

## **Stability and Biosimilarity Assessment of Infliximab using Orthogonal Testing Protocol and Statistically-guided Interpretation of Peptide Mapping**

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**Supporting Data 1: Bioanalytical Techniques**

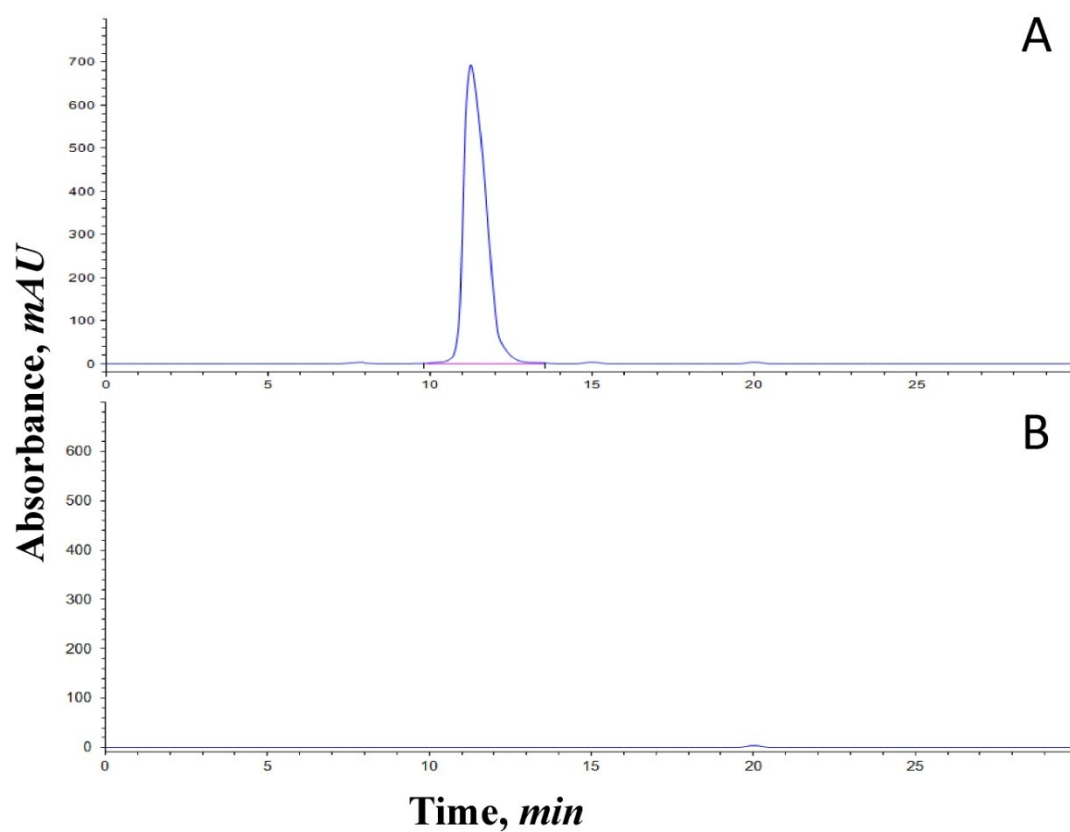


Fig. S1: SE-HPLC chromatograms of A) Infliximab standard and B) Formulation buffer. The analysis was carried out using YMC-Pack-Diol 300 analytical column, a mobile phase of 0.4M sodium perchlorate monohydrate in 40mM phosphate buffer ( $\text{pH} 6.8 \pm 0.05$ ), flow rate  $0.8 \text{ mL min}^{-1}$  and a detection wavelength of 214 nm.

