

## **Electronic Supplementary Material**

### **Development of a low pressure chromatographic flow system for monitoring biodegradation of ofloxacin and ciprofloxacin**

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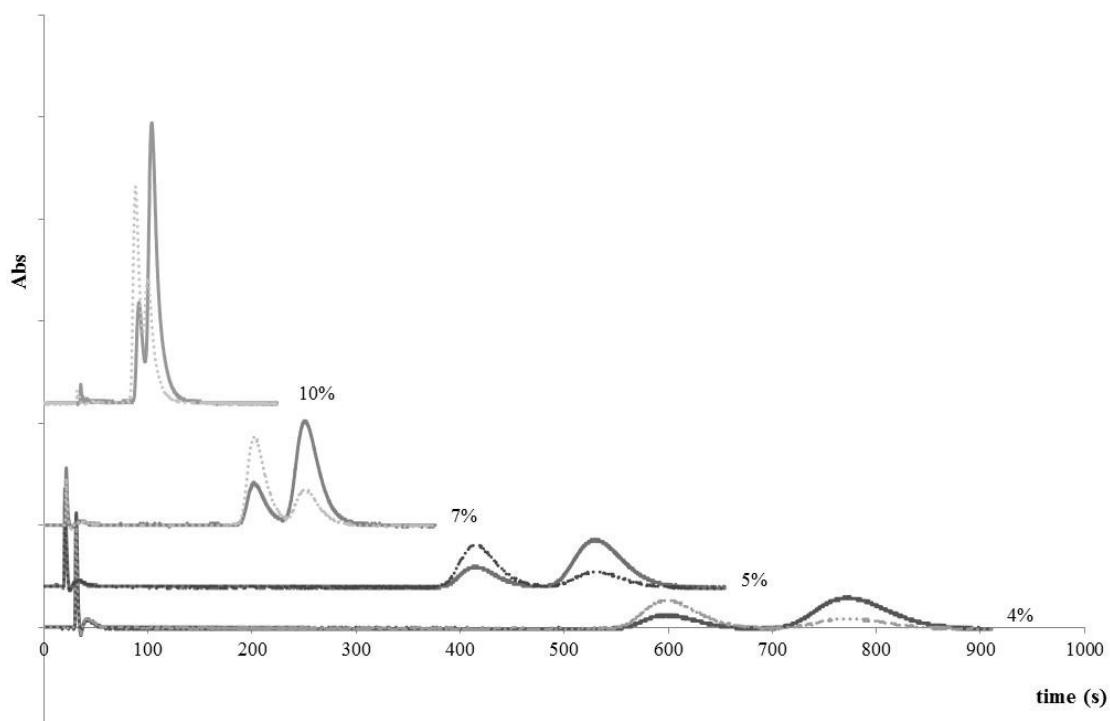
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**Table S1** Flow injection low pressure chromatography methods using a monolithic column; LOD, limit of detection; RSD, relative deviation

