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A Novel and Label-Free Chemiluminescence Detection of Zearalenone Based on a Truncated Aptamer Conjugated with a G-Quadruplex DNzyme

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Table S1. DNA oligos used in this study.

Oligo names	Sequences
DNAzyme_ZEN	<u>TGGGTAGGGCGGGTTGGG</u> <u>AAAGATTCATCTATCTATGGT</u> <u>ACATTACTATCTGTAATGTGA</u>
DNAzyme_tZEN1	<u>TGGGTAGGGCGGGTTGGG</u> <u>AAAGATTCATCTATCTATGGT</u>
DNAzyme_tZEN2	<u>TGGGTAGGGCGGGTTGGG</u> <u>AAAGATTCATCTATCTATGGT</u> <u>ACATTACTAT</u>
auxiliary DNA	<u>AGTAATGTACCATAGATAGATGAATCTTTCCCAACCCGC</u> <u>C</u>
DNAzyme_tZEN3	<u>TGGGTAGGGCGGGTTGGG</u> <u>AAACATCTATCTATGGTACAT</u> <u>TACTATCTGTAAT</u>
auxiliary DNA3	<u>AGTAATGTACCATAGATAGATGTTTCCCAACCCGCC</u>

Note: red-colored letters represent DNAzyme or reverse-complement counterpart, while blue-colored letters denote ZEN aptamer or reverse-complement counterpart. Underlined letters indicate hybridized locations between DNAzyme-ZEN aptamer conjugate and the auxiliary DNA.

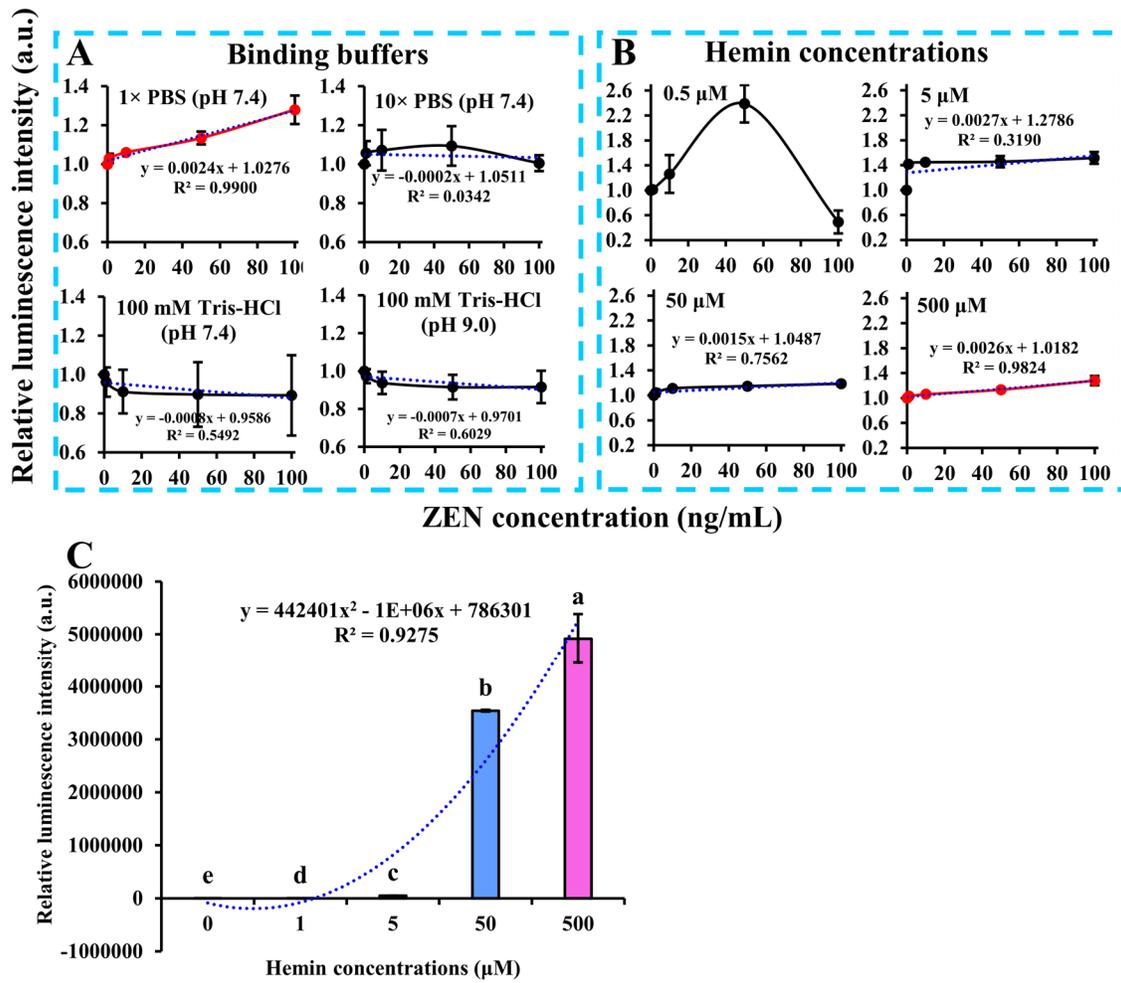


Figure S1. Feasibility exploration of label-free and chemiluminescence detection of ZEN based on a DNAzyme-aptamer conjugate by selection of various binding buffers (A) and hemin concentrations (B and C). Note: different letters denote significant difference ($p < 0.05$) determined by one-way ANOVA followed by Fisher's least significant difference.