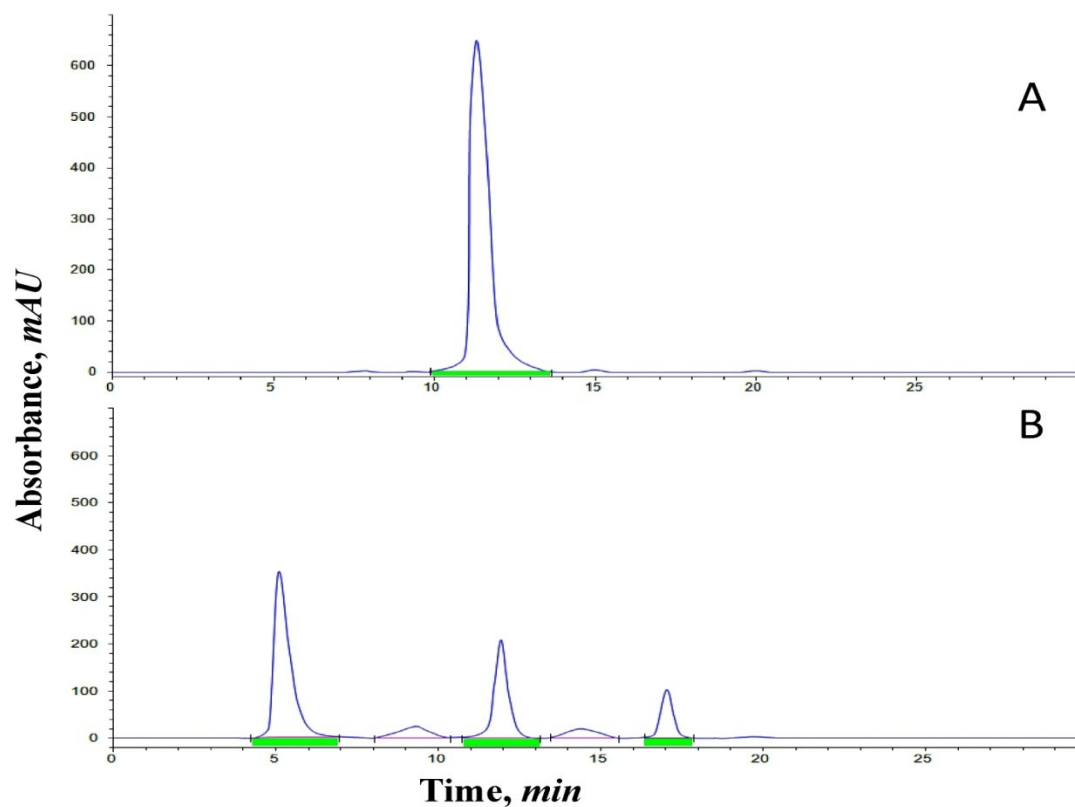


Fig. S2: SE-HPLC chromatograms showing peak purity of A) standard Infliximab and B) degraded sample (4 weeks at 37°C at pH 4.0). The analysis was carried out using YMC-Pack-Diol 300 analytical column, a mobile phase of 0.4M sodium perchlorate monohydrate in 40mM phosphate buffer (pH 6.8  $\pm$  0.05), flow rate 0.8 mL min<sup>-1</sup> and a detection wavelength of 214 nm.

