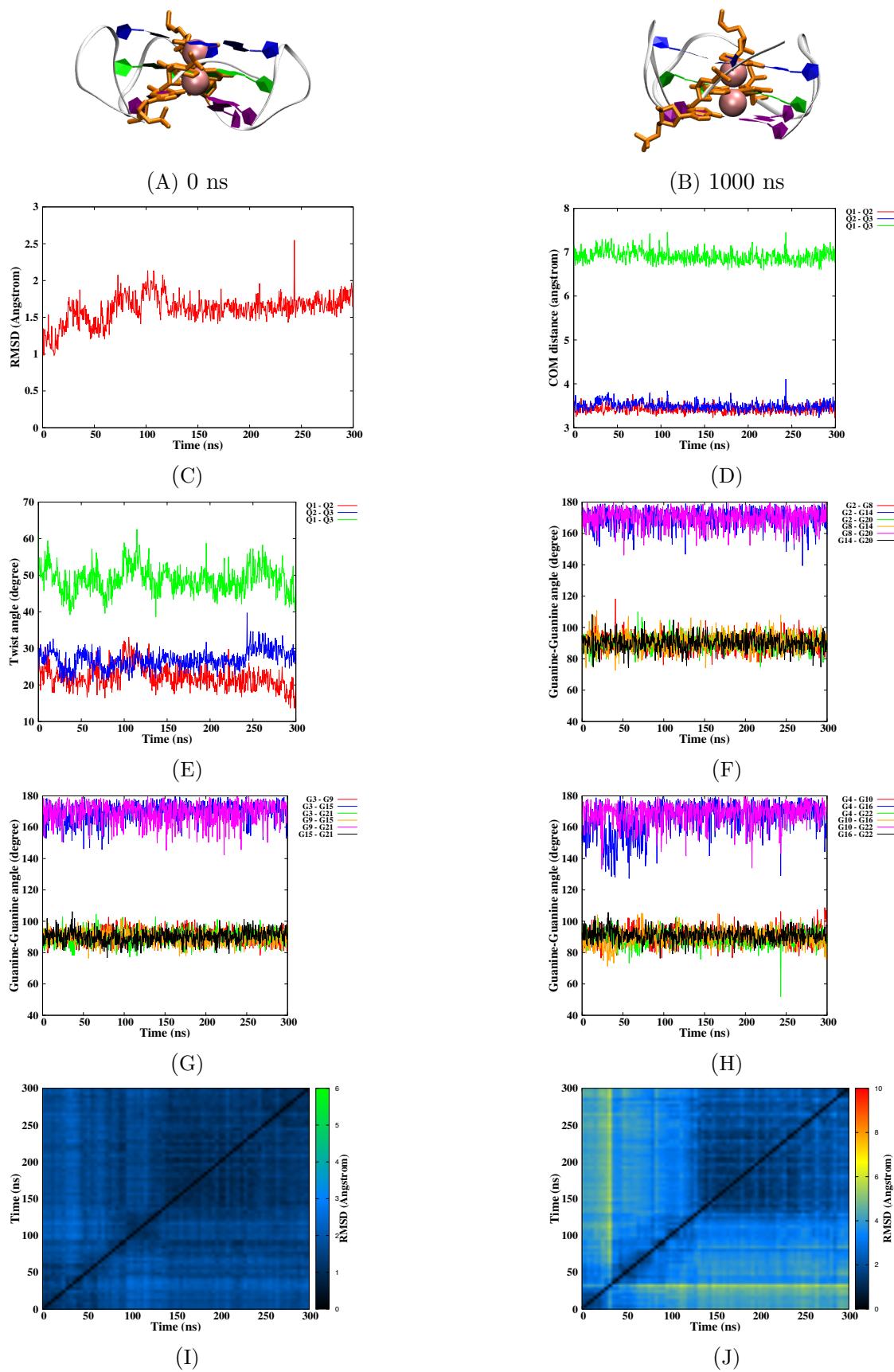


Figure S23 – Simulation of the CA damage at position 3-4/14-15, run 1. Snapshots of the initial and final MD simulation (A-B). RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (C), distance between the tetrads (D), twist angle (E), angle between guanines for the first (F), second (G) and the third (H) tetrad, 2D-RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (I) and the whole DNA (J).

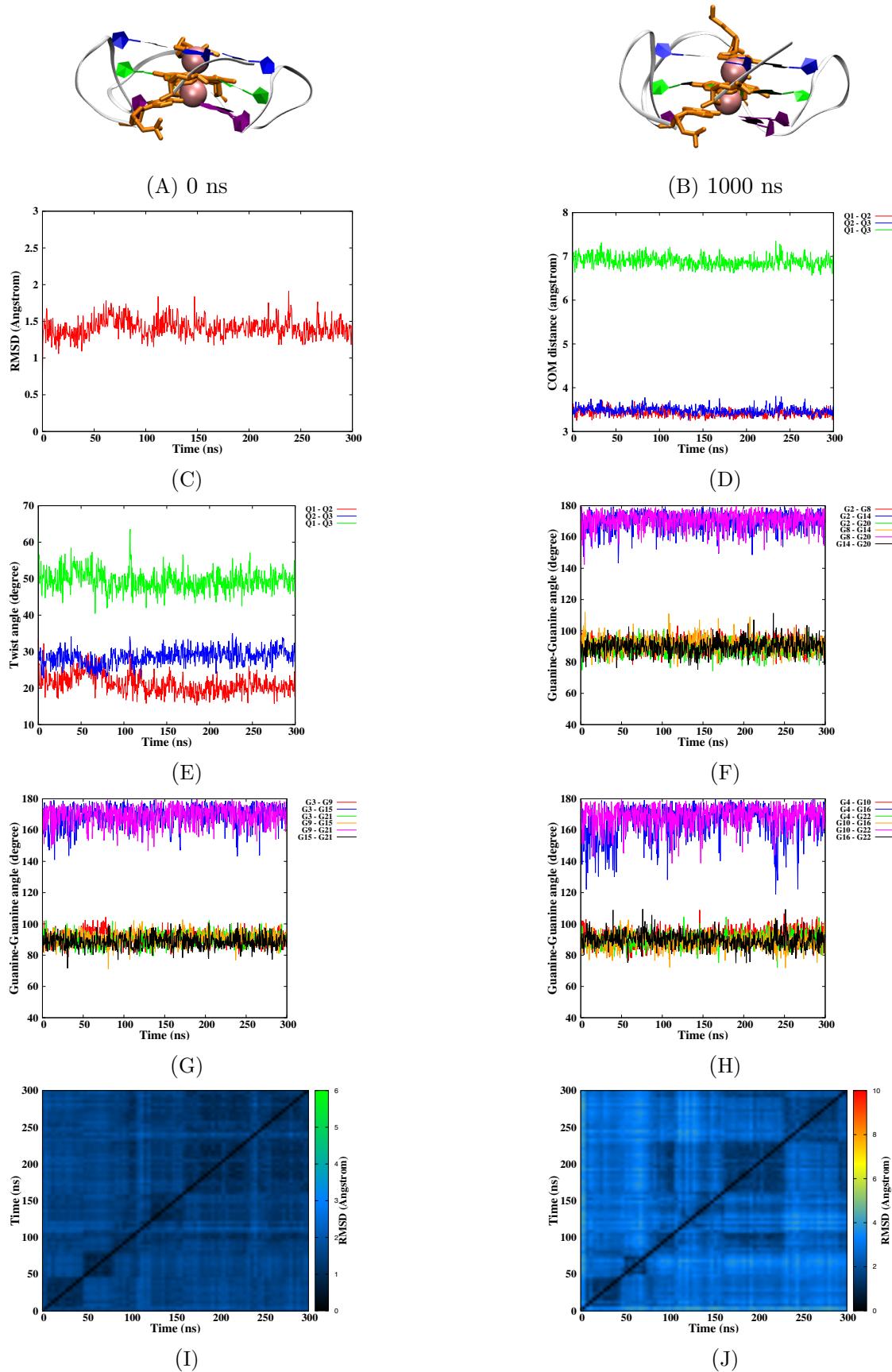


Figure S24 – Simulation of the CA damage at position 3-4/14-15, run 2. Snapshots of the initial and final MD simulation (A-B). RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (C), distance between the tetrads (D), twist angle (E), angle between guanines for the first (F), second (G) and the third (H) tetrad, 2D-RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (I) and the whole DNA (J).

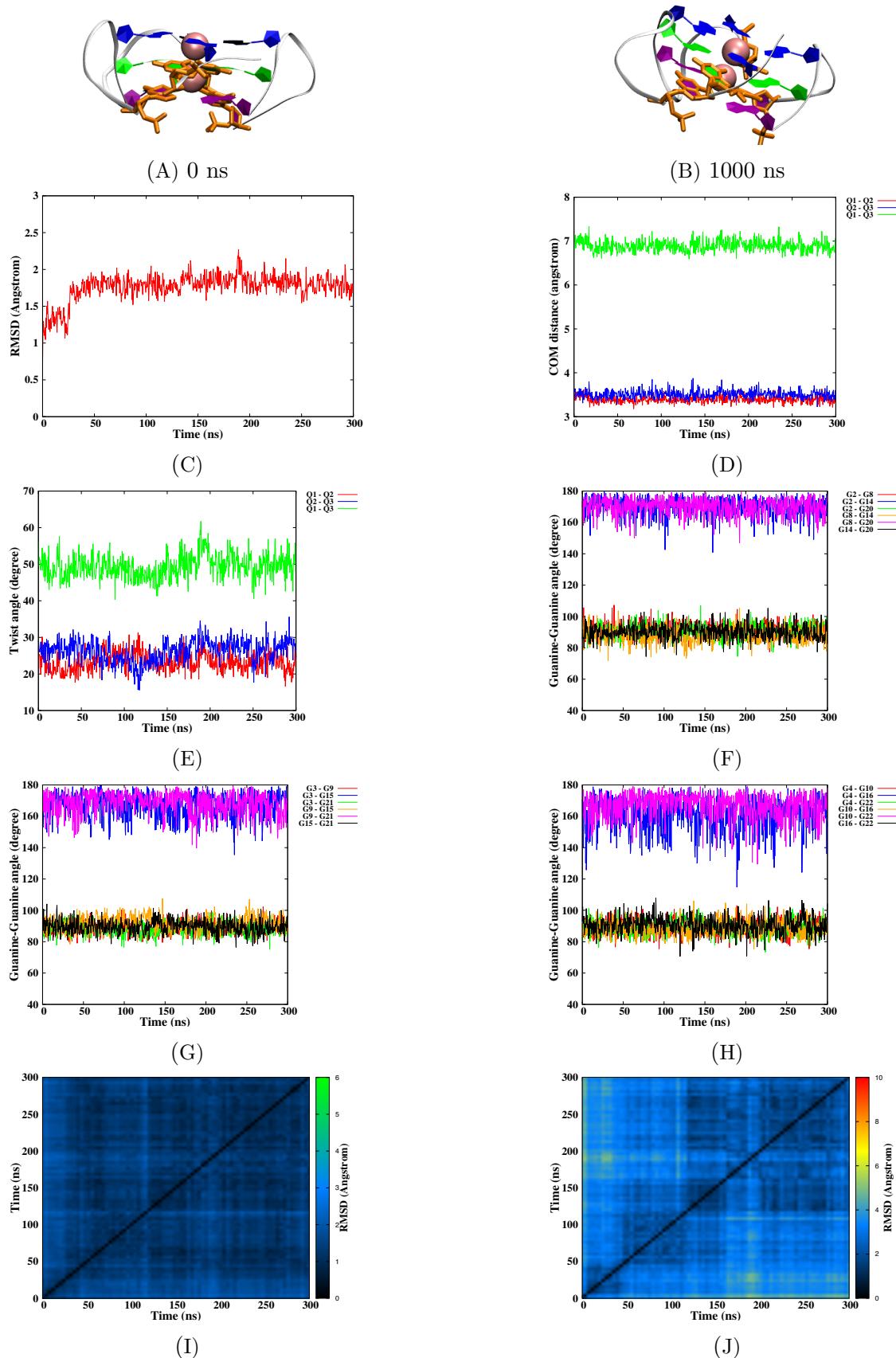


Figure S25 – Simulation of the CA damage at position 3-4/15-16, run 1. Snapshots of the initial and final MD simulation (A-B). RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (C), distance between the tetrads (D), twist angle (E), angle between guanines for the first (F), second (G) and the third (H) tetrad, 2D-RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (I) and the whole DNA (J).

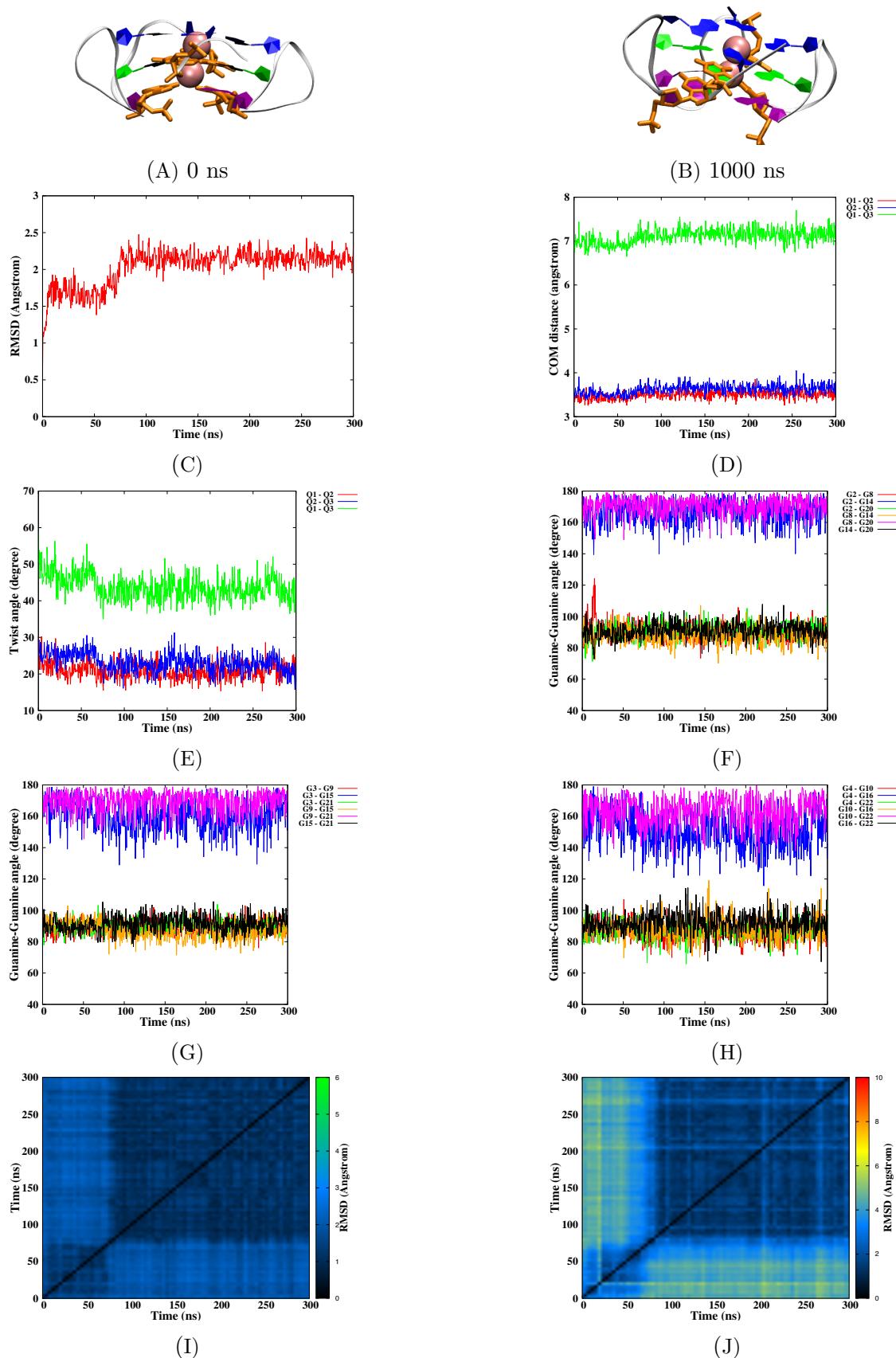


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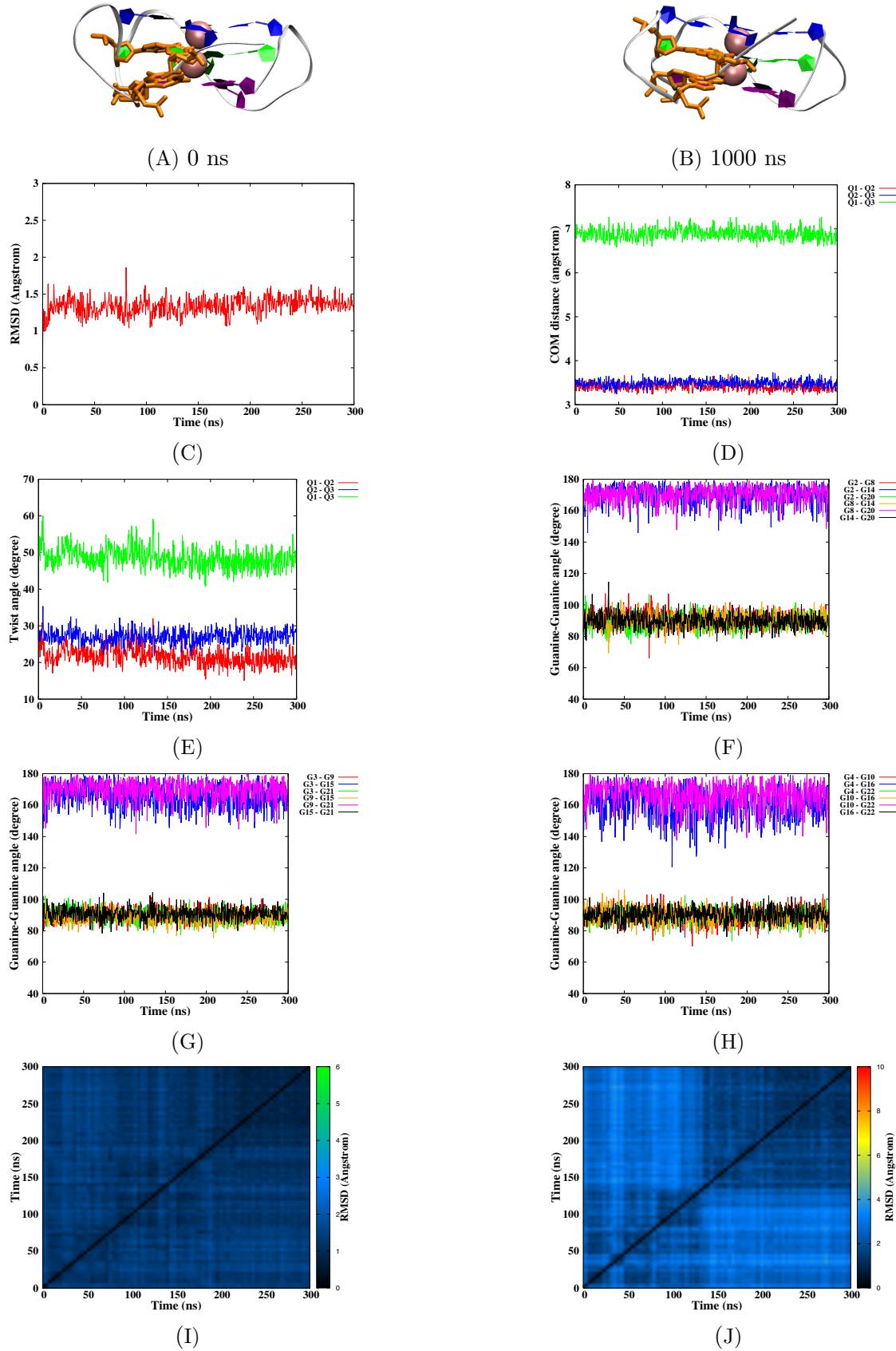


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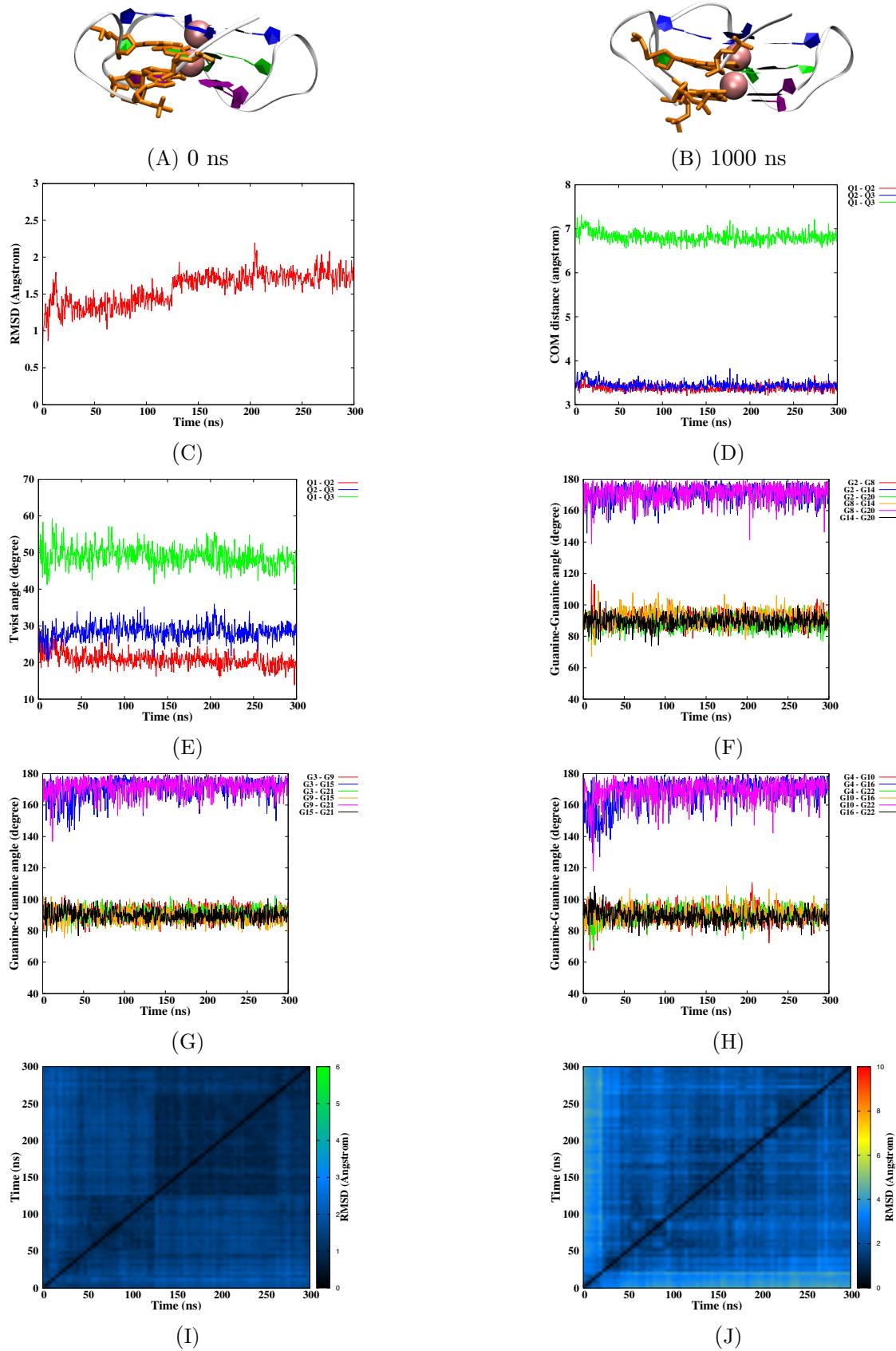


