

Supporting Information for

The redox capacity of an extracellular matrix protein associated with adhesion in

Mytilus californianus*

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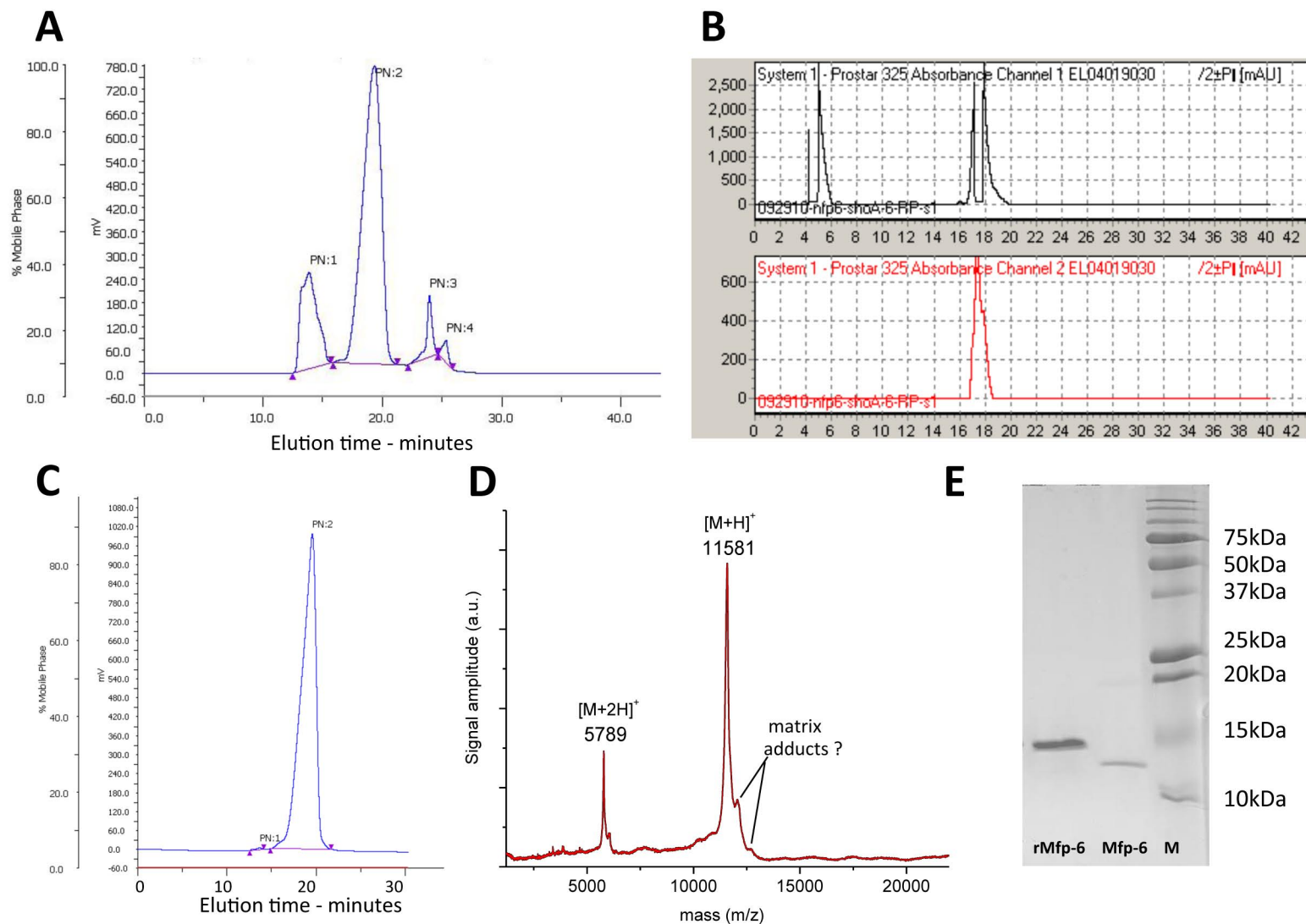