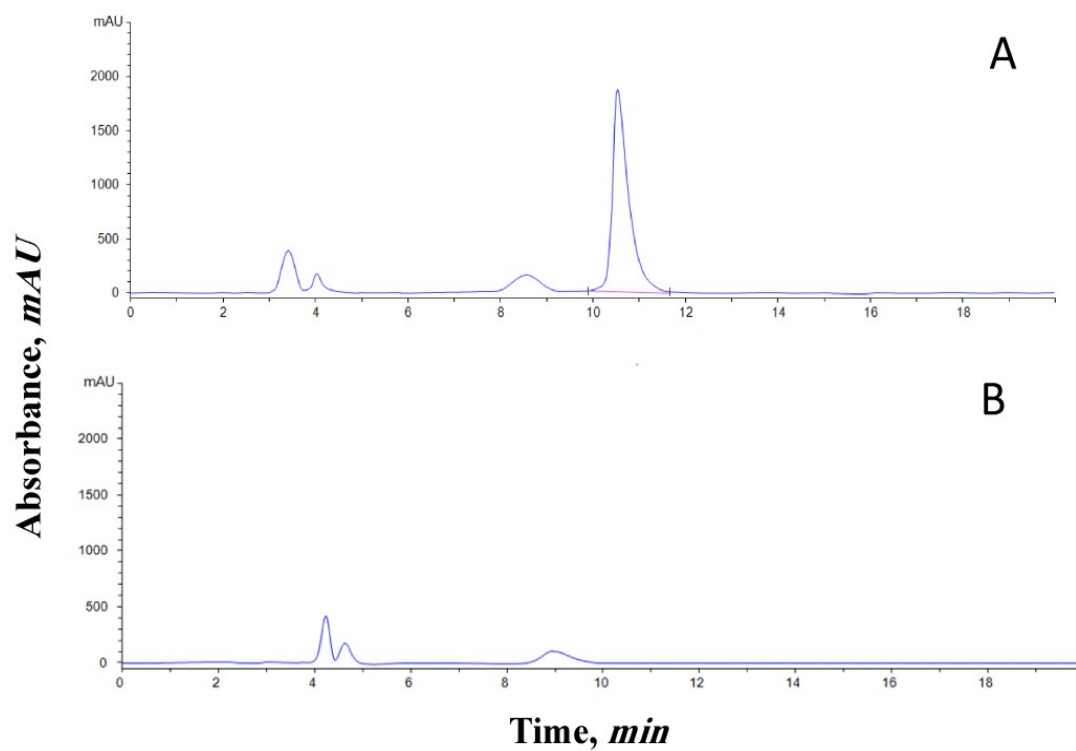


Fig. S3: RP-HPLC chromatograms of A) Infliximab standard and B) Formulation buffer. The analysis was carried out using Zorbax SB-C8 column, a mobile phase of solvent A (0.1 % TFA in water) and solvent B (0.1 % TFA in acetonitrile), flow rate  $1.0\text{ mL min}^{-1}$  and a detection wavelength of 214 nm.

