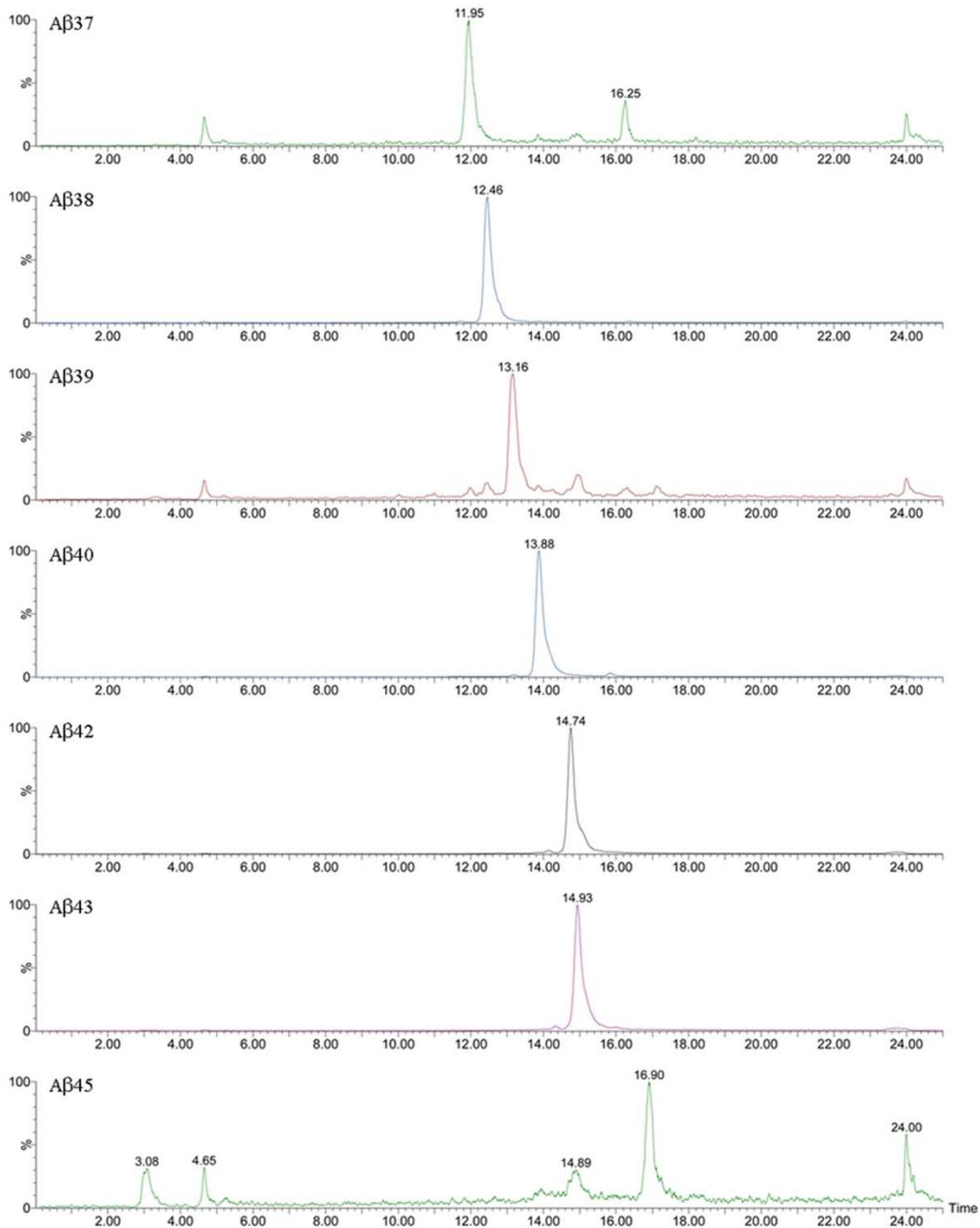
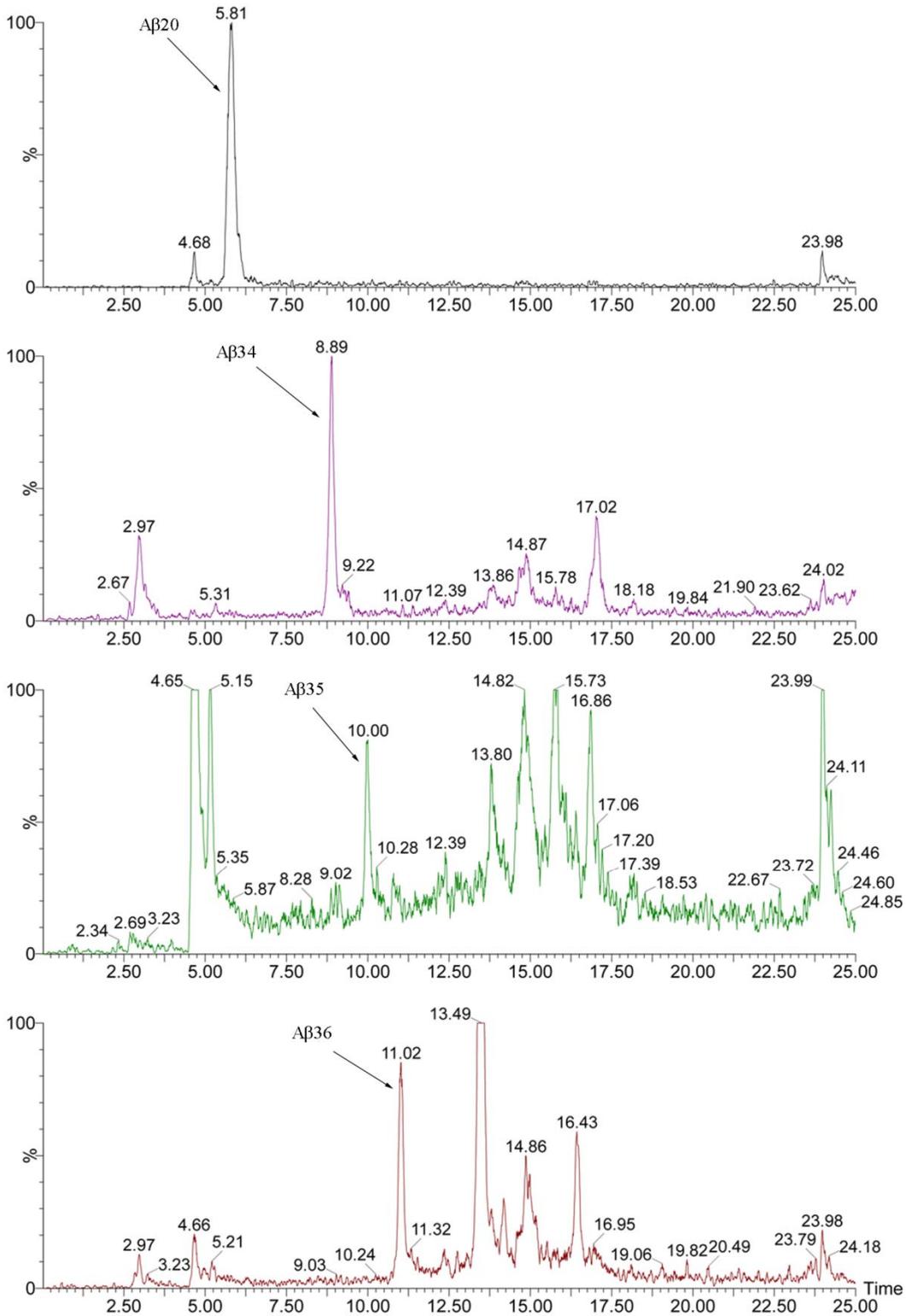


## Supplementary Material

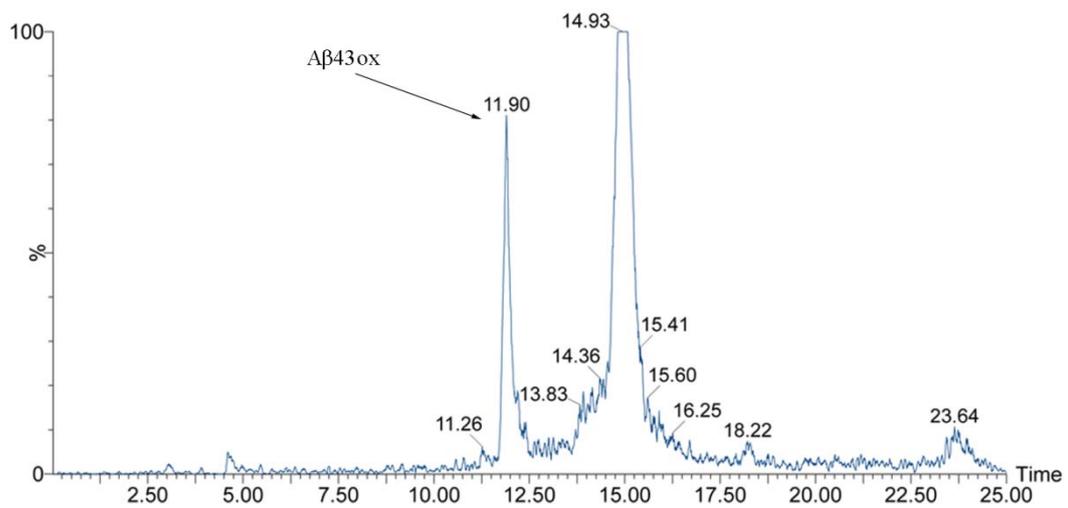
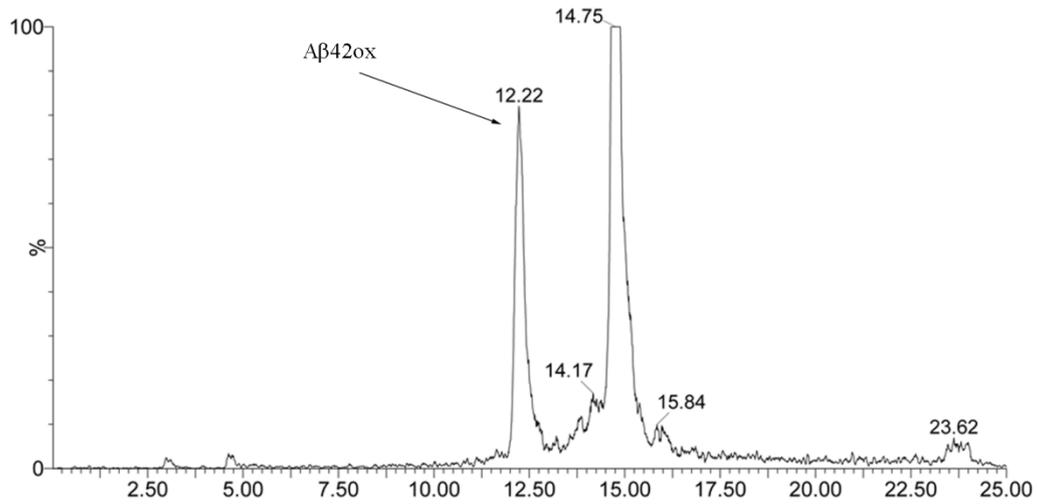
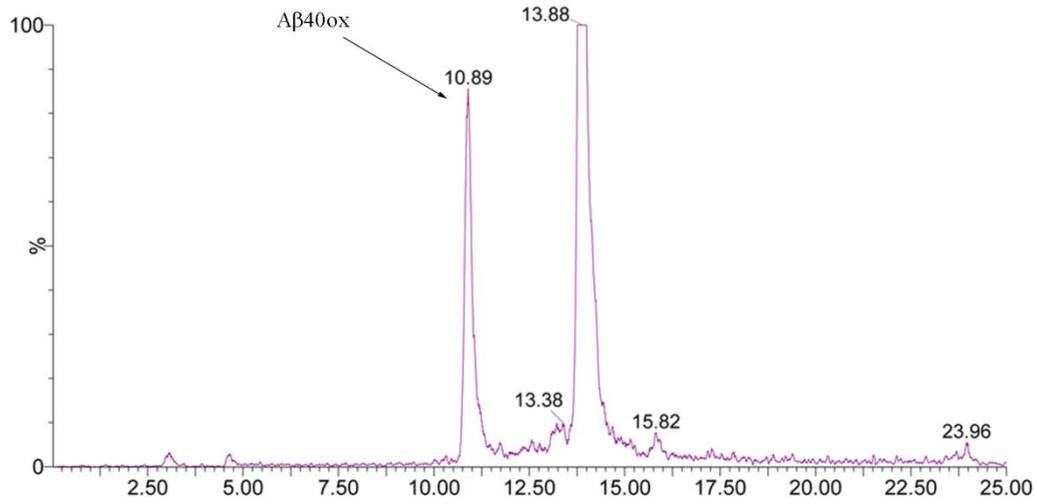
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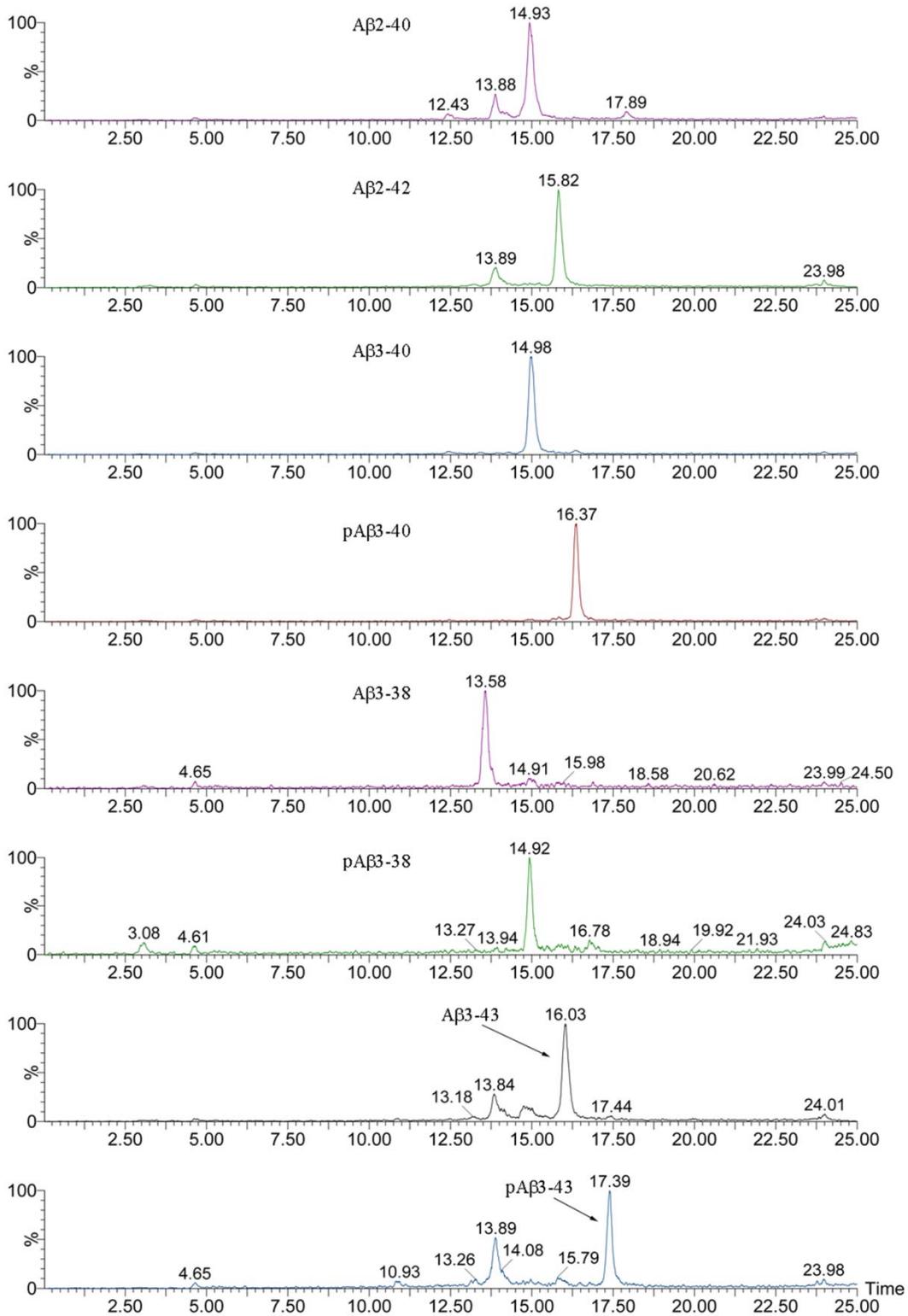
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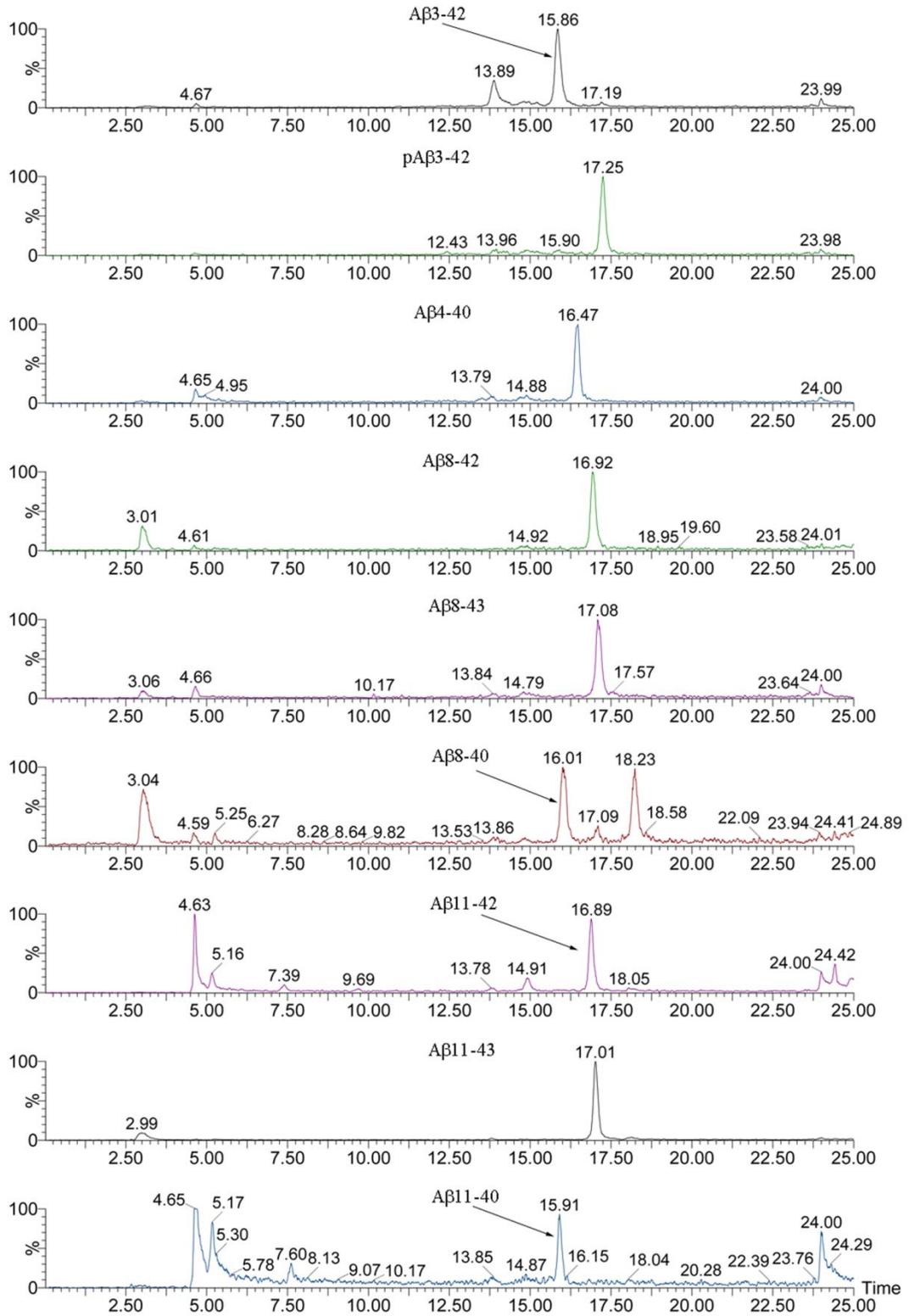