Figure S1: Purification of Mfp-6 extracted from mussel feet using sequential RP-HPLC and size exclusion chromatography. (A) Dialyzed and freeze-dried samples were reconstituted in 5% acetic acid before the application to size exclusion chromatography (Shodex KW-G pre-column and KW-803 main column with flow rate = 0.5 ml/min, time = 80 min). Mfp-6 elutes between 16-22 min. (B) Fractions “PN:2” were collected, filtered through a 0.2 μ m membrane filter, and subjected to C8 RP-HPLC chromatography. A linear gradient beginning with double deionized water and 0.1% TFA (solvent #1) and ending in acetonitrile and 0.1% TFA (solvent #2) over three steps: 5-30min = 5-30% (#2), 30-60 min = 25-38% (#2), 60-80min = 38-100% (#2). Flow rate = 1 ml/min. Mfp-6 typically elutes after 16-20 min. (C) RP-HPLC fractions were collected and subjected to another SEC purification (flow rate = 0.5 ml/min, time = 30 min). Pure Mfp-6 typically eluted around 16-22 min. Final fractions selected for NMR analysis exhibited near homogeneity by MALDI-TOF (D) and 16% SDS PAGE (E). MALDI shoulders (+ Δ 200 Da) indicate adduct formation with matrix. SDS PAGE suggests slight dimerization in Mfp-6. MALDI-TOF conditions were: Matrix= α -cyano-4-hydroxycinnamic acid, Accelerating Voltage=25,000 V, Grid Voltage=93%, Guide Wire Voltage=0.3, Delay Time=300ms.