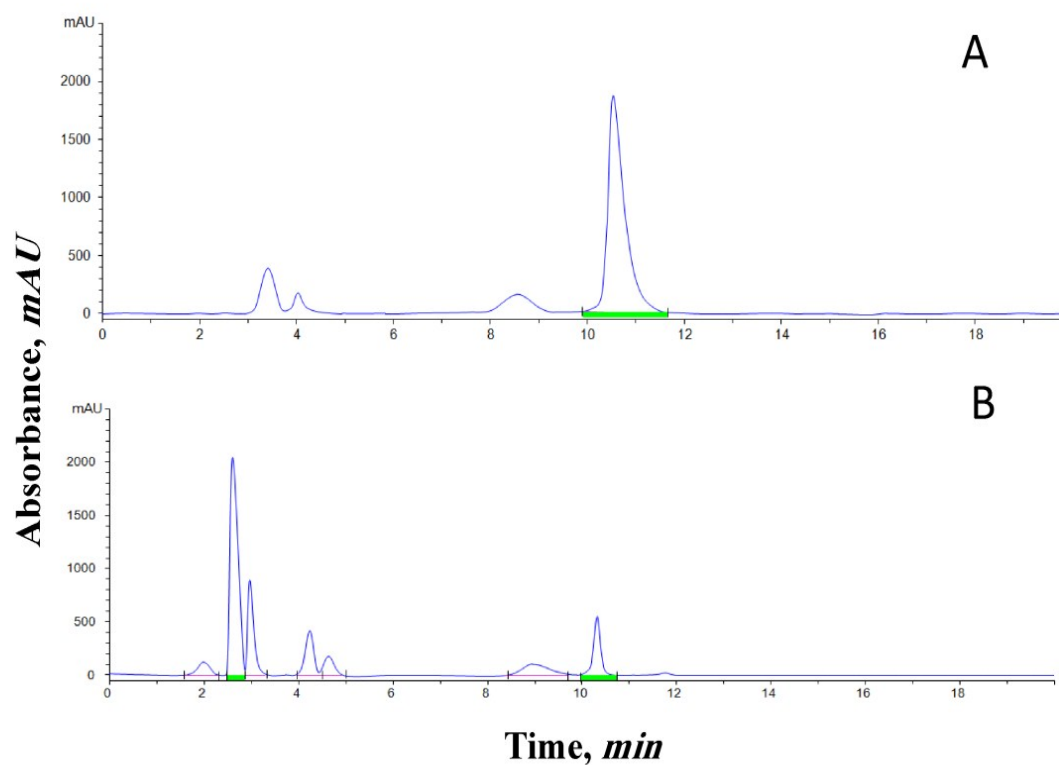


Fig. S4: RP-HPLC chromatograms showing peak purity of A) Infliximab standard and B) oxidized sample. The analysis was carried out using Zorbax SB-C8 column, a mobile phase of solvent A (0.1 % TFA in water) and solvent B (0.1 % TFA in acetonitrile), flow rate 1.0 mL min<sup>-1</sup> and a detection wavelength of 214 nm.

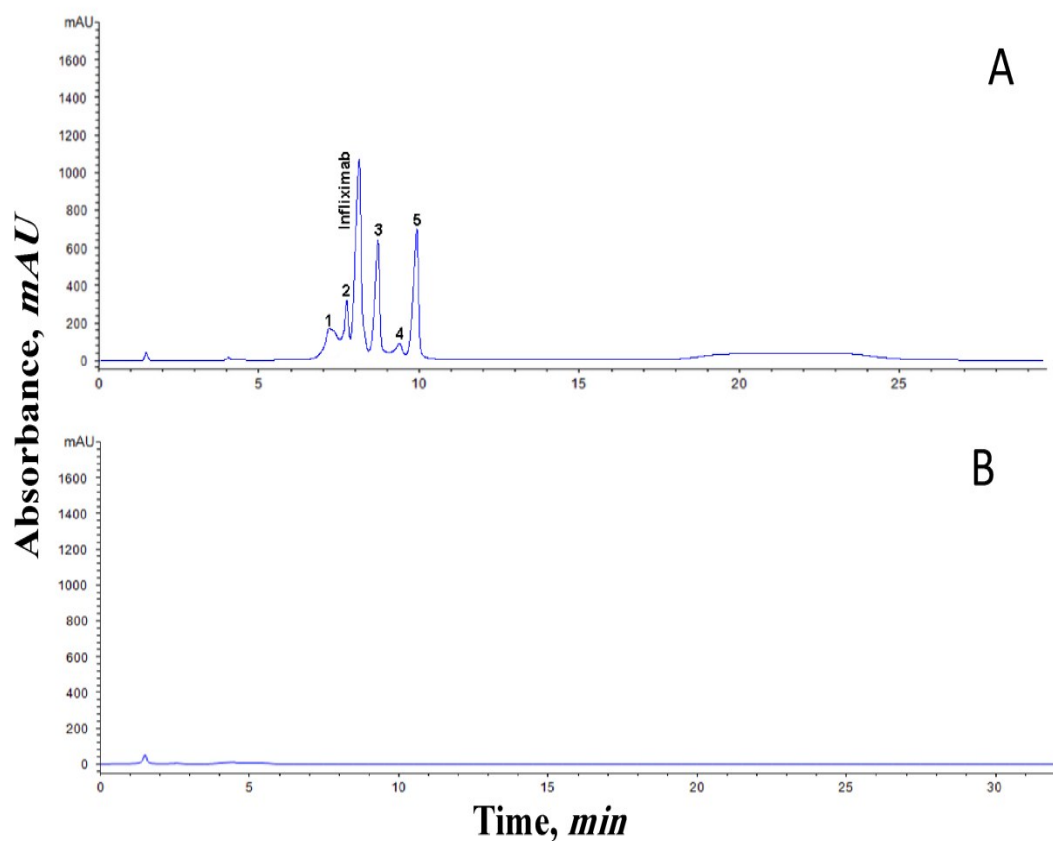


Fig. S5: CEX-HPLC chromatogram of A) Infiximab standard and B) formulation buffer. Peak 1, 2: acidic isoforms, Infiximab: main isoform, peak 3, 4&5: basic isoforms. The analysis was carried out using Pro Pac WCX-10 analytical column, gradient elution using mobile phase of solvent A 10mM sodium phosphate, (pH 7.25 $\pm$ 0.05) and solvent B 10 mM sodium phosphate, 1M sodium chloride, (pH 7.25 $\pm$ 0.05), flow rate 0.8 mL min<sup>-1</sup> and detection wavelength of 214 nm.

