

Electronic Supplementary Information

Development of magnetic LuPO₄ microspheres for highly selective enrichment and identification of phosphopeptides for MALDI-TOF MS analysis

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Part 1. Supporting figures

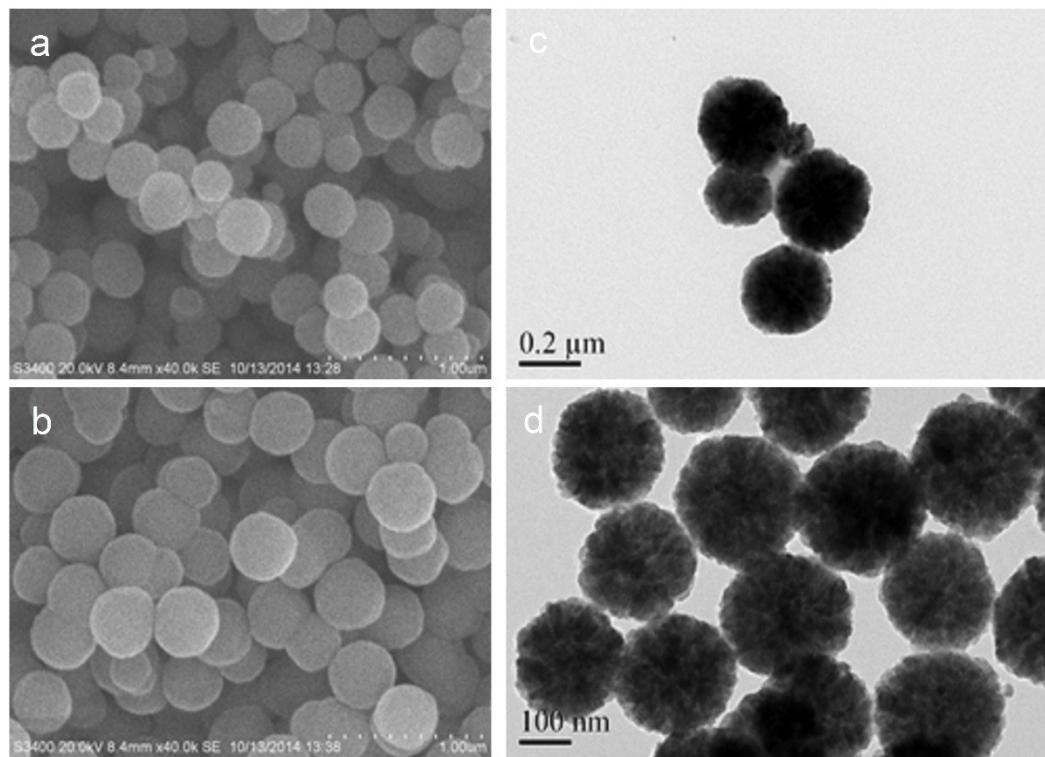


Fig. S1. SEM (left) and TEM (right) images of Fe_3O_4 (a, c), $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4@\text{SiO}_2$ (b, d), respectively.