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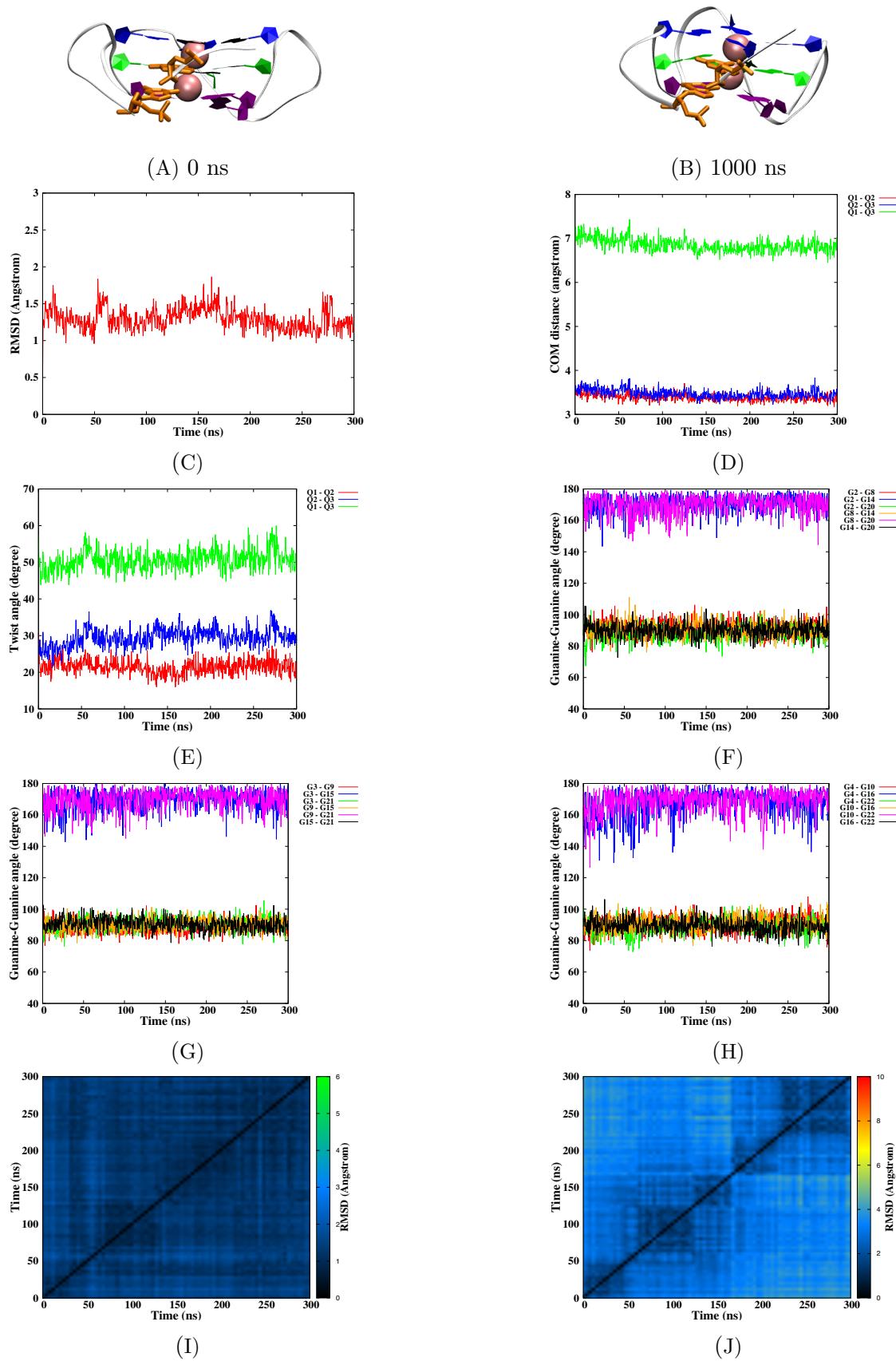


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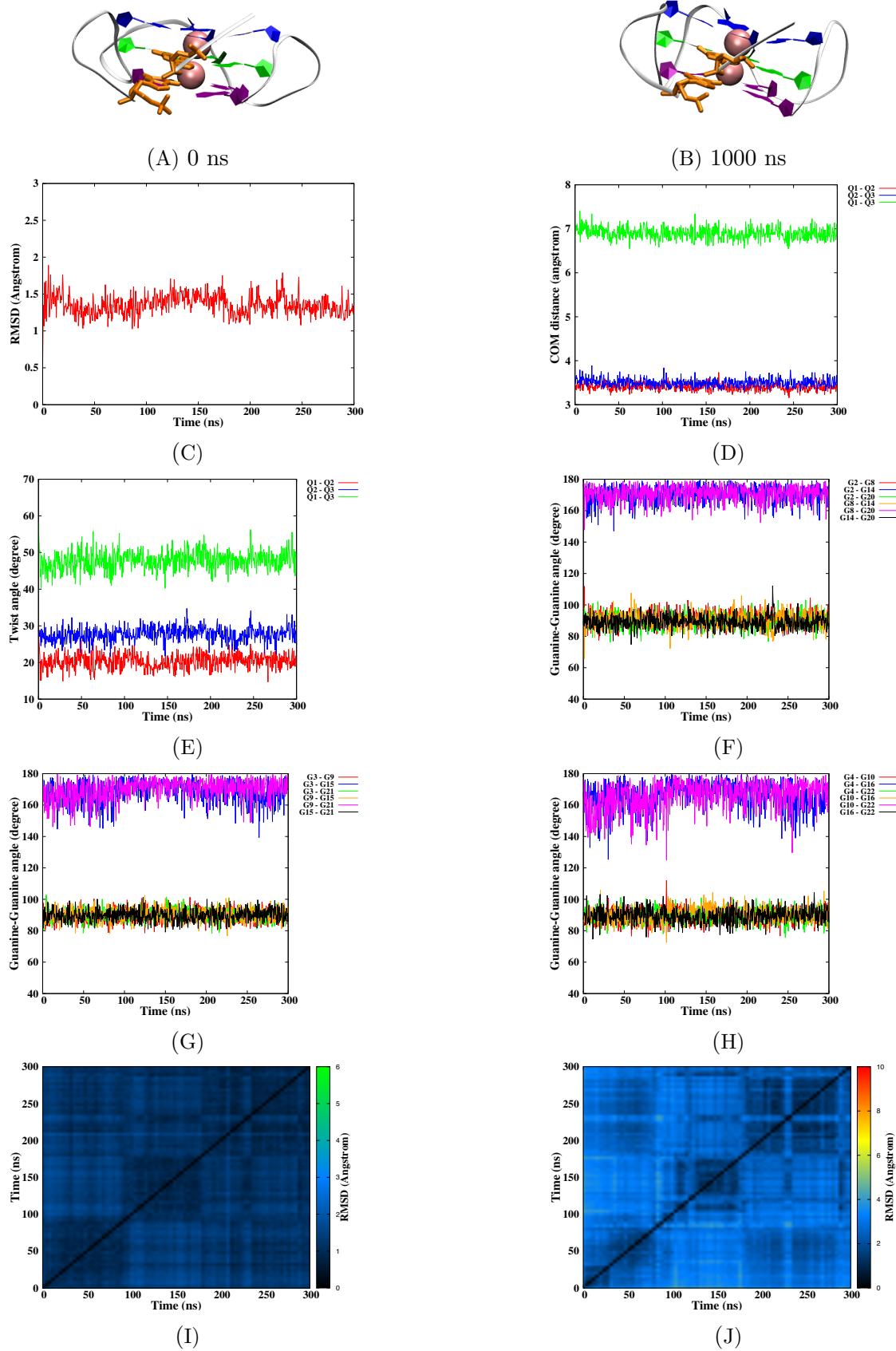


Figure S30 – Simulation of the CA damage at position 3-4, run 2. Snapshots of the initial and final MD simulation (A-B). RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (C), distance between the tetrads (D), twist angle (E), angle between guanines for the first (F), second (G) and the third (H) tetrad, 2D-RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (I) and the whole DNA (J).

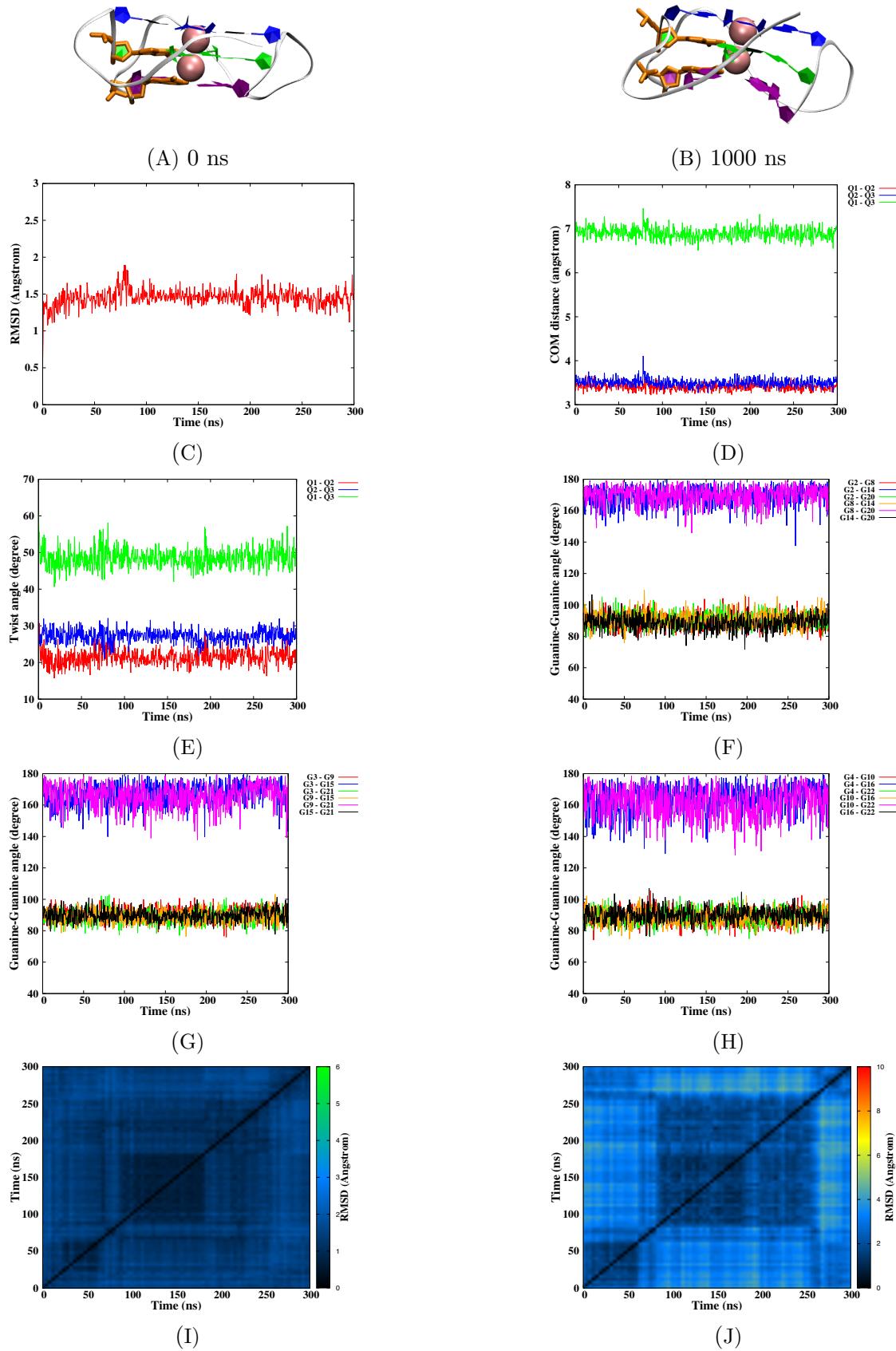


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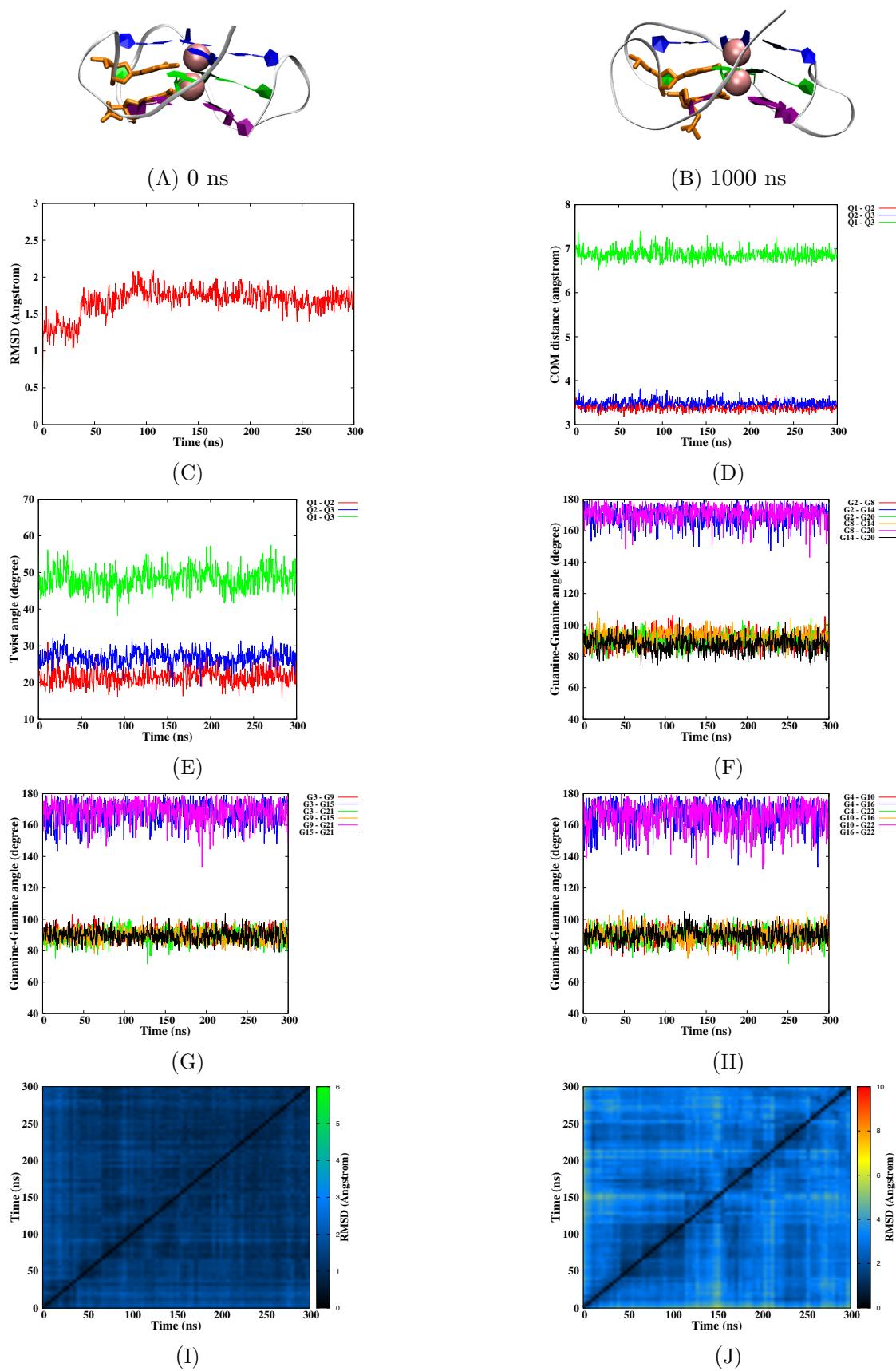


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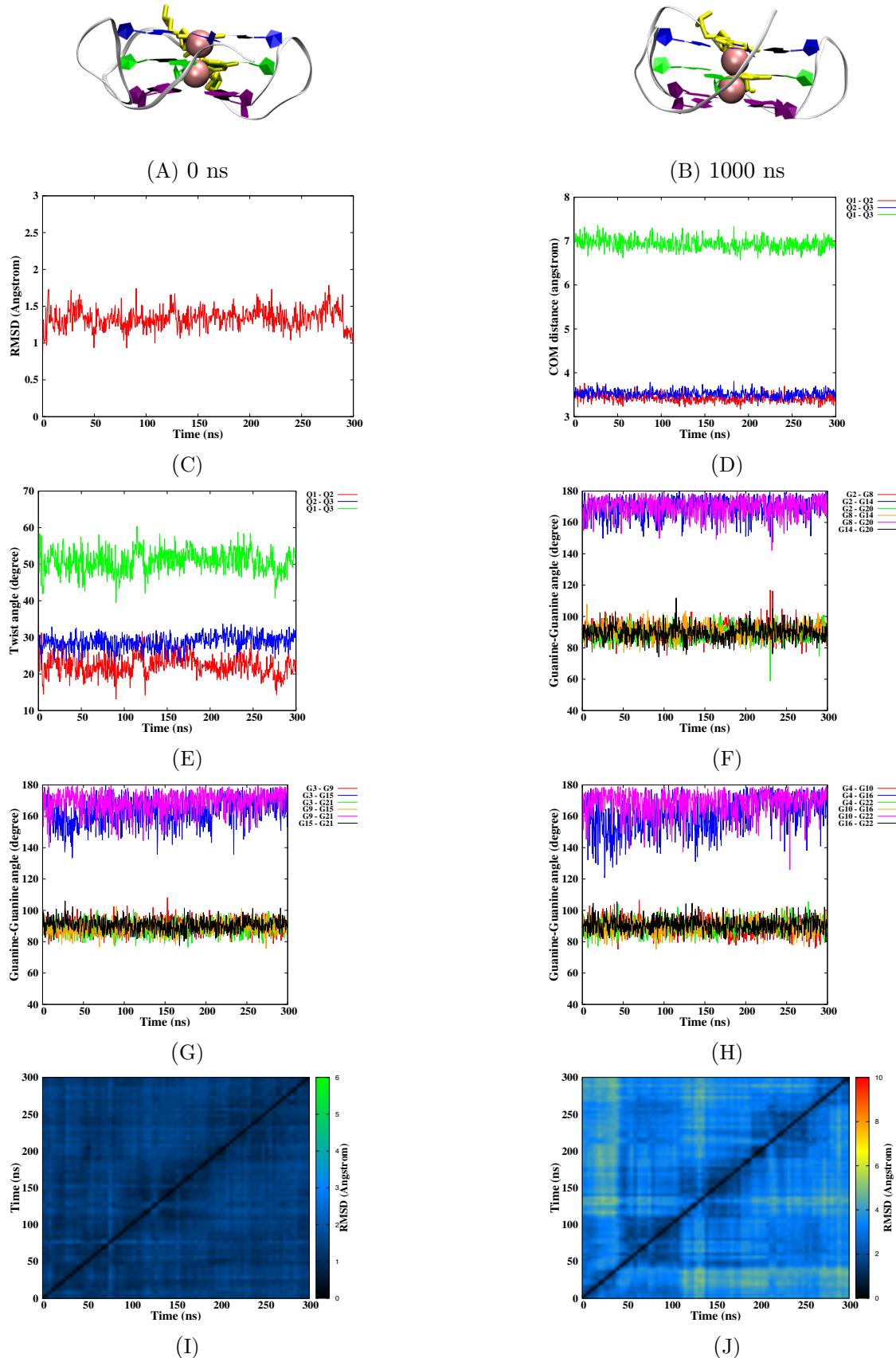


Figure S33 – Simulation of the NC damage at position 14-15, run 1. Snapshots of the initial and final MD simulation (A-B). RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (C), distance between the tetrads (D), twist angle (E), angle between guanines for the first (F), second (G) and the third (H) tetrad, 2D-RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (I) and the whole DNA (J).

