

## Supporting Information for

### Aluminium glycinate functionalized silica nanoparticles for highly specific separation of phosphoproteins†

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Table Q1 EDAX of SiO<sub>2</sub> and AGNP

SiO <sub>2</sub>	Element	Wt%	At%	AGNP	Element	Wt%	At%
	C	48.82	58.97		C	53.62	61.54
	O	37.38	33.90		O	42.27	36.43
	Si	13.80	7.13		Si	3.51	1.72
	Al	0	0		Al	0.6	0.31

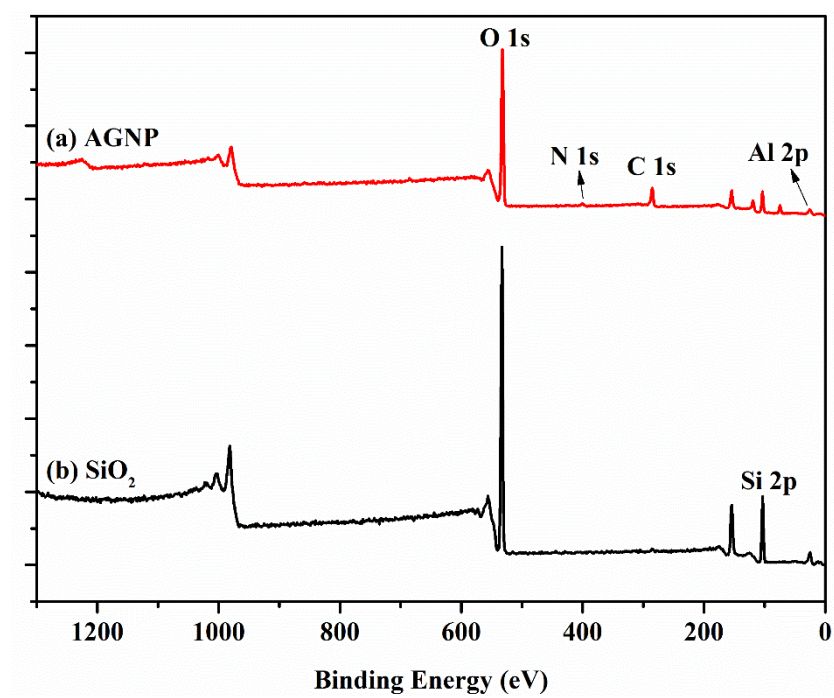
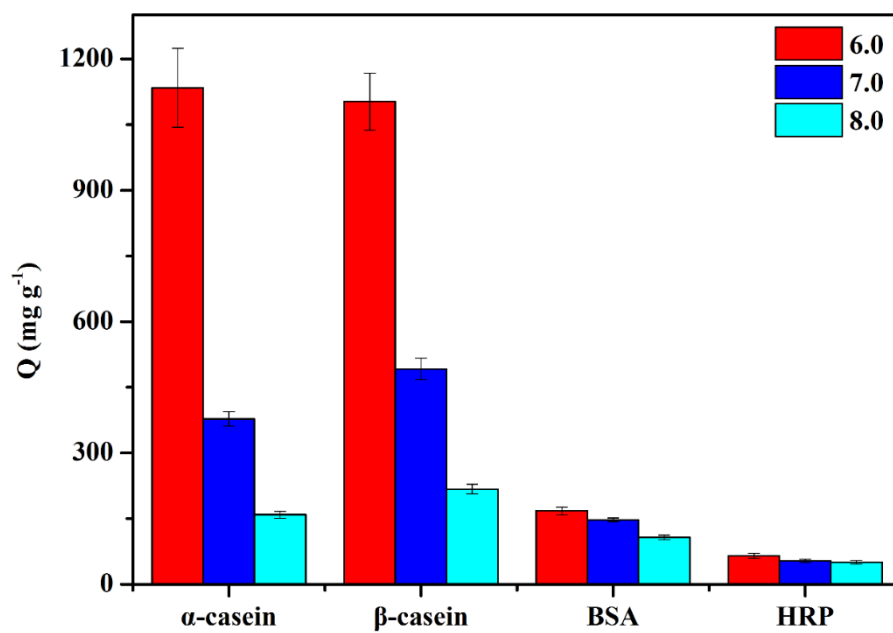