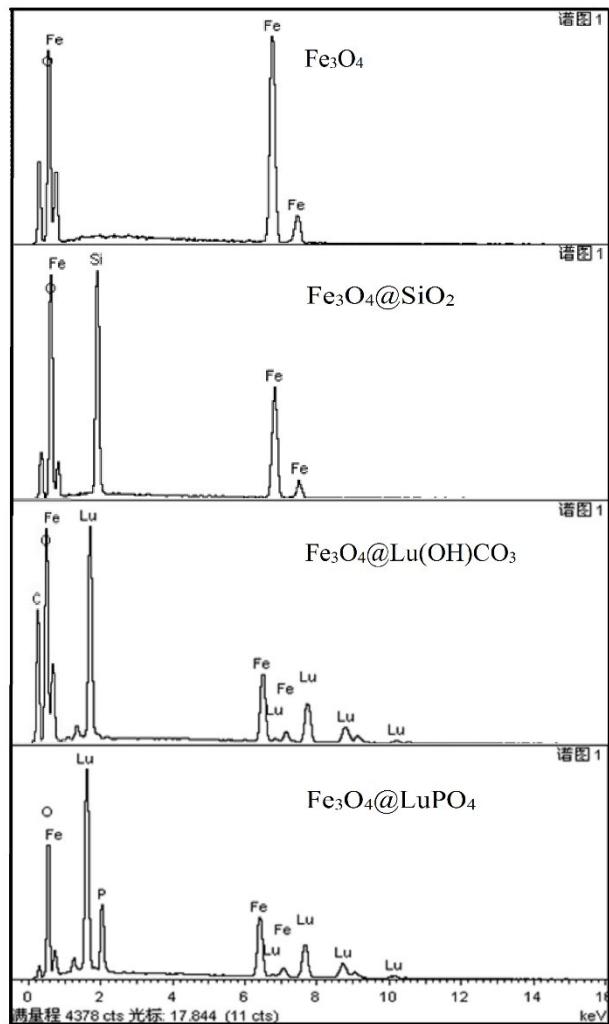


Fig. S2. EDX spectra of the prepared Fe_3O_4 , $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4@\text{SiO}_2$, $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4@\text{Lu}(\text{OH})\text{CO}_3$ and $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4@\text{LuPO}_4$ microspheres (From top to down).