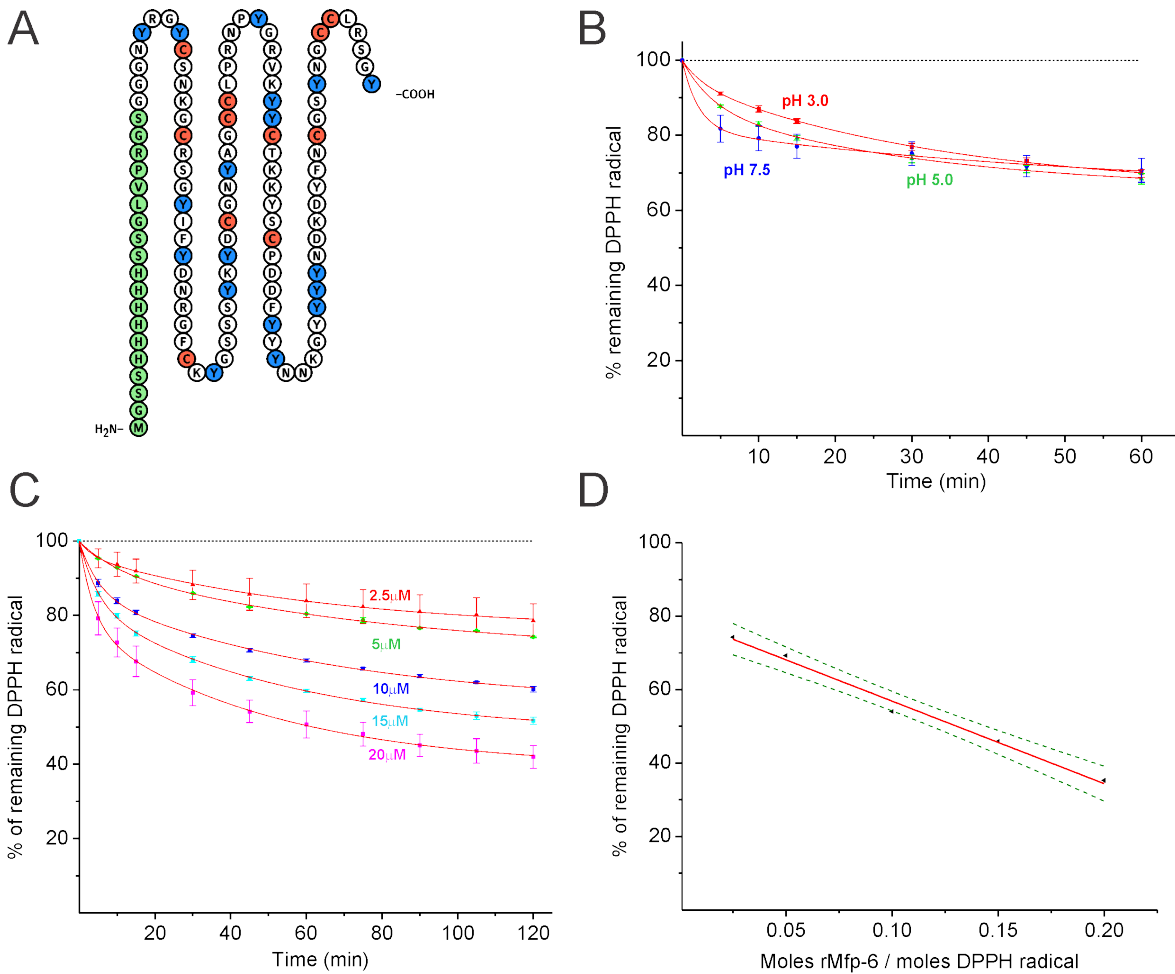


Figure S2: Reaction kinetics of DPPH radical reduction by a recombinant Mfp-6 protein. The construction of the active rMfp-6 protein (A) has been described previously (1). Time course of DPPH radical (100 μM) quenching by the DOPA-less rMfp-6 protein (2.5 μM) at pH 3, 5, and 7.5 (B). The lower panels show the time course of the reaction kinetics of DPPH radical reduction by rMfp-6 at varying protein concentrations at pH 3 (C) and the extrapolated fraction of remaining DPPH radical (%) at infinite time for the range of additive concentrations between 2.5 and 20 μM with an initial DPPH concentration of 100 μM (D). See the main text for more details.

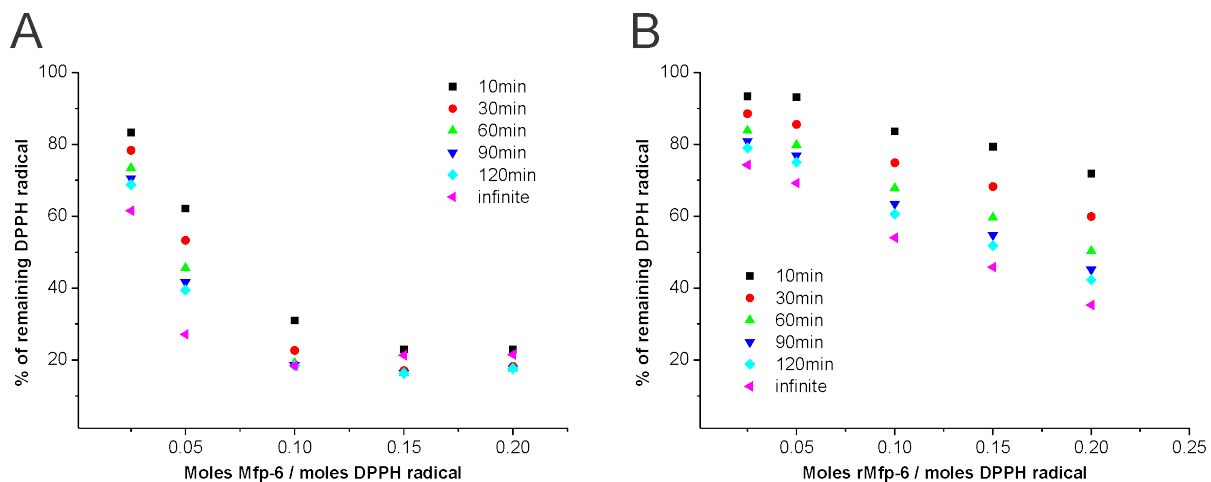


Figure S3: The reduction of DPPH radical as a function of the number of moles of Mfp-6 (A) or rMfp-6 (B) per mole DPPH radical at defined time points. To calculate the EC_{50} value for Mfp-6 and rMfp-6 interaction kinetics with the DPPH radical, the percentage of remaining DPPH radical at different time points (10min, 30min, 60min, 90min, 120min, infinite time) was evaluated as a function of the molar ratios of antioxidant to DPPH. The fraction of DPPH remaining after infinite time (F_i) was calculated using the function $F_i = (A1 + A2)/A0$, where A1 and A2 are the amplitudes and A0 is the initial absorbance of the DPPH solution prior to the addition of Mfp-6 or rMfp-6. For details, please refer to the main text and (2).