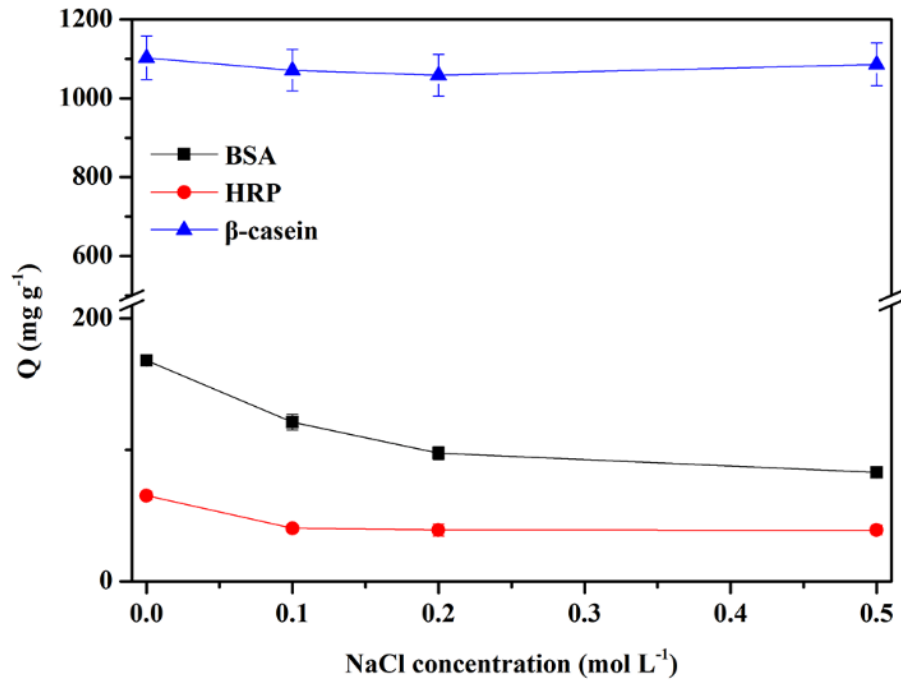
Fig. S1. XPS of SiO<sub>2</sub> and AGNP.

**Table S2** Textural characteristics of SiO<sub>2</sub> and AGNP.

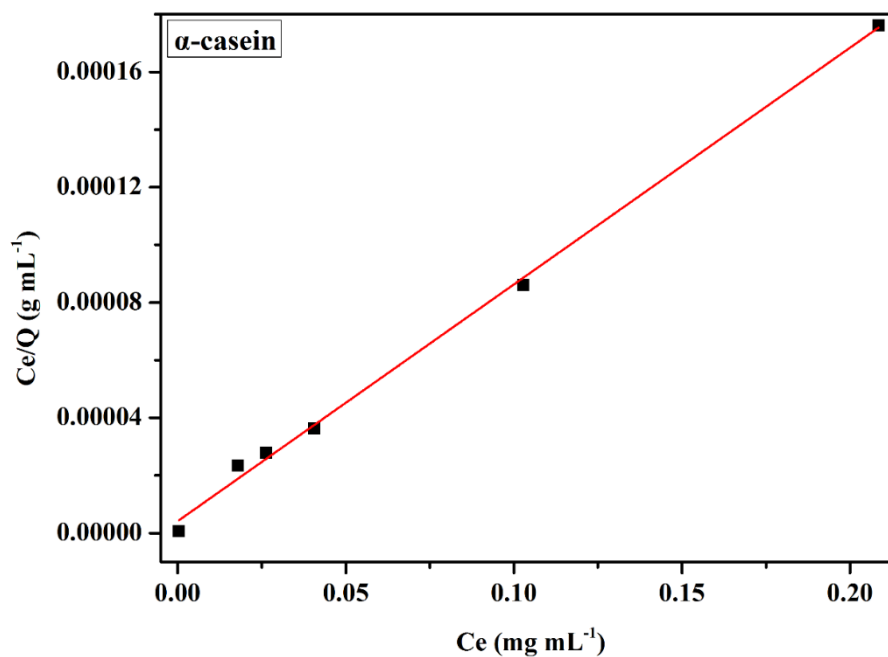
	Specific surface area (m <sup>2</sup> /g)	Pore volume (cm <sup>3</sup> /g)	Average pore size (nm)
SiO <sub>2</sub>	64.21	0.274	17.07
AGNP	137.80	0.478	13.88



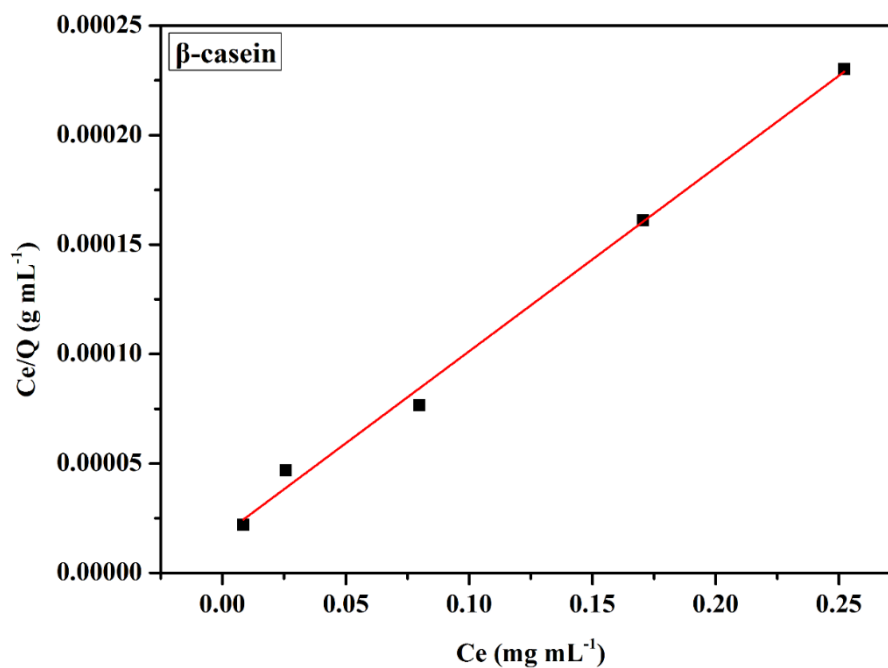
**Fig. S2** Effect of pH on proteins adsorption.