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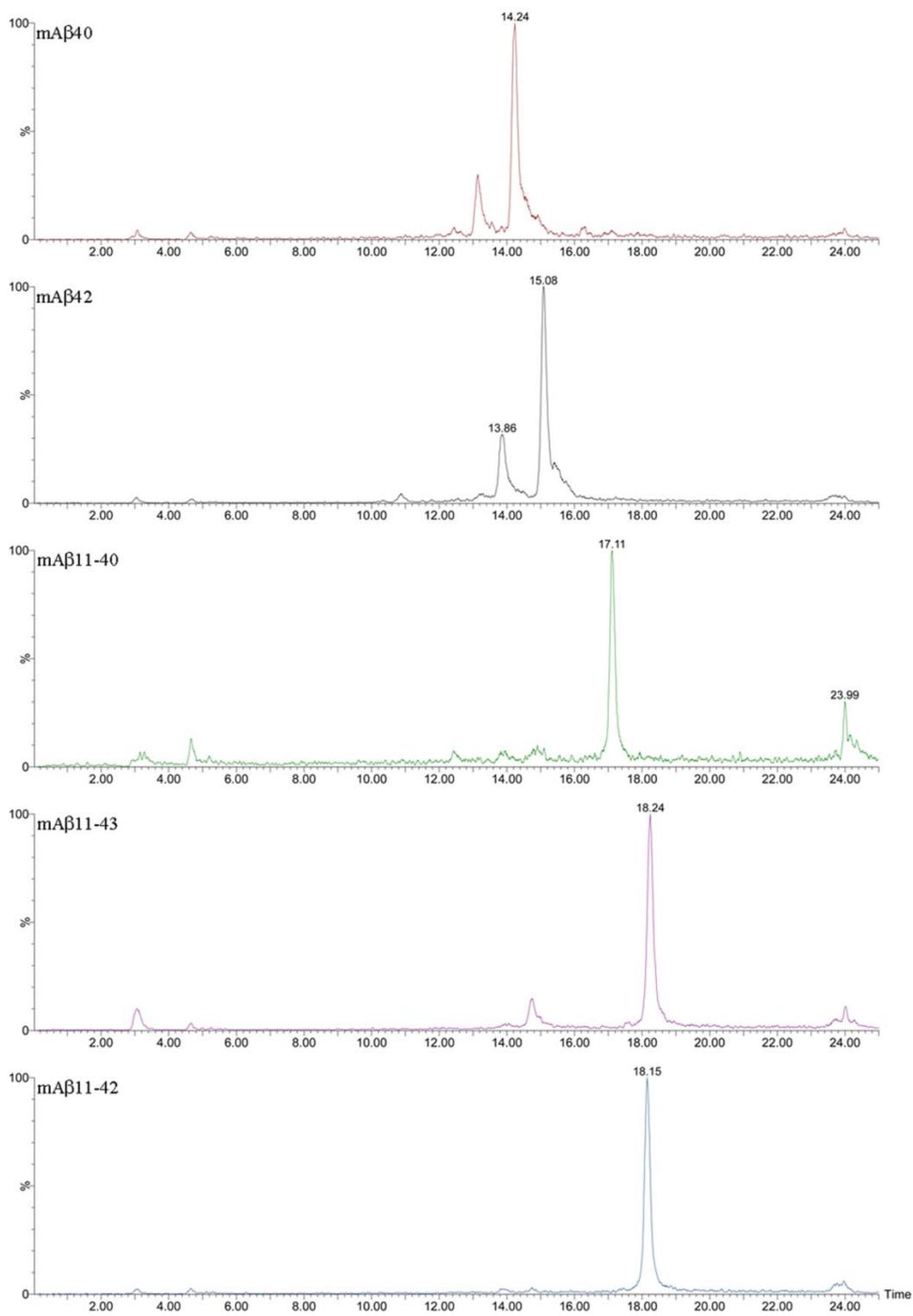


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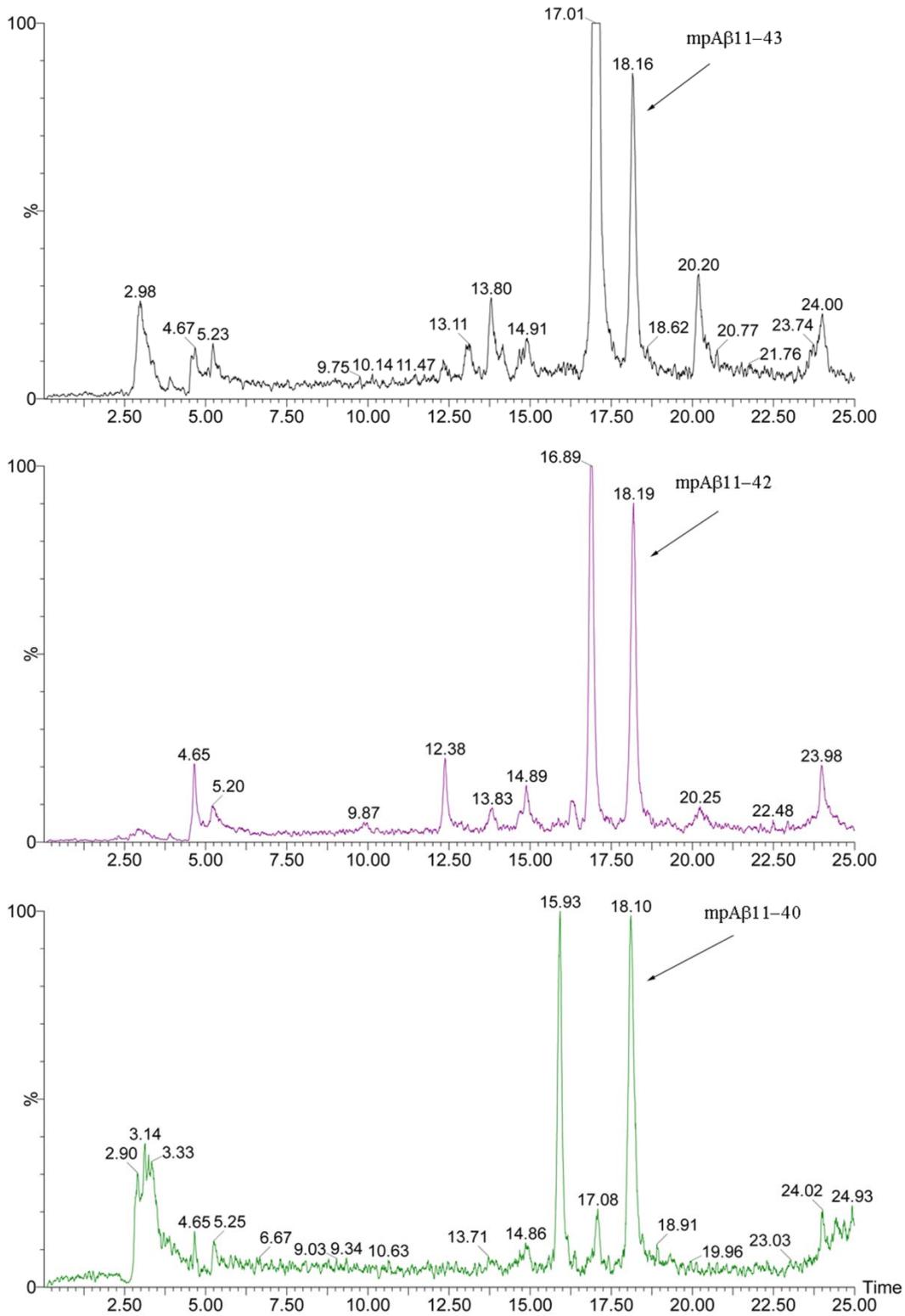




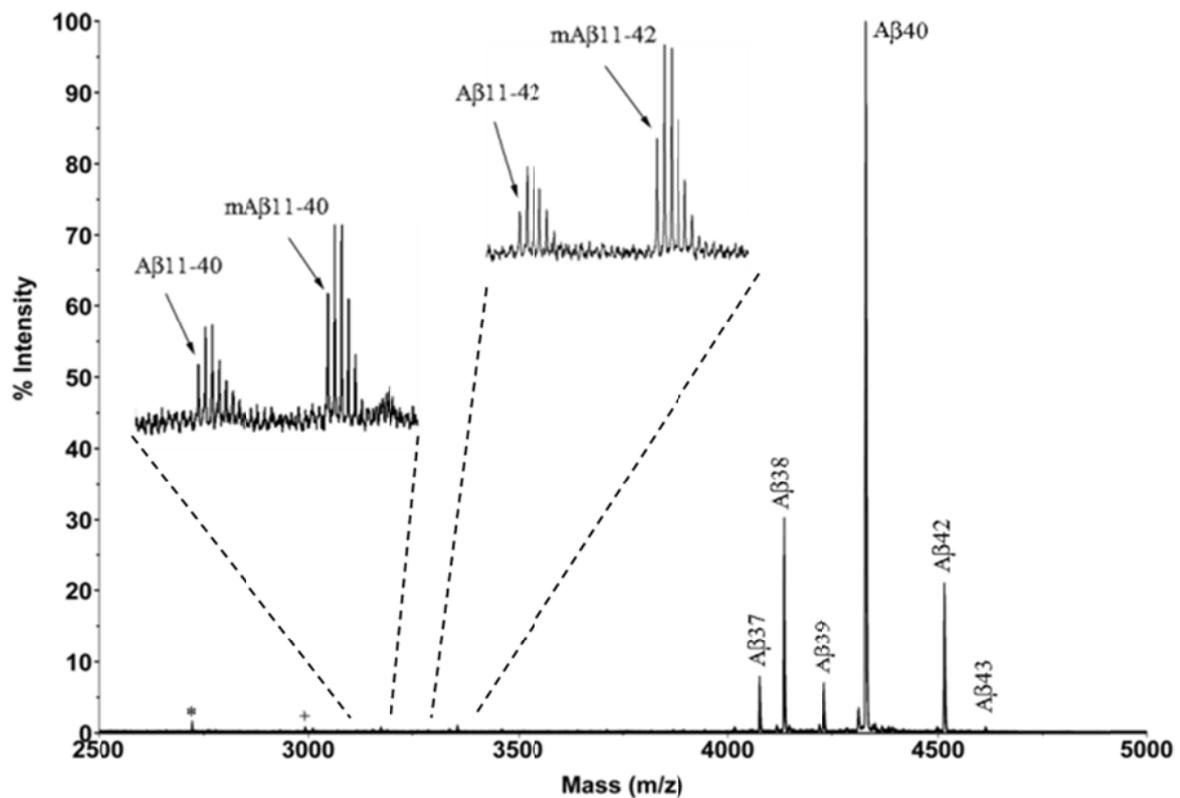
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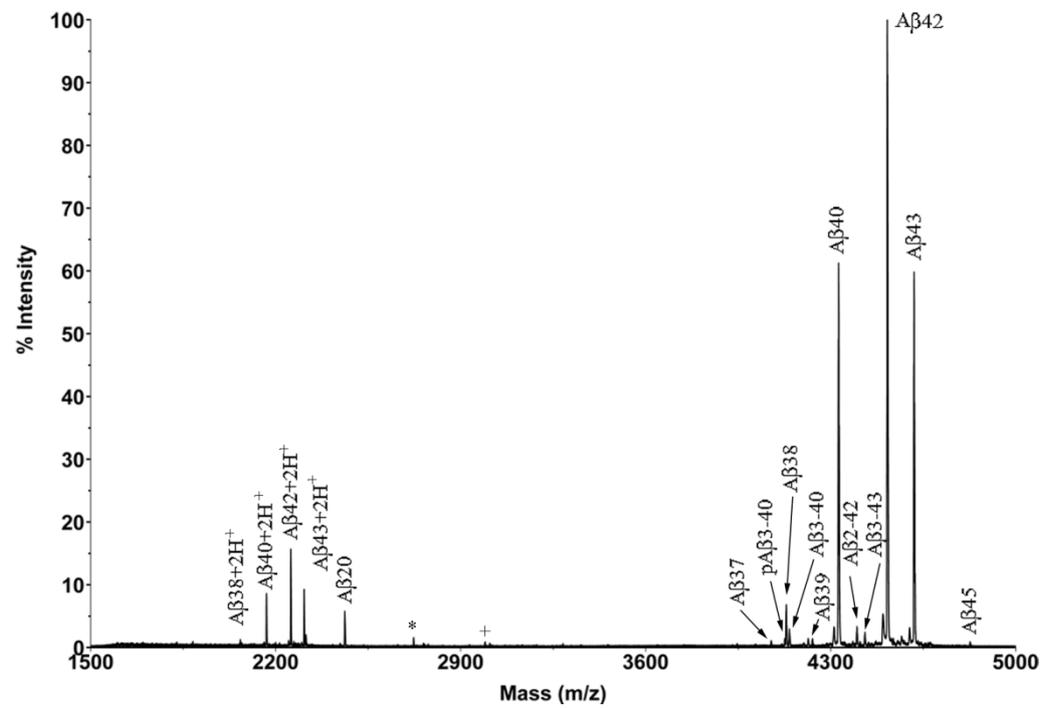