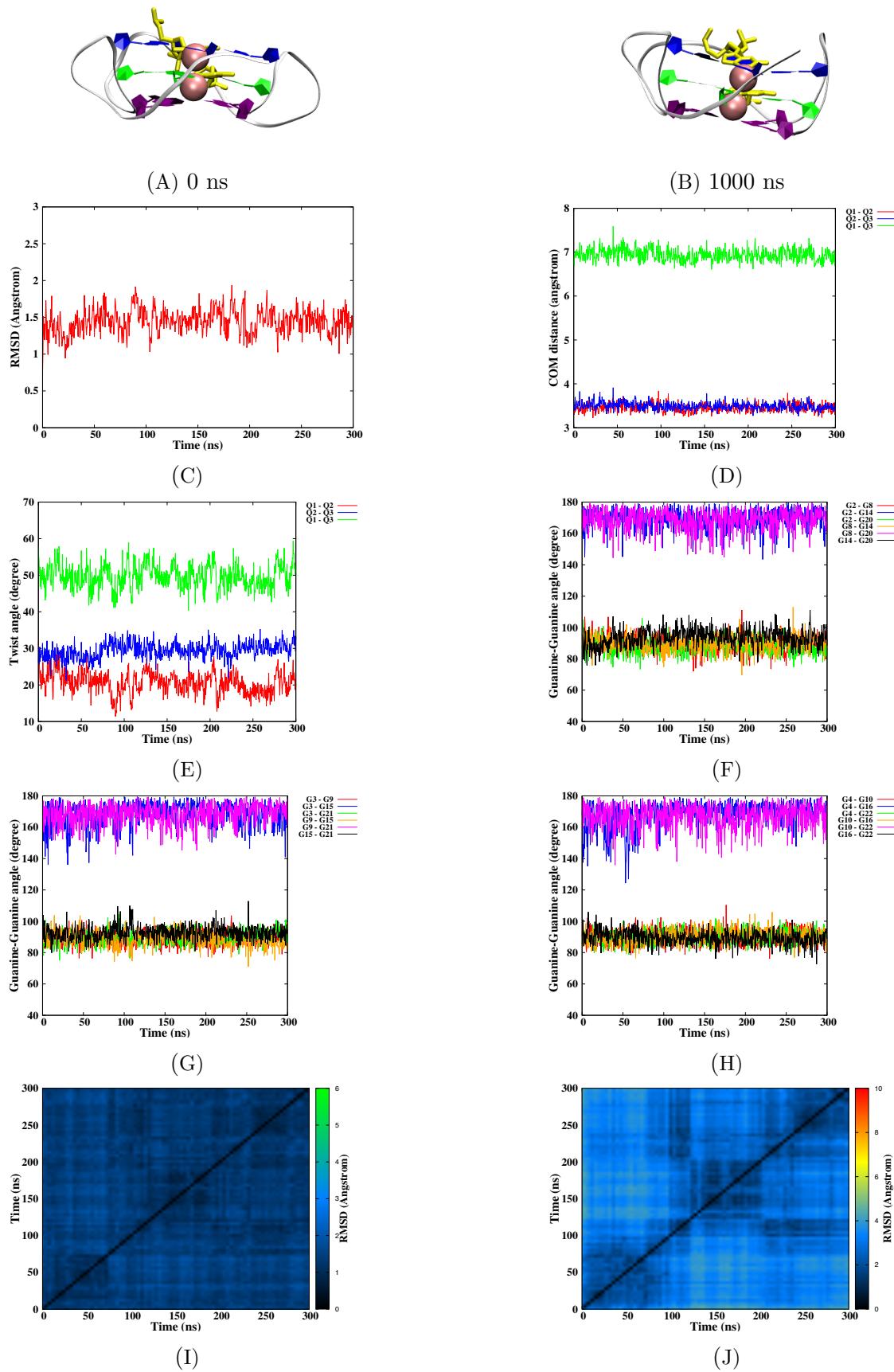
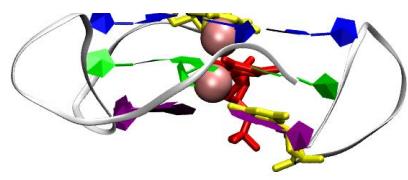
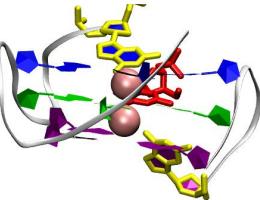
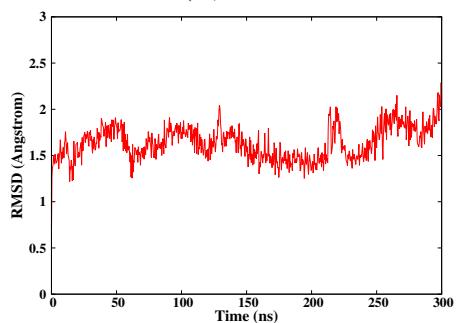


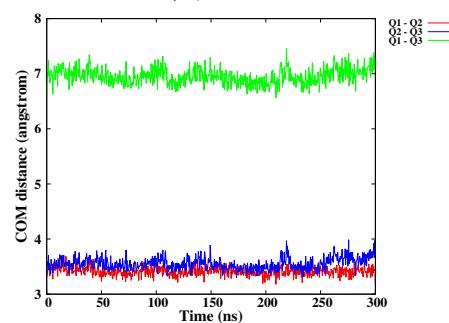
Figure S34 – Simulation of the NC damage at position 14-15, run 2. Snapshots of the initial and final MD simulation (A-B). RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (C), distance between the tetrads (D), twist angle (E), angle between guanines for the first (F), second (G) and the third (H) tetrad, 2D-RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (I) and the whole DNA (J).



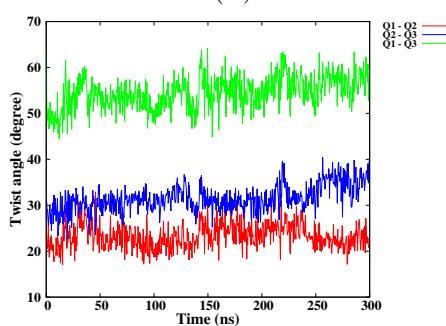
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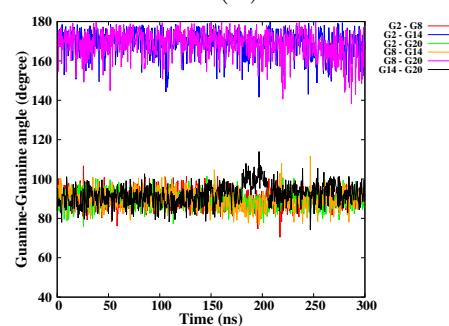
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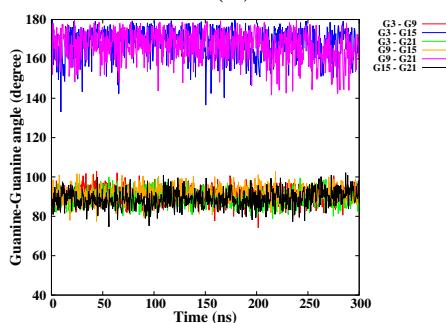
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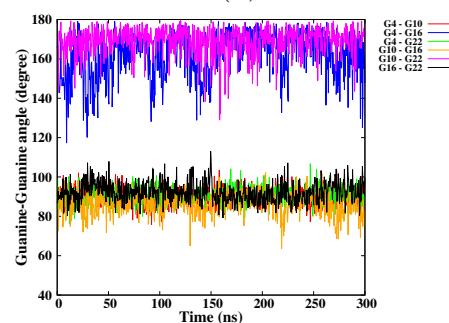
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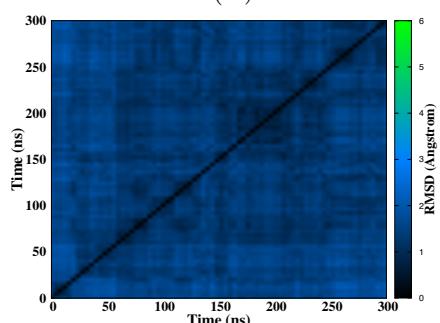
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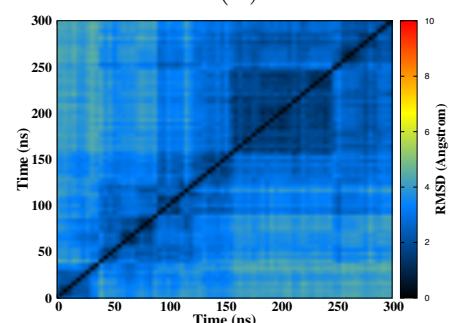
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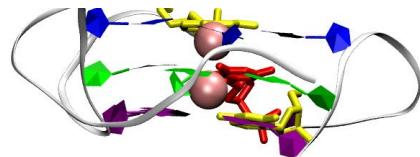
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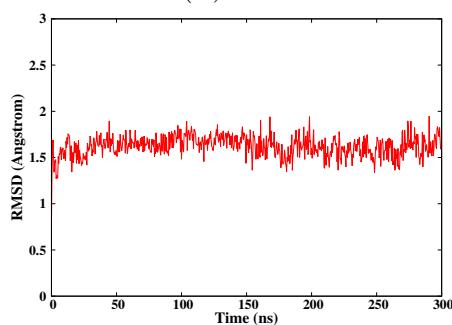
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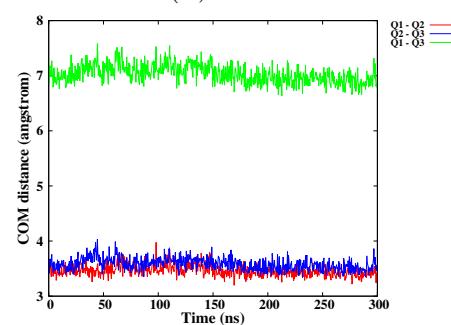
Figure S35 – Simulation of the NC damage at position 14-15-16, run 1. Snapshots of the initial and final MD simulation (A-B). RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (C), distance between the tetrads (D), twist angle (E), angle between guanines for the first (F), second (G) and the third (H) tetrad, 2D-RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (I) and the whole DNA (J).



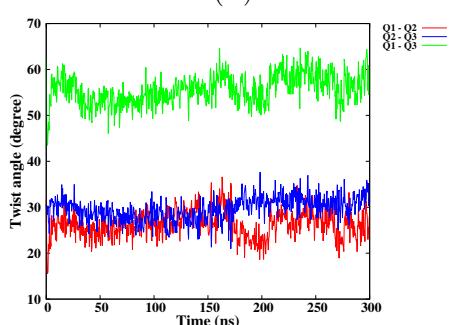
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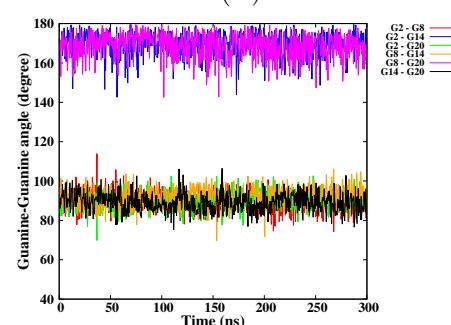
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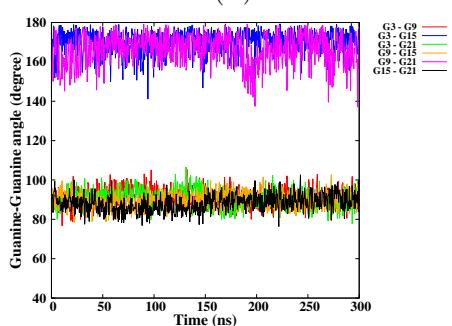
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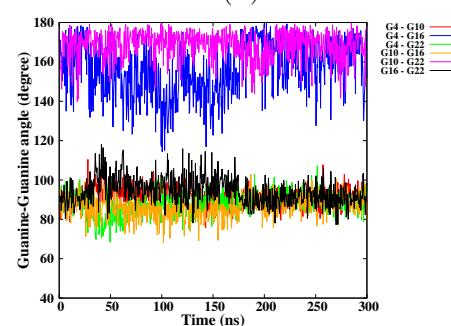
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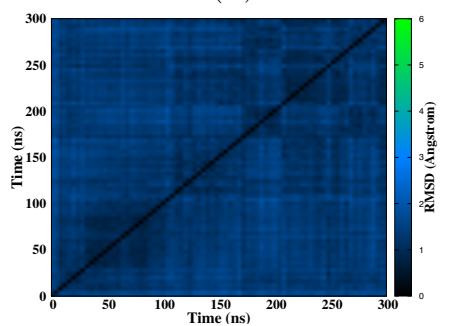
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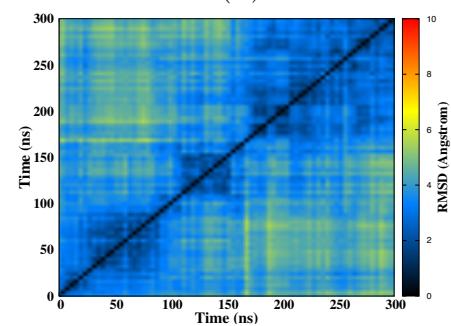
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Figure S36 – Simulation of the NC damage at position 14-15-16, run 2. Snapshots of the initial and final MD simulation (A-B). RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (C), distance between the tetrads (D), twist angle (E), angle between guanines for the first (F), second (G) and the third (H) tetrad, 2D-RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (I) and the whole DNA (J).

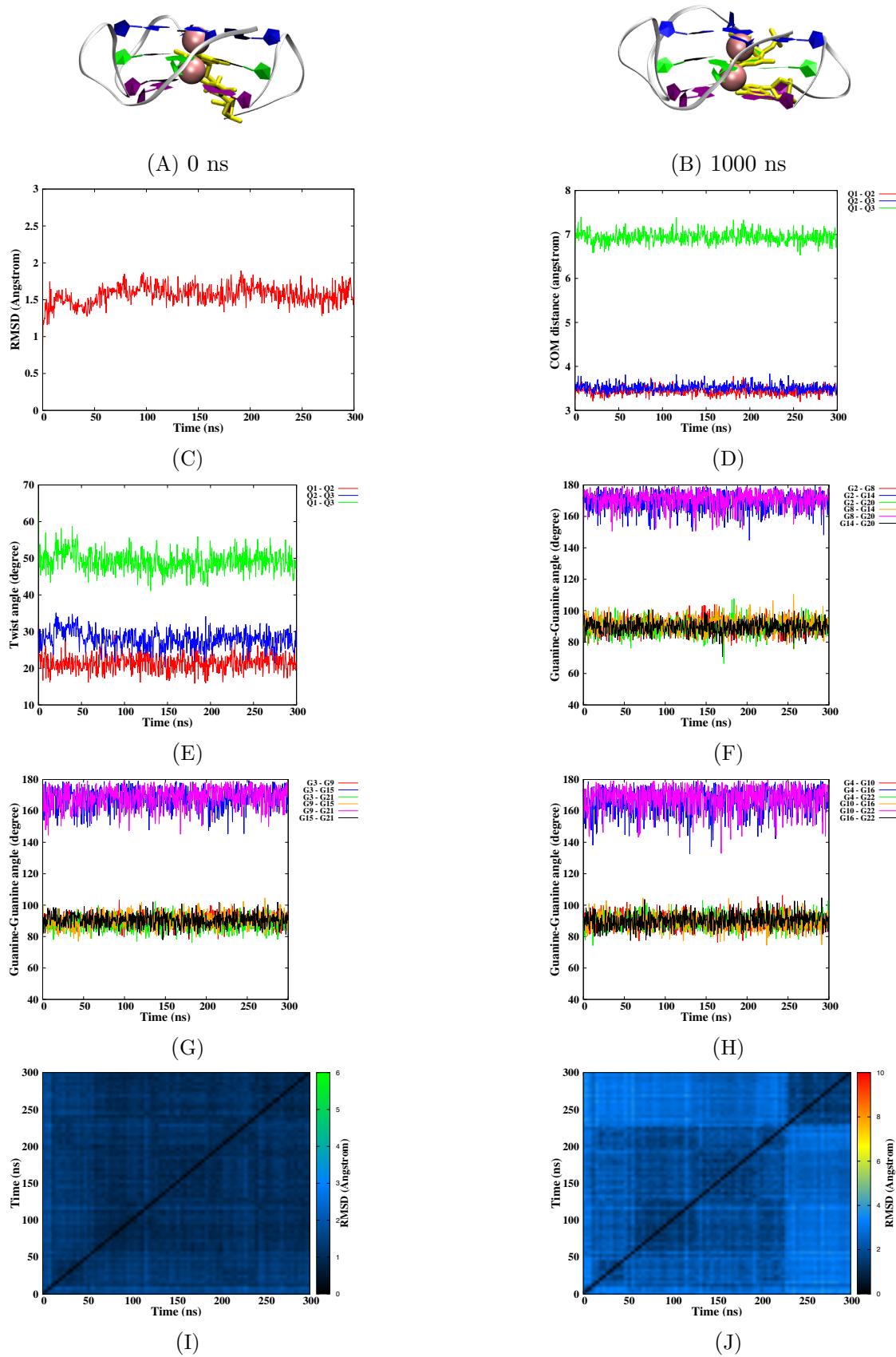


Figure S37 – Simulation of the NC damage at position 15-16, run 1. Snapshots of the initial and final MD simulation (A-B). RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (C), distance between the tetrads (D), twist angle (E), angle between guanines for the first (F), second (G) and the third (H) tetrad, 2D-RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (I) and the whole DNA (J).

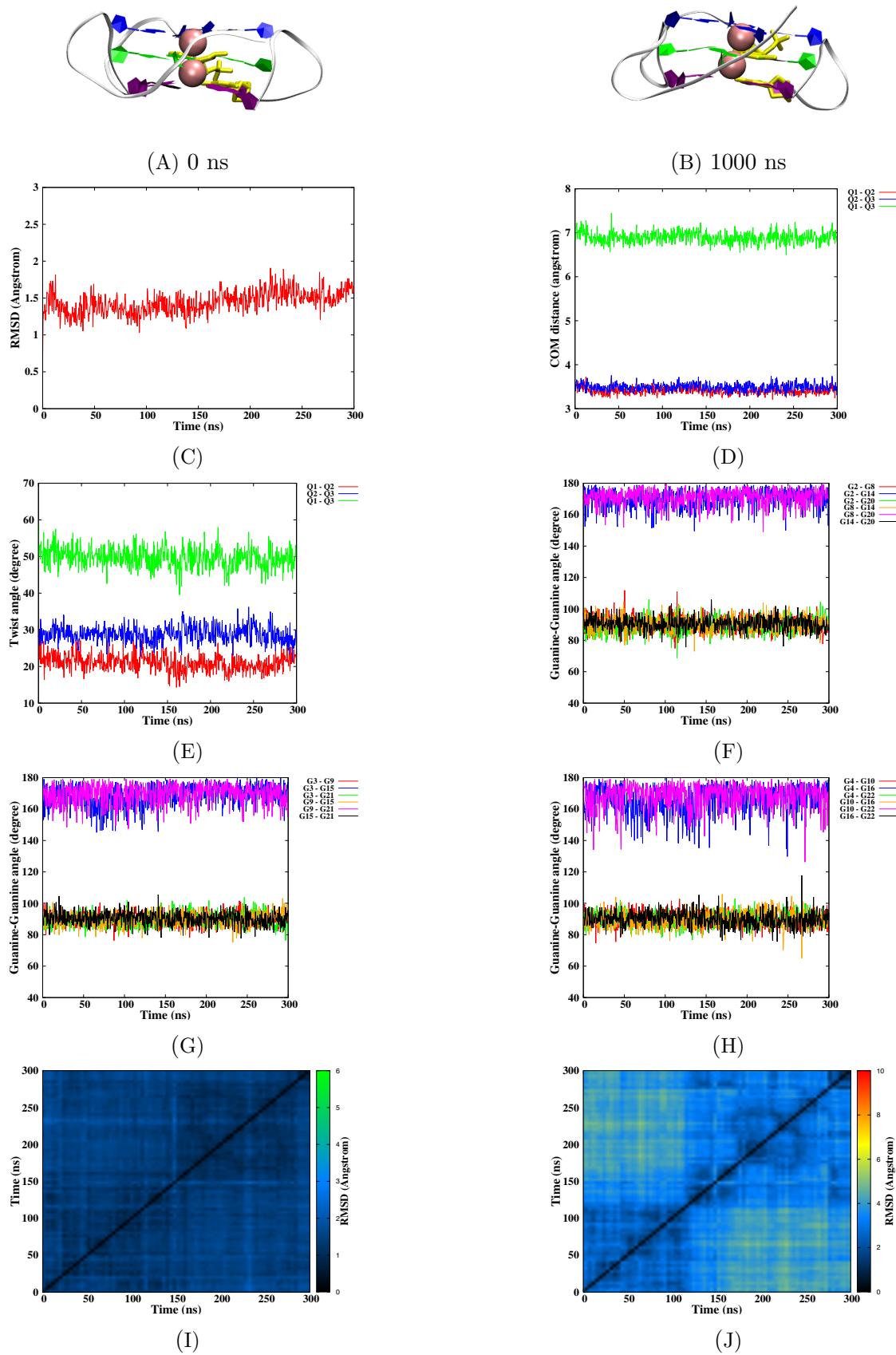


Figure S38 – Simulation of the NC damage at position 15-16, run 2. Snapshots of the initial and final MD simulation (A-B). RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (C), distance between the tetrads (D), twist angle (E), angle between guanines for the first (F), second (G) and the third (H) tetrad, 2D-RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (I) and the whole DNA (J).

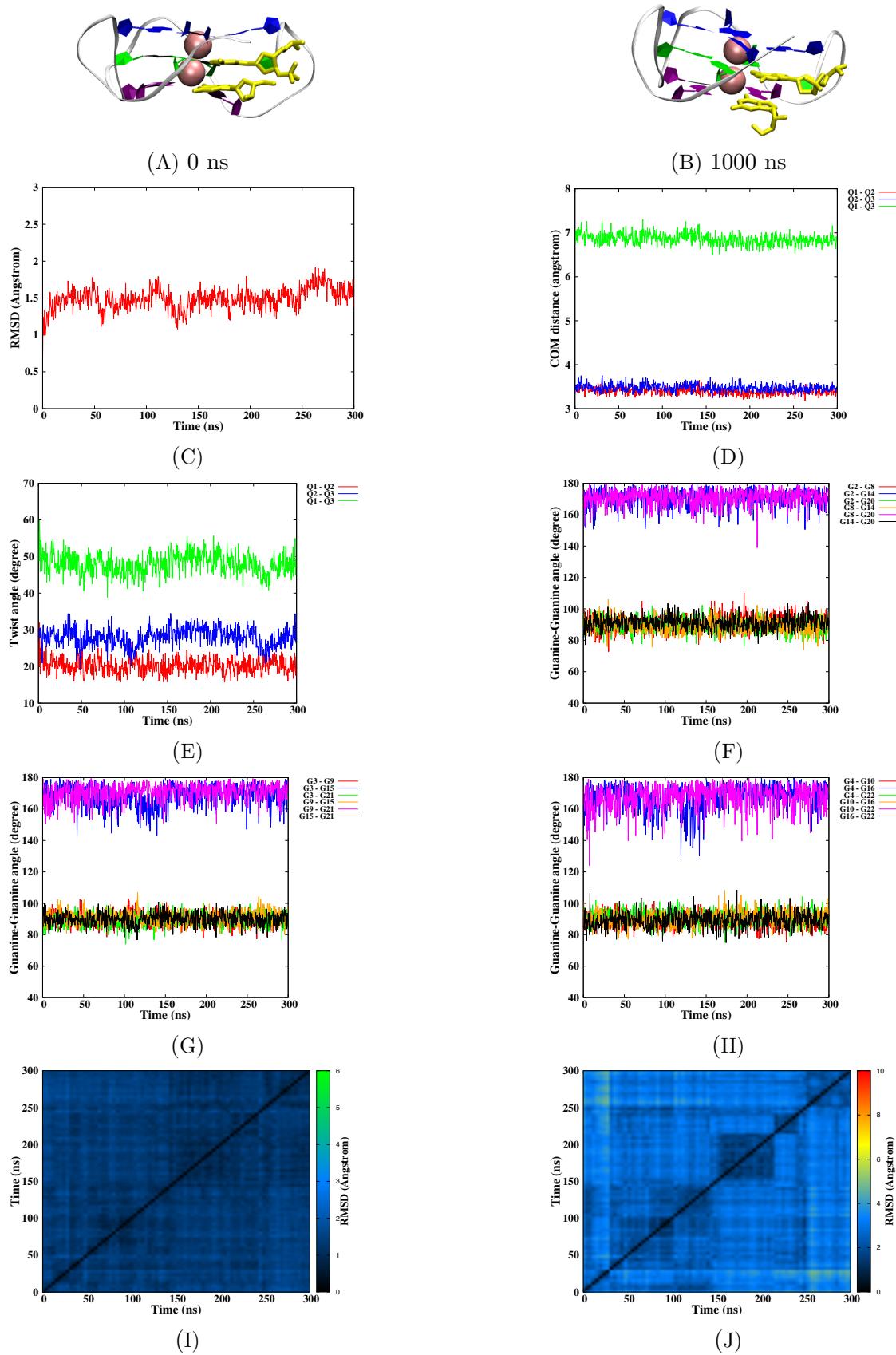


Figure S39 – Simulation of the NC damage at position 21-22, run 1. Snapshots of the initial and final MD simulation (A-B). RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (C), distance between the tetrads (D), twist angle (E), angle between guanines for the first (F), second (G) and the third (H) tetrad, 2D-RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (I) and the whole DNA (J).

