

Supplemental Material
for “Facilitated dissociation of a nucleoid protein
from the bacterial chromosome”

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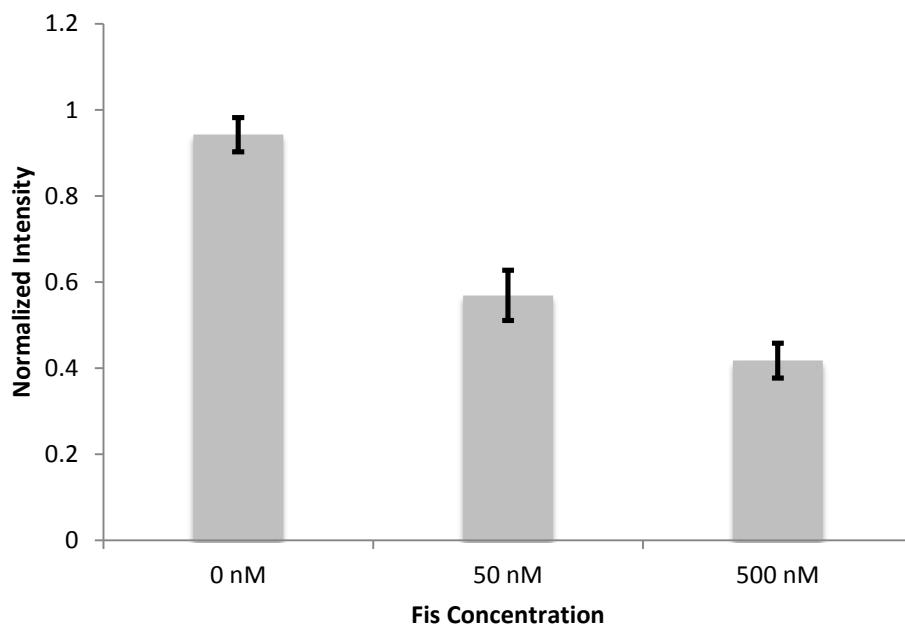


Figure S1. Dissociation of GFP-Fis from isolated nucleoids in 100 mM KGlu buffer. GFP-Fis labeled nucleoids were incubated in protein-free buffer, 50 nM Fis and 500 nM Fis for 20 minutes in experiments similar to those of Fig. 2 (main text), but using buffer containing 100 mM KGlu instead of 100 mM NaCl. A series of 4 experiments were carried out for each protein concentration; as Fis concentration was increased reduction of fluorescence following incubation was observed, similar to that observed with NaCl buffer as in Fig 2 (main text).

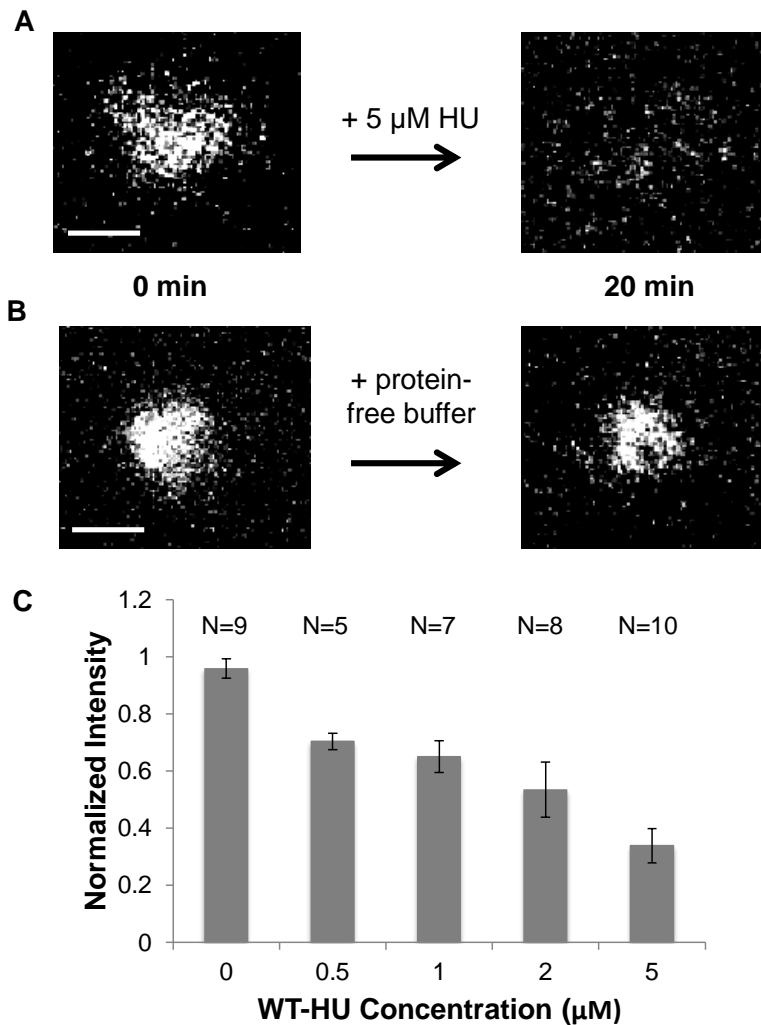


Figure S2. Dissociation of GFP-Fis from isolated nucleoids facilitated by *E. coli* HU. (A) GFP-Fis labeled isolated nucleoids were exposed to 5 μ M HU and (B) protein-free buffer, for 20 minutes; the nucleoids and proteins were in the 100 mM NaCl buffer used in similar experiments of Fig. 2 (main text); greater loss of GFP-Fis is observed when HU is present. Scale bars are 5 μ m. (C) Fluorescence intensity was measured after 20 minutes incubation of nucleoids with protein-free buffer, and with 0.5, 1, 2 and 5 μ M HU, showing little GFP-Fis dissociation for protein-free buffer and increased reduction of fluorescence with increased HU concentration.