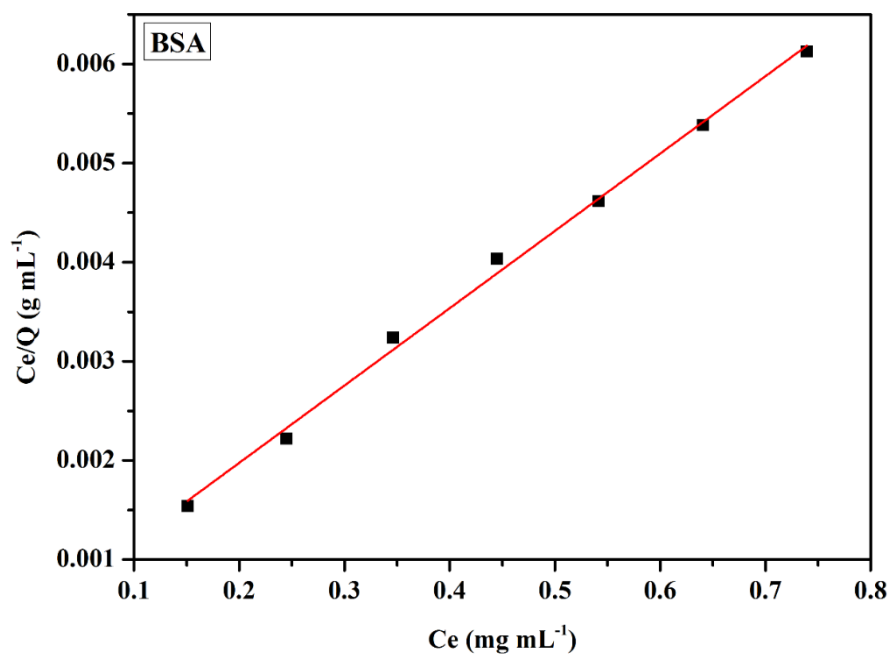
**Fig. S3** Effect of ionic strength on proteins adsorption.



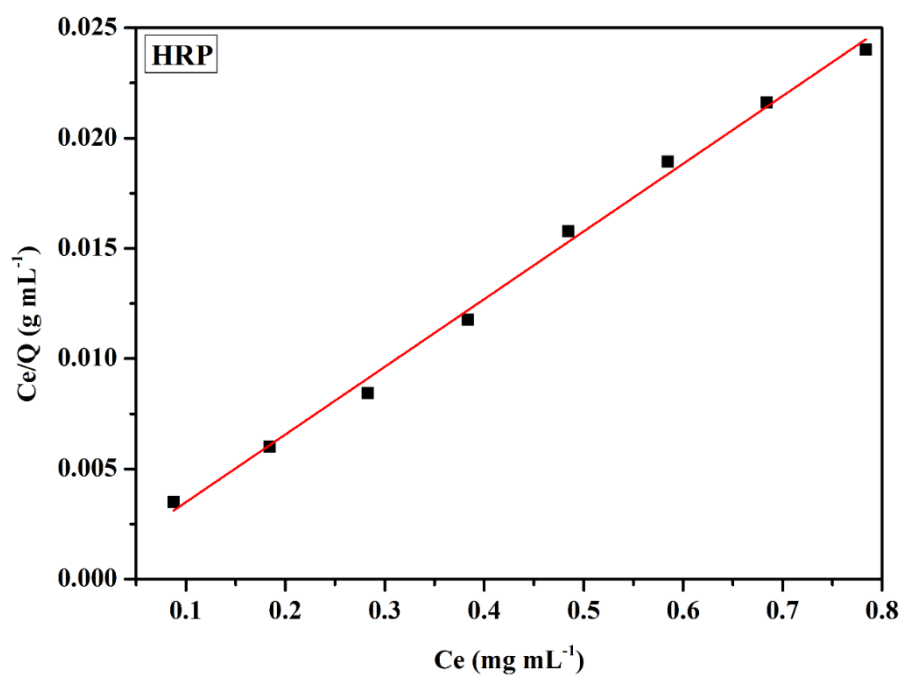
**Fig. S4-1** Fitting of the adsorption isotherm of  $\alpha$ -casein on AGNP by using the Langmuir model. The fitted parameters are summarized in Table 1.



**Fig. S4-2** Fitting of the adsorption isotherm of  $\beta$ -casein on AGNP by using the Langmuir model. The fitted parameters are summarized in Table 1.



**Fig. S4-3** Fitting of the adsorption isotherm of BSA on AGNP by using the Langmuir model. The fitted parameters are summarized in Table 1.



**Fig. S4-4** Fitting of the adsorption isotherm of HRP on AGNP by using the Langmuir model. The fitted parameters are summarized in Table 1.