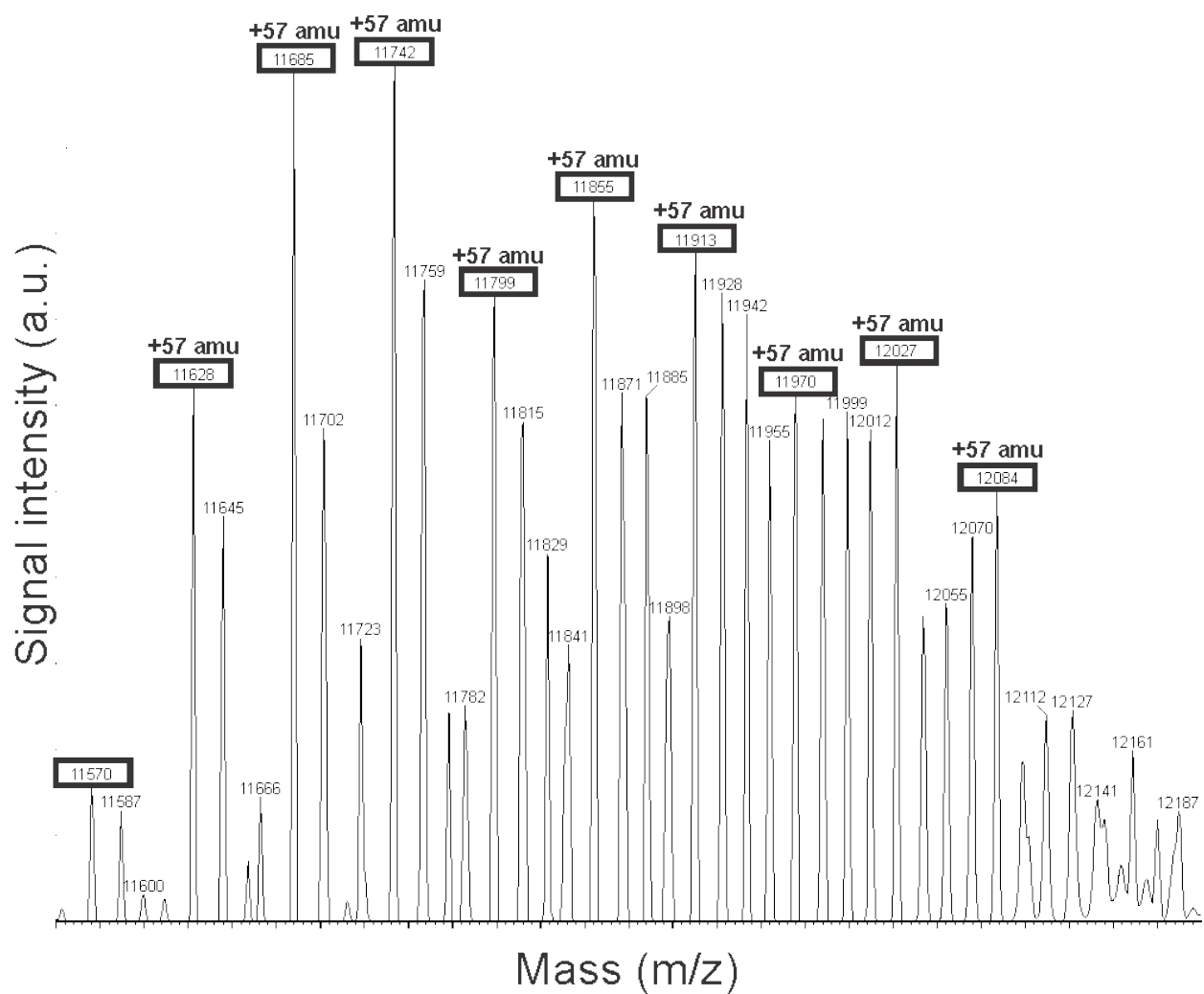


Figure S4: ESI Q TOF2 mass spectrum of IAM-labeled Mfp-6 at pH 3. S-amidomethylation of free sulfhydryl groups in Mfp-6 using 2-iodoacetamide (IAM) leads to mass shifts in increments of +57 Da per labeled residue. Unlabeled Mfp-6 protein has an apparent mass of 11,570 Da.

