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Folding mechanisms steer amyloid fibrils formation propensity of highly homologous proteins

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## **Supplementary Information**

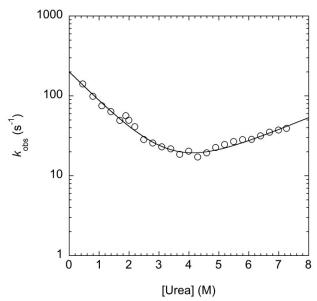
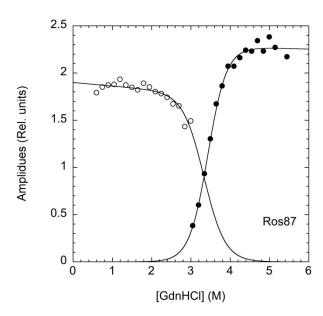


FIGURE SI1 – Chevron plot of Ml4<sub>52–151</sub> in Urea



**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.

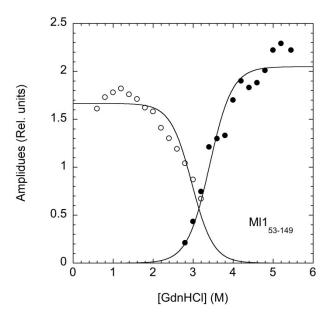
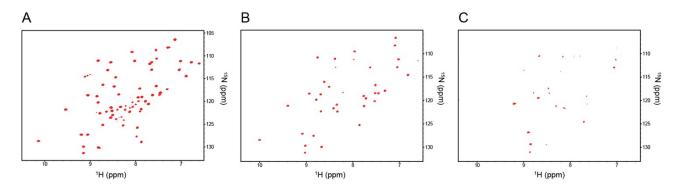
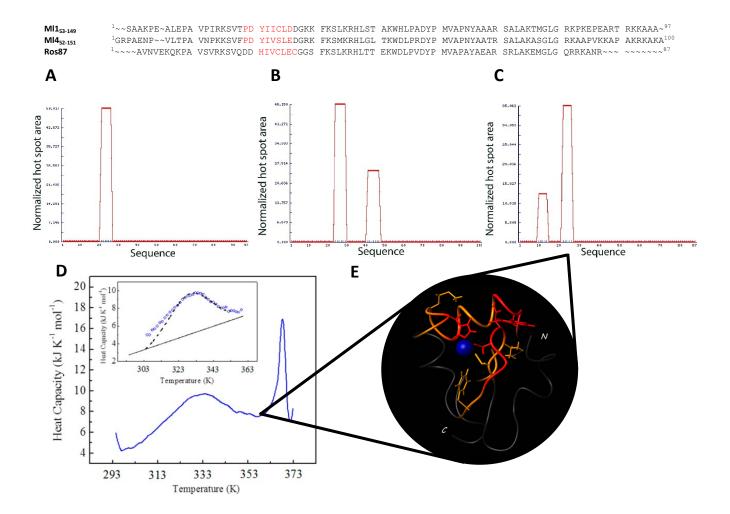


FIGURE SI3 – Folding and unfolding kinetic transitions of Ml1<sub>53-149</sub>



**FIGURE S14** – Unfolding of MI1<sub>53-149</sub> 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- MI1<sub>53-149</sub>, 20 mM phosphate buffer, 0.2 M NaCl, 4 mM TCEP, pH 6.8, and 90% H<sub>2</sub>O/10%  $^{2}$ H<sub>2</sub>O. 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), MI4<sub>52-151</sub> (B) and MI1<sub>53-149</sub> (A); thermal unfolding of Ros87 followed by DSC (D); Ros87 zinc containing intermediate present at 353K (Palmieri *et al.*, JACS 2013).

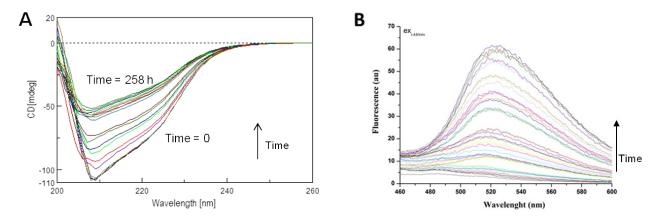


Figure SI6 - (A) CD spectra of Ros87 incubated at 298K recorded every 12 hours for 10 days. (B) ThT florescence assay of Ros87 incubated at 298K: spectra were recorded every 12 hours.

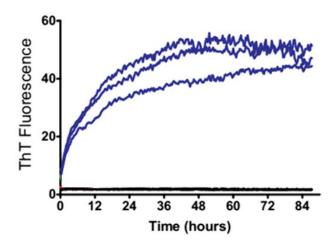
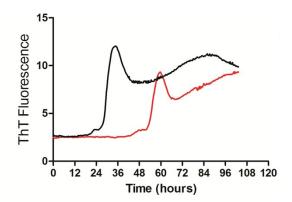
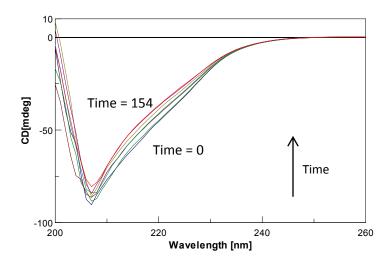


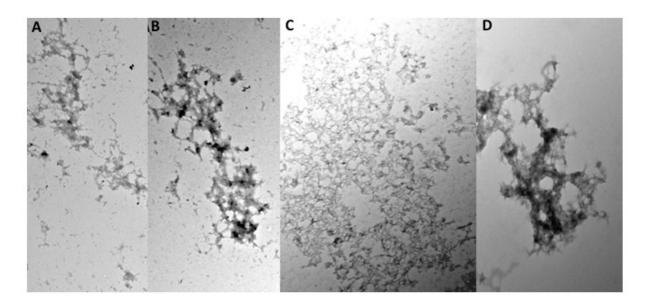
FIGURE SI7 – Aggregation behavior of unfolded Ros87 in acidic conditions (pH=3) at 298K followed by Thioflavin T fluorescence, recorded as a triplicate.

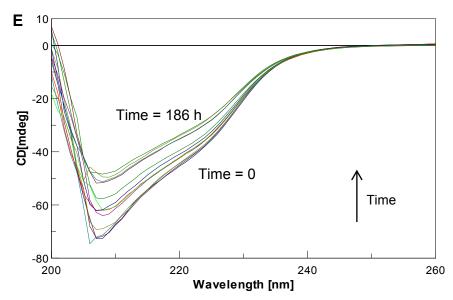


 $\textbf{FIGURE SI8} - Aggregation \ behavior \ of \ Ros 87 \ (black) \ and \ Ml4_{52-151} \ (red) \ at \ 300 \ \mu M \ and \ 298K \ followed \ by \ Thioflavin \ T \ fluorescence.$ 

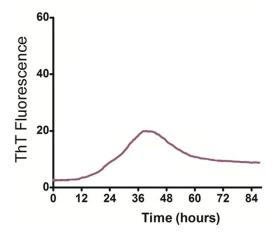


**FIGURE SI9** - CD spectra of  $Ml4_{52-151}$  incubated at 288K recorded every 24 hours for 154 hours.





**Figure SI10** - Aged Ml1<sub>53-149</sub>: amorphous aggregates (panels A-D) - CD spectra of Ml1<sub>53-149</sub> incubated at 298K recorded every 12 hours for 186 days (panel E).



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