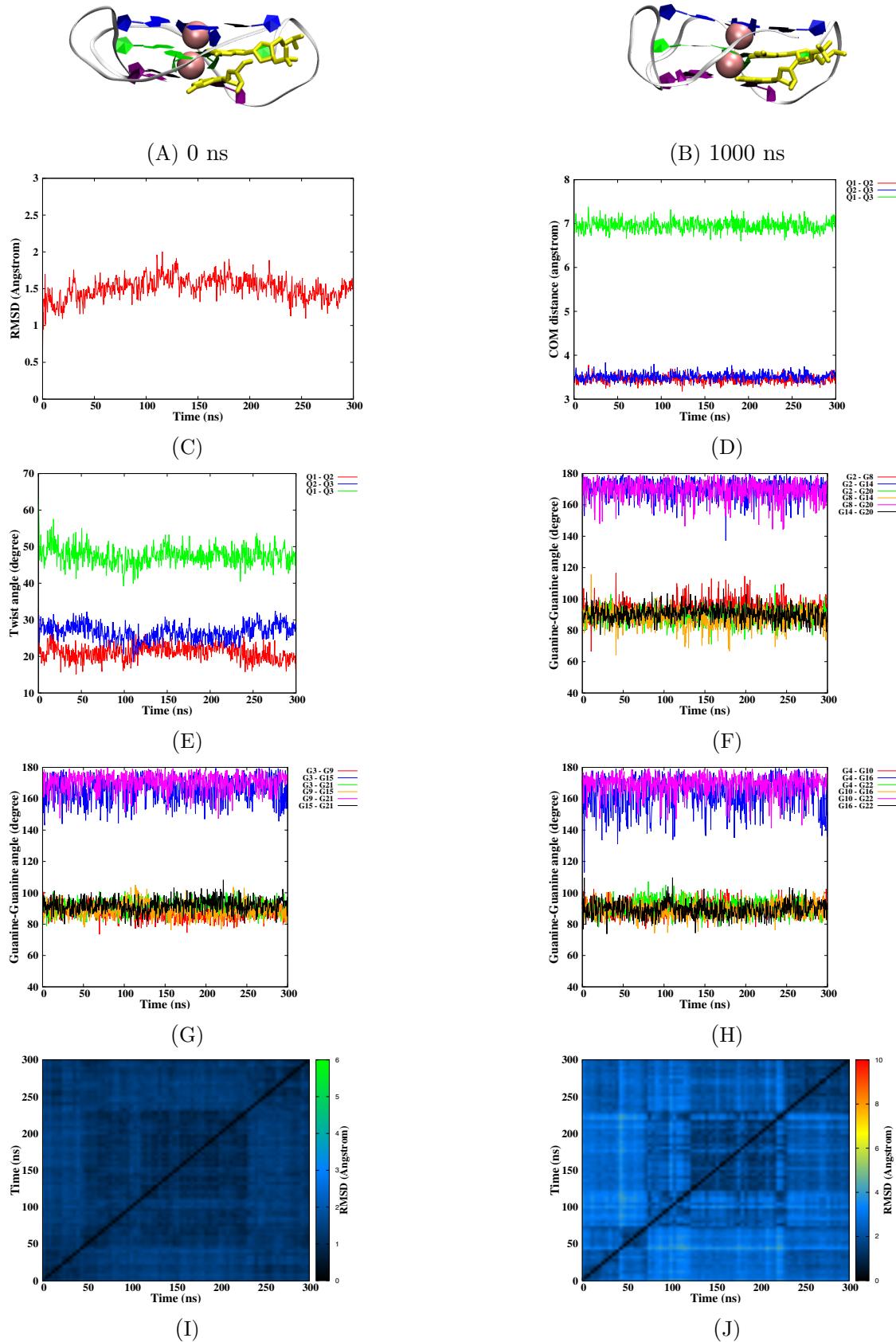


Figure S40 – Simulation of the NC damage at position 21-22, run 2. Snapshots of the initial and final MD simulation (A-B). RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (C), distance between the tetrads (D), twist angle (E), angle between guanines for the first (F), second (G) and the third (H) tetrad, 2D-RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (I) and the whole DNA (J).

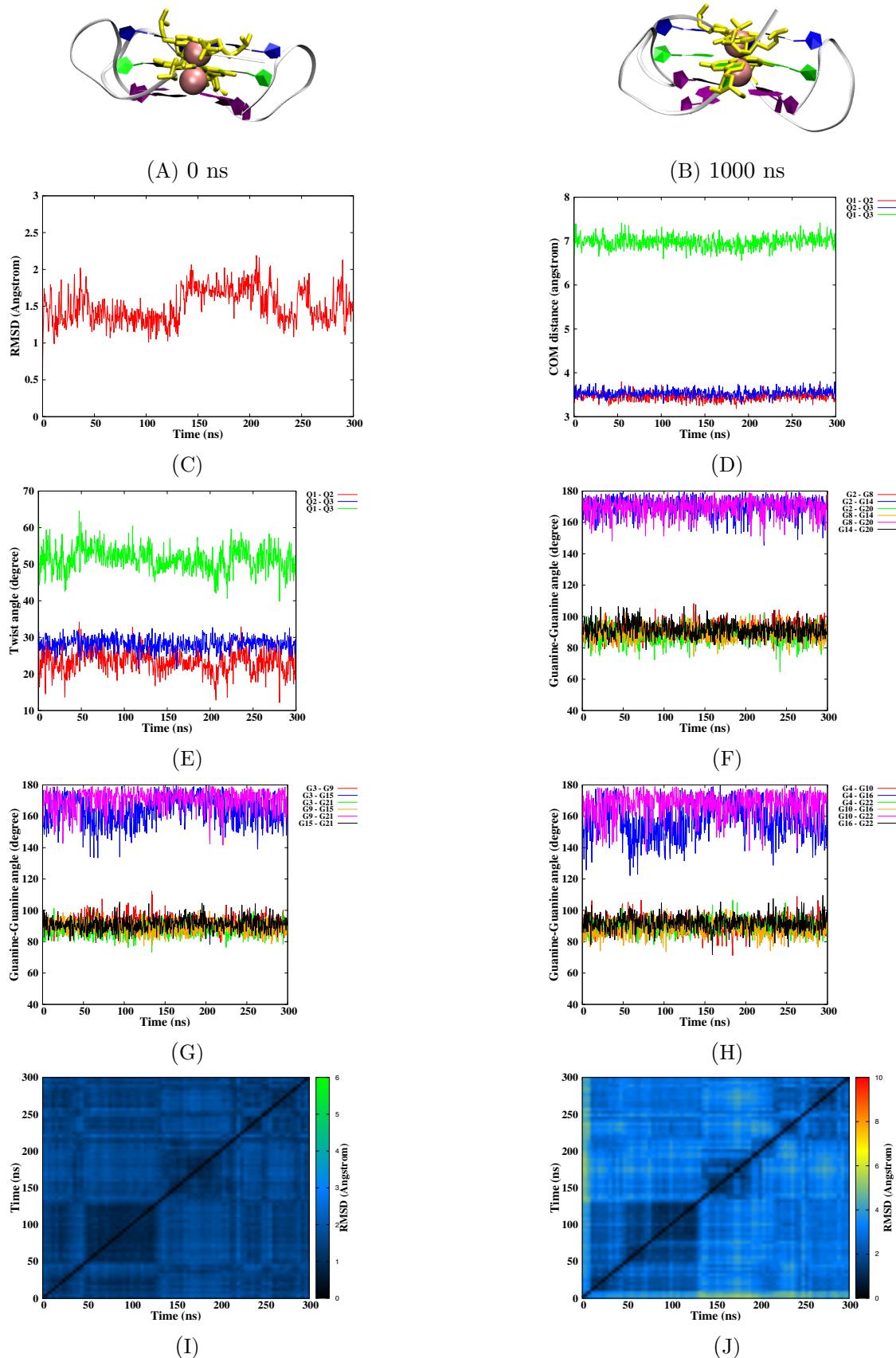


Figure S41 – Simulation of the NC damage at position 2-3/14-15, run 1. Snapshots of the initial and final MD simulation (A-B). RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (C), distance between the tetrads (D), twist angle (E), angle between guanines for the first (F), second (G) and the third (H) tetrad, 2D-RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (I) and the whole DNA (J).

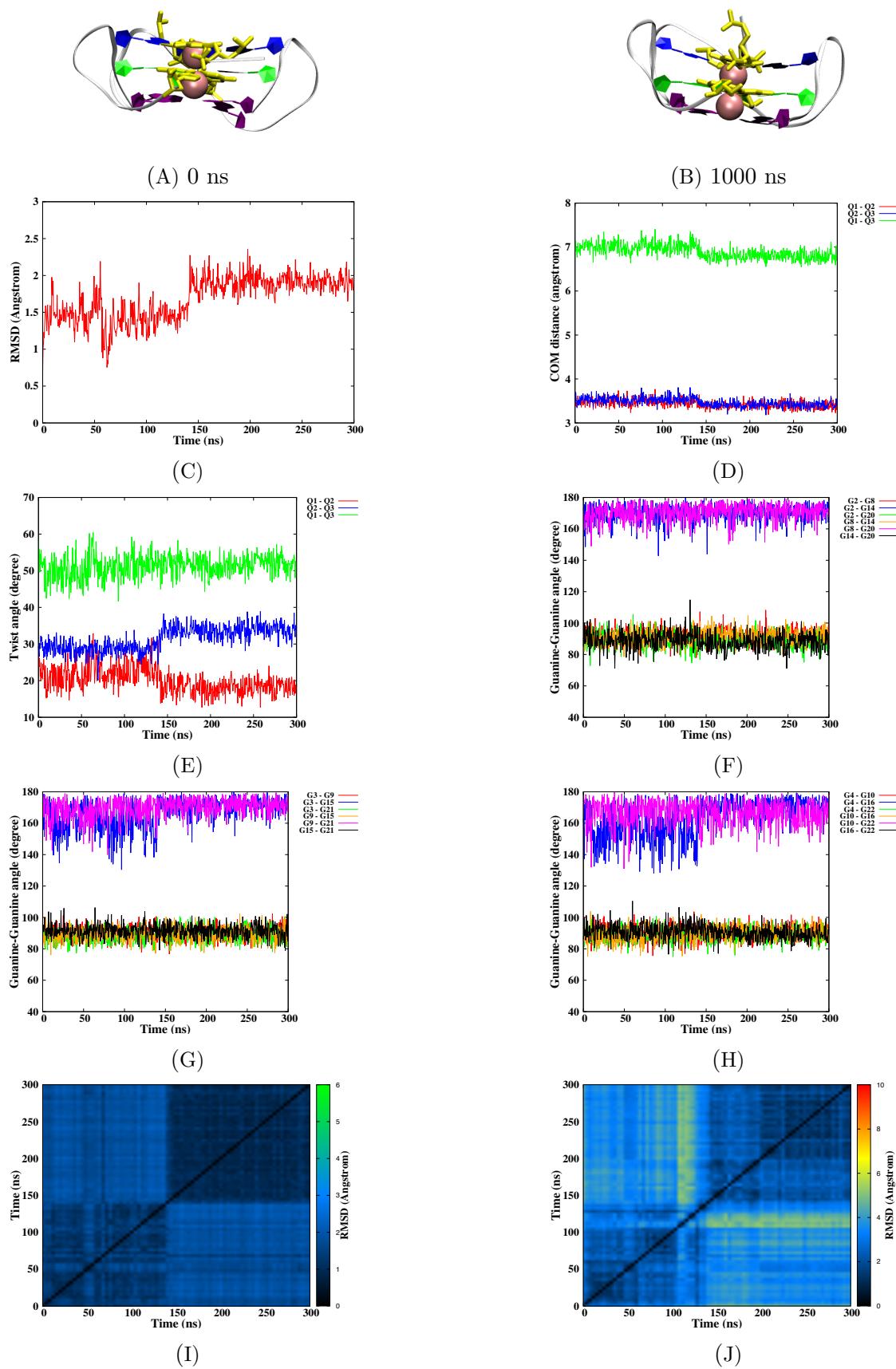


Figure S42 – Simulation of the NC damage at position 2-3/14-15, run 2. Snapshots of the initial and final MD simulation (A-B). RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (C), distance between the tetrads (D), twist angle (E), angle between guanines for the first (F), second (G) and the third (H) tetrad, 2D-RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (I) and the whole DNA (J).

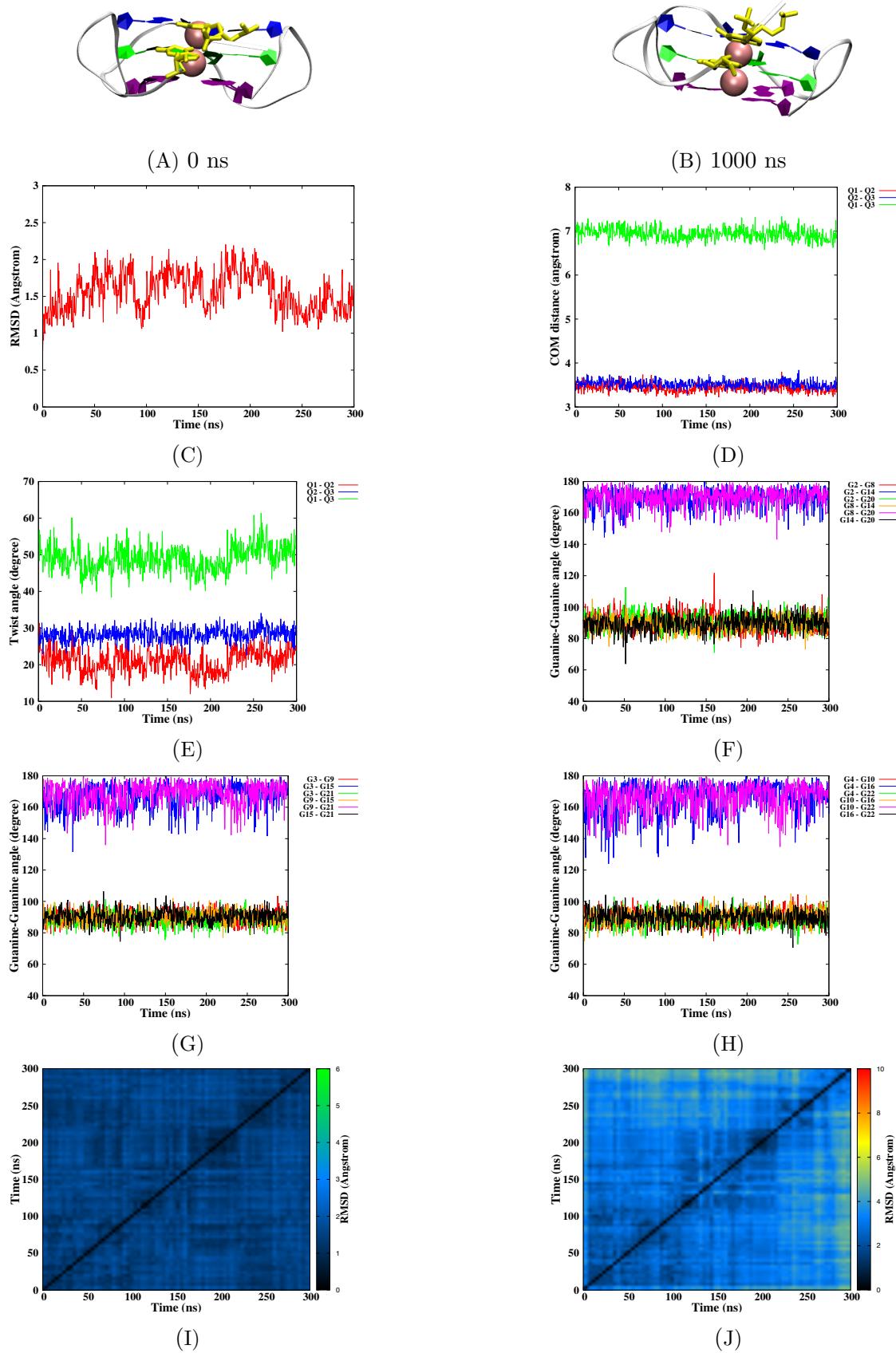


Figure S43 – Simulation of the NC damage at position 2-3, run 1. Snapshots of the initial and final MD simulation (A-B). RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (C), distance between the tetrads (D), twist angle (E), angle between guanines for the first (F), second (G) and the third (H) tetrad, 2D-RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (I) and the whole DNA (J).

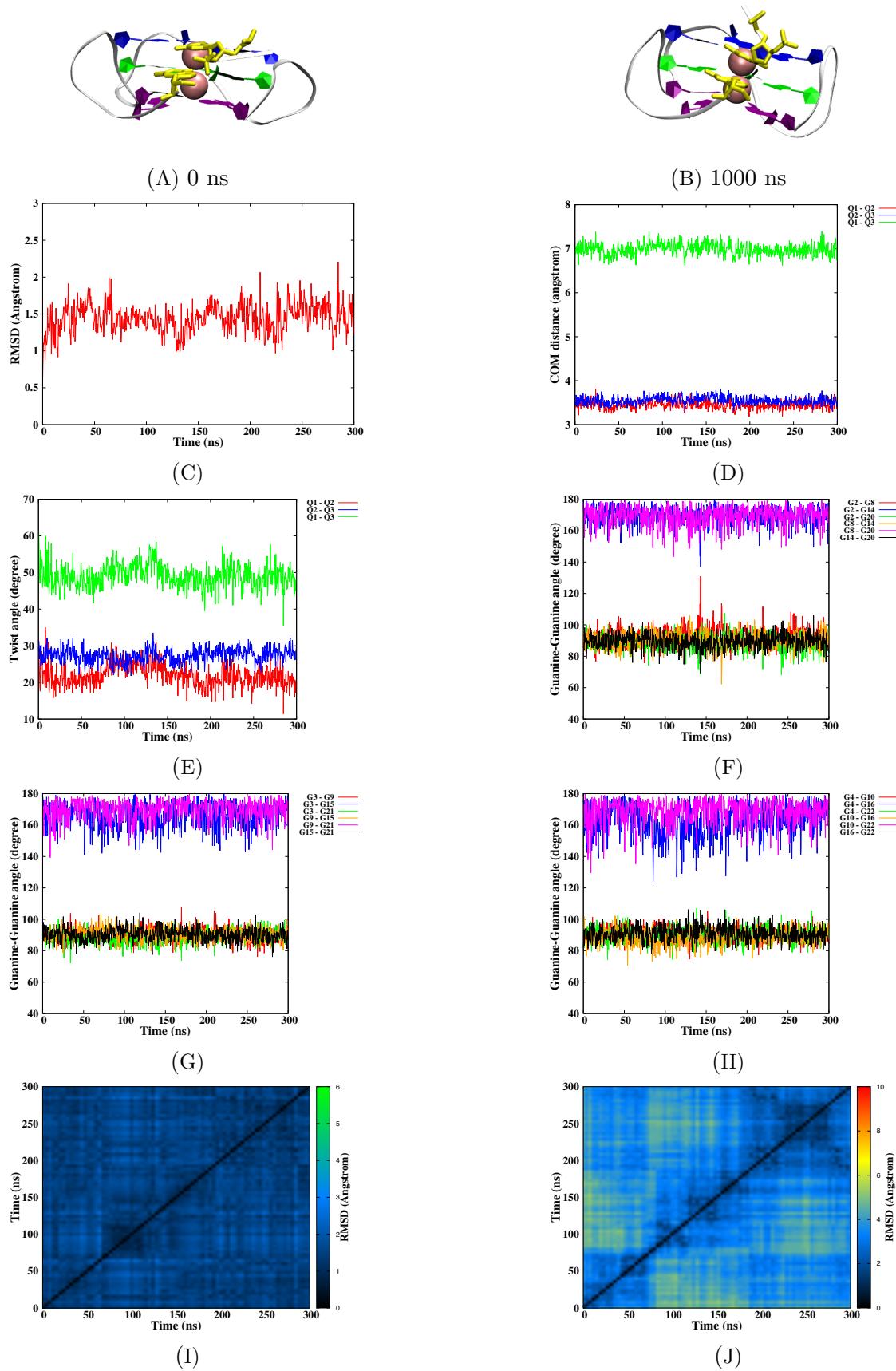


Figure S44 – Simulation of the NC damage at position 2-3, run 2. Snapshots of the initial and final MD simulation (A-B). RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (C), distance between the tetrads (D), twist angle (E), angle between guanines for the first (F), second (G) and the third (H) tetrad, 2D-RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (I) and the whole DNA (J).