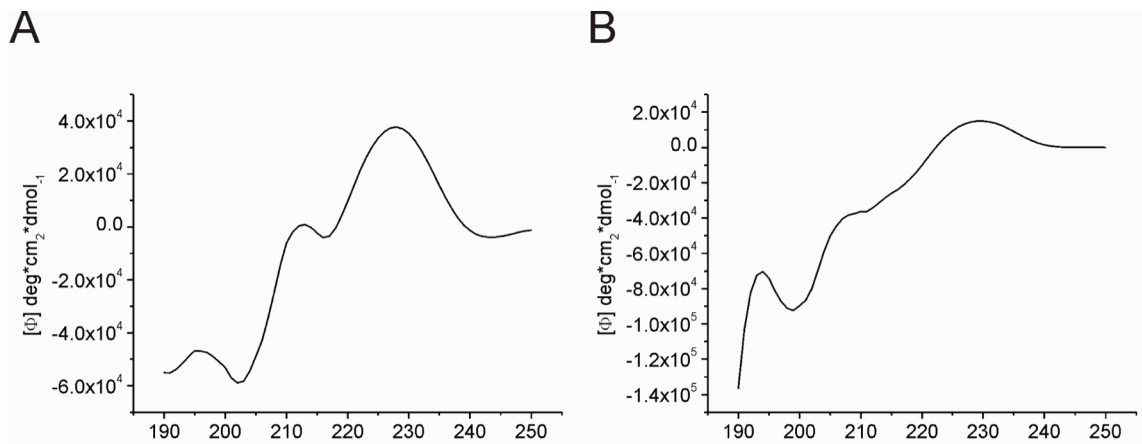


Figure S5: Far UV circular dichroism spectra of Mfp-6 (A) and rMfp-6 (B) in acetic acid buffer at pH 3. No typical signatures of secondary structure were detectable by CD in the foot-extracted and recombinant Mfp-6. The respective far-UV spectrum at RT shows no simple secondary structure elements in Mfp-6. However, less negative ellipticity at ~200 nm of foot extracted mfp-6 compared with rMfp-6 is suggestive of a beta structure whereas the strong positive ellipticity at 230 nm has been attributed to aromatic interactions among the numerous i.e. 20 tyrosines present in Mfp-6 (Pain, R. (2005) Determining the CD spectrum of a protein. *Curr. Protoc. Protein Sci.* Chapter 7, Unit B3.5 doi: 10.1002/0471140864.ps0706s38).

