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Folding mechanisms steer amyloid fibrils formation propensity of highly homologous proteins

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Supplementary Information

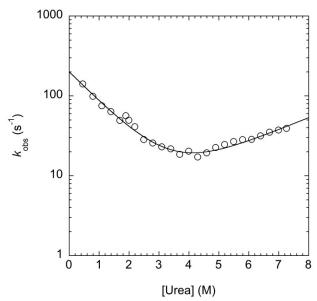


FIGURE SI1 – Chevron plot of Ml4_{52–151} in Urea

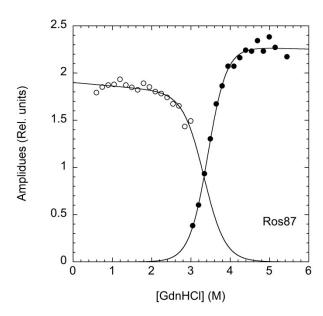


FIGURE S12 – Folding and unfolding kinetic transitions of Ros87. Open and filled circles refer to the amplitudes of the kinetic traces observed in the kinetic refolding and unfolding experiments respectively.

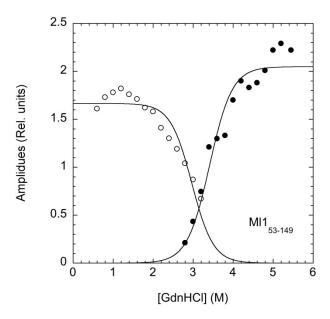


FIGURE SI3 – Folding and unfolding kinetic transitions of Ml1₅₃₋₁₄₉

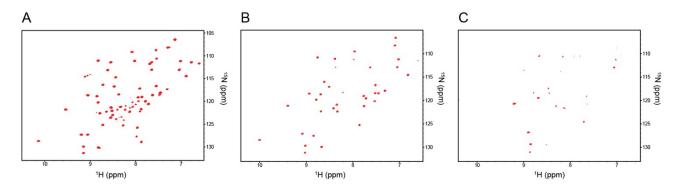


FIGURE S14 – Unfolding of MI1₅₃₋₁₄₉ by NMR: 1 H- 15 N-HSQCs of the protein at 298K (A), 323K (B) and at 353K (C). NMR samples contained 0.8 mM 15 N- MI1₅₃₋₁₄₉, 20 mM phosphate buffer, 0.2 M NaCl, 4 mM TCEP, pH 6.8, and 90% H₂O/10% 2 H₂O. The experiments were acquired on a Varian Unity INOVA 500 MHz spectrometer. Temperature-induced chemical shift perturbations have been monitored in a series of 1 H- 15 N HSQC spectra acquired in a range from 278 to 353 K at regular intervals of temperature. The resonances exhibit a continuous chemical shift variation indicating a fast protein folding process and some of them still preserved a good spectral dispersion at 353 K. The presence of visible cross-peaks up to 353 K is in agreement with the mechanism of folding described by the other techniques.

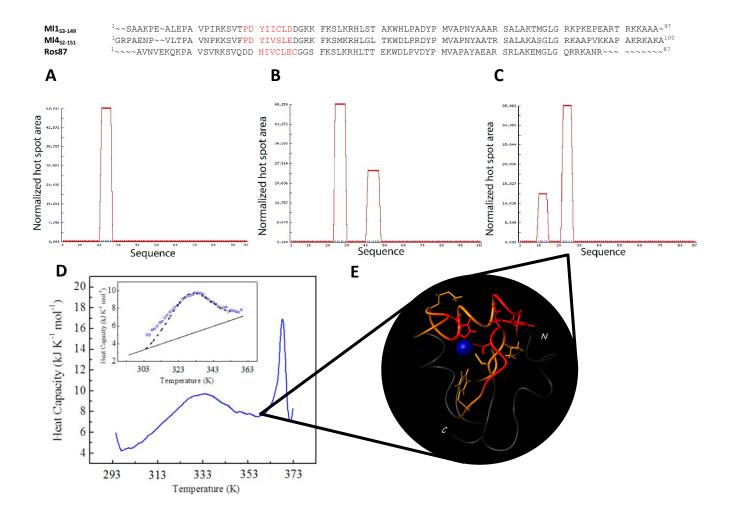


FIGURE SI5 - Alignment of the three proteins: the amino acid stretches with high propensity to aggregate are in red; AGGRESCAN results for Ros87 (C), MI4₅₂₋₁₅₁ (B) and MI1₅₃₋₁₄₉ (A); thermal unfolding of Ros87 followed by DSC (D); Ros87 zinc containing intermediate present at 353K (Palmieri *et al.*, JACS 2013).