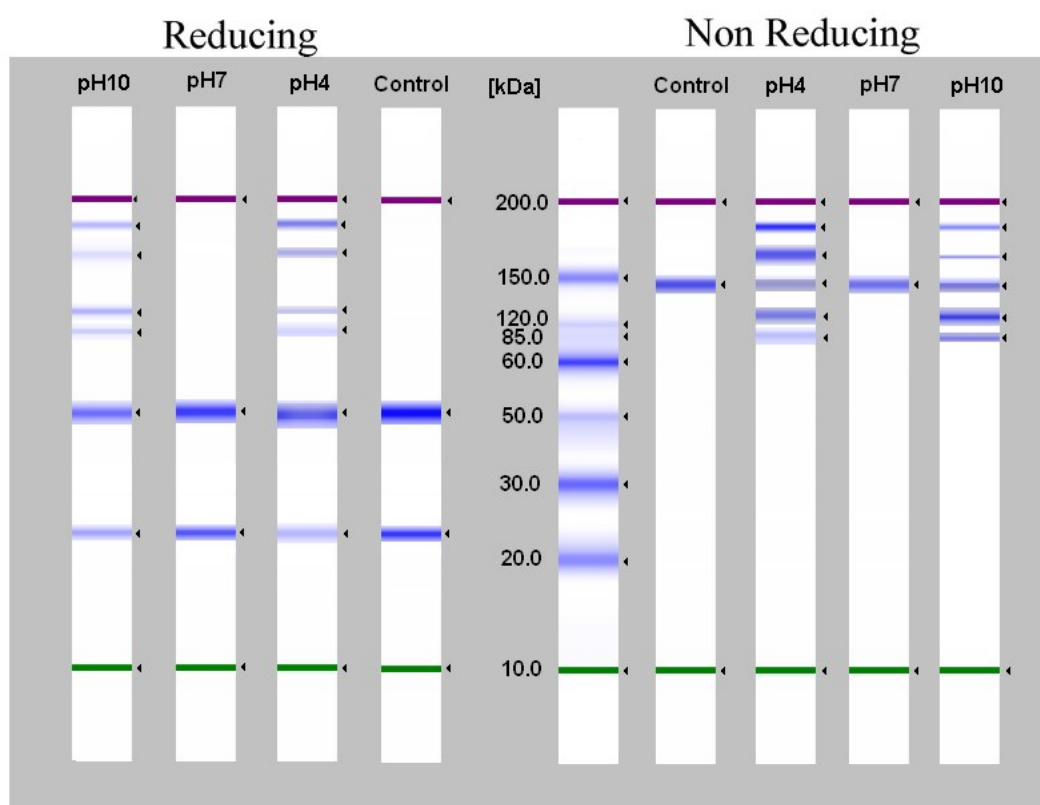


Fig. S6: Stained gels showing the effect of pH on the stability of Infliximab (Control) using Tape Station electrophoresis under reducing and non-reducing conditions after incubation for 4 weeks at 37 °C.

