Supplementary Material

In vitro-formulated oligomers of strep-tagged avian influenza haemagglutinin produced in plants cause neutralizing immune responses

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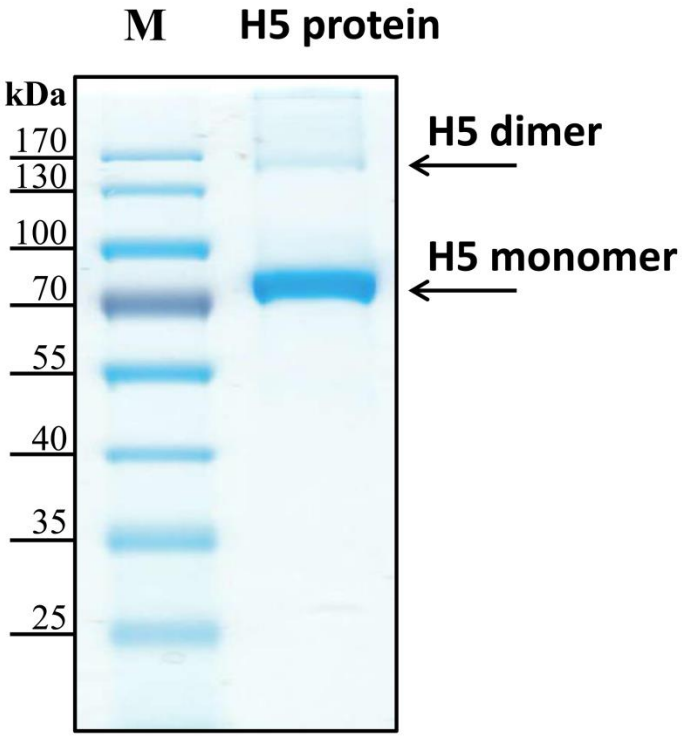

Supplementary Figure 1. Purity of plant-derived haemagglutinin trimers, as demonstrated by Coomassie blue stain. Plant-derived haemagglutinin trimers (Phan et al., 2017) were purified by IMAC, then further purified by size exclusion chromomatography using a SuperoseTM 6 increase 10/300GL column (GE Healthcare Bio-Sciences AB Björkgatan 30 751 84 Uppsala, Sweden) to eliminate host plant proteins. 2.5 µg of purified haemagglutinin trimers were then separated by SDS-PAGE (10% PAA) at reducing and denaturing condition, and visualized by Coomassie blue staining.

As shown in Supplementary Figure 1, haemagglutinin trimers (Phan et al., 2017) purified by both IMAC and size exclusion chromatography from infiltrated leaves were highly pure. The pure hemagglutinins were absorbed onto polystyrol ELISA plates to detect H5-specific mouse antibodies induced by H5-Strep tag and H5 oligomers.

References

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