### **Supporting Information**

### Exploring the inhibitory and antioxidant effects of fullerene and fullerenol

#### on Ribonuclease A

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## S1. UV-Vis spectra of fullerene and fullerenol

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Figure S1. UV- vis spectra of Fullerene (Ful) and Fullerenol (FulOH)

# **S2. MALDI-TOF**

The MALDI-TOF spectrum of fullerene in water



Figure S2 . MALDI TOF spectrum of fullerene in water

S3. Microscopic studies of Fullerene and Fullerenol using Field Emission Scanning Electron Microscopy (FESEM) and Atomic Force Microscopy (AFM):



**Figure S3.** (a) FESEM (b) AFM images (c) particle size of fullerene and fullerenol Magnification for FESEM images: 114870 X (Fullerene), 50000 X (Fullerenol)

S4: DLS studies of fullerene and fullerenol in presence of RNase A



**Figure S4.** DLS measurements of fullerene (RNase A/Ful) and fullerenol (RNase A/FulOH) in presence of RNase A

Sizes of RNase A/Ful and RNase A/FulOH are 275.15  $\pm$  28.5 nm and 369.05  $\pm$  38.2 nm respectively.





**Figure S5.** (a) Agarose gel of monomer (RNase A) and dimer (RNase A + oxi, oxi= $K_2S_2O_8 + Co^{2+}$ ) (b) Relative intensities of the agarose gel (c) Lineweaver-Burk plot for monomer and dimer

Table S1 The  $V_{max}$ ,  $K_M$  and  $k_{cat}$ , vales for RNase A monomer and DT crosslinked dimer calculated from Lineweaver–Burk plot.

	Monomer	Dimer
$V_{max}$ (M min <sup>-1</sup> )	13.83 X 10 <sup>-6</sup>	11.61 X 10 <sup>-6</sup>
$K_{m}(\mathbf{M})$	434.87 X 10 <sup>-6</sup>	635.65 X 10 <sup>-6</sup>
K <sub>cat</sub>	6.915	5.805