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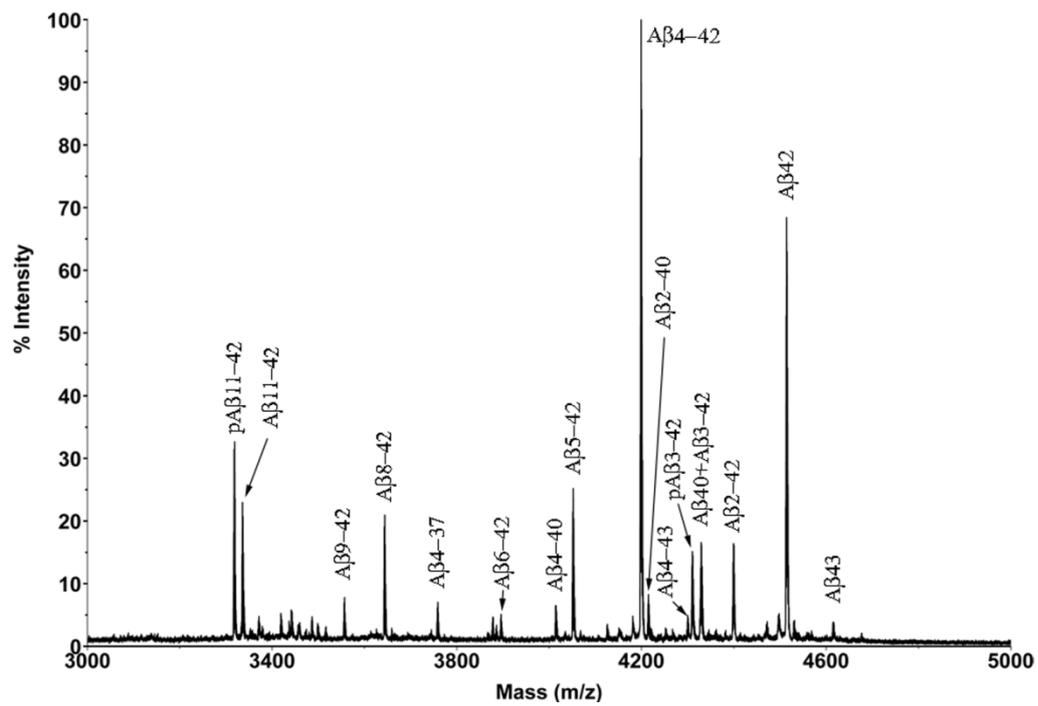
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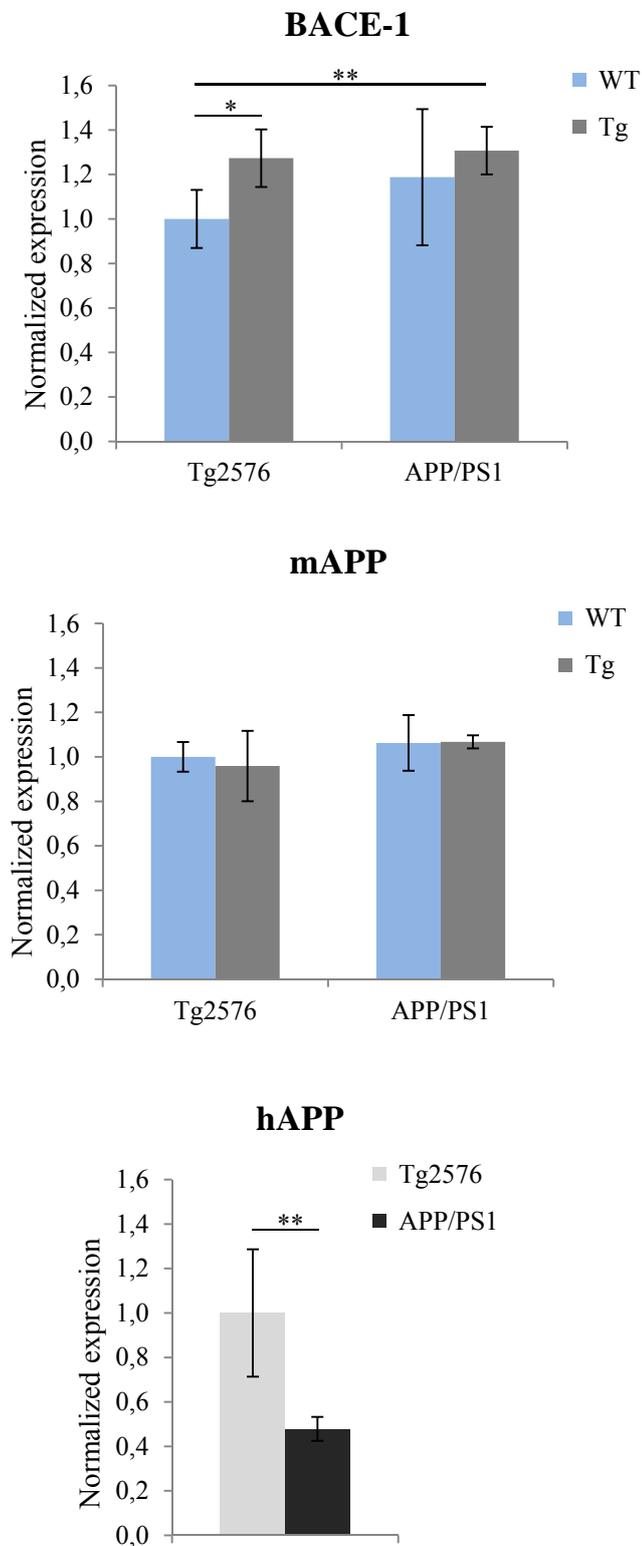
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**Supplementary Figure 4:** Mass spectrum of human brain extract (entorhinal cortex) from an Alzheimer's disease patient after immunoprecipitation of the insoluble fraction with mAb 4G8.