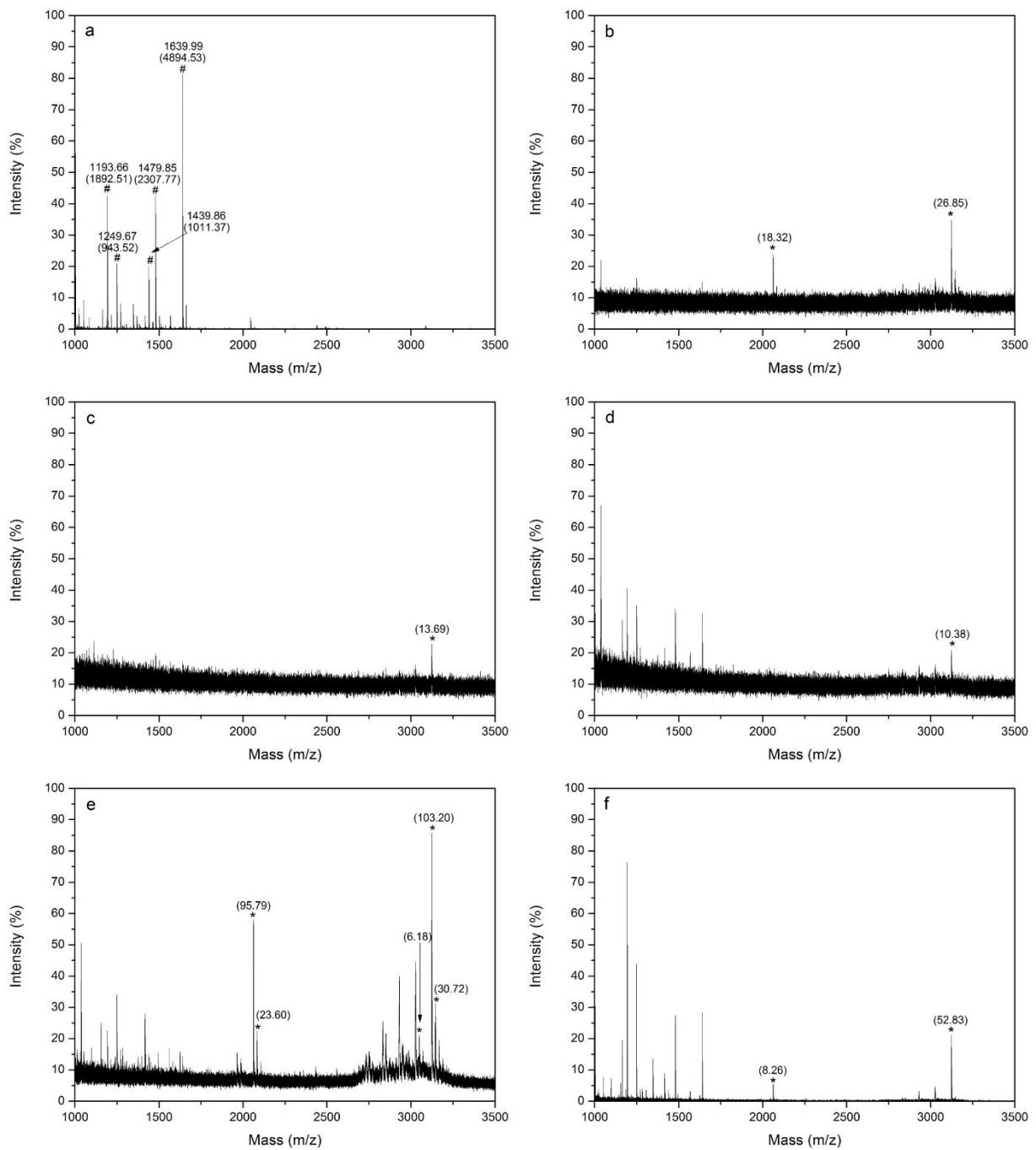


Fig. S3. MALDI-TOF MS spectra of phosphopeptides from tryptic digests of bovine β -casein and BSA (1:50 molar ratio) with different affinity materials. a. Without enrichment; b. Fe₃O₄; c. Fe₃O₄@SiO₂; d. Fe₃O₄@Lu(OH)CO₃; e. Fe₃O₄@LuPO₄; f. Commercial TiO₂. The data in parentheses represent S/N ratios.