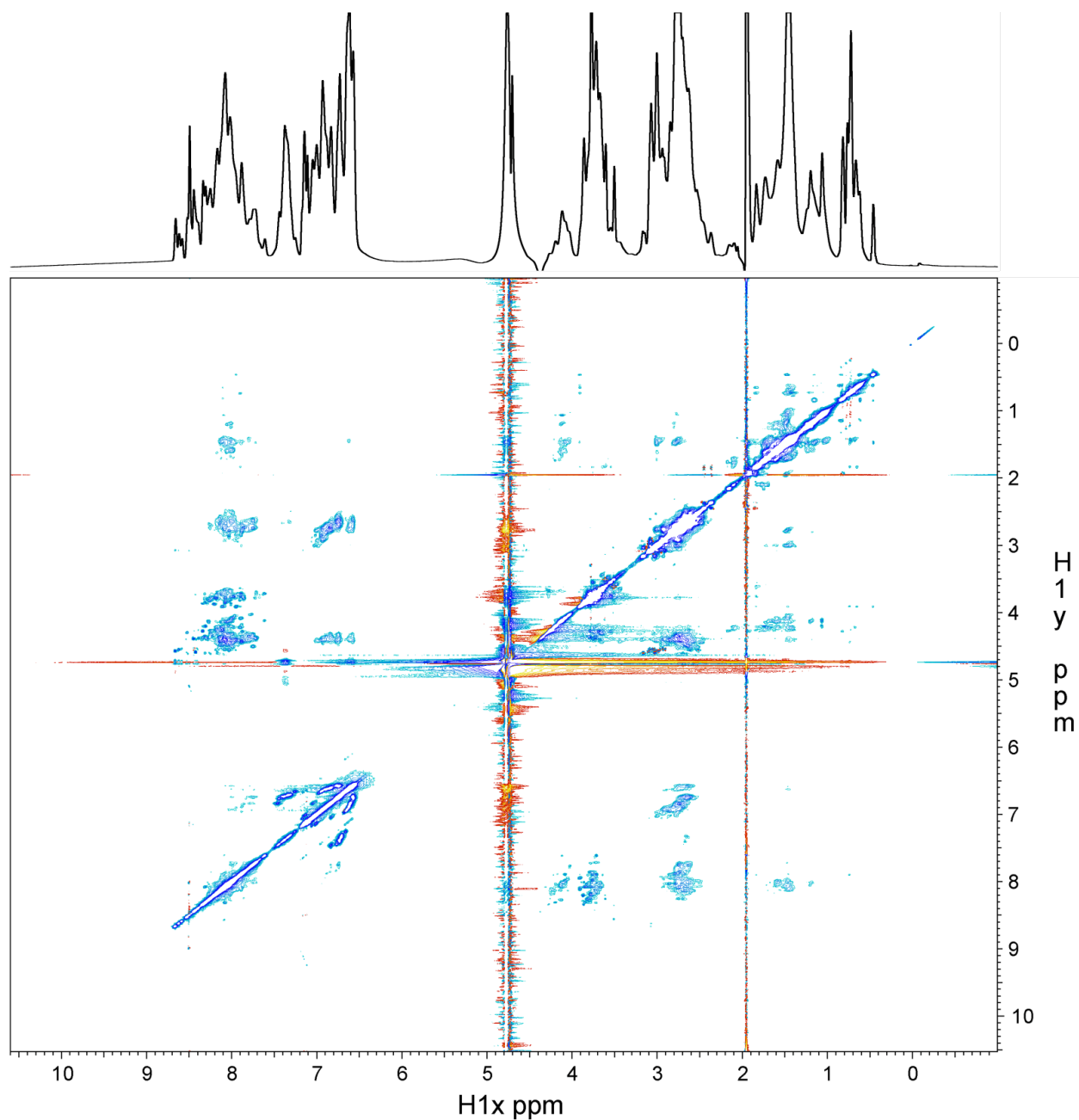


Figure S6: NMR spectra of rMfp-6. 1D and 2D NOESY proton NMR spectra of 130 μ M rMfp-6 in 5% d₄-acetic acid at pH 3. The spectra show only a few NOEs detected in the backbone amide and aromatic proton region of 6-10ppm, indicative of a mostly unfolded or only partially folded state of the protein. In addition, no methyl peaks are visible in the upfield region of 0-1.7ppm, indicating the absence of a core structure. Collectively, rMfp-6 does not appear to have a defined globular structure and rather forms a random coil at pH 3.

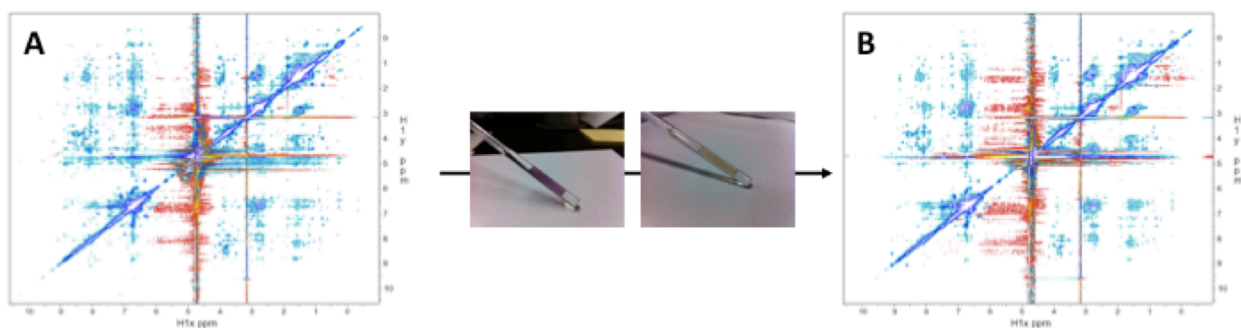


Figure S7: No major structural changes occur in Mfp-6 upon DPPH saturation. Shown are the 2D proton NMR (NOESY) spectra of Mfp-6 in 5% d4-acetic acid at pH 3 alone (A) or supplemented with DPPH in a molar ratio of about 1:10 (B). Saturating Mfp-6 with DPPH (reduced to yellow hydrazine) does not change the overall folding state of the protein indicated by a comparable pattern of NOESY peaks before and after the addition. The pictures show the Mfp-6 solution in the NMR tube right after the addition of 1mM DPPH ($t=0$) and after the overnight incubation and NMR spectra recording ($t \approx 22\text{h}$).

