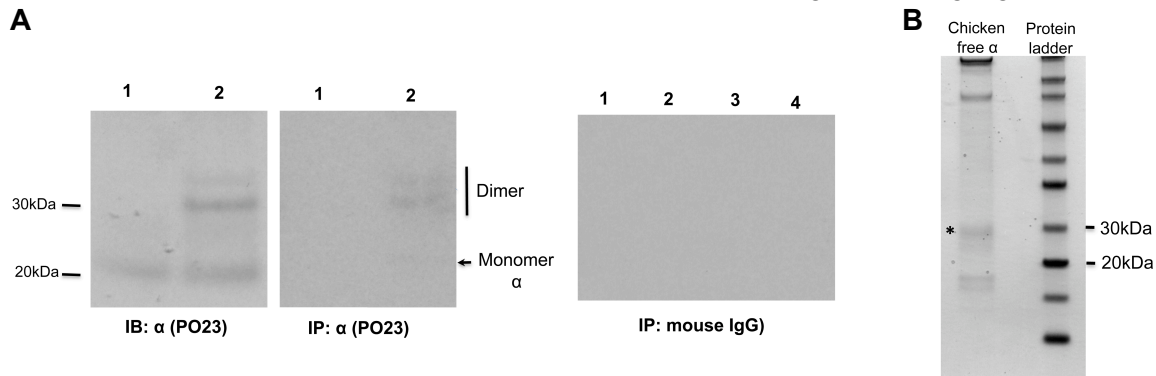


Figure S5. Negative control for the Fig 3B and Tandem MS-MS fragment mass mapping.

A) Left, immunoblot of media from cells expressing wild type human α -subunit alone and human inhibin A under non-reducing or reducing conditions. Middle, immunoblot of media from cells expressing human free α or human inhibin A that were labeled with [³⁵S]-cysteine for 48 hours. Media were collected and immunoprecipitated with an anti- α -subunit monoclonal antibody PO23 and then subjected to SDS-PAGE under non-reducing conditions and autoradiography. Right, negative control immunoblot of mouse IgG-immunoprecipitated [³⁵S]-cysteine labeled media. Labels 1, 2, 3 and 4 indicate media from cells expressing $\alpha^{\text{Hwt}}/\alpha^{\text{Hwt}}$, $\alpha^{\text{Hwt}}/\beta\text{A}$, $\alpha^{\text{Chwt}}/\alpha^{\text{Chwt}}$ and α^{Chwt} , respectively. **B)** The culture media from the chicken α -subunit alone expression cell was collected and immunoprecipitated with an anti- α -subunit monoclonal antibody PO23 and subjected to SDS-PAGE under non-reducing conditions. The gel was stained with Coomassie. The band marked with “*” is supposed chicken α - α homodimer band. The molecular weight is around 30kDa. **C)** The band was digested with MS grade trypsin and subjected to tandem MS-MS analysis. Using the SwissProt database, the resulting fragment from the band mapped to the chicken inhibin α -subunit mature domain. The matched fragment is highlighted in red.



Chicken inhibin a full length sequence:

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