**Supplementary Figure 5:** mRNA expression levels for BACE-1, murine A $\beta$ PP (mA $\beta$ PP) and human A $\beta$ PP (hA $\beta$ PP) in the brain of Tg2576 and APP/PS1 transgenic (Tg) and wild type (WT) mice. Data are expressed as mean  $\pm$  standard deviation.



**Supplementary Table 1:** Human A $\beta$ <sub>40</sub> and A $\beta$ <sub>42</sub> concentrations (mean and % coefficient of variation [CV]) obtained by ELISA sandwich in plasma and insoluble brain fractions of transgenic mice.

		APPswe/PS1dE9			
		Plasma A $\beta$ <sub>40</sub> (pg/mL)	Plasma A $\beta$ <sub>42</sub> (pg/mL)	Insoluble A $\beta$ <sub>40</sub> (ng/mL extract)	Insoluble A $\beta$ <sub>42</sub> (ng/mL extract)
Tg 3m ♂	Mean	754,5	301,0	18,3	5,4
	% CV	37,5	20,7	45,2	26,7
Tg 3m ♀	Mean	902,6	309,6	15,1	11,5
	% CV	27,8	16,1	23,2	27,3
Tg 6m ♂	Mean	921,9	267,9	105,1	217,5
	% CV	32,7	37,8	61,3	26,9
Tg 6m ♀	Mean	880,0	294,9	206,4	263,1
	% CV	49,6	35,8	25,4	4,0
Tg 12m ♂	Mean	1234,9	314,1	741,2	708,1
	% CV	25,1	36,2	13,4	3,3
Tg 12m ♀	Mean	426,8	199,3	1026,4	794,2
	% CV	120,5	66,2	10,1	4,3
Tg 18m ♂	Mean	1020,8	299,7	1209,0	814,3