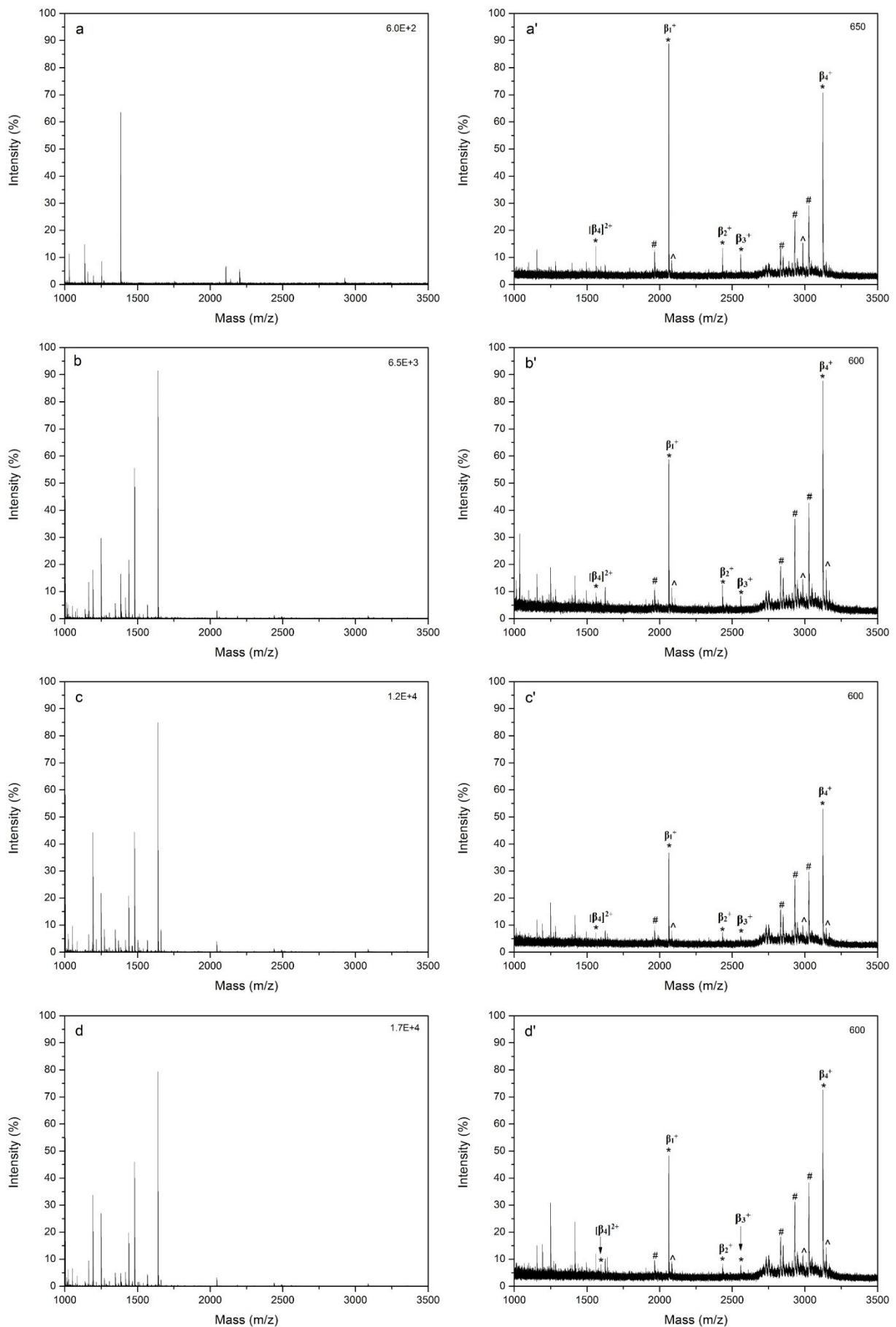


Fig. S4. MALDI-TOF MS spectra of phosphopeptides from tryptic digests of bovine β -casein and BSA with $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4@\text{LuPO}_4$ microspheres affinity materials. Left: Without enrichment; Right: After enrichment. a. 1:0; b. 1:10; c. 1:20; d. 1:50. “*”: β_1 , β_2 , β_3 , β_4 : Phosphopeptides; $[\beta_4]^{2+}$: Doubly charged; “#”: Metastable ions; “^”: Na^+ adducted ions.

