Erratum to: Isolation and characterization of proteases that hydrolyze royal jelly proteins from queen bee larvae of the honeybee, *Apis mellifera*

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Inhibitor concentration of figure legends in Fig. 3 and 5 had some errors. Correct legends are shown below:

Fig. 3. Effects of protease inhibitors on hydrolytic activities of crude enzyme solution. RJ solution (30-mg/mL proteins), crude enzyme solution (3-mg/mL proteins), and buffer (50-mM phosphate buffer, pH 7.0, or 50-mM Tris-HCl buffer, pH 9.0) were mixed at 1:1:8 (v/v/v). The reactions after adding the following inhibitors were carried out at 37 °C for 24 h. The results of adding the following protease inhibitors at pH 7.0 (**a**) and at pH 9.0 (**b**) are shown: 1 untreated RJ solution; 2 no inhibitor; 3 3-mM PMSF; 4 9-μg/mL antipain; 5 9-μg/mL pepstatin A; 6 9-μg/mL leupeptin; and 7 3-mM EDTA. The results of adding the

following peptidase inhibitors at pH 7.0 (**c**) and at pH 9.0 (**d**) are shown: 1 untreated RJ solution; 2 no inhibitor; 3 0.08-mg/mL bestatin; 4 10-μg/mL CPI; 5 3-mM PMSF.

Fig. 5. Effects of inhibitors on the hydrolysis of RJ proteins by the fractions obtained from gel filtration chromatography. Inhibitory activities are shown for fraction I (**a**), fraction II (**b**), and fraction III (**c**). RJ solution (30-mg/mL proteins), sample fractions, and buffer (50-mM Tris-HCl buffer, pH 9.0) were mixed at 1:1:8 (v/v/v). The reactions after adding the following inhibitors were carried out at 37 °C for 24 h: 1 untreated RJ solution; 2 no inhibitors; 3 5 mM PMSF; 4 5 μg/mL CPI; 5 10 mM EDTA.

Everything else in the paper remains correct.

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