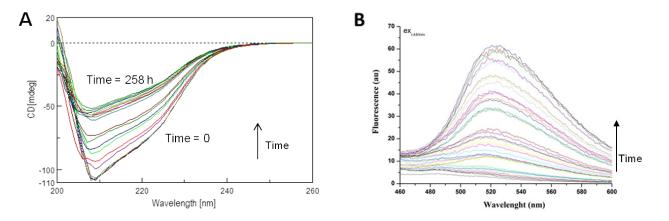


Figure SI6 - (A) CD spectra of Ros87 incubated at 298K recorded every 12 hours for 10 days. (B) ThT florescence assay of Ros87 incubated at 298K: spectra were recorded every 12 hours.

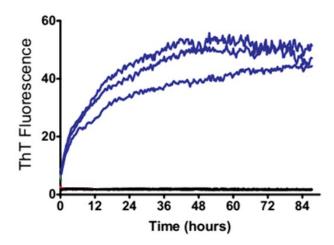
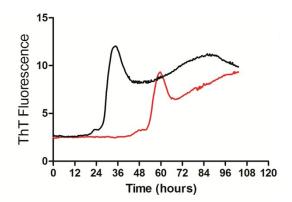


FIGURE SI7 – Aggregation behavior of unfolded Ros87 in acidic conditions (pH=3) at 298K followed by Thioflavin T fluorescence, recorded as a triplicate.



 $\textbf{FIGURE SI8} - Aggregation \ behavior \ of \ Ros 87 \ (black) \ and \ Ml4_{52-151} \ (red) \ at \ 300 \ \mu M \ and \ 298K \ followed \ by \ Thioflavin \ T \ fluorescence.$

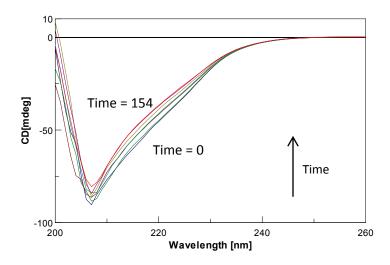
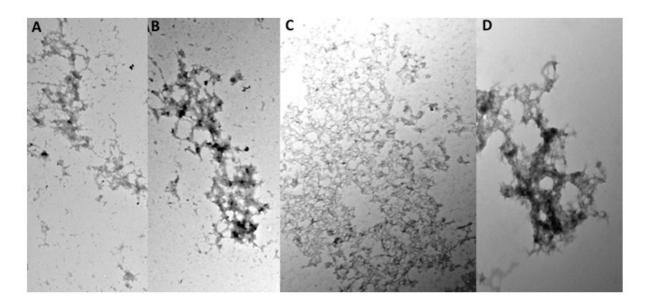


FIGURE SI9 - CD spectra of $Ml4_{52-151}$ incubated at 288K recorded every 24 hours for 154 hours.



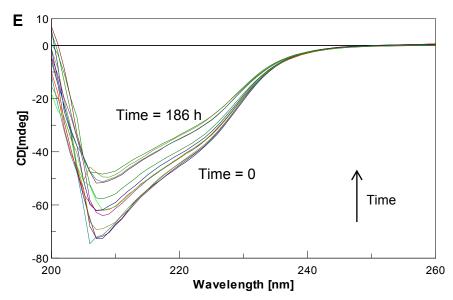
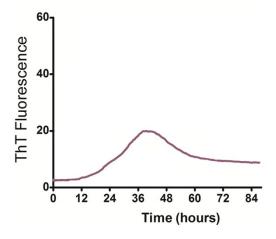


Figure SI10 - Aged Ml1₅₃₋₁₄₉: amorphous aggregates (panels A-D) - CD spectra of Ml1₅₃₋₁₄₉ incubated at 298K recorded every 12 hours for 186 days (panel E).



 $\textbf{FIGURE SI11} \textbf{-} Aggregation behavior of Ml1_{53-149} \text{ at } 300 \ \mu\text{M} \ \text{and } 298K \ \text{followed by Thioflavin T fluorescence}.$