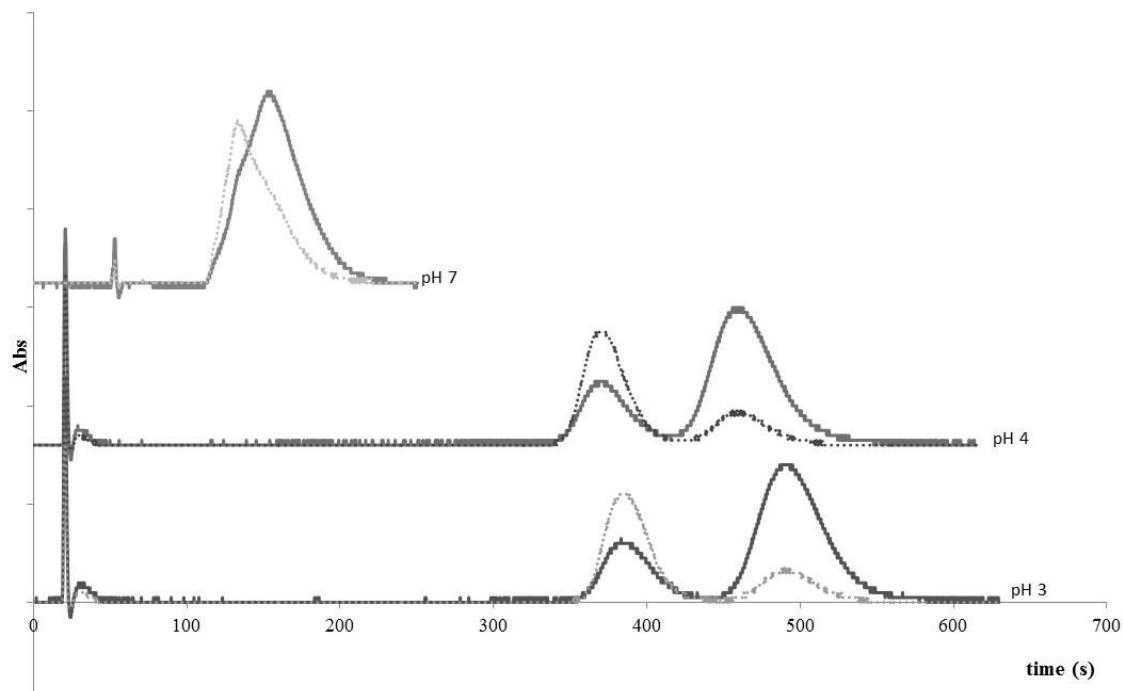
Analyte(s)	Column	Mobile phase	Sample pre-treatment	Detection	Dynamic range	LOD	RSD, %	Determination Rate (h <sup>-1</sup> )	Sample	Reference
Vitamin A	C-18 Sep-Pak/ C18	65:35 MeOH:0.075 M acetate buffer pH 5.0	-	Electrochemical	6 - 180 ng	300 pg	3.8	n. g.	Multi-vitamin preparation	11
Immunoglobulin	Protein A immobilized to a activated Fractogel	Buffer	-	Compared to radial immune-diffusion	4 - 8 mg mL <sup>-1</sup>		<3	6	Biological samples	12
Inorganic Arsenic	Anion exchange cartridge and C18 cartridges	20 mM phosphate buffer pH 7	SPE	Hydride generation atomic fluorescence	1 - 10 ng mL <sup>-1</sup>	0.2, 0.4 ng mL <sup>-1</sup>	-	40	Water	13
Hemoglobin	DEAE-Sephadex A-50 anion exchange resin	0.05 M Tris-HCl buffer pH 6.5, 7.5, 8.5	Dilution	Spectrophotometry (Vis)	1.2 - 20.7%	-	<4.6	1	Blood	14
Cadmium, lead, zinc	Cation exchange column	3 mM Tartaric acid and 1 mM oxalic acid	Digestion and Preconcentration	Conductometry	6 - 60; 18 - 180; 60 - 600 µg	5, 3, 4 µg	3.1 - 5.1	1	Zinc ore	15
Antioxidants, preservatives, sweetener additives	C18 monolithic column	4% ACN: 10 mM phosphate buffer pH 6.0 for 200s changed to 30% MeOH	SPE	Spectrophotometry (UV)	0.03 - 80 µg mL <sup>-1</sup>	0.01 - 1.60 µg mL <sup>-1</sup>	0.93-2.82	9	Food and cosmetics	16
Opiate alkaloids and biogenic amines	C18 monolithic column	100 mM acetone	-	Chemiluminescence	-	3x10 <sup>-9</sup> - 1x10 <sup>-8</sup> M; 2x10 <sup>-8</sup> - 5x10 <sup>-7</sup> M	<4.6	-	Human urine	17

