

S2 Fig: Inhibition of rNetF (A) and rDelta (B)-mediated hemolysis by gangliosides. Both rNetF (1.3  $\mu g/ml$ ) and rDelta (10 ng/ml) were incubated with increasing concentration of GM1, GM2, and GM3 for 20 min at 37°C. Then, 2.5% sheep RBCs were added and incubated at 37°C for 1 h. Subsequently, the cells were pelleted and the supernatants were removed. Hemolysis was determined by measuring absorbance at 424 nm. PBS was used as the negative control for 0% hemolysis and 2% Triton X-100 as the positive control for 100% hemolysis. The values are averages of three experiments that were carried out in triplicate each; error bars represent the standard deviations across all 9 data points. ANOVA (parametric distribution) and Kruskal-Wallis (non-parametric distribution) tests were used for statistical analysis. The two tests do not detect a significant difference between the curves (p > 0.05).