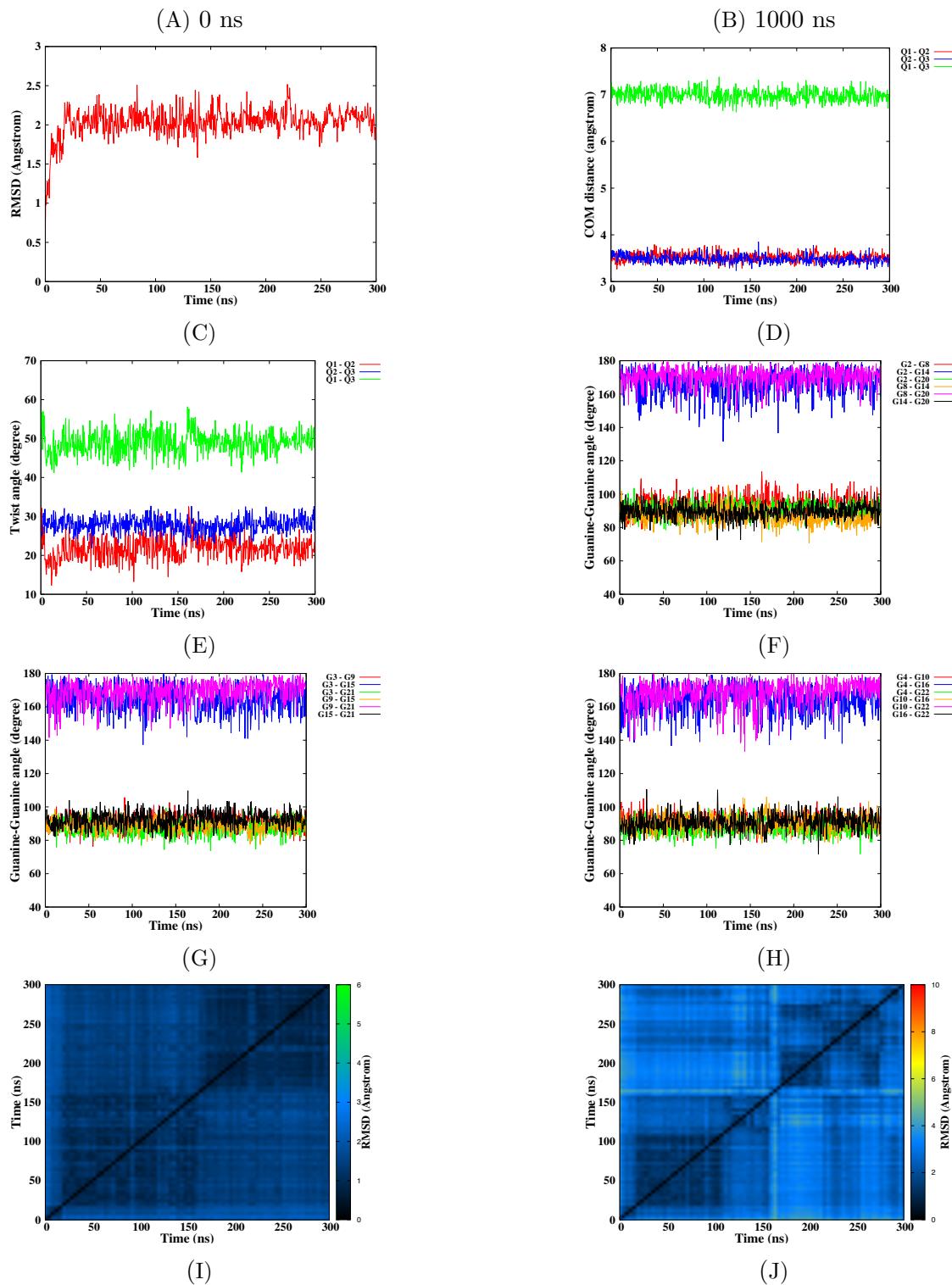
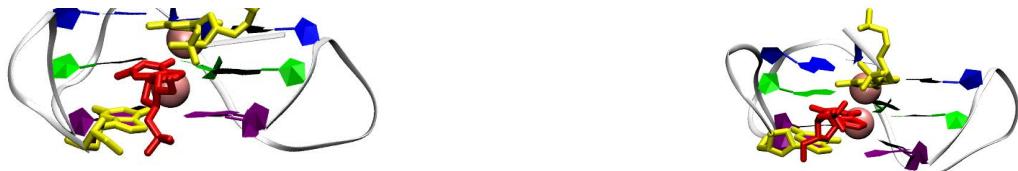


Figure S45 – Simulation of the NC damage at position 2-3-4, run 1. Snapshots of the initial and final MD simulation (A-B). RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (C), distance between the tetrads (D), twist angle (E), angle between guanines for the first (F), second (G) and the third (H) tetrad, 2D-RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (I) and the whole DNA (J).

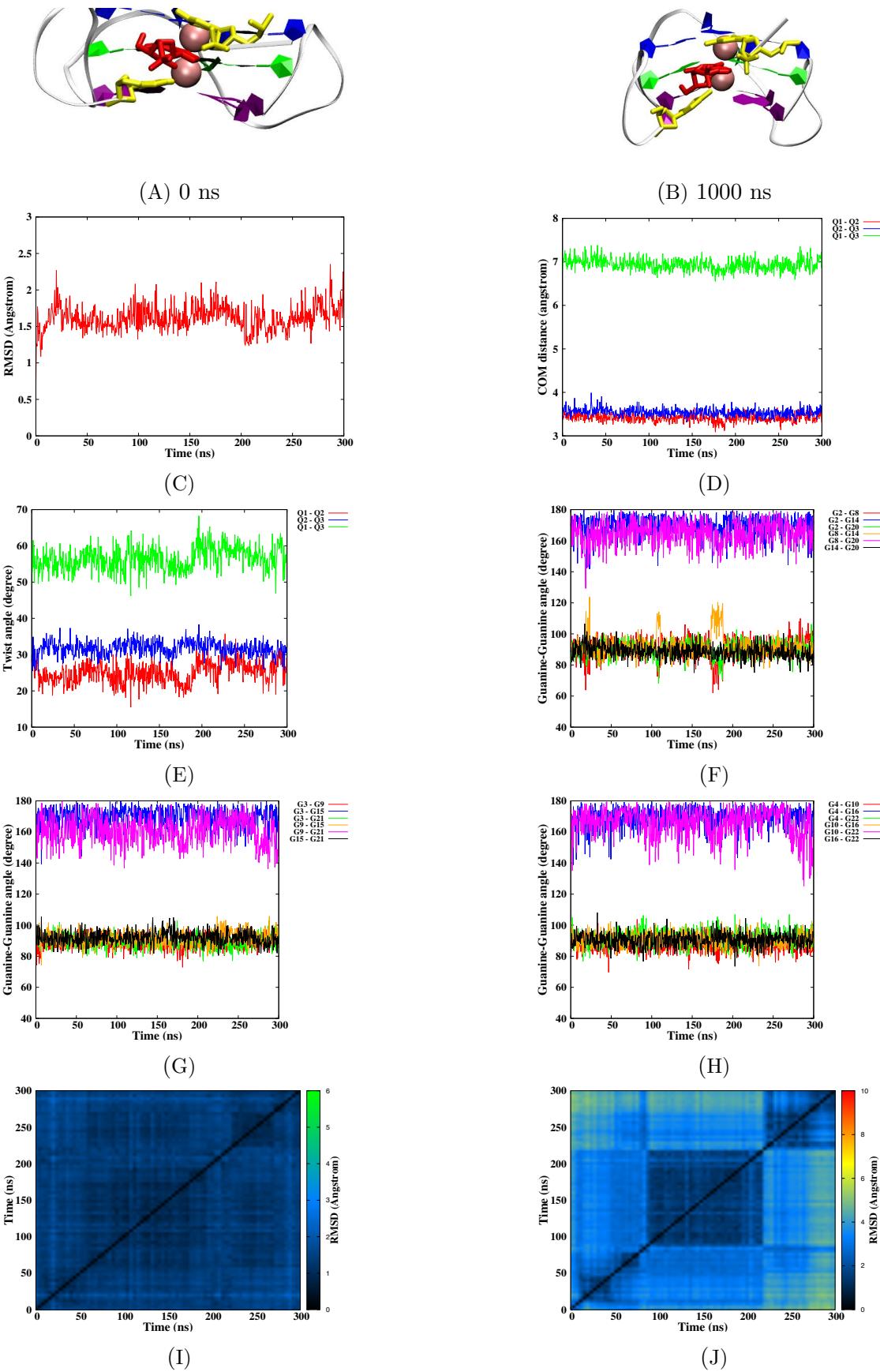


Figure S46 – Simulation of the NC damage at position 2-3-4, run 2. Snapshots of the initial and final MD simulation (A-B). RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (C), distance between the tetrads (D), twist angle (E), angle between guanines for the first (F), second (G) and the third (H) tetrad, 2D-RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (I) and the whole DNA (J).

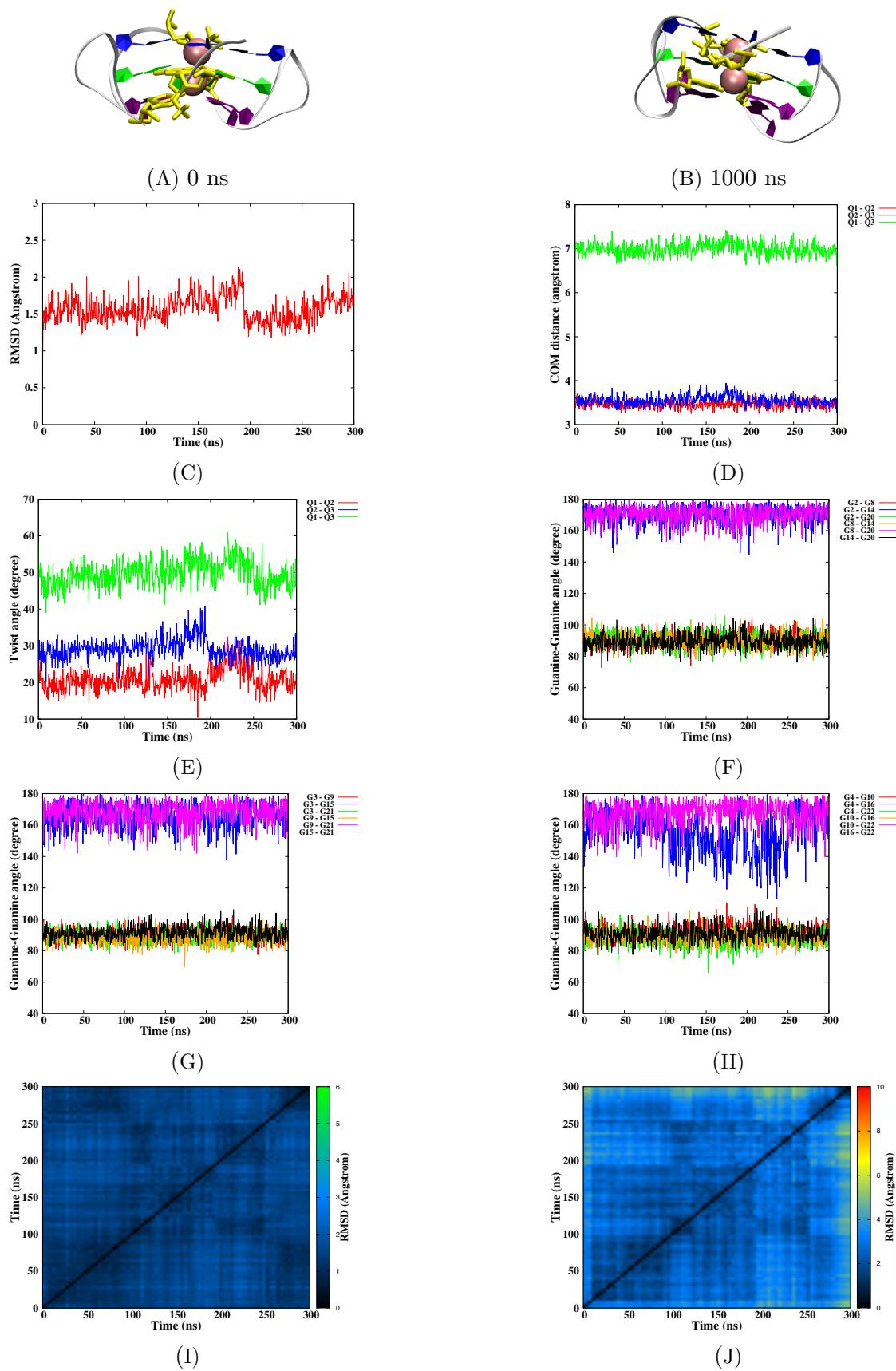


Figure S47 – Simulation of the NC damage at position 3-4/14-15, run 1. Snapshots of the initial and final MD simulation (A-B). RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (C), distance between the tetrads (D), twist angle (E), angle between guanines for the first (F), second (G) and the third (H) tetrad, 2D-RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (I) and the whole DNA (J).

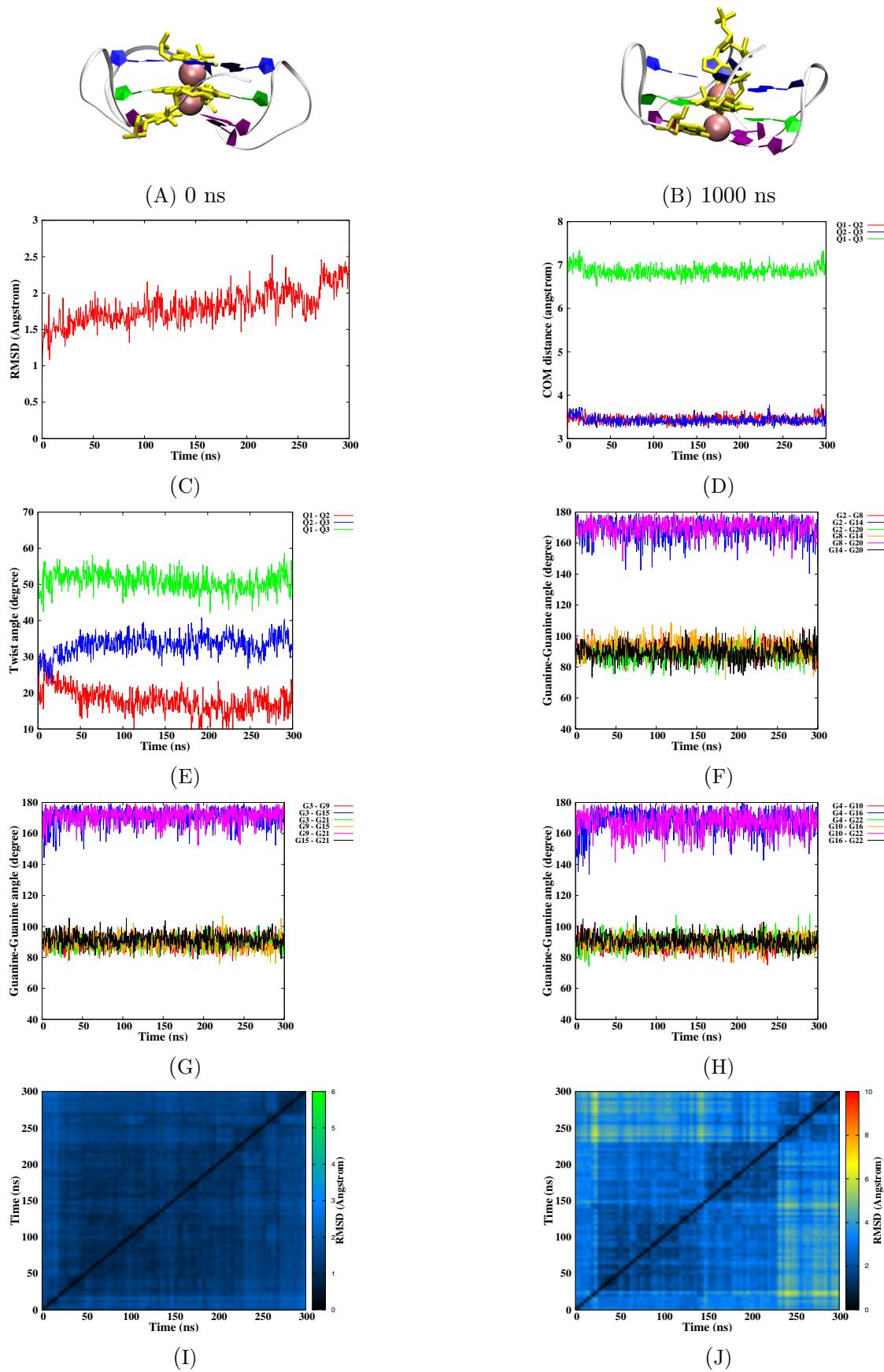


Figure S48 – Simulation of the NC damage at position 3-4/14-15, run 2. Snapshots of the initial and final MD simulation (A-B). RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (C), distance between the tetrads (D), twist angle (E), angle between guanines for the first (F), second (G) and the third (H) tetrad, 2D-RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (I) and the whole DNA (J).

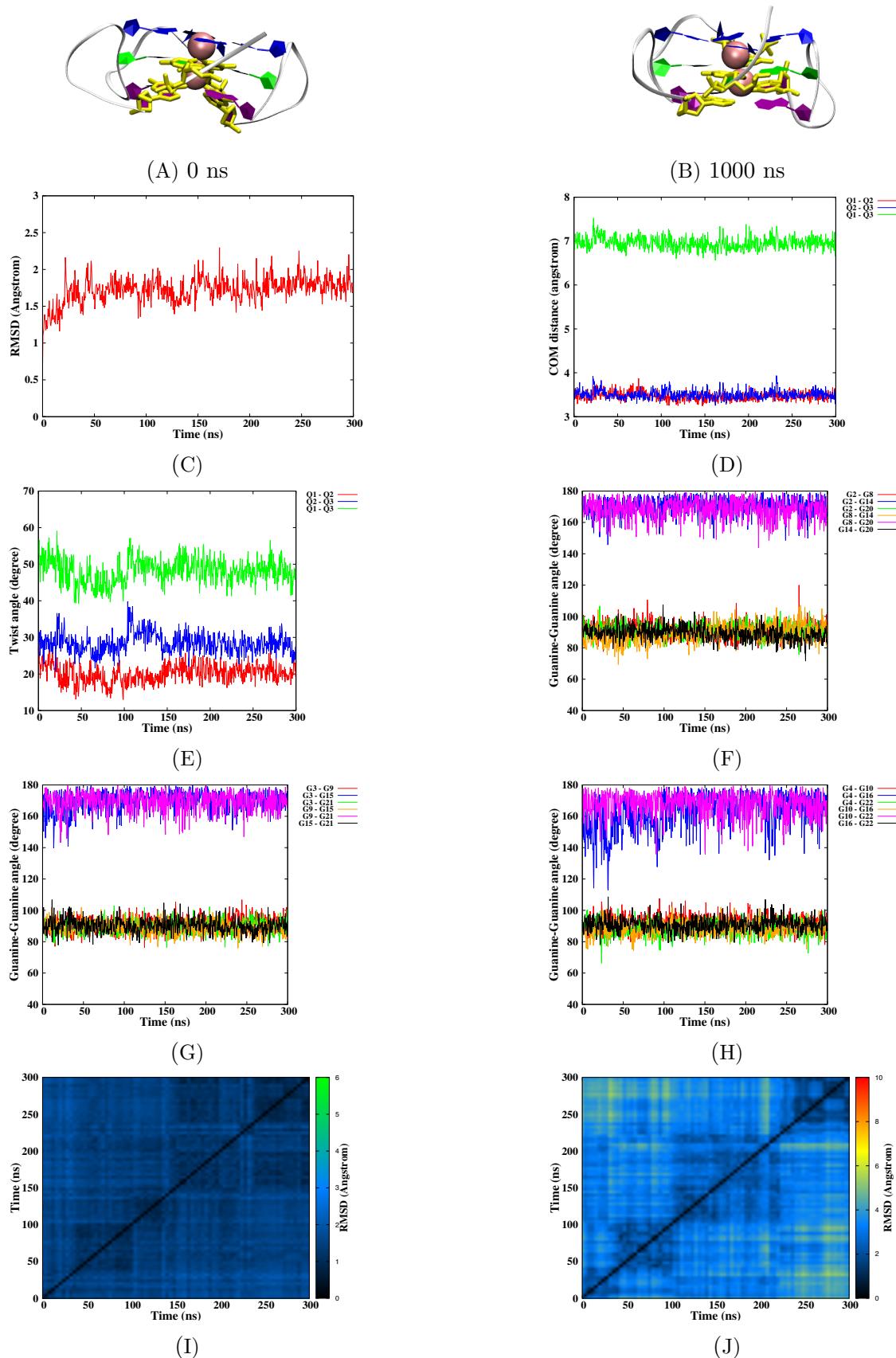


Figure S49 – Simulation of the NC damage at position 3-4/15-16, run 1. Snapshots of the initial and final MD simulation (A-B). RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (C), distance between the tetrads (D), twist angle (E), angle between guanines for the first (F), second (G) and the third (H) tetrad, 2D-RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (I) and the whole DNA (J).

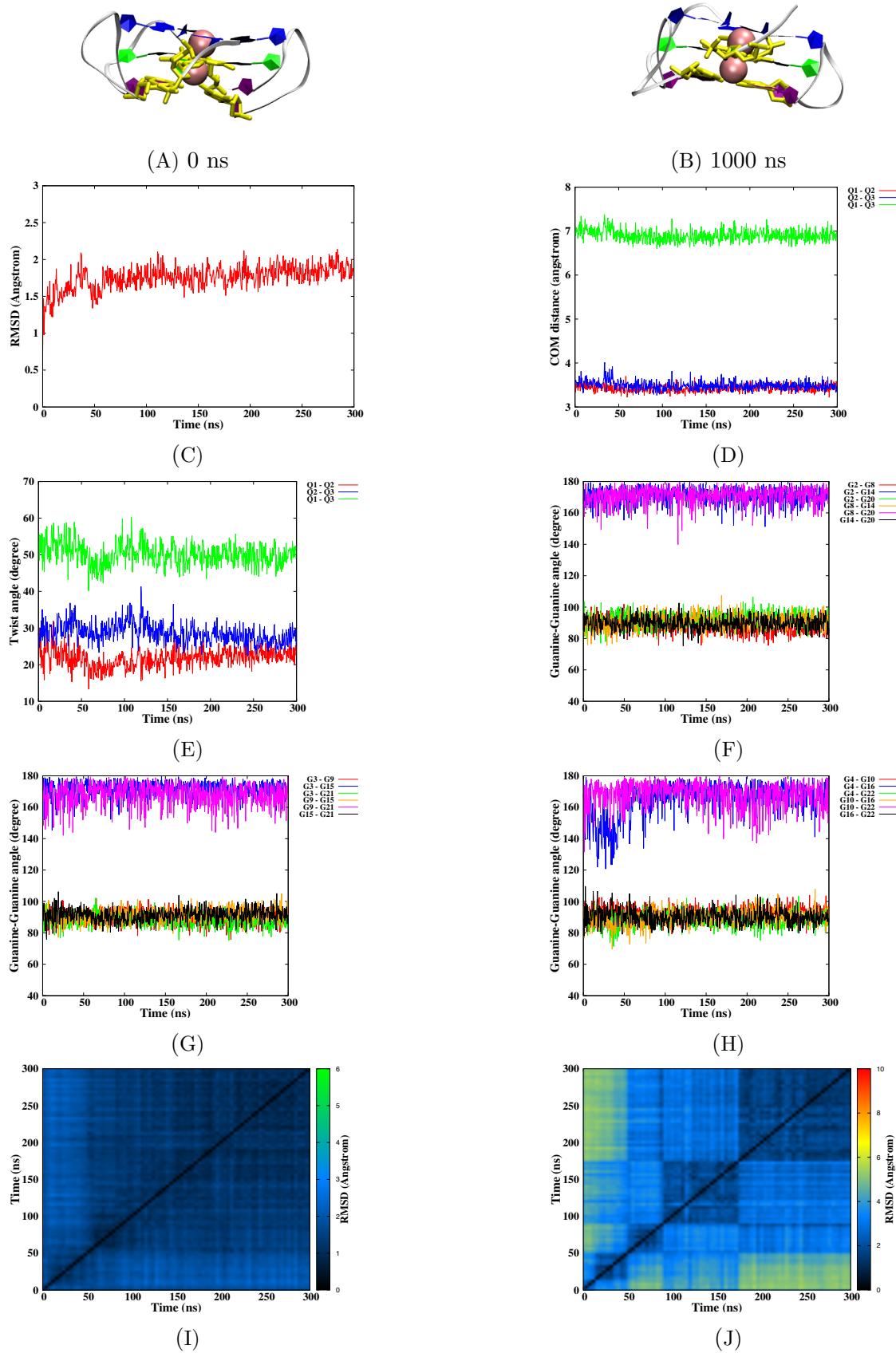


Figure S50 – Simulation of the NC damage at position 3-4/15-16, run 2. Snapshots of the initial and final MD simulation (A-B). RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (C), distance between the tetrads (D), twist angle (E), angle between guanines for the first (F), second (G) and the third (H) tetrad, 2D-RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (I) and the whole DNA (J).