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Aspartame, acesulfame-K, and saccharin	Quaternary amine ion exchange monolithic disc	0.03 M pH 9.0 Tris buffer, 0.4 M NaCl and 0.005 M NaClO <sub>4</sub>	SPE	Spectrophotometry (UV)	9.5 - 130; 2.2 - 600; 3.0 - 600 µg mL <sup>-1</sup>	2.87; 1.0; 0.9 µg mL <sup>-1</sup>	1.46; 0.08; 0.09	7	Food and soft drinks	18
Parabens	C18 monolithic column	12% ACN for 75s changed to 27% ACN	-	Chemiluminescence	8.3x10 <sup>-7</sup> - 3.3x10 <sup>-4</sup> M	1.9x10 <sup>-8</sup> - 9.9x10 <sup>-5</sup> M	3.5 - 6.2	24	Cosmetic samples	19
Methylparaben, ethylparaben, propylparaben, butylparaben	C18 monolithic column	12% ACN for 75s changed to 27% ACN	Extraction, preconcentration, filtration	Spectrophotometry (UV)	1.6x10 <sup>-5</sup> -1.1x10 <sup>-3</sup> ; 3.7x10 <sup>-5</sup> -2.0x10 <sup>-3</sup> ; 3.9x10 <sup>-5</sup> -2.0x10 <sup>-3</sup> ; 6.0x10 <sup>-5</sup> -2.0x10 <sup>-3</sup> M	4.8x10 <sup>-4</sup> ; 1.2x10 <sup>-5</sup> ; 1.2x10 <sup>-5</sup> ; 1.8x10 <sup>-5</sup> M	0.65; 1.2; 1.2; 1.8	n.g.	Commercial cosmetics	20
Chloride, bromide, iodide	Ion-exchange column	4.0 mM sodium carbonate	-	Spectrophotometry (Vis)	0.15 - 35; 0.03 - 5.0; 0.10 - 25.0 mg L <sup>-1</sup>	0.011, 0.002, 0.023 mg L <sup>-1</sup>	<2.9	10, 8, 4	Aquatic samples	21
Phenolic compounds	C18 monolithic column	Acetate buffer pH 3, 5% ACN	SPE	Chemiluminescence	0.06 - 230 µM	0.1, 4 µM	2.8 - 6.8	13	Healthcare products	22
Methylxanthines	C18 monolithic column	2:98 ACN:water	-	Spectrophotometry (UV)	5x10 <sup>-6</sup> - 5x10 <sup>-5</sup> ; 2x10 <sup>-5</sup> - 1x10 <sup>-3</sup> M	2x10 <sup>-6</sup> , 2.9x10 <sup>-6</sup> , 1.7x10 <sup>-5</sup> M	<6	10	Coffee brewed samples	23
Sugars and ethanol	Micro-guard cation H <sup>+</sup> cartridge	5 mM H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub>	-	Spectrophotometry (UV)	up to 12 g L <sup>-1</sup> and up to 2% (v/v)	2.3 g L <sup>-1</sup>	<4	36	Vinification process and port wine	24
Niacin	C18 monolithic column	2.5 mM HCl	-	Amperometry	-	7.9x10 <sup>-7</sup> M	<5	10	Coffee	25

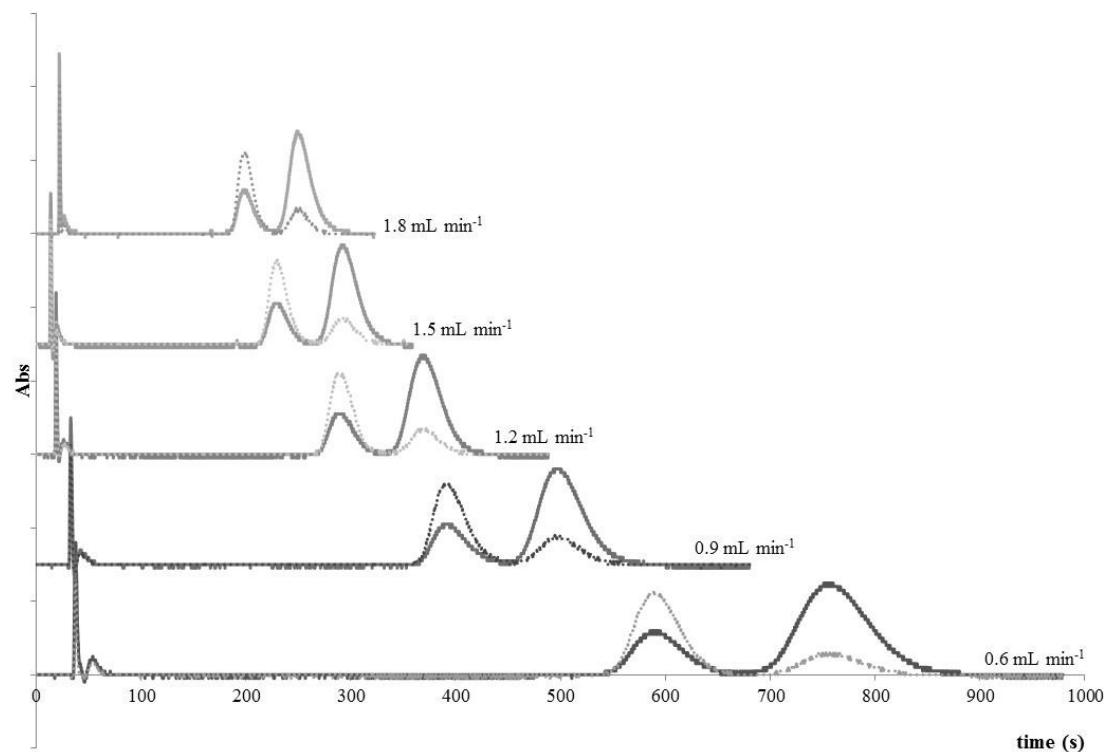
DEAE, diethylaminoethyl; SPE, solid phase extraction.