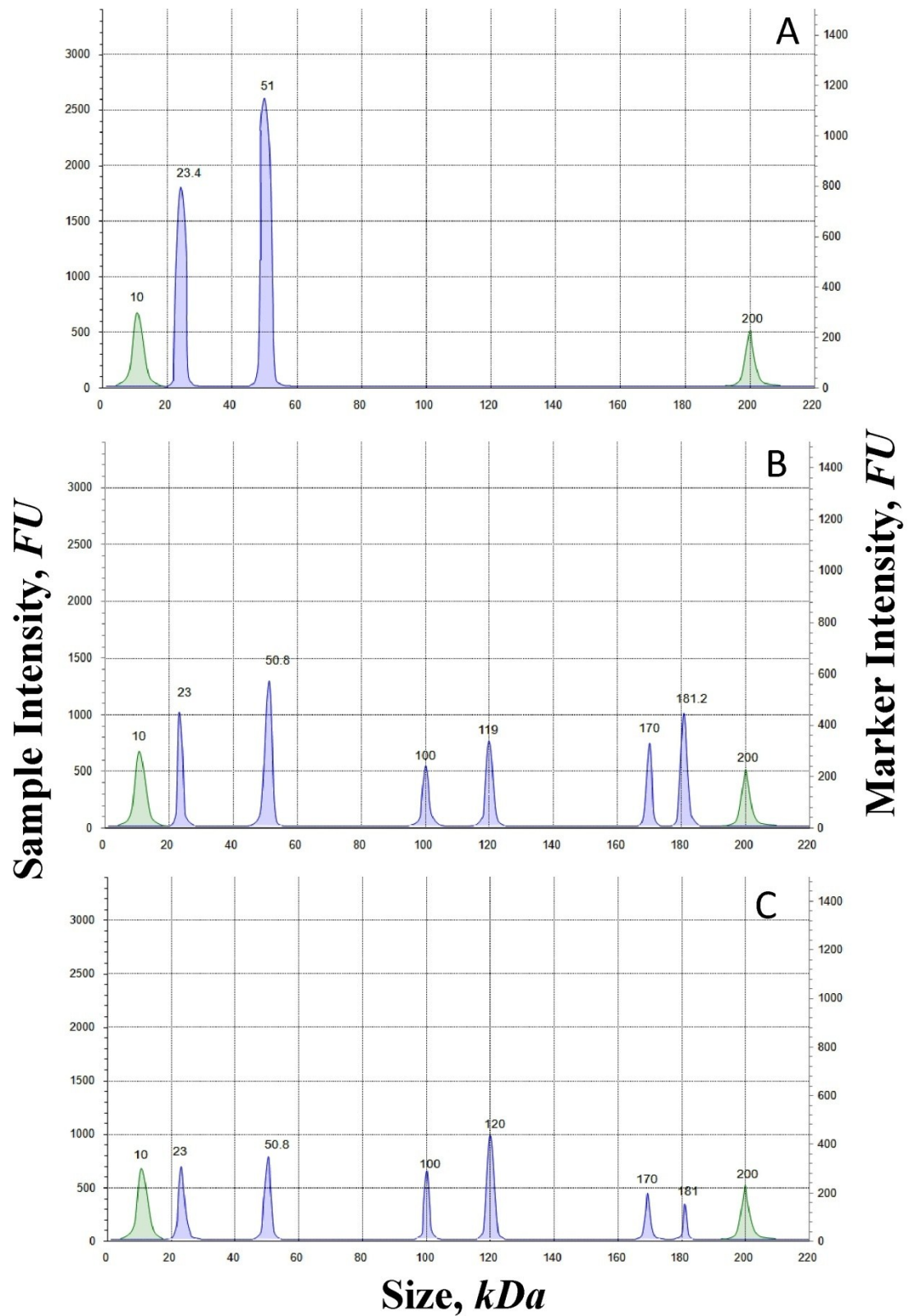


Fig. S7: Effect of pH under reducing conditions, using TapeStation electrophoresis (A) control, (B) pH 4.0, (C) pH 10.0 after incubation for 4 weeks at 37 °C.