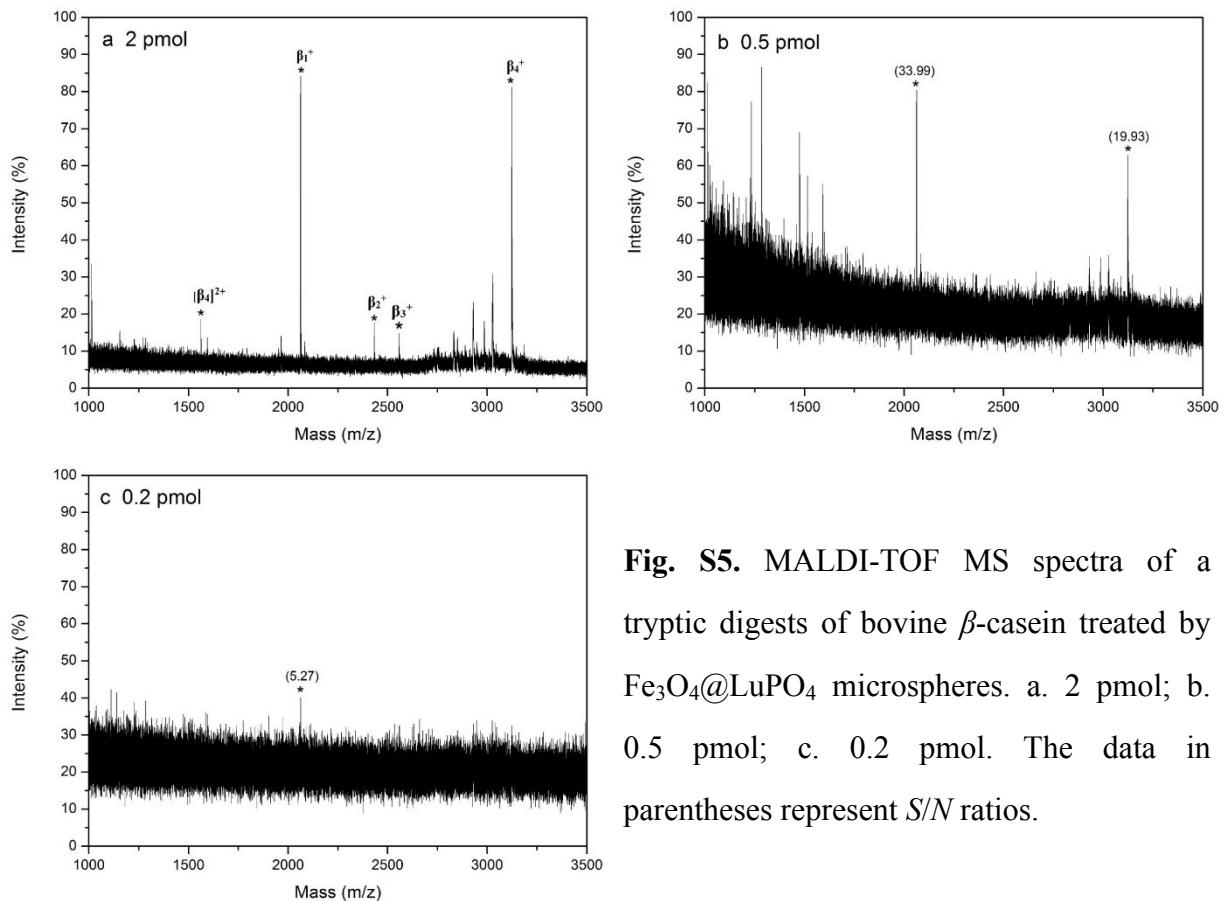


Fig. S5. MALDI-TOF MS spectra of a tryptic digests of bovine β -casein treated by $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4@\text{LuPO}_4$ microspheres. a. 2 pmol; b. 0.5 pmol; c. 0.2 pmol. The data in parentheses represent S/N ratios.