	% CV	16,9	18,5	3,4	6,5
Tg 18m ♀	Mean	1044,8	310,7	1229,8	841,8
	% CV	53,5	42,8	6,0	4,6

		Tg2576			
		Plasma A $\beta$ <sub>40</sub> (pg/mL)	Plasma A $\beta$ <sub>42</sub> (pg/mL)	Insoluble A $\beta$ <sub>40</sub> (ng/mL extract)	Insoluble A $\beta$ <sub>42</sub> (ng/mL extract)
Tg 3m ♂	Mean	2343,9	537,5	14,9	4,6
	% CV	55,6	63	6,4	20,0
Tg 3m ♀	Mean	2533,3	598,2	8,9	4,4
	% CV	10,4	16,6	15,2	29,2
Tg 6m ♂	Mean	2643,5	558,8	n.d.	5,2
	% CV	20,1	38,7	-	51,2
Tg 6m ♀	Mean	1498,8	206,1	n.d.	n.d.
	% CV	33,1	71	-	-
Tg 12m ♂	Mean	2378,9	406,1	76,0	29,9
	% CV	35,4	51,2	38,4	15,9
Tg 12m ♀	Mean	1328,5	180,0	177,1	47,6
	% CV	32,2	28,9	92,5	68,3
Tg 18m ♂	Mean	953,2	108,6	1006,0	364,7
	% CV	43,4	78,5	17,8	14,4
Tg 18m ♀	Mean	829,3	88,0	951,4	327,5
	% CV	79,4	58,4	12,2	18,5