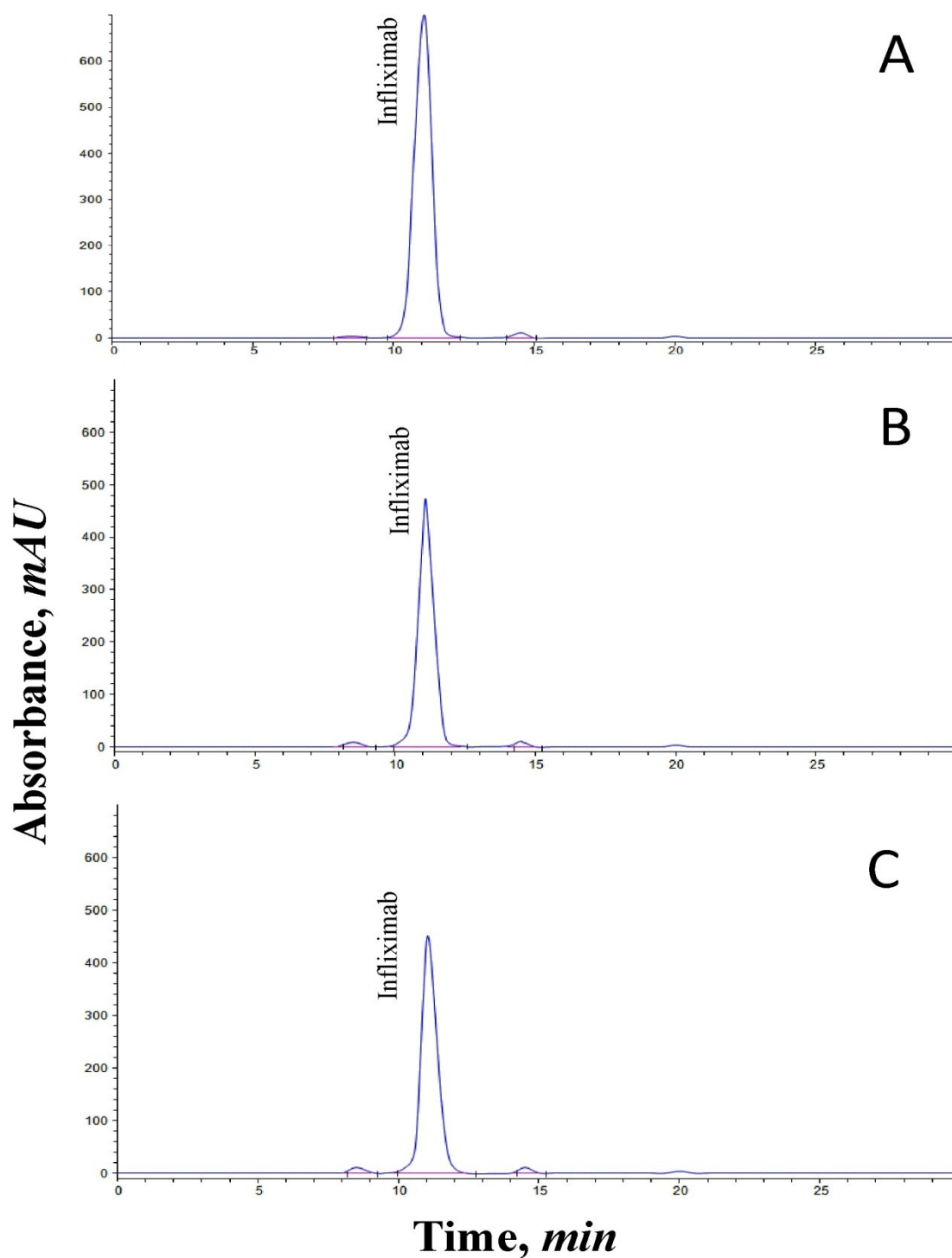


Fig. S8: Effect of agitation using SE-HPLC, A) 10, B) 30 and C) 60 minutes showing high molecular weight aggregates and low molecular weight fragments. The analysis was carried out using YMC-Pack-Diol 300 analytical column, a mobile phase of 0.4M sodium perchlorate monohydrate in 40mM phosphate buffer ( $\text{pH} 6.8 \pm 0.05$ ), flow rate  $0.8 \text{ mL min}^{-1}$  and a detection wavelength of 214 nm.

