## **Supporting Information**

## Development of a Fluorescence Internal Quenching Correction Factor to Correct BoNT/A Endopeptidase Kinetics using SNAPtide

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In this study, fluorescence internal quenching (FIQ) correction factors were derived using an unquenched SNAPtide peptide to quantify the signal quenching over a range of SNAPtide concentrations and temperatures. The FIQ Correction Factors developed provide a convenient method to allow for improved accuracy in determining and comparing BoNT/A LC activity and kinetics using SNAPtide over a broad range of concentrations and temperatures.

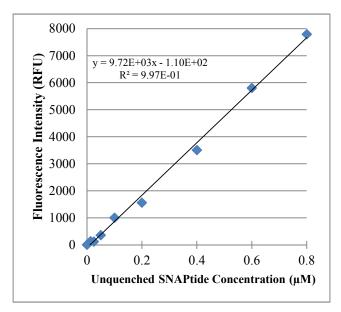
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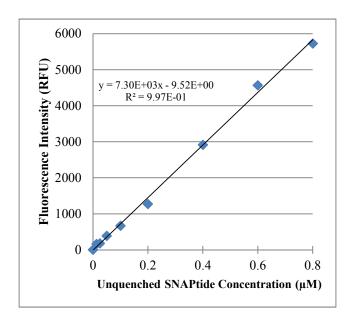
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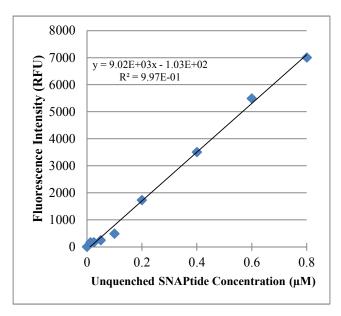
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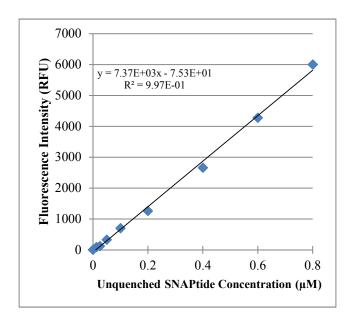
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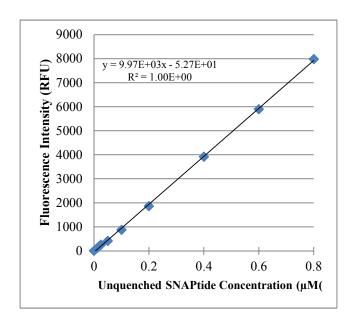
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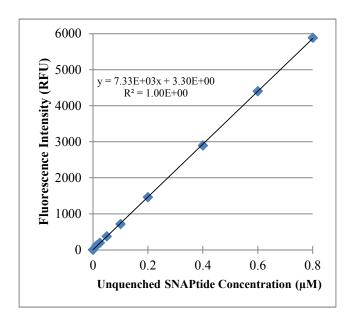
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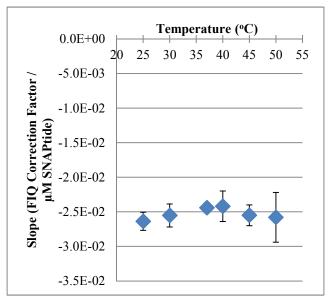
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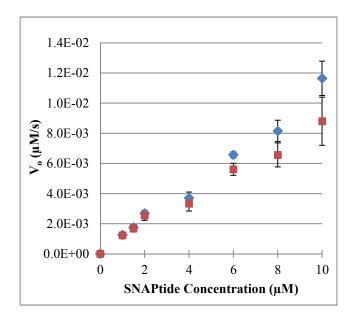
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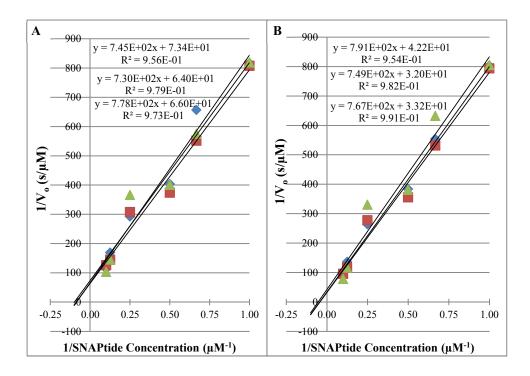
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**Figure S-7:** Slope of trendline showing FIQ Correction Factor/ $\mu$ M SNAPtide calculated for each temperature. These slopes can be used to calculate FIQ Correction Factors at SNAPtide concentrations between 0.00-10.0  $\mu$ M and at reaction temperatures between 25-50°C if the 0.0  $\mu$ M SNAPtide sample is assumed to have an FIQ Correction Factor of 1.00. Error bars shown are standard deviations of the mean for triplicate samples.



**Figure S-8:** Comparison of Michaelis-Menten plots for uncalibrated (■) and FIQ correction factor calibrated (◆) velocities for BoNT/A LC endopeptidase kinetics (100 nM LCA). Error bars shown are standard deviations of triplicate samples.



**Figure S-9:** Comparison of Lineweaver-Burk plots for uncalibrated (A) and FIQ correction factor calibrated (B) velocities for BoNT/A LC endopeptidase kinetics (100 nM LCA). Each plot shows the trendline for each of the triplicate runs. Run 1: ◆ Run 2: ■ Run 3: ▲