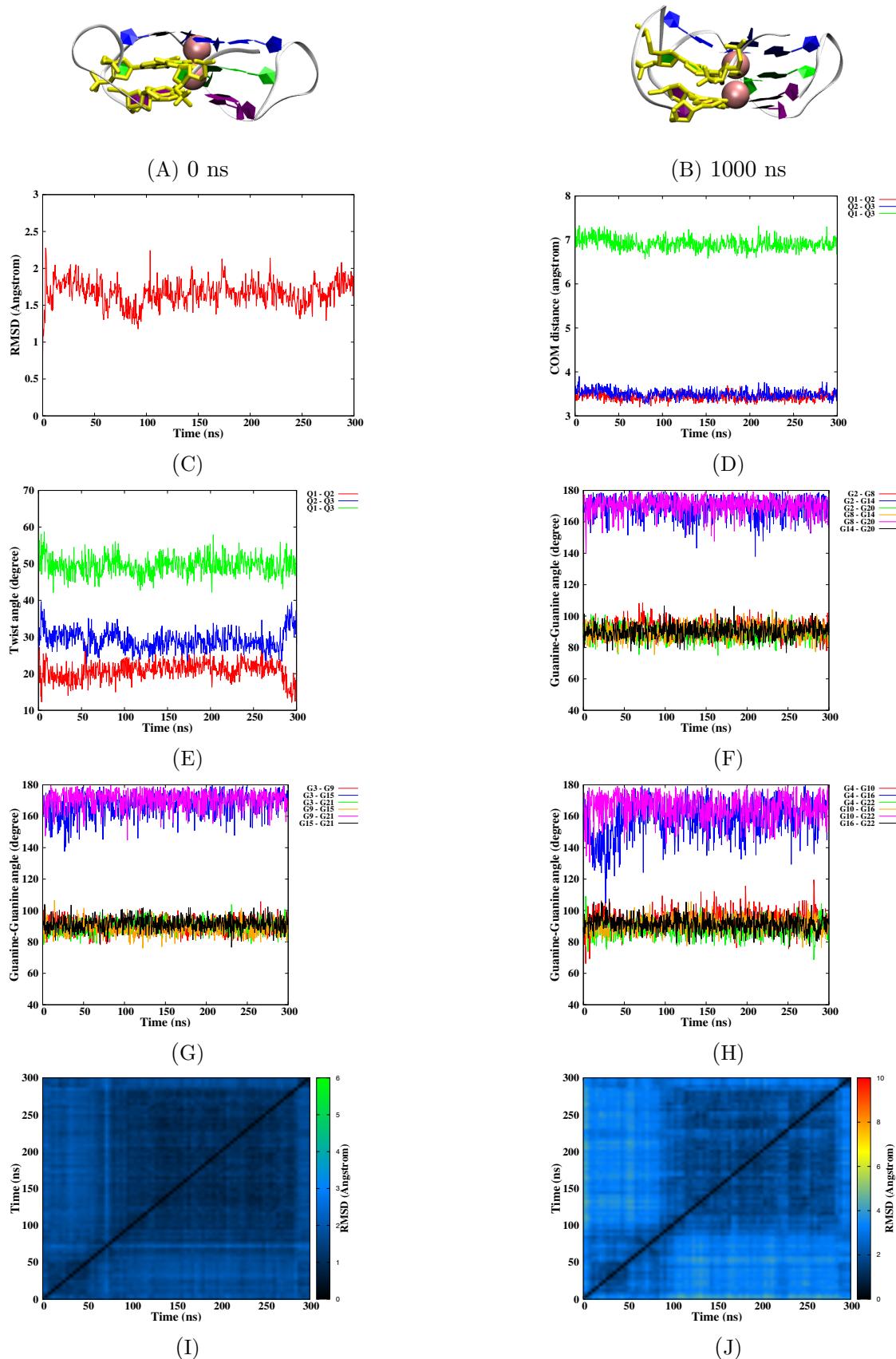


Figure S51 – Simulation of the NC damage at position 3-4/9-10, run 1. Snapshots of the initial and final MD simulation (A-B). RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (C), distance between the tetrads (D), twist angle (E), angle between guanines for the first (F), second (G) and the third (H) tetrad, 2D-RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (I) and the whole DNA (J).

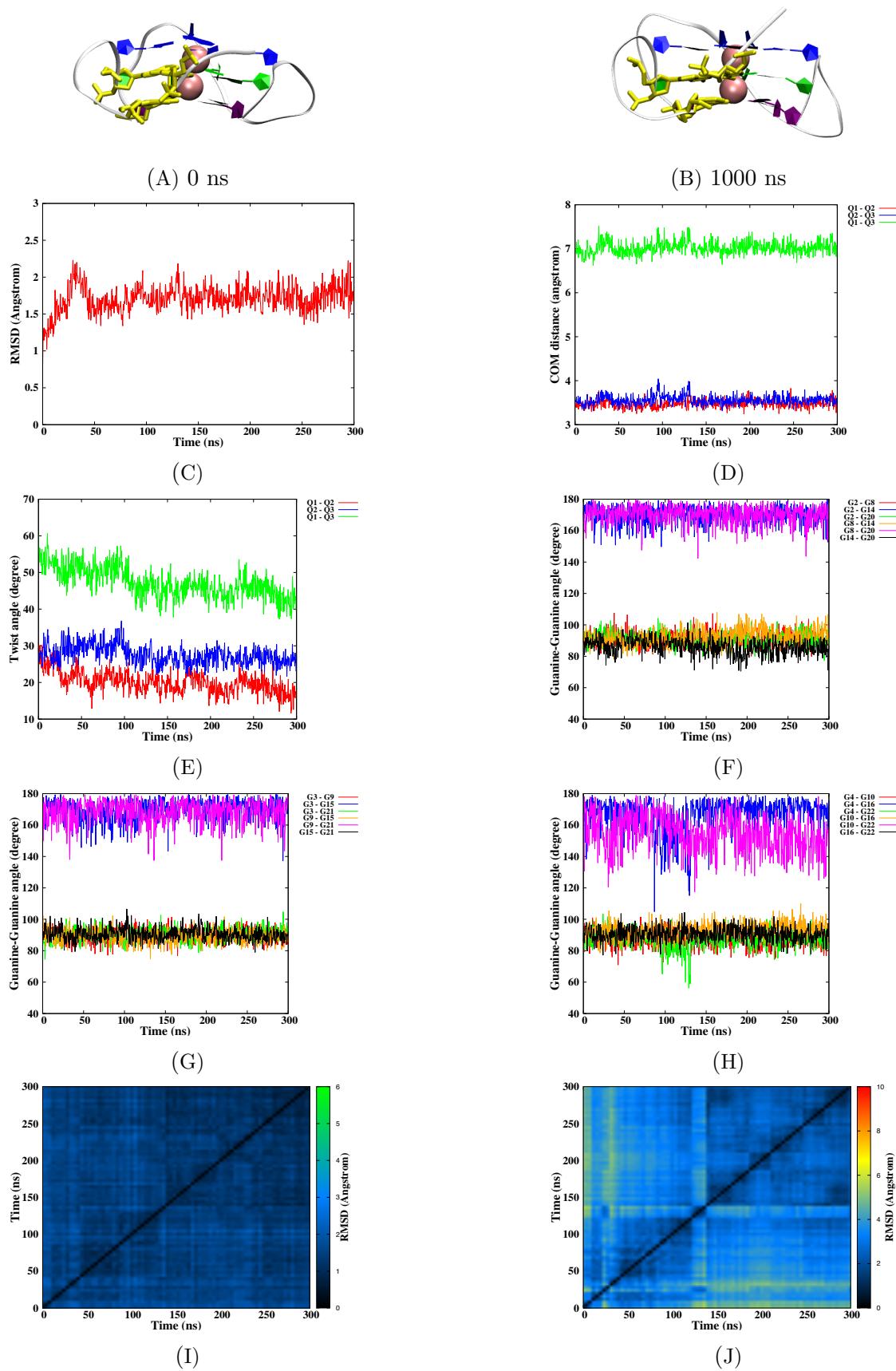


Figure S52 – Simulation of the NC damage at position 3-4/9-10, run 2. Snapshots of the initial and final MD simulation (A-B). RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (C), distance between the tetrads (D), twist angle (E), angle between guanines for the first (F), second (G) and the third (H) tetrad, 2D-RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (I) and the whole DNA (J).

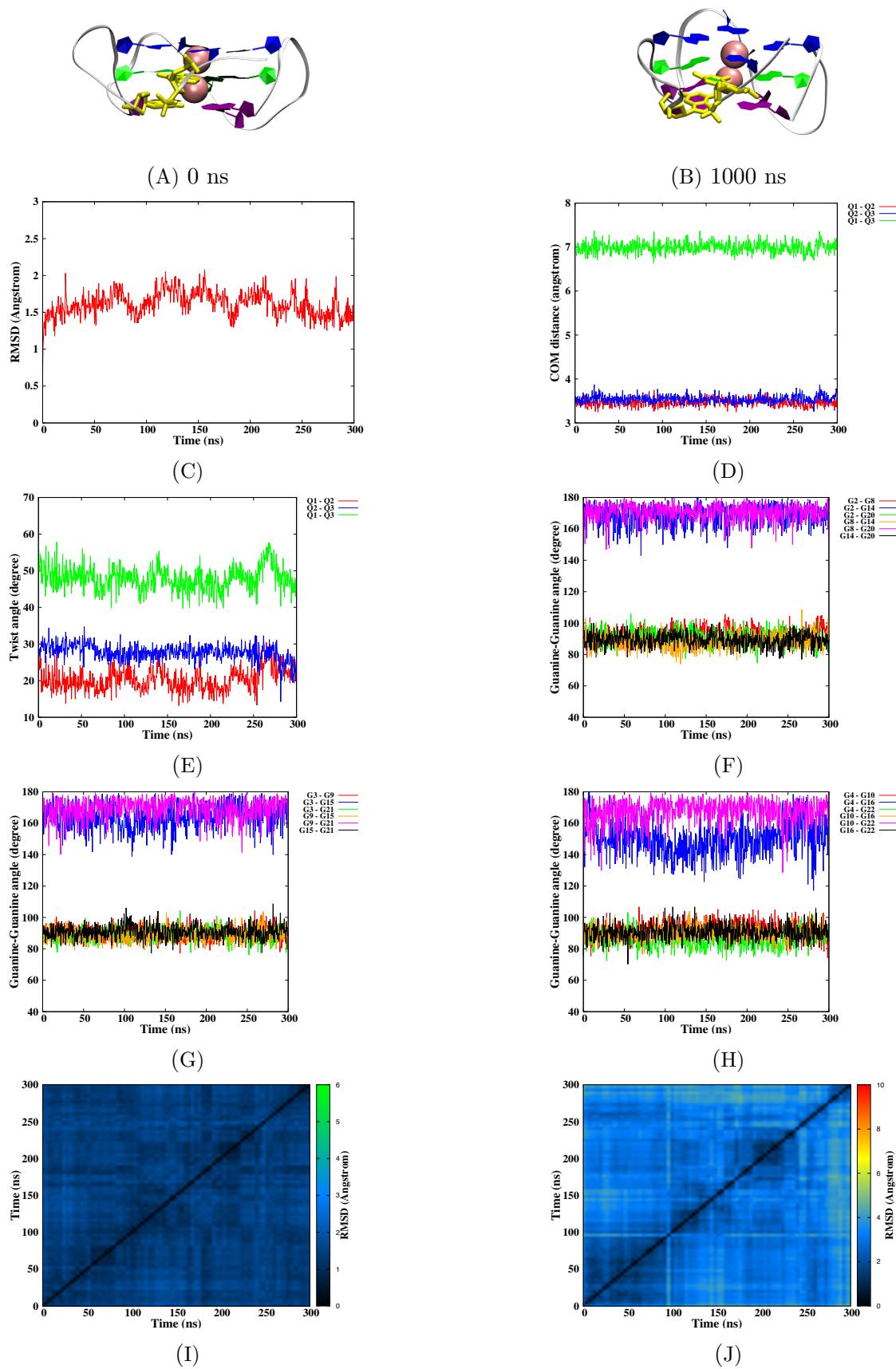


Figure S53 – Simulation of the NC damage at position 3-4, run 1. Snapshots of the initial and final MD simulation (A-B). RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (C), distance between the tetrads (D), twist angle (E), angle between guanines for the first (F), second (G) and the third (H) tetrad, 2D-RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (I) and the whole DNA (J).

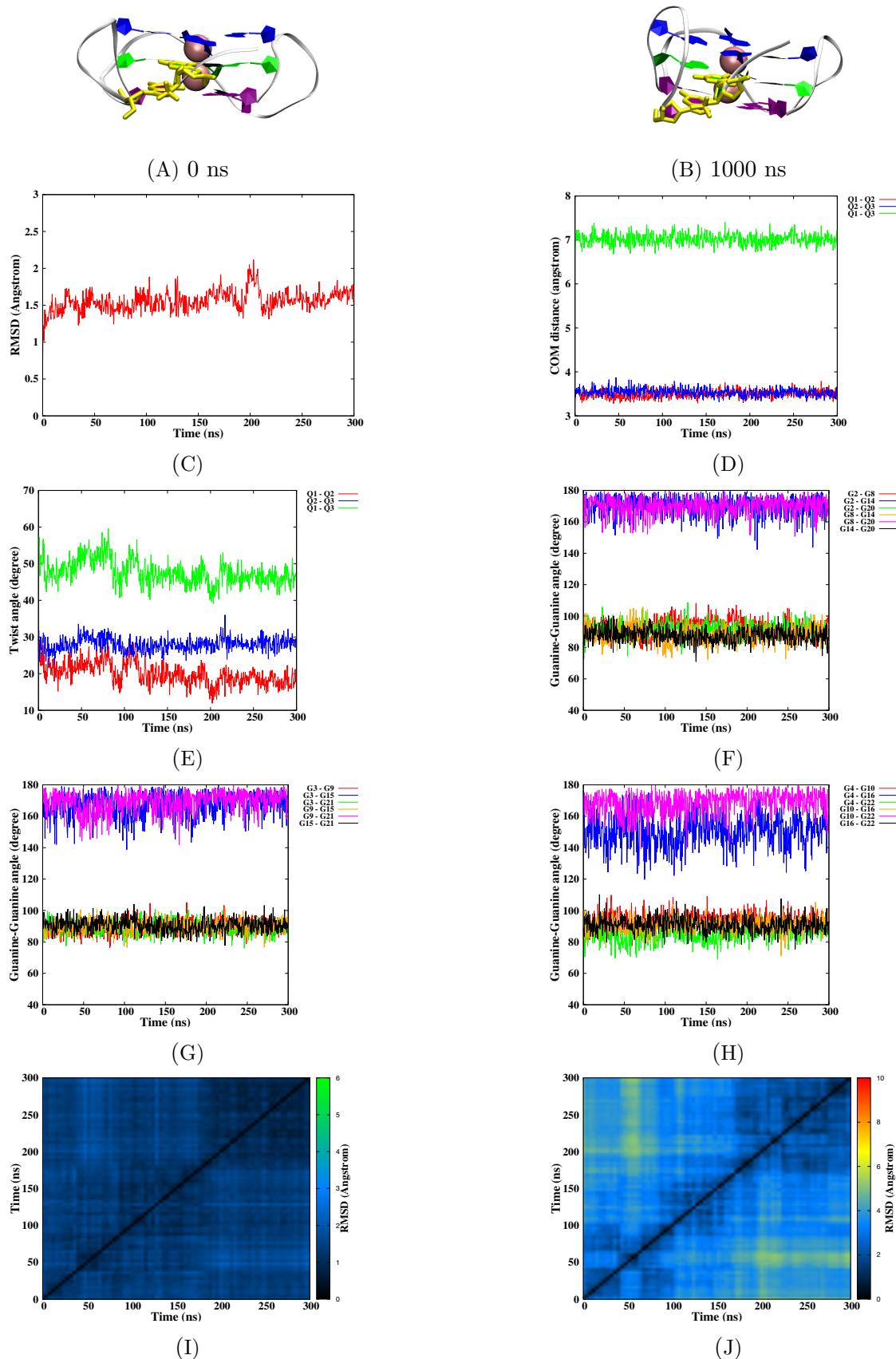


Figure S54 – Simulation of the NC damage at position 3-4, run 2. Snapshots of the initial and final MD simulation (A-B). RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (C), distance between the tetrads (D), twist angle (E), angle between guanines for the first (F), second (G) and the third (H) tetrad, 2D-RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (I) and the whole DNA (J).

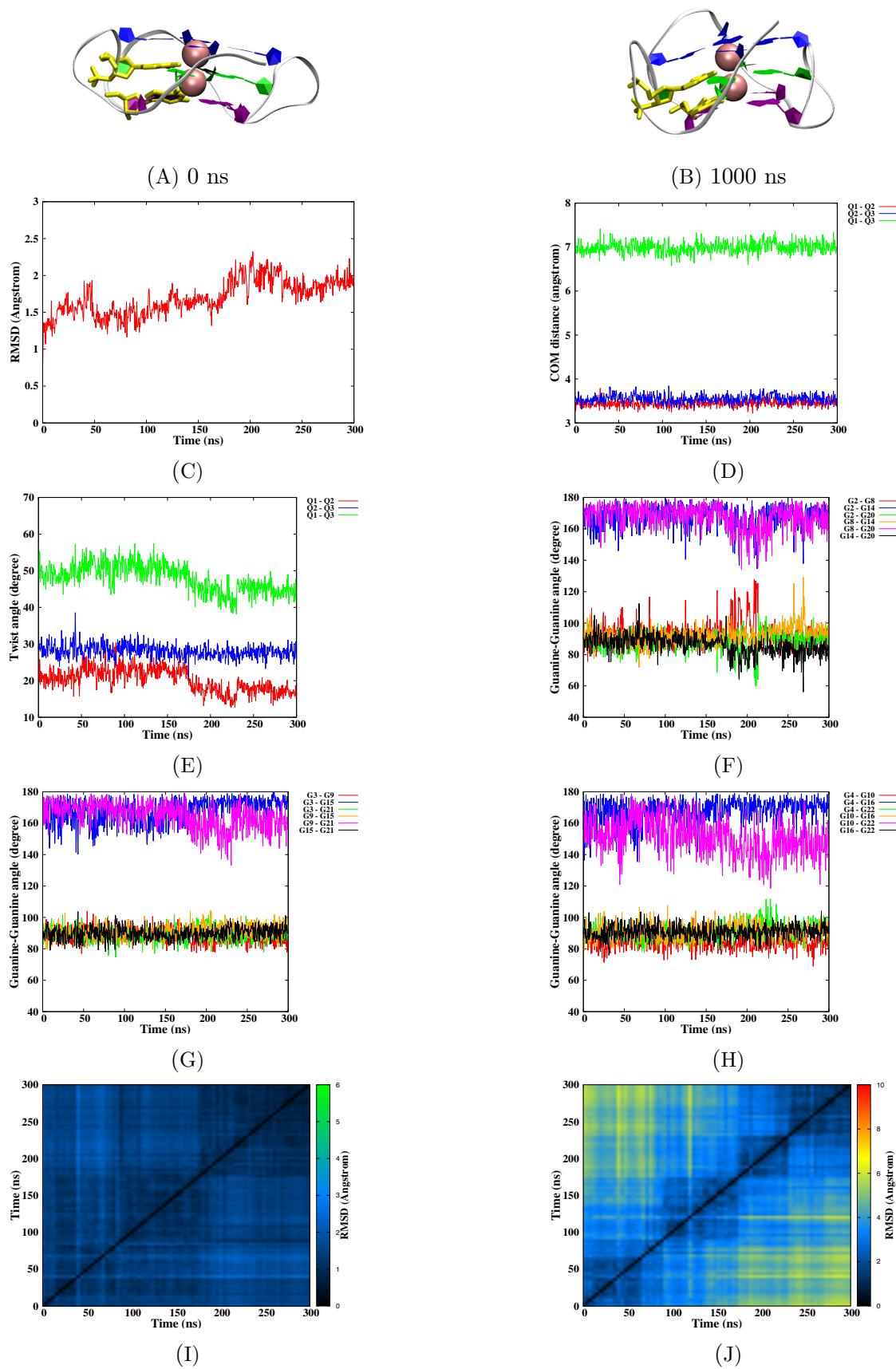


Figure S55 – Simulation of the NC damage at position 9-10, run 1. Snapshots of the initial and final MD simulation (A-B). RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (C), distance between the tetrads (D), twist angle (E), angle between guanines for the first (F), second (G) and the third (H) tetrad, 2D-RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (I) and the whole DNA (J).

