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Dilutional linearity demonstrated over the whole measuring range for two extended half life recombinant Factor IX (EHL-rFIX) products with a chromogenic Factor IX method.

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INTRODUCTION

Analysis of EHL-rFIX products has shown large method discrepancies within one-stage (OS) methods and vs chromogenic substrate (CS) methods. For some methods, the discrepancy is more pronounced at low FIX activities. Adherence to dilutional linearity is an important parameter in assessing method performance.

AIM

The purpose of this work was to investigate dilutional linearity on analysis of two EHL-rFIX products, one **glycoPEGylated** [Nonacog beta pegol; N9-GP (Refixia/Rebiny), Novo Nordisk] and one **fused with albumin** [albutrepenonakog alfa (Idelvion), CSL Behring], using a chromogenic Factor IX method (Rox Factor IX).

CONCLUSIONS

- Dilutional linearity for glycoPEGylated EHL-rFIX (Nonacog beta pegol) was obtained in the tested range 0.2 – 200% (0.002 – 2.0 IU/mL) when applying Rox Factor IX on ACL TOP 500 and STA-R Evolution.
- Dilutional linearity for albumin fused EHL-rFIX (albutrepenonakog alfa) was obtained in the tested range 1.7 – 165% (0.017 – 1.65 IU/mL) when applying Rox Factor IX on ACL TOP 500 and STA-R Evolution.
- There is a good agreement in results obtained using the SSC/ISTH Secondary Coagulation Standard Lot No 4 (plasma) or the 5th International Standard (IS) hFIX Concentrate as calibrators.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

FIX doses were prepared in FIX deficient plasma (Congenital FIX deficient plasma, Stago) in the range 0.2 – 200% (Nonacog beta pegol, NovoNordisk) and 1.7 – 165% (albutrepenonakog alfa, CSL Behring) based on potency assignments obtained using the chromogenic Factor IX method, Rox Factor IX (Rossix AB). Two independent assay series were run with Rox Factor IX on both ACL TOP 500 (Instrumentation Laboratories) and on STA-R Evolution (Stago). The 5th International Standard (IS) Human Blood Factor IX Concentrate 14/148 and the SSC/ISTH Secondary Coagulation Standard Lot No 4 (plasma) (both from NIBSC, UK) were used as calibrators.

RESULTS

For both EHL-rFIX sources, and irrespective of choice of calibrator, dilutional linearity was demonstrated over the whole measuring range. The r^2 values were > 0.99 on both ACL TOP 500 and STA-R Evolution and with no trend towards deviations from linearity, especially at low FIX activities. The results obtained using the 5th IS or the SSC#4 as calibrator were in good agreement with correlation slopes ranging from 0.95-0.98, $r^2 > 0.999$ for both EHL-rFIX products on both instruments.

TABLE 1, FIX, % for Nonacog beta pegol (Refixia/Rebiny) calculated vs SSC#4 (plasma)

| Expected activity (FIX, %): | 200 | 170 | 150 | 100 | 50 | 20 | 10 | 5 | 2 | 0,5 | 0,2 |
|-----------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| ACL TOP | 215 | 181 | 154 | 101 | 51 | 19 | 9 | 5,4 | 2,3 | 0,4 | 0,2 |
| STA-R Evolution | 198 | 156 | 139 | 97 | 48 | 20 | 12 | 4,5 | 2,2 | 0,4 | 0,2 |

TABLE 2, FIX, % for Nonacog beta pegol (Refixia/Rebiny) calculated vs 5th IS (concentrate)