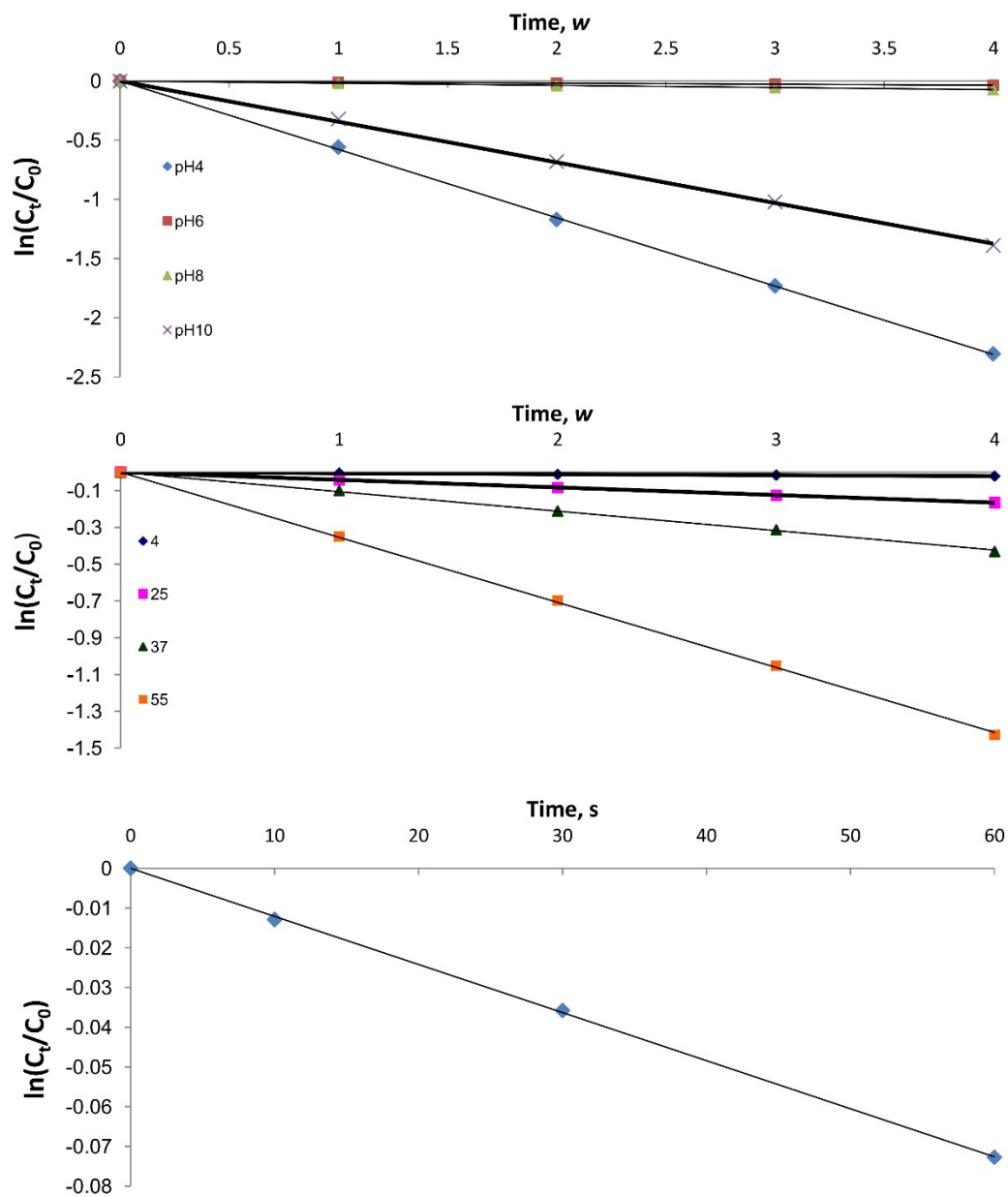


Fig. S9: Plots showing the first order kinetics model representing the degradation of Infiximab under the effect of A) pH, B) temperature and C) mechanical agitation at different time points.