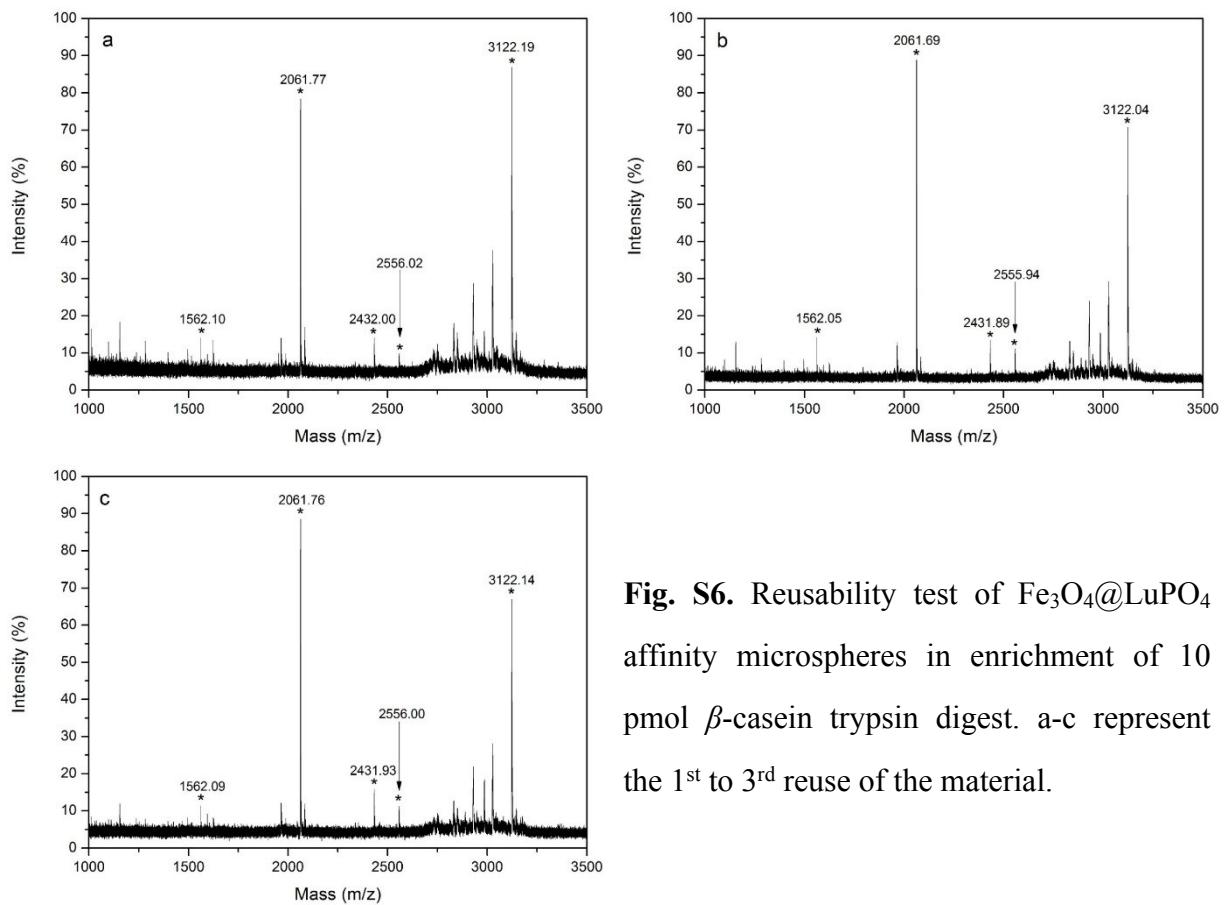
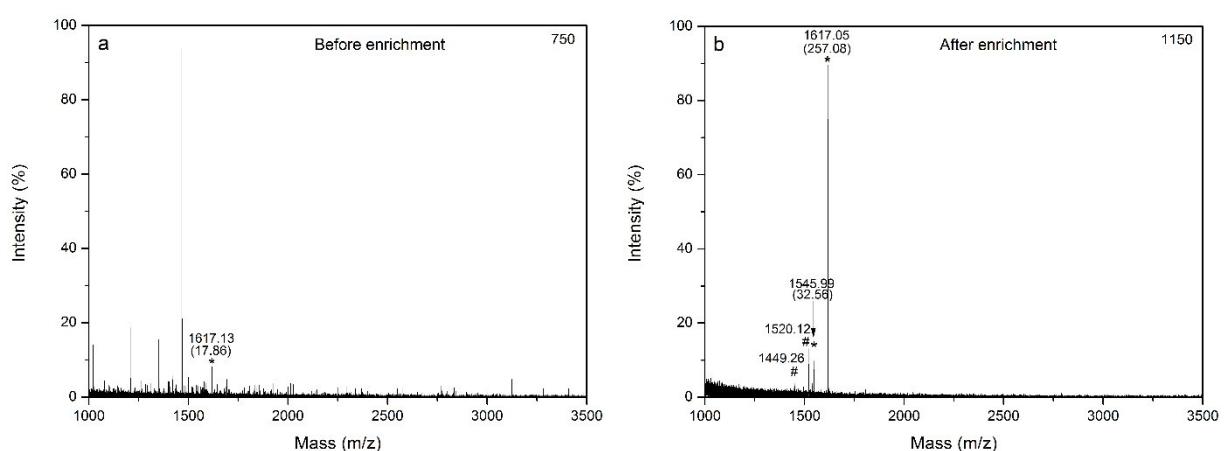