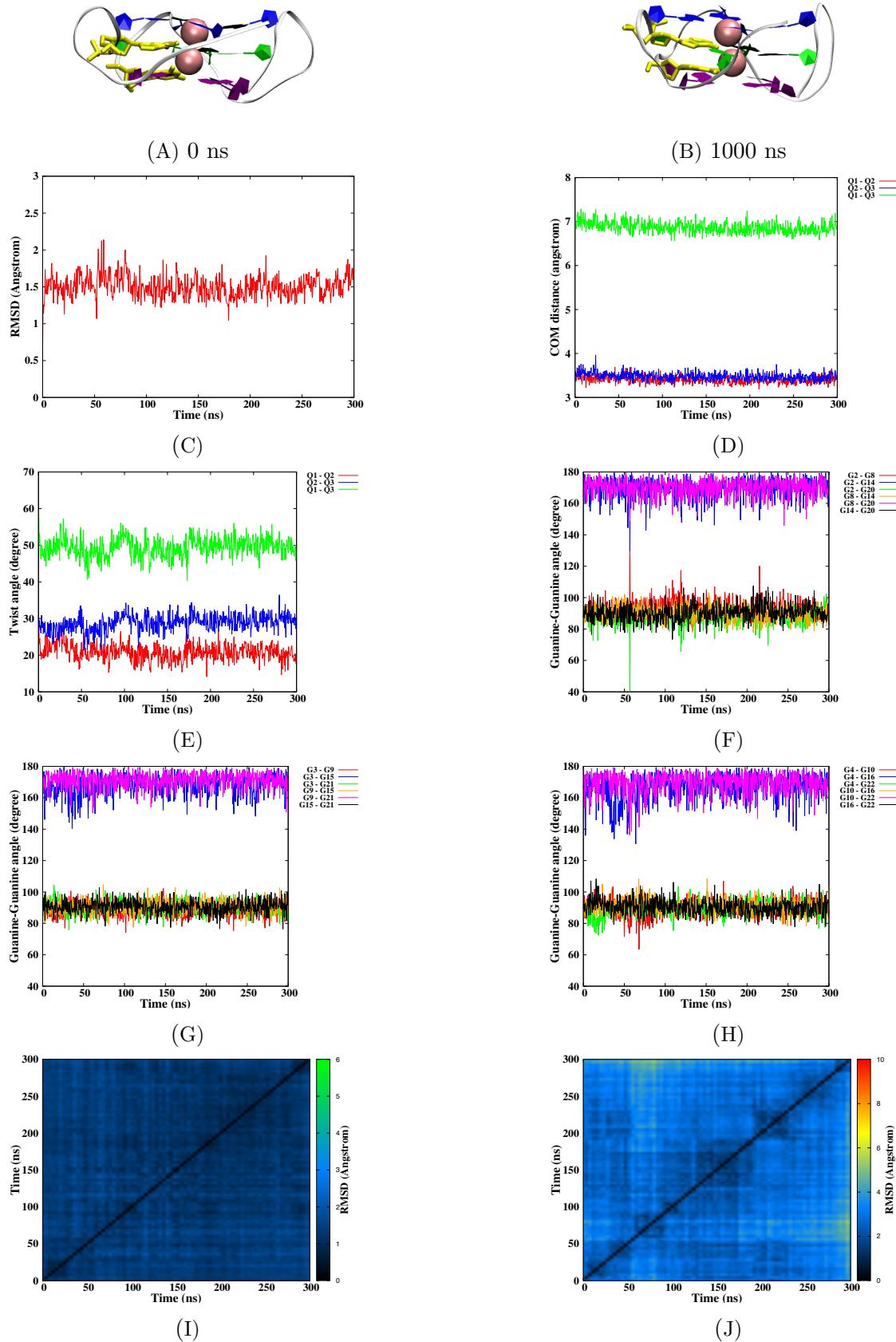


Figure S56 – Simulation of the NC damage at position 9-10, run 2. Snapshots of the initial and final MD simulation (A-B). RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (C), distance between the tetrads (D), twist angle (E), angle between guanines for the first (F), second (G) and the third (H) tetrad, 2D-RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (I) and the whole DNA (J).

Strand break		Run 1			Run 2		
Type	Positions	$\Psi_{Q1-Q2}$	$\Psi_{Q2-Q3}$	$\Psi_{Q1-Q3}$	$\Psi_{Q1-Q2}$	$\Psi_{Q2-Q3}$	$\Psi_{Q1-Q3}$
Native							
<b>No Strand Breaks</b>		19.19 $\pm$ 2.22	28.55 $\pm$ 1.93	47.57 $\pm$ 2.62	19.35 $\pm$ 2.45	27.85 $\pm$ 2.02	47.02 $\pm$ 2.92
Loops - Canonical strand breaks							
<b>Single SB</b>	12-13	19.14 $\pm$ 2.13	28.22 $\pm$ 1.69	47.18 $\pm$ 2.70	18.39 $\pm$ 2.41	27.58 $\pm$ 1.87	46.05 $\pm$ 3.03
	6-7	18.39 $\pm$ 2.41	28.19 $\pm$ 1.69	46.40 $\pm$ 2.89	18.32 $\pm$ 2.42	27.72 $\pm$ 1.80	45.86 $\pm$ 2.91
<b>Double SB</b>	6-7/12-13	18.48 $\pm$ 2.62	27.41 $\pm$ 1.82	45.72 $\pm$ 2.87	18.42 $\pm$ 2.11	27.19 $\pm$ 2.39	45.41 $\pm$ 3.43
Tetrads - Canonical strand breaks							
<b>Single SB</b>	2-3	20.89 $\pm$ 2.57	27.79 $\pm$ 2.11	48.48 $\pm$ 2.77	20.15 $\pm$ 3.29	27.97 $\pm$ 2.08	47.87 $\pm$ 3.40
	3-4	21.44 $\pm$ 1.92	29.43 $\pm$ 2.46	50.64 $\pm$ 2.76	20.39 $\pm$ 1.97	27.70 $\pm$ 1.88	47.89 $\pm$ 2.50
	9-10	21.48 $\pm$ 2.12	27.20 $\pm$ 1.72	48.49 $\pm$ 2.56	21.63 $\pm$ 2.18	26.86 $\pm$ 1.98	48.30 $\pm$ 2.89
	14-15	19.50 $\pm$ 2.45	30.64 $\pm$ 2.00	49.95 $\pm$ 2.62	26.23 $\pm$ 6.11	27.76 $\pm$ 2.40	50.44 $\pm$ 5.24
	15-16	22.24 $\pm$ 2.26	27.75 $\pm$ 1.68	49.77 $\pm$ 2.53	21.93 $\pm$ 2.33	27.04 $\pm$ 1.85	48.78 $\pm$ 2.58
	21-22	19.87 $\pm$ 2.51	27.85 $\pm$ 2.19	47.50 $\pm$ 3.11	22.17 $\pm$ 2.96	27.26 $\pm$ 2.28	49.22 $\pm$ 3.32
<b>Double SB</b>	2-3/14-15	17.85 $\pm$ 3.37	31.99 $\pm$ 2.27	49.55 $\pm$ 3.49	17.37 $\pm$ 2.94	31.84 $\pm$ 1.84	49.03 $\pm$ 2.92
	2-3-4	20.68 $\pm$ 2.85	29.50 $\pm$ 2.41	49.93 $\pm$ 3.54	20.17 $\pm$ 2.25	27.90 $\pm$ 2.19	47.78 $\pm$ 3.11
	3-4/9-10	21.76 $\pm$ 2.44	27.03 $\pm$ 1.80	48.58 $\pm$ 2.79	20.72 $\pm$ 1.97	28.38 $\pm$ 2.15	48.92 $\pm$ 2.68
	3-4/14-15	22.19 $\pm$ 3.06	26.98 $\pm$ 2.50	48.93 $\pm$ 3.59	21.11 $\pm$ 2.67	28.56 $\pm$ 2.13	49.46 $\pm$ 2.81
	3-4/15-16	23.36 $\pm$ 2.52	26.22 $\pm$ 2.97	49.35 $\pm$ 3.21	20.86 $\pm$ 2.22	23.23 $\pm$ 2.57	43.84 $\pm$ 3.41
	14-15-16	19.79 $\pm$ 2.25	27.52 $\pm$ 2.46	47.09 $\pm$ 3.03	21.48 $\pm$ 2.52	27.68 $\pm$ 1.99	48.93 $\pm$ 3.20
Tetrads - Non-Canonical strand breaks							
<b>Single SB</b>	2-3	21.03 $\pm$ 3.16	28.27 $\pm$ 1.85	49.05 $\pm$ 3.49	22.02 $\pm$ 2.93	27.36 $\pm$ 1.94	49.12 $\pm$ 3.17
	3-4	20.46 $\pm$ 3.10	27.71 $\pm$ 2.24	47.93 $\pm$ 3.17	19.93 $\pm$ 2.96	28.02 $\pm$ 1.82	47.65 $\pm$ 3.37
	9-10	20.14 $\pm$ 3.18	28.05 $\pm$ 1.78	47.97 $\pm$ 3.77	20.86 $\pm$ 2.22	28.76 $\pm$ 2.22	49.38 $\pm$ 2.68
	14-15	22.37 $\pm$ 2.78	28.73 $\pm$ 1.95	50.84 $\pm$ 3.09	20.63 $\pm$ 2.98	29.47 $\pm$ 2.14	49.78 $\pm$ 3.27
	15-16	21.49 $\pm$ 2.18	27.94 $\pm$ 2.34	49.22 $\pm$ 2.66	21.04 $\pm$ 2.30	28.86 $\pm$ 2.18	49.69 $\pm$ 2.76
	21-22	20.24 $\pm$ 2.04	27.99 $\pm$ 2.49	48.01 $\pm$ 2.86	21.13 $\pm$ 2.16	26.64 $\pm$ 2.19	47.56 $\pm$ 2.54
<b>Double SB</b>	2-3/14-15	23.48 $\pm$ 3.09	28.21 $\pm$ 1.77	51.40 $\pm$ 3.31	20.14 $\pm$ 3.40	31.37 $\pm$ 3.16	51.27 $\pm$ 2.98
	2-3-4	21.89 $\pm$ 2.84	27.84 $\pm$ 1.87	48.96 $\pm$ 2.87	25.09 $\pm$ 2.95	31.72 $\pm$ 1.97	56.49 $\pm$ 3.22
	3-4/9-10	20.78 $\pm$ 2.45	29.14 $\pm$ 2.68	49.59 $\pm$ 2.55	20.11 $\pm$ 3.05	27.55 $\pm$ 2.67	47.30 $\pm$ 4.19
	3-4/14-15	20.89 $\pm$ 3.02	29.16 $\pm$ 2.59	49.69 $\pm$ 3.49	18.00 $\pm$ 3.25	33.19 $\pm$ 2.75	50.89 $\pm$ 2.61
	3-4/15-16	20.14 $\pm$ 2.51	28.43 $\pm$ 2.72	48.16 $\pm$ 3.42	21.84 $\pm$ 2.48	28.61 $\pm$ 2.69	50.14 $\pm$ 2.98
	14-15-16	23.30 $\pm$ 2.66	31.51 $\pm$ 2.89	54.49 $\pm$ 3.56	26.36 $\pm$ 2.94	29.59 $\pm$ 2.56	55.67 $\pm$ 3.30

**Table S1 :** Average and standard deviation of the twist angle ( $\Psi$ ) parameter for all simulated systems. The  $\Psi$  values are reporter for each couple of quartets find into the G4. The red text refers to the simulation in which the G-quadruplex was destabilized.

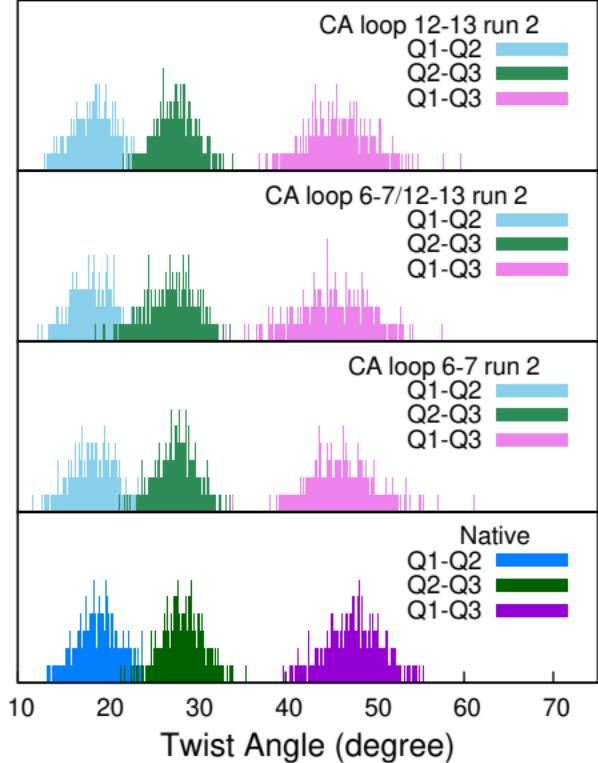
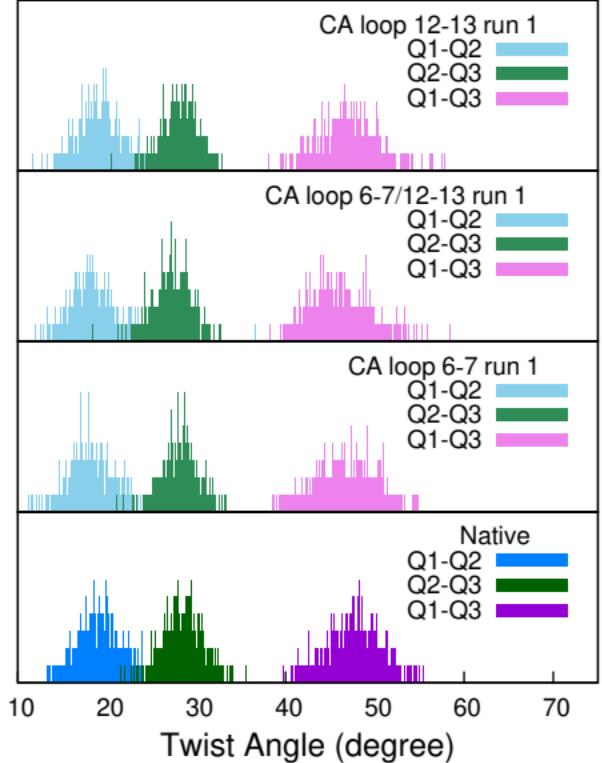


Figure S57 - Frequency distribution of the twist angles of the loops strand breaks systems.

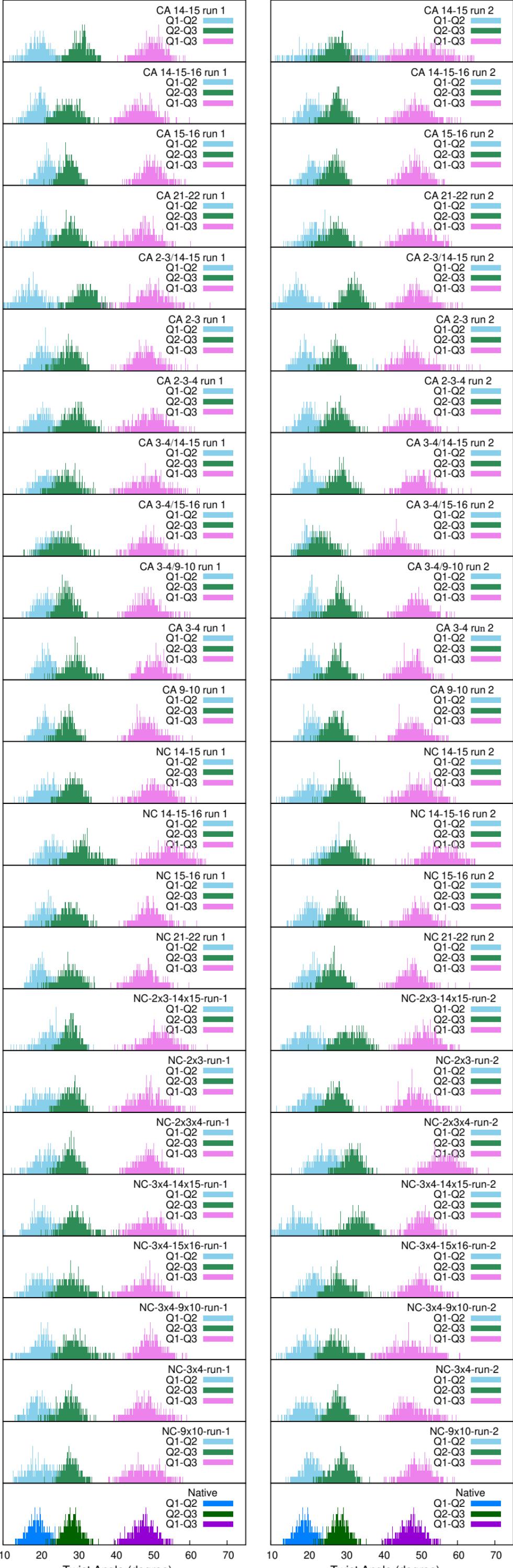


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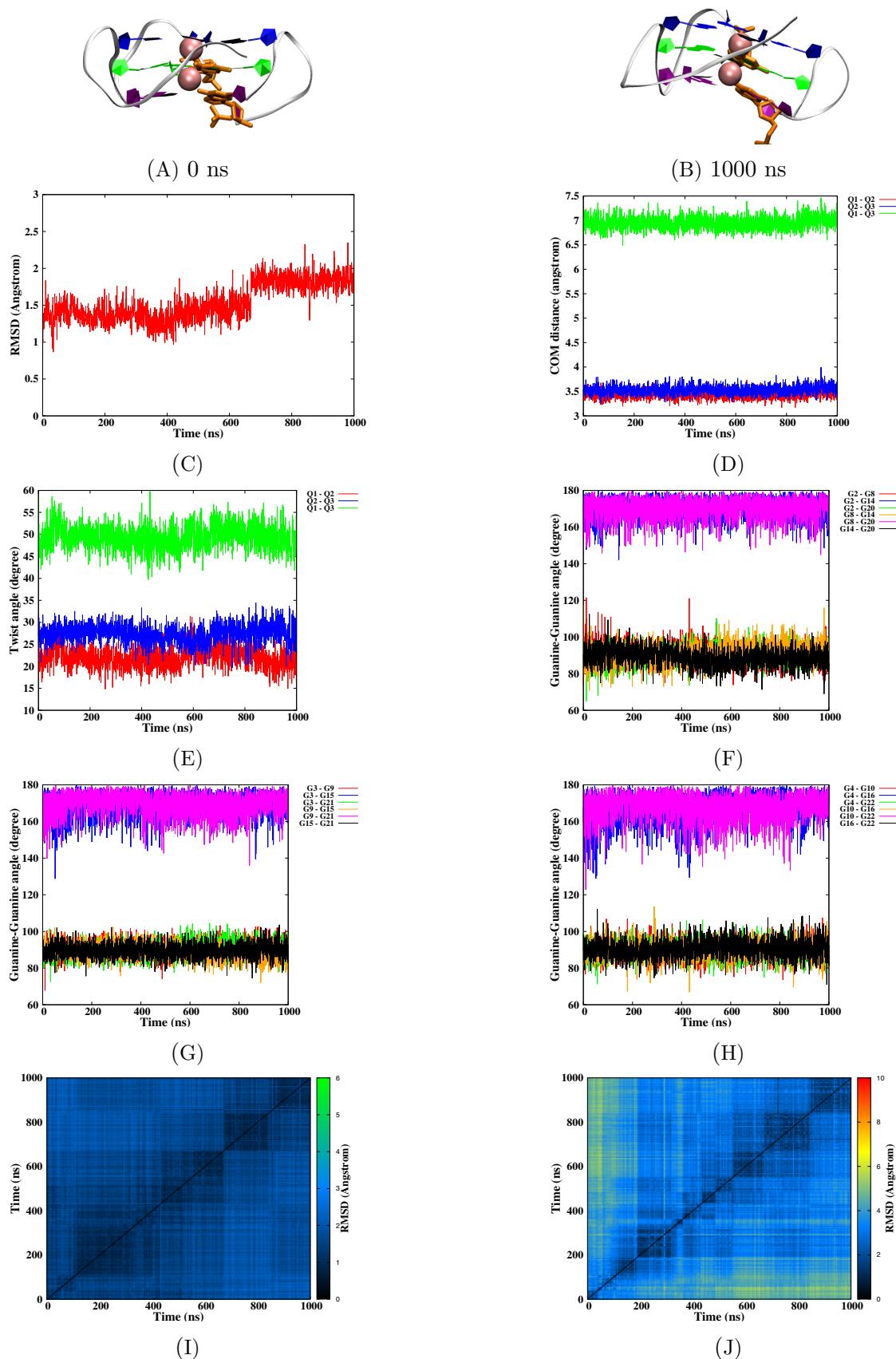


Figure S58 – Simulation of the CA damage at position 15-16, run 1, extended up to 1  $\mu$ s. Snapshots of the initial and final MD simulation (A-B). RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (C), distance between the tetrads (D), twist angle (E), angle between guanines for the first (F), second (G) and the third (H) tetrad, 2D-RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (I) and the whole DNA (J).

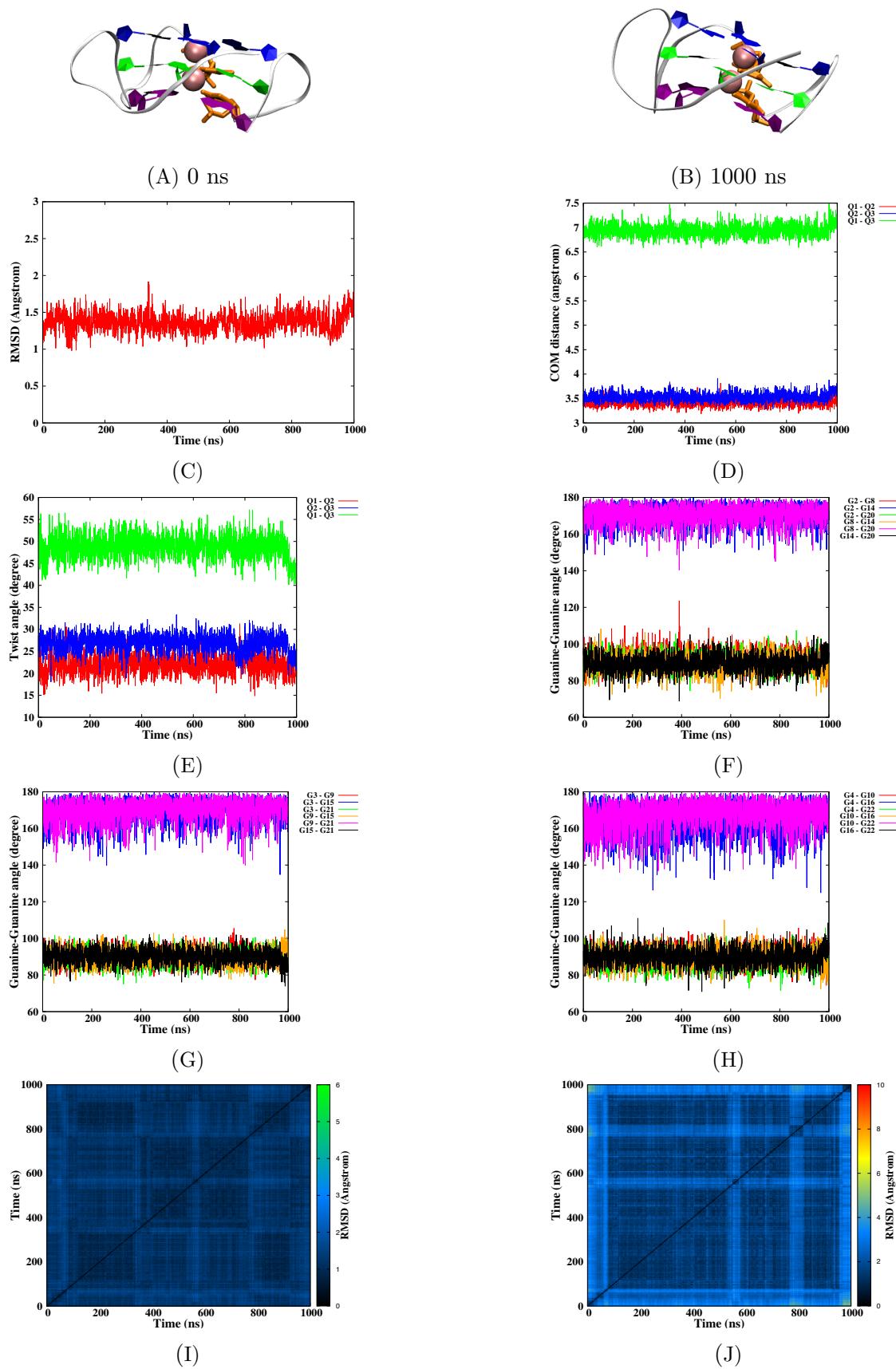


Figure S59 – Simulation of the CA damage at position 15-16, run 2, extended up to 1  $\mu$ s. Snapshots of the initial and final MD simulation (A-B). RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (C), distance between the tetrads (D), twist angle (E), angle between guanines for the first (F), second (G) and the third (H) tetrad, 2D-RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (I) and the whole DNA (J).