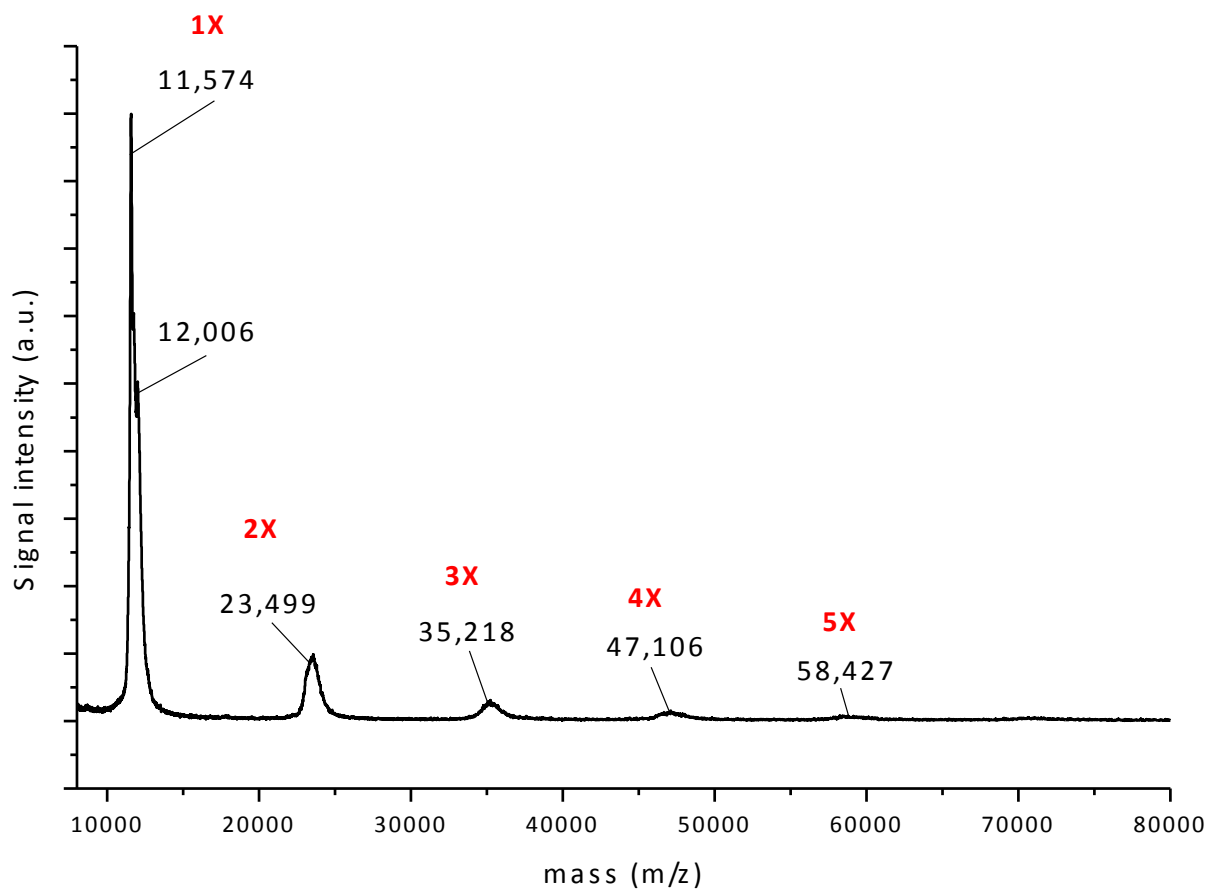


Figure S8: MALDI-TOF mass spectrum of Mfp-6 after precipitation at pH 7.5. Matrix= α -cyano-4-hydroxycinnamic acid, Accelerating Voltage=25,000 V, Grid Voltage=93%, Guide Wire Voltage=0.3, Delay Time=300ms.

Table S1: Deduced parameters of the reaction kinetics of DPPH radical reduction by the native and recombinant Mfp-6 proteins. Parameters are defined as follows: V_b bleaching rate, F_i % remaining DPPH radical at $t = \infty$, EC_{50} effective concentration at 50% reduction in M antioxidant/M DPPH, ARP antiradical power ($1/EC_{50}$). For details please refer to the main text and refs 2 and 3.

Mfp6	Conc, μM	V_b (% DPPH \cdot /min)	F_i (% DPPH \cdot)	EC_{50} (n)	ARP (n)	Stoichiometry (n)	red DPPH/Mfp6
native	2.5	688.2	61.5	0.03	33.9	0.06	17.0
	5	1290.9	27.1				
	10	1865.2	18.4				
	15	2497.3	21.3				
	20	2632.0	21.5				
recomb	2.5	107.2	74.3	0.13	7.7	0.26	3.8
	5	59.8	69.2				
	10	210.7	54				
	15	264.7	45.9				
	20	459.8	35.3				

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