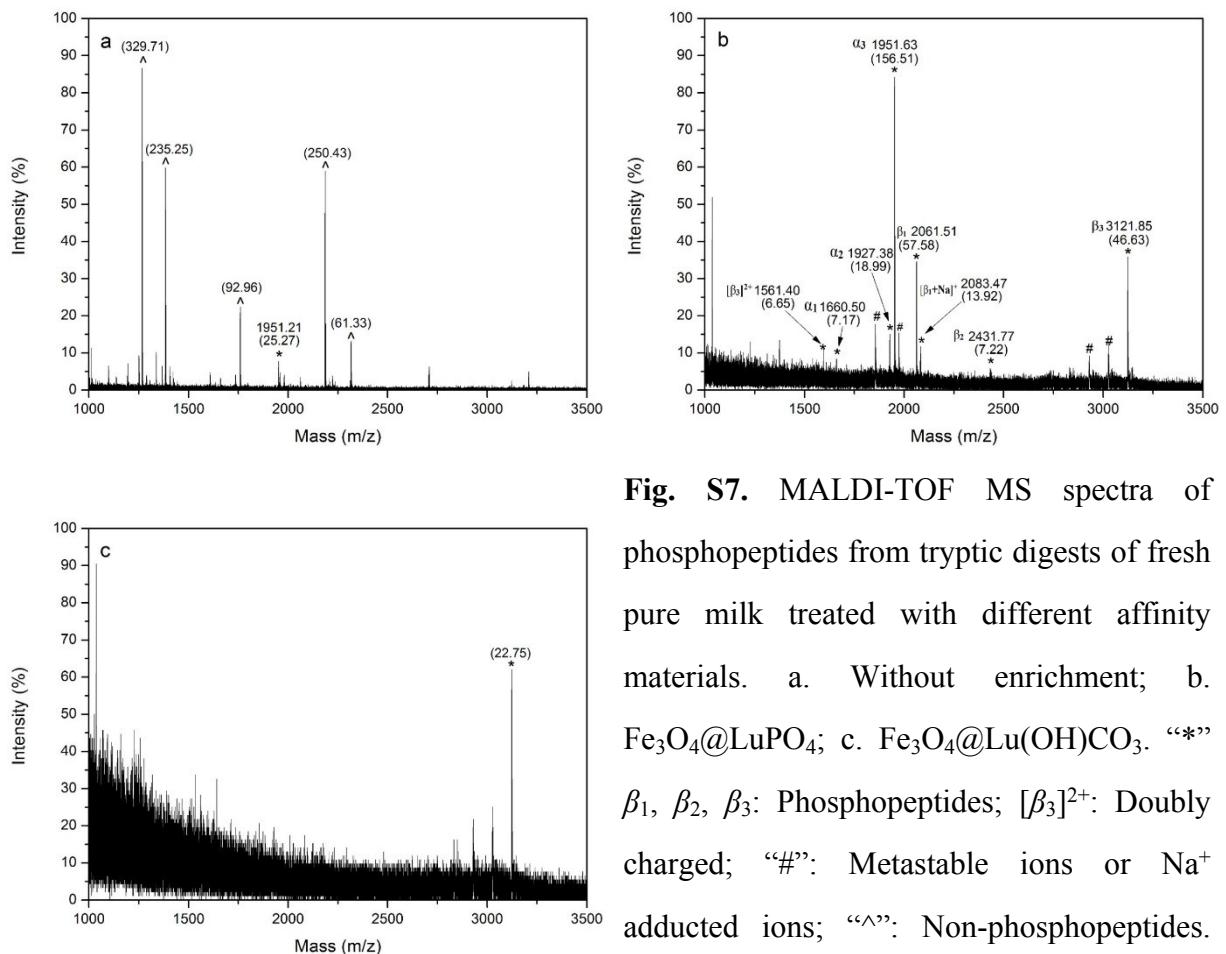