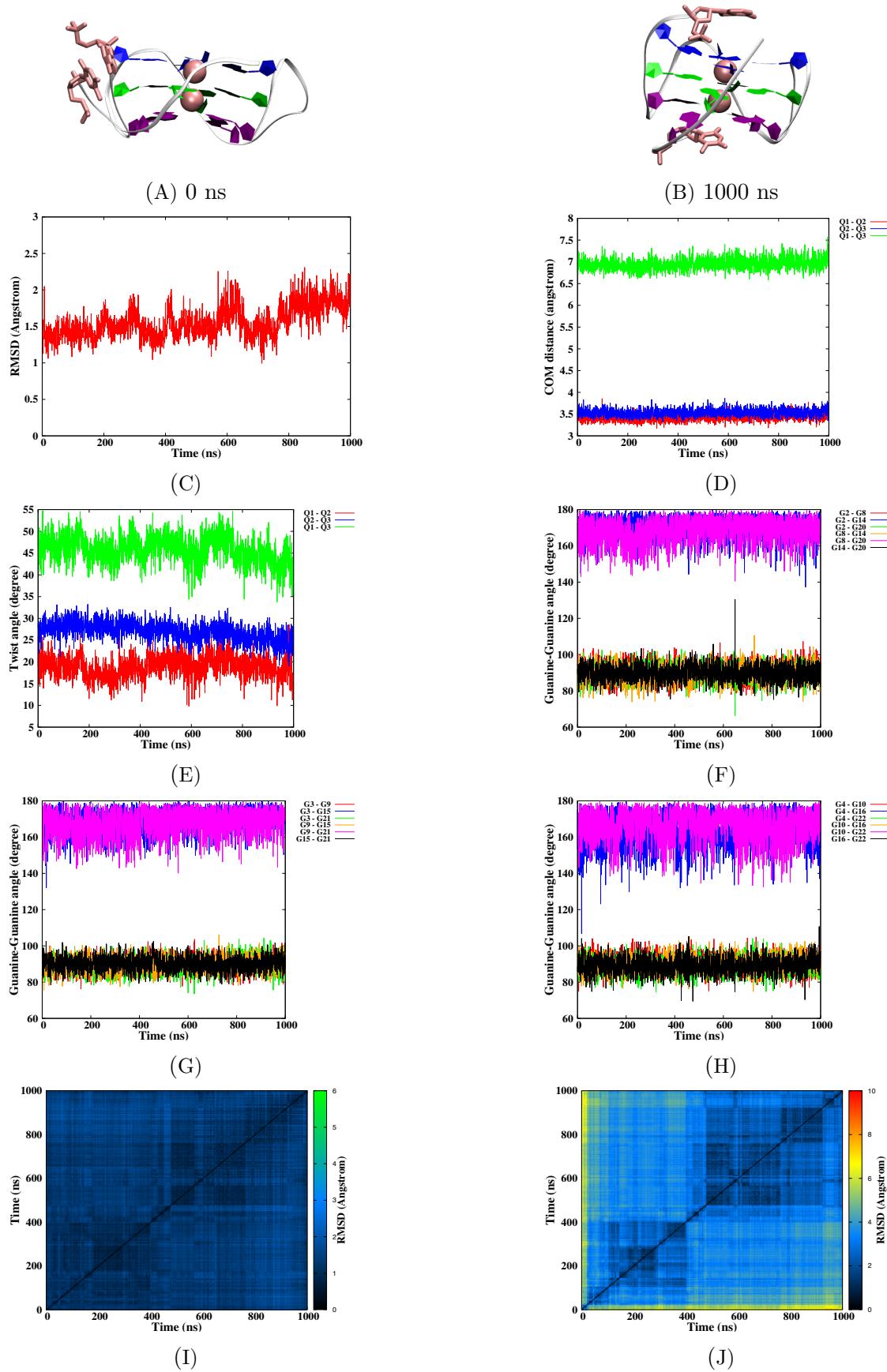


Figure S60 – Simulation of the CA damage at position 6-7, in loop, run 1, extended up to 1  $\mu$ s. Snapshots of the initial and final MD simulation (A-B). RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (C), distance between the tetrads (D), twist angle (E), angle between guanines for the first (F), second (G) and the third (H) tetrad, 2D-RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (I) and the whole DNA (J).

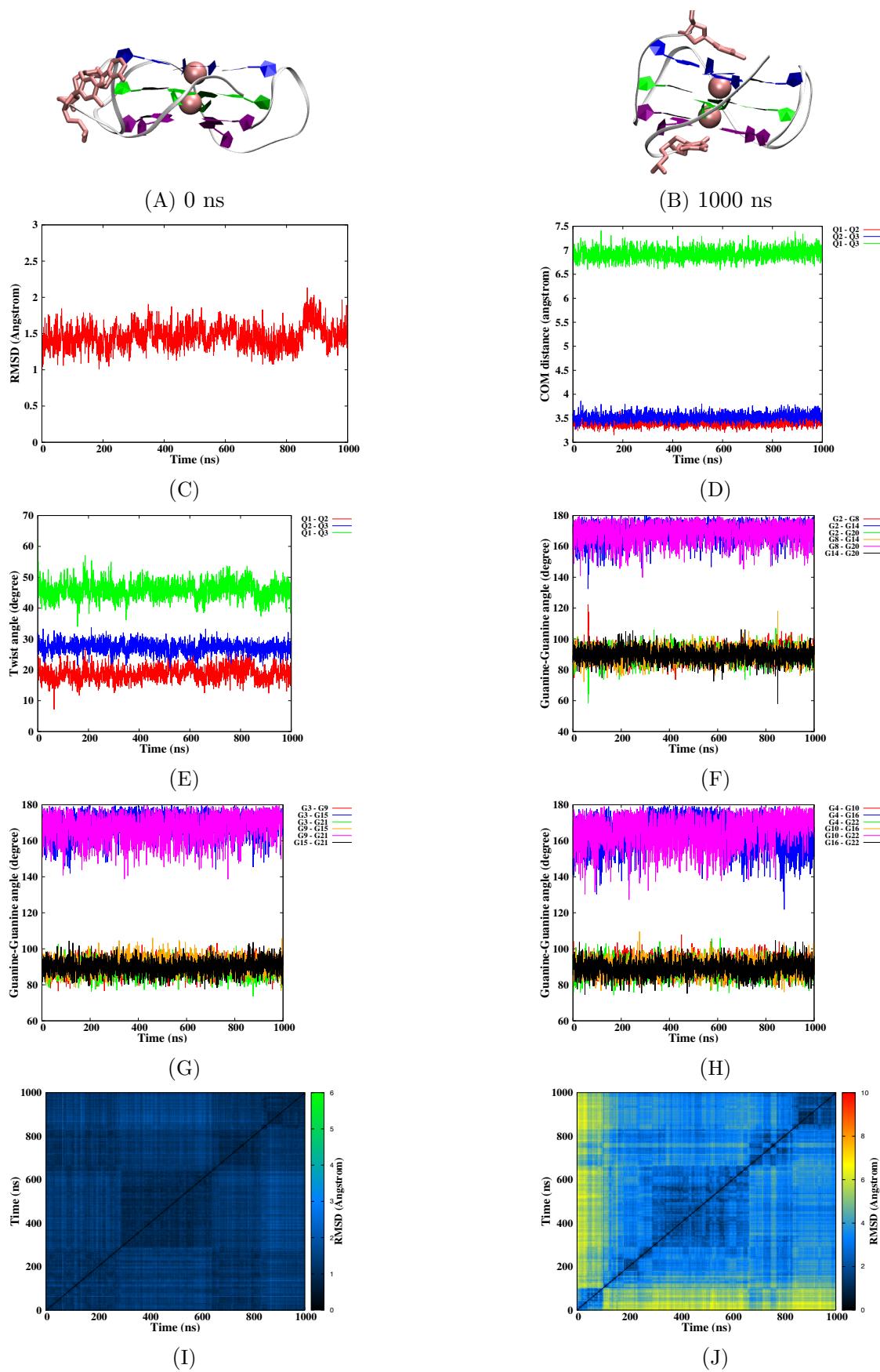


Figure S61 – Simulation of the CA damage at position 6-7, in loop, run 1, extanted up to 1  $\mu$ s. Snapshots of the initial and final MD simulation (A-B). RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (C), distance between the tetrads (D), twist angle (E), angle between guanines for the first (F), second (G) and the third (H) tetrad, 2D-RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (I) and the whole DNA (J).

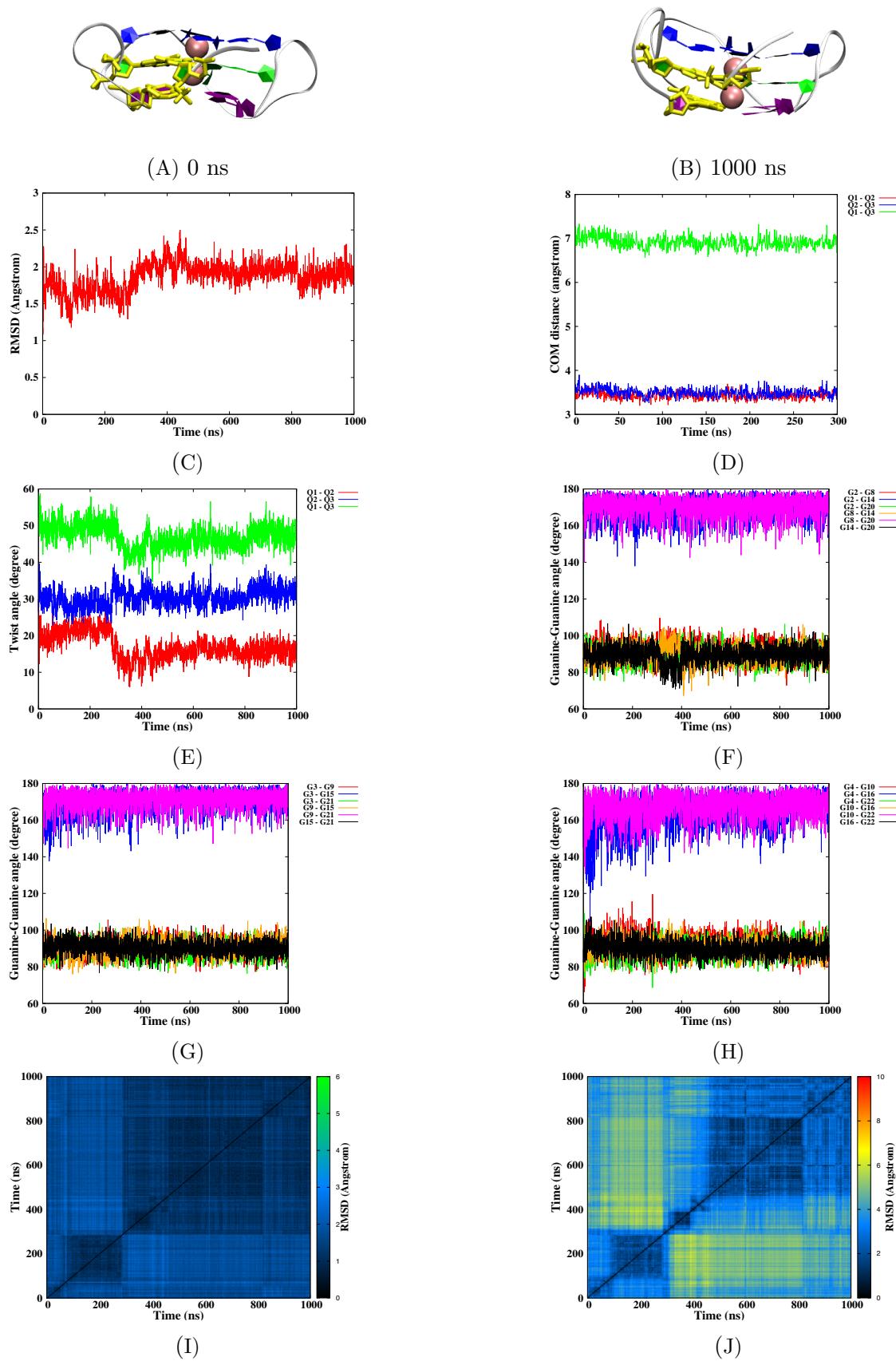


Figure S6 2 – Simulation of the NC damage at position 3-4/9-10, run 1, extended up to 1  $\mu$ s. Snapshots of the initial and final MD simulation (A-B). RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (C), distance between the tetrads (D), twist angle (E), angle between guanines for the first (F), second (G) and the third (H) tetrad, 2D-RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (I) and the whole DNA (J).

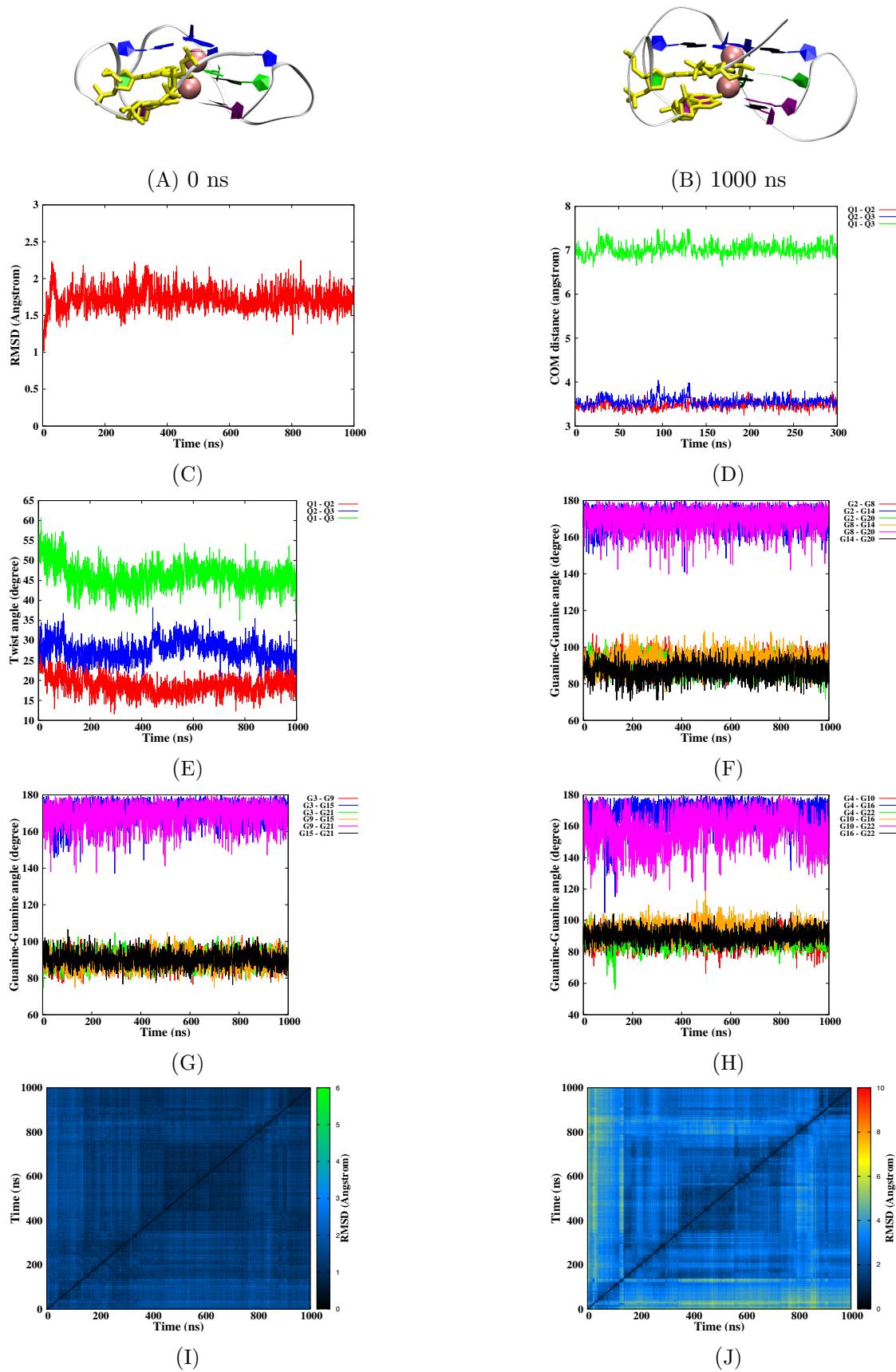
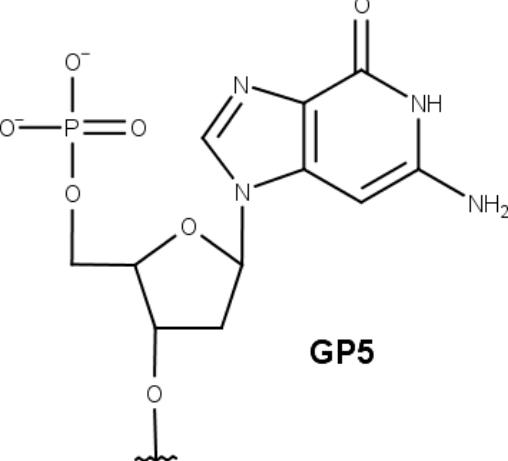
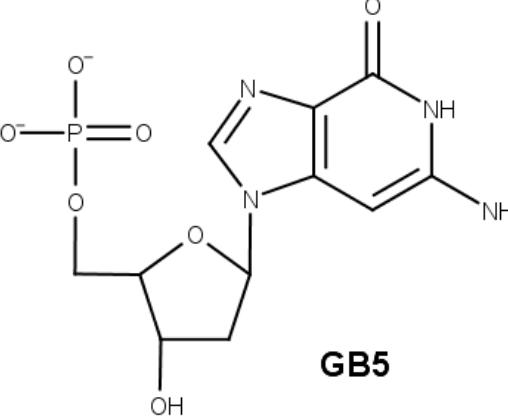
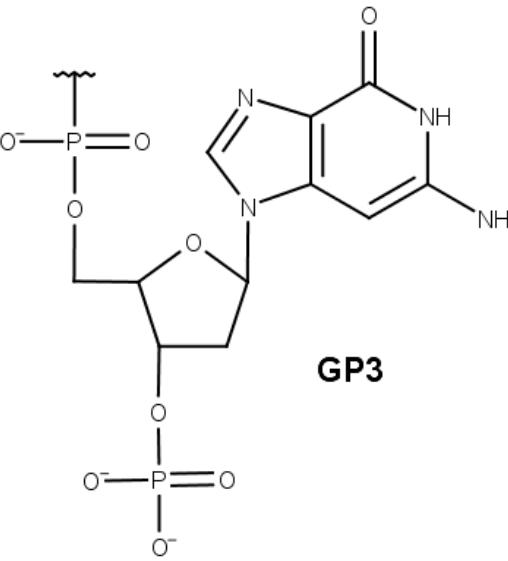
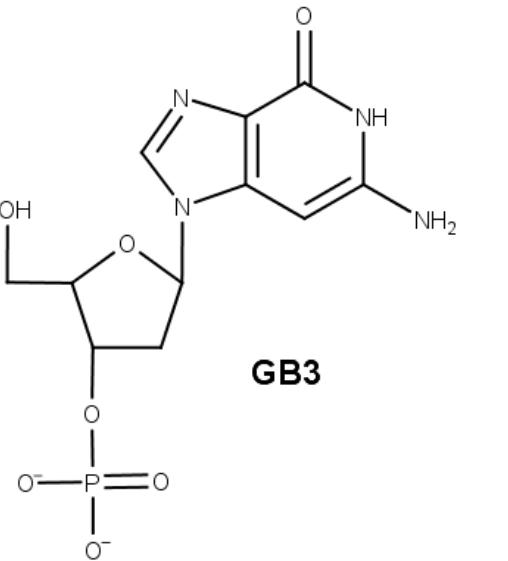
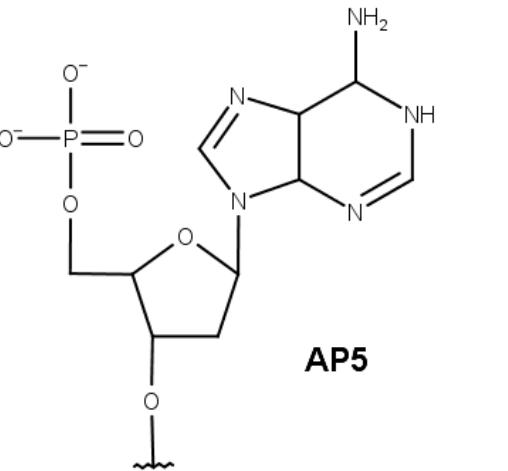


Figure S63 – Simulation of the NC damage at position 3-4/9-10, run 2 extended up to 1  $\mu$ s. Snapshots of the initial and final MD simulation (A-B). RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (C), distance between the tetrads (D), twist angle (E), angle between guanines for the first (F), second (G) and the third (H) tetrad, 2D-RMSD of guanines forming the tetrads (I) and the whole DNA (J).

Bonded nucleotides	Non-bonded nucleotides
 <p><b>GP5</b></p> <p>Modified from guanosine (DG). Canonical type.</p>	 <p><b>GB5</b></p> <p>Modified from guanosine (DG). Canonical type.</p>
 <p><b>GP3</b></p> <p>Modified from guanosine (DG). Non-canonical type.</p>	 <p><b>GB3</b></p> <p>Modified from guanosine (DG). Non-canonical type.</p>
 <p><b>AP5</b></p> <p>Modified from adenosine (DA). Canonical type.</p>	/

**Table S2** – Chemical structures of modified nucleotides, corresponding to a modification of the guanosine (GP3, GB3, GP5, GB5) or the adenosine (AP5). In our nomenclature, the end number mean the position of the phosphate group, in 3' or in 5'. Non-bonded nucleotides are involved in vertical double strand breaks.