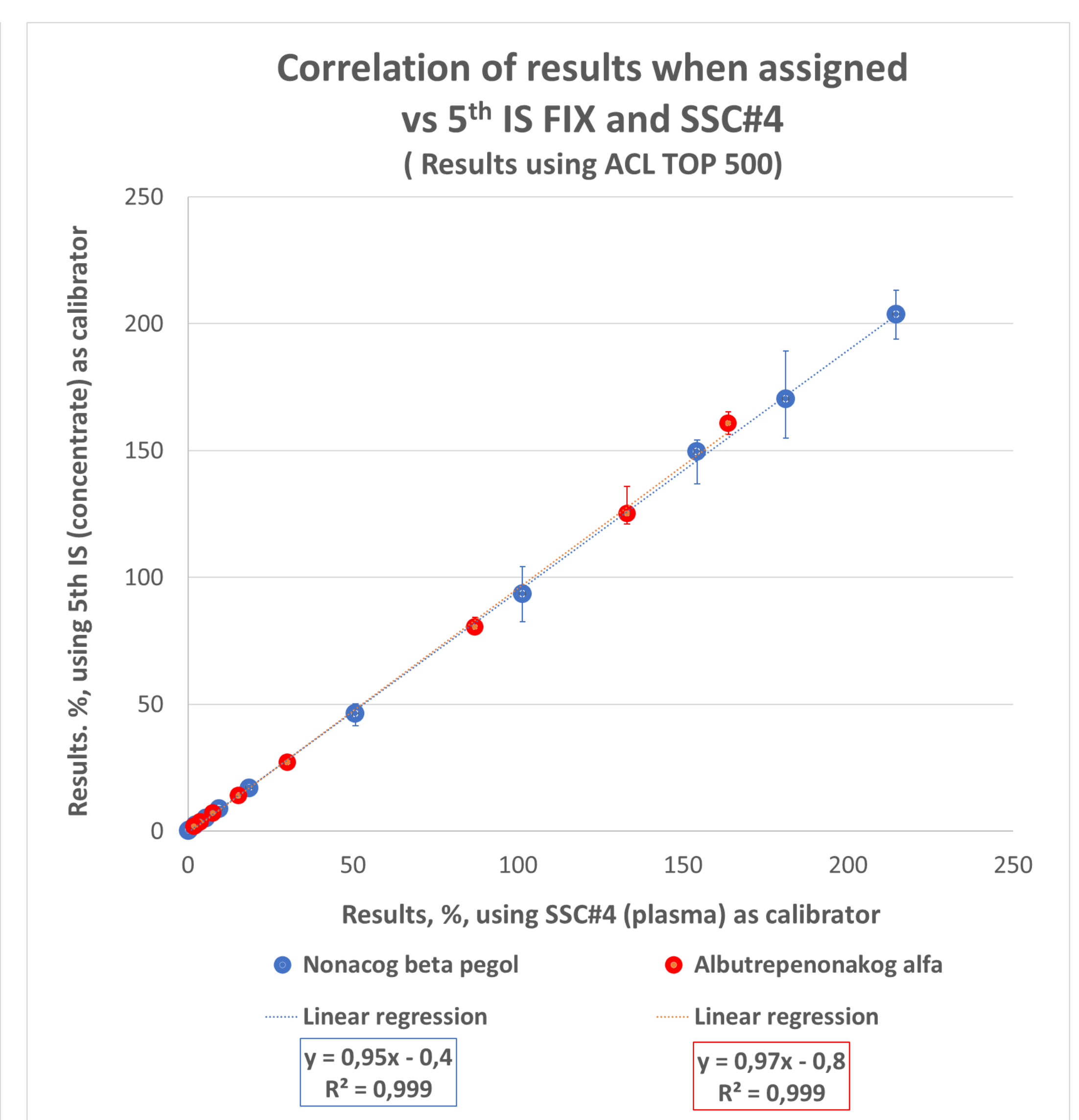
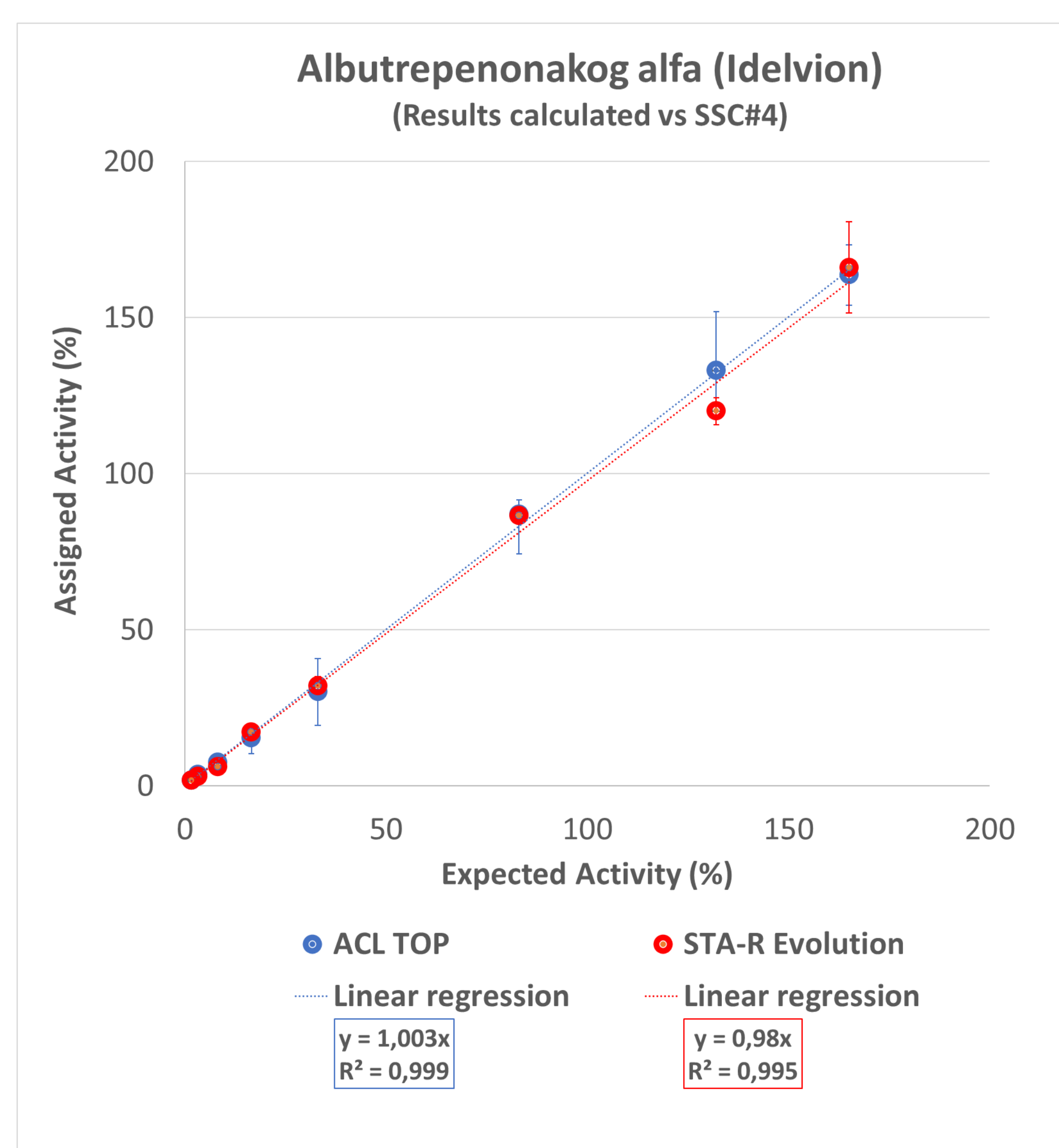
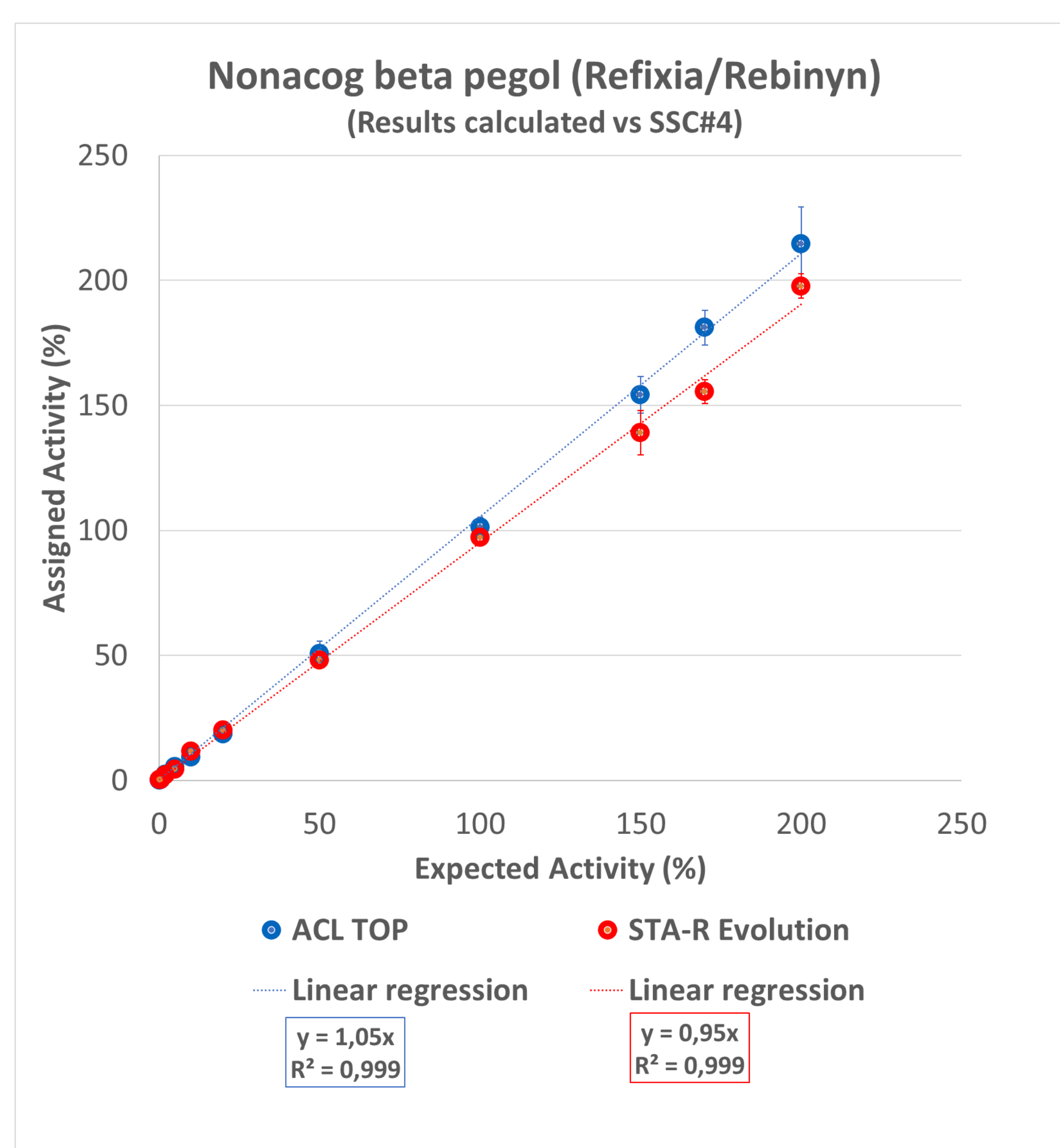
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| ACL TOP | 204 | 170 | 150 | 94 | 46 | 17 | 9 | 5,1 | 2,3 | 0,4 | 0,1 |
| STA-R Evolution | 192 | 152 | 136 | 94 | 47 | 20 | 11 | 6,1 | 1,7 | 0,7 | 0,4 |

TABLE 3, FIX, % for Albutrepenonakog alfa (Idelvion) calculated vs SSC#4 (plasma)

| Expected activity (FIX, %): | 165 | 132 | 83 | 33 | 16,5 | 8,3 | 3,3 | 1,7 |
|-----------------------------|-----|-----|----|----|------|-----|-----|-----|
| ACL TOP | 164 | 133 | 87 | 30 | 15 | 7,5 | 3,7 | 1,8 |
| STA-R Evolution | 166 | 120 | 87 | 32 | 17 | 6,2 | 3,1 | 1,7 |

TABLE 4, FIX, % for Albutrepenonakog alfa (Idelvion) calculated vs 5th IS (concentrate)

| Expected activity (FIX, %): | 165 | 132 | 83 | 33 | 16,5 | 8,3 | 3,3 | 1,7 |
|-----------------------------|-----|-----|----|----|------|-----|-----|-----|
| ACL TOP | 161 | 125 | 80 | 27 | 14 | 7,2 | 3,7 | 1,8 |
| STA-R Evolution | 162 | 118 | 80 | 31 | 17 | 6,0 | 2,5 | 1,4 |



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