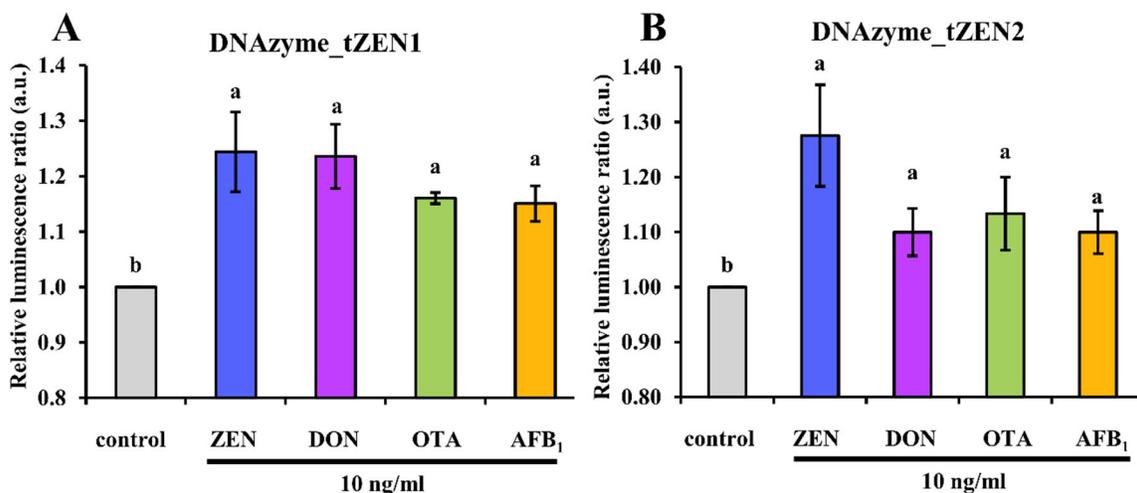


Figure S2. Detection specificity of the chemiluminescence aptasensor based on truncated aptamers: DNAzyme_tZEN1 (**A**) and DNAzyme_tZEN2 (**B**). Note: different letters denote significant difference ($p < 0.05$) determined by one-way ANOVA followed by Fisher's least significant difference.

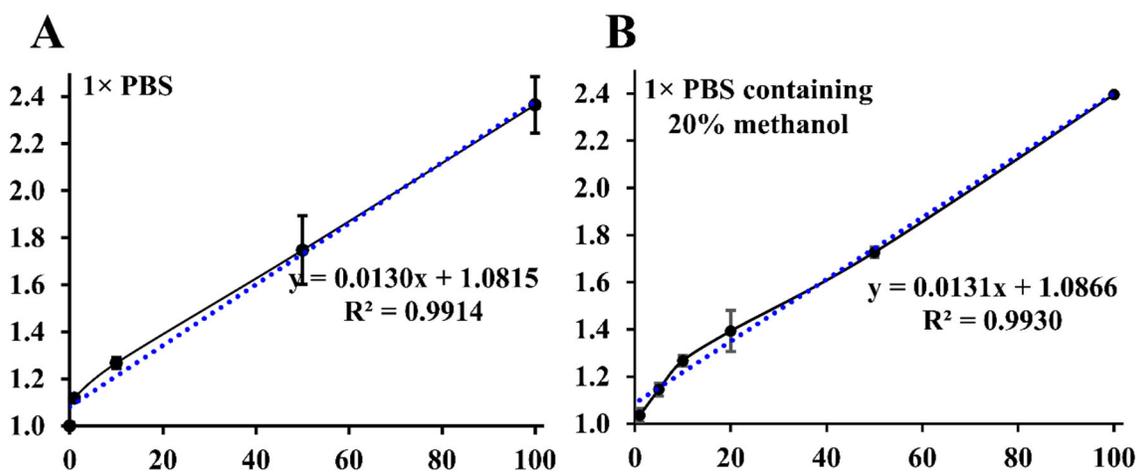


Figure S3. Effect of 20% methanol in 1x PBS binding buffer (**B**) on the performance of the chemiluminescence aptasensor as compared to 1x PBS control buffer (**A**).