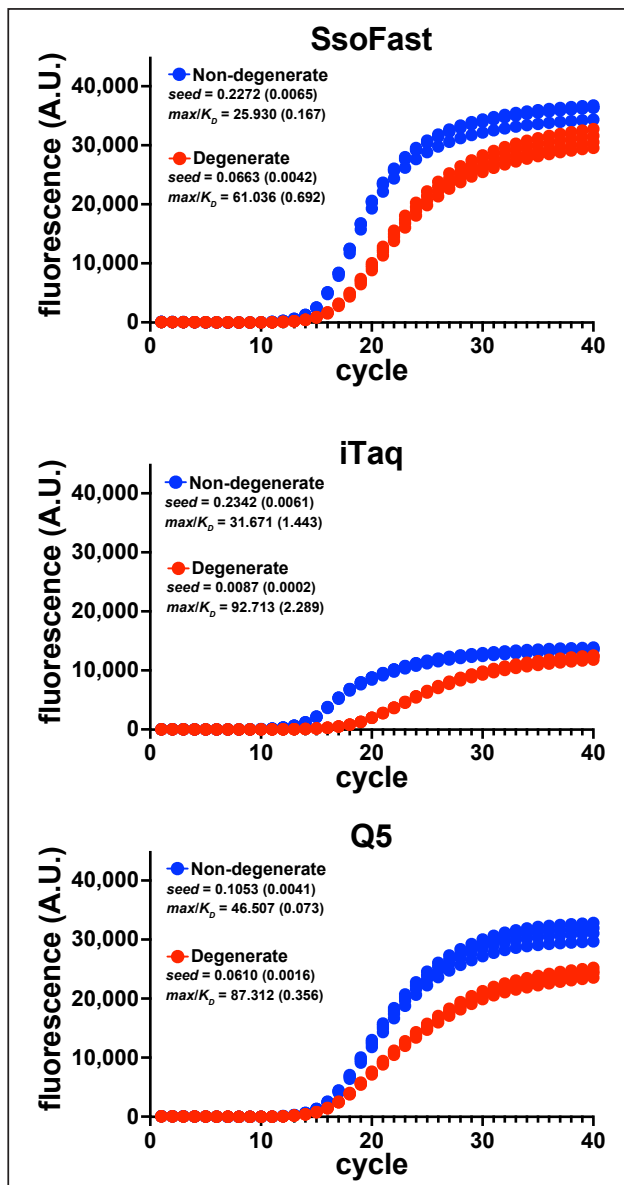




S2 Figure. Different polymerases using degenerate or non-degenerate primers. The V3-V4 region was amplified from *E. coli* genomic DNA using reaction conditions recommended by the enzyme manufacturers. Top panel, SsoFast EvaGreen (Bio-Rad); middle panel, iTaq SYBR Green (Bio-Rad); bottom panel, Q5 (NEB) supplemented with EvaGreen (Jena Bioscience).