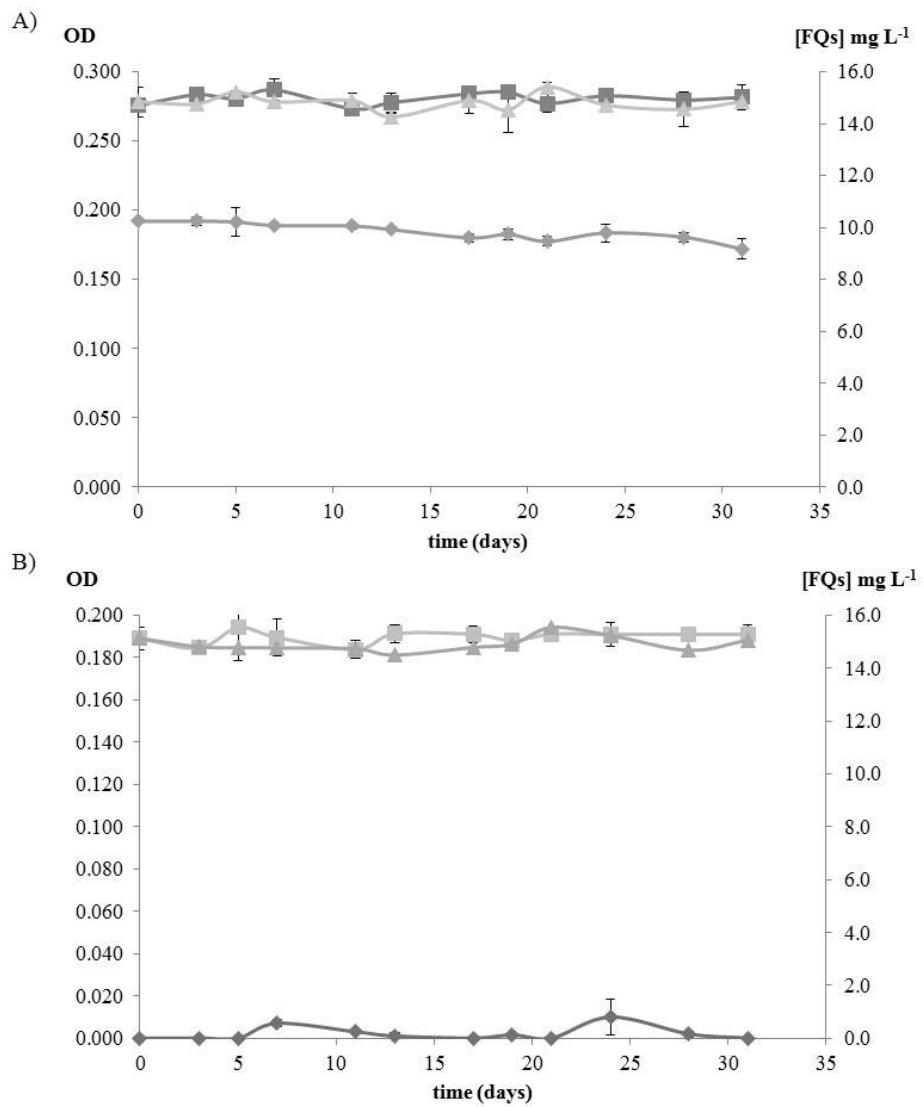
**Fig. S1** Effect of mobile phase composition (ACN percentage) on peak elution using a 1 cm monolithic column at a flow rate of  $0.8 \text{ mL min}^{-1}$  and pH 3.0. Dashed line, ofloxacin; full line, ciprofloxacin.



**Fig. S2** Effect of mobile phase pH on peak elution using a 1 cm monolithic column at a flow rate of  $0.8 \text{ mL min}^{-1}$  and a carrier of 5:95 ACN:Phosphate buffer. Dashed line, ofloxacin; full line, ciprofloxacin.



**Fig. S3** Effect of flow rate on peak elution using a 1 cm monolithic column and a carrier of 5:95 ACN:Phosphate buffer pH 3.0. Dashed line, ofloxacin; full line, ciprofloxacin.



**Fig. S4** Degradation profile of A) FQs inoculated with dead cells of *L. portucalensis* F11 and B) FQs in un-inoculated assay during 30 days: ♦ represents OD values, ■ represents OFLO values; ▲ represents CIPRO values. Data points represent the mean of duplicates and the error bars the standard deviation of the duplicates. OD measured at 600 nm.