Fig. S6. Reusability test of $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4@\text{LuPO}_4$ affinity microspheres in enrichment of 10 pmol β -casein trypsin digest. a-c represent the 1st to 3rd reuse of the material.



Part 2. Supporting tables

Table S1. Identified phosphopeptides from proteolytic digests of β -casein and fresh pure milk, and human serum sample.

<i>m/z</i>	S/N	Position	Amino acid sequence (sites)
1545.99	32.56	HS1	D[pS]GEGDFLAEGGGVR (1P)
1562.05	22.46	β -(16-40)*	RELEELNVPGEIVE[pS]L[pS][pS][pS]EESITR (4P)
1617.05	257.08	HS2	AD[pS]GEGDFLAEGGGVR (1P)
1660.41	14.22	α -S1(121-134)	VPQLEIVPN[pS]AEER (1P)
1927.23	184.18	α -S1(58-73)	DIG[pS]E[pS]TEDQAMEDIK (2P)
1951.49	140.96	α -S1(119-134)	YKVPQLEIVPN[pS]AEER (1P)
2061.69	305.65	β -(48-63)	FQ[pS]EEQQQTEDELQDK (1P)
2083.69	11.16	β -(48-63) [^]	FQ[pS]EEQQQTEDELQDK-Na (1P)
2431.89	36.39	β -(45-63)	IEKFQ[pS]EEQQQTEDELQDK (1P)
2555.94	21.43	β -(48-67)	FQ[pS]EEQQQTEDELQDKIHPF (1P)
2935.50	10.69	α -S1(50-73)	EKVNEL[pS]KDID[pS]E[pS]TEDQAMEDIK (3P)
2984.09	27.98	β -(16-40) [^]	RELEELNVPGEIVE[pS]L[pS][pS][pS]EESITR-Na (2P)
3042.06	13.68	β -(16-40)	RELEELNVPGEIVE[pS]L[pS][pS][pS]EESITR (3P)
3122.04	162.86	β -(16-40)	RELEELNVPGEIVE[pS]L[pS][pS][pS]EESITR (4P)
3144.01	10.31	β -(16-40) [^]	RELEELNVPGEIVE[pS]L[pS][pS][pS]EESITR-Na (4P)

“[pS]/[pS]” shows phosphorylation on serine or probable; “Mo” indicates oxidation on methionine; “*” denotes doubly charged peak; “[^]” represents Na⁺ adducted ions peak.

Table S2. Apparent and true *m/z* of metastable ions of phosphopeptides*

<i>m/z</i>					<i>r</i>	\bar{r}
<i>M_a</i>	<i>M_b</i>	<i>M_x</i>	<i>M_c</i> (Observed)	<i>M_{c'}</i> (Calculated)		
2061.76	1963.76	1870.42	1965.32	1965.44	0.992	
3122.21	3024.21	2929.29	3027.05	3025.17	0.988	
3122.21	2926.21	2742.51	2929.62	2930.30	0.996	0.992
1617.05	1519.05	1426.99	1520.96	1520.96	0.991	
1545.99	1447.99	1356.20	1449.20	1449.88	0.993	

* Calculated by Eq. 1 (Harvey derivation formula). *M_a*: Precursor ion; *M_b*: Product ion; *M_c*: Metastable ion.

$$M_x = \frac{M_b^2}{M_a} \quad r = \frac{M_b - M_c + \sqrt{M_c(M_a - 2M_b + M_x)}}{(M_c - M_x)}$$

$$M_c' = M_a \left[\frac{1 + \frac{M_b}{M_a} r}{(1 + r)} \right]^2 \quad (1)$$

Table S3. High-abundant nonphosphopeptides from proteolytic digests of β -casein and BSA at molar ratio of 1:50.

<i>m/z</i>	S/N	Position	Amino acid sequence
1037.46	6.45	BSA(310-318) [^]	SHCIAEVEK-Na
1154.58	24.08	β -(113-122)	VKEA[Mo]APKHK
1249.59	29.89	BSA(35-44)	FKDLGEEHFK
1416.68	27.95	BSA(569-580)	TV[Mo]ENFVAFVDK
1495.77	11.65	BSA(387-399)	DDPHACYSTVFDK

“Mo” indicates oxidation on methionine; “[^]” represents Na⁺ adducted ions peak.

Table S4. High-abundant non-phosphopeptides from proteolytic digest of fresh pure milk (S/N > 60)

<i>m/z</i>	S/N	Position	Amino acid sequence
1267.22	329.71	α -S1 (106-115)	YLGYLEQLLR
1384.19	235.25	α -S1(38-49)	FFVAPFPEVFGK
1759.30	92.96	α -S1(23-37)	HQGLPQEVLNENLLR
2185.37	250.43	α -S2(18-36)	TMEHVSSSEESIISQETYK
2315.30	61.33	α -S1 (148-166)	EPMIGVNQELAYFYPELFR